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Board Named To Carry Out Park Project

Acquisition of Site Near Rose School Completed; Zoning System Proposed

Parks, playgrounds and city planning featured in the regular meeting of the Roseburg city council Monday night, as the council ratified appointment of a park commission, amended its ordinance to permit the city to receive gifts of land, money, etc., for park, playground or recreational purposes, and considered plans for development of a recreational field south of the Rose school building.

Earlier in the year the council adopted an ordinance providing for a park commission authorized to direct a recreational program and to provide facilities as money became available. An appropriation of \$1400 was made in the budget, which, increased by private donations, provided funds with which to carry on an extensive summer program.

Legal Requirements Noted

The council was informed at its meeting Monday night by City Attorney A. N. Orcutt, however, that in order to bring donations of money or lands through contributions, gifts, legacies, endowments, etc., within the limitations of income tax and inheritance tax laws, it would be necessary for such donations to be received directly by the city instead of through the park commission. An amendment was introduced and placed on first and second readings, providing the methods for handling such funds, specifying that any gifts earmarked for specific purposes can be expended only for the purposes for which they were given and requiring the recorder to carry them in special index.

The council also was notified of approval of a federal grant of \$5,250 to aid the city in its recreational program for the period from Nov. 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THERE are two interesting straws in the war winds:

1. In Europe we're jabbing at German defenses all along the western front and the nazis predict that "the greatest battle of this war" will flare up there very shortly.

2. Admiral Mitscher, back in this country from the battle of the Philippines, says Japan has been cut down to a fifth-rate naval power, her naval aviation has been practically eliminated and she is now vulnerable to attack—BUT before pushing on we'll have to have a lot more shipping in the Pacific than we have available now.

THAT is to say, the war in Europe is approaching another crisis. The war in the Pacific is approaching another period of relative slow-down.

BOTH of these apparently impending developments hinge on SUPPLY.

For more than a month now,

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Waste Paper Collection Goal Set at 100,000 Pounds; Proceeds to Purchase Uniforms for Roseburg School Band

Very thorough organization of high school students for a city wide collection of waste paper in Roseburg Friday, Nov. 10, has been completed, it was announced today by Principal Omar J. Monger. The school hopes to collect 100,000 pounds of paper, which has been set as a goal. Proceeds from the sale, which will amount to around \$700 if the goal is reached, will be used to purchase uniforms for the school band.

Girls have been appointed to canvass every residence in the city on Wednesday, Nov. 8. They have been assigned by blocks and will endeavor to secure a report from each home of the approximate amount of paper to be made available. Residents will be instructed by the girls regarding proper preparation of paper for collection.

Instructions To Donors

It is being requested that magazines and newspapers be sorted into separate bundles which should be tied securely to permit handling. Loose papers should be packed tightly into cartons. It is requested that all bundles be placed on front porches

44 Million Trek to Polls To Ballot on Presidency

Roosevelt, Dewey Plead for Heavy Turnout; 467 Congress Jobs, 31 Governorships at Stake

(By the Associated Press)

The men and women who make up America took control today, deciding with peaceful ballots in a wartime election on their leadership for the next four years.

With victory and peace on their minds and in their hearts, they chose between two men who have both assured them they can do the job—Franklin D. Roosevelt, 62-year old three-termer in the White House, and Governor Thomas E. Dewey, 42, aspiring for a first term.

Also to be elected today are 35 senators, 432 U. S. representatives and 31 governors. State officials estimate a total vote of 44 million plus, including 3,369,000 soldiers and sailors.

Republican Dewey and Democrat Roosevelt, in eleventh-hour messages to the country, agreed that no matter who wins the presidency, it is supremely important to a democracy at war to pile up a huge vote.

Soldier Vote May Decide Election

(By the Associated Press)

The last of approximately 2,652,000 soldier votes which can be counted in 40 states are being sorted today as civilians turn to the polls in the nation's third wartime election.

Five of the 40 states—New York, New Mexico, Connecticut, Iowa, Kentucky—stopped accepting GI ballots yesterday. Thirty-five others are accepting them today. Eight states will accept them until various dates up to North Dakota's Dec. 5.

All but 11 states will count their soldier votes today or tonight. Few will tabulate them separately from the civilian vote.

Latest reports from state election officials indicate that approximately 3,369,000 of the 4,700,000 servicemen and women who applied for absentee ballots will return them in time to be counted. The 3,369,000 includes approximately 717,000 expected by states which will accept ballots after today.

The soldier vote could decide the election in any state whose civilian voters may be divided almost evenly between President Roosevelt and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

Should such a situation arise in any of the nine states which do not count any of their soldier votes today or tonight, the nation might have to wait days or weeks to learn who wins the election. This would happen only if neither candidate had a majority of the 531 electoral votes from the 39 other states.

