

"Mile of Dimes" to be Laid on Roseburg Sidewalks

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Stunt Devised To Aid Battle On Paralysis

Parade of Coins Slated For Saturday; Best Guess Wins Ticket to Ball

A "mile of dimes," more or less, and weather permitting, will be laid on the sidewalks of Roseburg Saturday morning, according to A. C. Fries, Jr., campaign director for the national paralysis fund drive in this city. Beginning on the west side of Jackson street, between Cass and Oak streets, the dimes will be laid in a line round and round the block. Mayor W. F. Harris will lay the first dime at 10:30 o'clock and the event will be broadcast, through courtesy of KRNR radio station.

Under the rules the dimes added to the line will be divided between the local and national funds to fight polio. Any individual may (in fact, every individual is urged)—help make the line longer. More than one dime at a time may be laid by anyone, and should dimes be lacking, a quarter, a half-dollar, or any larger amount very likely would not be ruled out.

Guards to be provided. Cub Scouts are expected to be on hand at first to guard the line of coins. As the line lengthens and grows in value, the police will

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U. S. Alert For 3 Nazi Spies Issued

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover today sounded an alert for three Nazi espionage agents who, he said, are under orders to enter the United States.

Hoover said the three men were associated during their training overseas with Erich Gimpel and William C. Coleman, who were arrested by the FBI in New York last month after allegedly landing on the Maine coast from a submarine in November.

Hoover asked the nation to be on the lookout for the men and to report any suspicious persons to the nearest FBI office.

He identified the men as Max Christian Johannes Schneemann, 44, a former resident of Portland, Colombia, South America; Hans Rudolf Christin Zuehlendorf, 25, formerly of Bogota, Colombia, and Oscar Max Wilms, 37, formerly of Managua, Nicaragua.

Wool Promotion Fund Agreed on by Growers

PRINEVILLE, Ore., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Oregon wool growers agreed today to pay a fifth of a cent a pound on each wool sale into a promotion fund for the woolen industry.

The voluntary plan was adopted by the Oregon Wool Growers convention after Edwin E. Marsh, assistant secretary of the national association, declared that sheepmen were spending only half as much as the rayon industry for promotional work. A similar plan has been approved in six western states.

Citizenship Denied On Wrong Answer of "Veto"

PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Mrs. Vincenza Maria Porcella was still an Italian citizen today because she replied, "veto" when asked at a naturalization test what the president's function is regarding legislation.

Judge Fies, who continued her application for American citizenship, gave her a flunk yesterday when she missed the question and told her to go back to school. She has a 19-year-old son in the navy.

Retail Sales of Fats and Oils "Frozen" by OPA Preliminary To Rationing Those Products

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Housewives trying to stretch food ration points over a fast-growing list of commodities requiring stamps had the added task today of