City's Last Civil War Vet Still Votes G. O. P.

BENTON HARBOR, Mich., Nov. 7.—(AP)—Oscar Mott, last Benton Harbor civil war veteran, who marched with Sherman from Atlanta to the sea, cast his ballot for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and the straight republican ticket today.

Mott said he voted for Abraham Lincoln and had never voted anything but the republican ticket. The aged veteran was taken to the polls by a friend.

Truck Blow Fatal

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 7.—(AP)—Grover C. Maxey, former Vancouver, Wash., shipyard worker, died here yesterday of injuries suffered when struck by a truck near here Sunday.

Four of the five "border states" voted republican in 1920 and 1924 and all five in 1928. In each of these years the G. O. P. presidential candidate won. In the past three elections all five voted for Roosevelt.

Woman, 90, Carried to Polls, Votes for Dewey

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 7.—(AP)—Ninety-year-old Mrs. Elizabeth D. Allen, wearing a gray bandanna over her head, was carried today to the election booth in a chair to vote for Governor Dewey. She said she switched from the democrats when they elected Grover Cleveland.

Air Crash Near Bend Kills Army Officer

PORTLAND, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The death of Lt. Byron R. Greenway, 20, in the crash yesterday of his fighter plane ten miles east of Bend was disclosed today by Portland army air base. Greenway, of Hot Springs, Ark., was stationed at Redmond air base.

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County Vote Returns to Be Given by News-Review, Radio Station KRNR

Full coverage of Douglas county election returns will be furnished tonight by the News-Review and its radio station, KRNR. Starting soon after the polls are closed at 8 p. m., the News-Review will receive returns by telephone from voting precincts in all parts of the county.

Through cooperation of County Clerk Roy Agee, election boards in all precincts will aid by telephoning their returns to the News-Review office, where a crew of tabulators will compile results. Precinct data and accumulative totals will be broadcast from Station KRNR, which also will be furnished with Associated Press wire reports in addition to maintaining full national coverage by the Mutual Broadcasting system.

Migrant Workers Big Factor in Oregon Vote

(By the Associated Press)

Oregonians headed for the polls today to determine whether, for the fourth time, the state's six electoral votes will be cast for President Roosevelt.

The weather bureau forecast cloudy but rainless skies in eastern Oregon, and in western Oregon, off-and-on showers, not heavy enough to daunt voters aroused to fever pitch by a long array of election issues.

Top among the new factors in Oregon's 1944 race is the vote of the hordes of war workers who have migrated to the state since the last major election. In Portland war industries, where most of the new voters are massed and where a heavy registration drive was carried out in pre-election weeks, workers were given time off to go to the polls.

Goals Summed Up.

Mr. Roosevelt summed up as goals for Americans: "To win the war and unite our fighting men with their families at the earliest moment, to see that all have honorable jobs, and to create a world peace organization which will prevent this disaster from ever coming upon us again."

Governor Dewey likewise said "we want to make sure that this war will be the last war." He was critical again of home front measures of the Roosevelt administration.

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Eyes Focused On 9 Pivotal States

(By the Associated Press)

The war may throw previous presidential election indicators off line, but these states bear special watching in today's election:

The Atlantic seaboard states of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Massachusetts. The "border" states of Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Oklahoma and West Virginia.

New York's electoral vote has been in the loser's column only three times since the Civil war. Pennsylvania broke away from the republicans only twice since 1864, going for Roosevelt in the last two elections. The United Mine Workers' vote may be an important factor in the Keystone state, Massachusetts and New Jersey, like the other two, have been classed as doubtful states this year.

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Heavy Voting Presages 50 Million Total

(By the Associated Press)

Fast and furious voting the country over piled up a record total of ballots by early afternoon today and pointed toward an all-time high of 50,000,000.

As never before, the men and women who had the final say-so on the argument over a fourth term for President Roosevelt or a first for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, hurried to the polls to register their decision.

Between 40 and 45 per cent of registered voters got their ballots in before noon in New York City's Bronx and Manhattan districts.

And it was much the same in other big cities and rural districts as well, with few exceptions.

Despite the emotions stirred by the first wartime election since 1864, voting was orderly on the whole.

Six Arrested in N. Y.

Six persons were arrested in New York on charges of illegal registration. They were among 400 indicted last week on that charge.

At many polls it was apparent that more women than men were among the voters, bearing out predictions that the powder-puff vote would be all important in this election.

In Pennsylvania, where 35 electoral votes expect may be decisive in a close election, all indications were that the total vote would equal or surpass 1940 despite the absence in the armed services of

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Anti-Roosevelt Group Trails in Texas Count

HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 7.—(AP)—The Houston Chronicle reported at 11 a. m. CWT that unofficial returns from 56 of Harris county's 152 precincts gave for presidential electors: Democrats 6,296; republicans 6,386; Texas regulars (anti-Roosevelt) 1,275.

Cape Cod Town Vote Gives Margin to Dewey

MASHPEE, Mass., Nov. 7.—(AP)—This small Cape Cod town, after first in the state to complete its counting of votes, reported the first block of 100 ballots today was divided 51 for Governor Dewey and 44 for President Roosevelt.

In 1940, Wendell Willkie received 97 to President Roosevelt's 89 votes in the town complete.



ONE BOMB, TWO SUBS—Ensign Raymond G. Baldwin, above, 26-year-old navy flier of Devon, Conn., dropped a single bomb from his plane during a raid on Ryukyu islands in the Pacific to wreak double destruction on the Japs—it sent two Nip subs to the bottom.

Conquest Of Hungary Near, Stalin Avers

LONDON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Red army troops battled strongly reinforced nazis forces in the outskirts of Budapest today, spurred by Premier Stalin's pronouncement that Hungary would soon be out of the war.

In an order of the day issued on this 27th anniversary of the soviet revolution, Stalin declared the red army and its western allies "have taken up the jumping off positions for the decisive offensive against the vital centers of Germany" and that "we now stand on the eve of complete victory."

Russian columns were fighting within two miles south of the big naz-operated Ferihegy airfield in Budapest's outskirts, apparently seeking to coil around the eastern part of the city.

In a proclamation preceding the order of the day, Stalin asserted that the defeat of Hungary would signify the "complete isolation of Hitlerite Germany, and early catastrophe will follow in

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Logger Ruled Menace To Fellow Workmen

JUNCTION CITY, Ore., Nov. 7.—(AP)—A CIO claim that a logger in the C. J. Johnson camp near here was endangering safety of fellow-workmen was upheld today by the U. S. Department of Labor conciliation service.

Operations had already been halted because of lack of workers. The company contended the men's refusal to work with the man was not because of inefficient equipment but because he was not a union member.

Bloody Battle At Barrier to Cologne Rages

LONDON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—U. S. Troops, at times fighting hand-to-hand against German reinforcements, won back the last half of the focal town of Vossenack and edged closer to two flanking villages today in the bloody battle to break the German Roer river barrier to Cologne.

To the south, American and French forces advanced two to three miles in bitter progress toward Vossenack passes to Germany. In Holland, a front dispatch reported capture of the ferry terminus of Willemstad, leaving only scattered enemy troops below the Maas river. The German high command indicated a new defense line was being established on the north bank of the Maas.

Heavy, seaway tank and infantry fighting swirled in the flame-charred forest lands southeast of Aachen. Doughboys won the portions of Vossenack, 13 miles from Aachen, temporarily lost yesterday. Other Americans pushed closer to the town of Schmidt and toward Hurtgen. The towns are strongpoints along the Roer river line before the Cologne plain.

Nazi Resistance Stubborn

First army troops near the Roer river were meeting the most bitter kind of resistance. West of Schmidt, the Americans advanced slowly in the face of stubborn opposition. But despite the ferocity of allied air attacks, which blanketed the German positions with bombs, strafing fire and fire-bombs, Schmidt itself, seized last week by the

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Court Turns Down Jehovahite's Plea

The U. S. supreme court has refused to consider the appeal of Mrs. Rowena Thornton, member of the Jehovah's Witness sect, who appealed from Oregon decisions upholding a fine of \$25 imposed upon her in the Portland municipal court. Mrs. Thornton formerly resided at Roseburg and was active in the work of the Jehovah's Witness group.

She was fined in Portland, Oct. 27, 1942, charged with permitting her 11-year old daughter to distribute religious tracts in violation of a Portland ordinance prohibiting street corner peddling by juveniles.

Fined \$25, she carried appeals through the circuit court and the Oregon Supreme court, claiming abridgment of freedom of worship. After losing her appeals in Oregon courts, she has been endeavoring to carry the case to the U. S. supreme court.

Purple Heart Awarded Lieut. Robert Bellows

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bellows have received the Purple Heart medal recently awarded their son, Lieutenant Robert Bellows, now convalescing in a army hospital in England from wounds suffered while in combat action in France.

Lieutenant Bellows was wounded while aiding in mopping up remnants of German resistance in Brest, following allied occupation. A grenade, thrown by a German, exploded after landing between his feet. Miraculously, his only serious wound was a puncture of his left forearm. No bones were broken, but nerves and tendons were severed. He reports he is making good recovery, although he still has considerable stiffness in movement of the arm and hand.

Columbia River Combed For Drowning Victim

THE DALLES, Ore., Nov. 7.—(AP)—Believed drowned in the Columbia river at Celilo falls, Lewis Elton Carter, 30, The Dalles, is being sought by authorities.

Sheriff Harold Sexton said he was told by Mrs. Lena Rentrow, Carter's companion, that he slipped or lost his balance and fell into the river from a fishing platform last Friday night.

5th Portland Store in Four Days Held Up

PORTLAND, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Portland had its fifth store hold-up in four days last night when two armed men robbed the Nick Karafotis grocery establishment of \$65—after first demanding cigarettes.

Georgia Lekas, clerk, said the men waited until the store was clear of customers before entering.

Bag of B-29s Also Includes 191 Aircraft

Reconnaissance Flight By Superfortresses Over Tokyo Produces Jitters

(By the Associated Press) Superforts reported over Tokyo again today increased Japanese fears of a mass bombing raid on their capital, overshadowing a U. S. carrier plane raid on Manila that sank or damaged six Japanese warships and wiped out 191 aircraft.

Tokyo radio reported that the B-29s have been bombing the southern approaches to Japan, and Nipponese planes in a counter-attack on the Superforts' supposed Marianas island bases destroyed 20 U. S. aircraft on Saipan and Tinian.

Raiding American carrier and land-based planes over the Philippines since January 1944, bases on Luzon, Cebu and Negros islands, relieving Gen. MacArthur's invasion forces on Leyte island of the almost continuous nighttime harassing raids.

Tokyo radio, reporting two Superforts over the capital and the industrial sector of eastern Honshu, the main island of Japan, said no bombs were dropped. It was the third reported reconnaissance flight over the area by B-29s.

Jap Warships Blasted

A slashing carrier raid Sunday on Manila bay ran the total number of Japanese warships sunk or damaged since the Philippines invasion to approximately 70.

They sank a submarine, probably sank a heavy cruiser, damaged a light cruiser, three de-

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Big Vote Indicated In Douglas; Many Fail to Qualify

Indications at noon today were that Douglas county will poll today one of the largest votes in recent years. Early voting was fully equal to the forenoon turnout in the 1940 presidential election. City precincts had polled from 30 to 35 per cent of the registered vote by 12 noon today.

Scores of county residents are finding themselves unable to vote, however, due to their failure to cast ballots at the 1942 elections. County Clerk Roy Agee reported.

Instead of taking the holiday to which he was entitled, as county offices are permitted to close on election day, the county clerk remained on duty and was besieged throughout the entire day with calls from election boards and individuals demanding publicity given registration and the fact that notification was mailed all persons whose names were purged from the poll books because of failure to vote in 1942. Many persons, not listed in registration books, appeared at polling booths, Agee said. Comingling with the law which requires removal of names of voters who fail to vote within a period of two years, the clerk purged the list immediately prior to the recent registration period and judging from the number of calls received at his office today an unusually large percentage of persons failed to qualify for today's election.

The majority of calls handled by the county clerk, however, were from people who did not know the location of their polling place.

Logging Boss Drowns as Truck Plunges Into River

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Nov. 7.—(AP)—Robert Cline, 36, logging foreman of a North Bend lumber company, drowned yesterday after his truck plunged from a slippery road into South Coos river.

Kirk Jacobsen, riding with Cline, forced his way from the car after it hit the river and swam to safety. Coast guardsmen, summoned by Jacobsen, hoisted the car from 20 feet of water with Cline's body still wedged in the driver's seat.

Cline is survived by his mother, several brothers and sisters on a farm near Cottage Grove.

Passenger Trains Given Streamlined Scrubs

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Chicago and north western railroad company's fleet of streamliners are getting streamlined scrubs. Since installation of a portable mechanical car washer, an 18-car train is washed in about 22 minutes. The device is constructed in the form of a steel arch and is lined with a series of revolving brushes which, with the help of a fine spray of water, scrub the train as it passes through the arch. It cost \$7,500.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Rasmussen

Election day hope: That if the service men and women are to "swing" the election, they do as neat and satisfactory a job as they do "swinging" each other in jive recreation.



YANKS OCCUPY LEYTE CAPITAL CITY—While the new Philippine government is busy in the capital building (background) in Tacloban, Leyte island, U. S. army equipment and supplies rumble forward to the front lines to aid in exterminating final Jap resistance on the island. Photo by Frank Priest, Jr., NEA-Acme photographer for War Picture pool.

VOTE E-Day, Tuesday, Nov. 7--Vote as You Please, but VOTE!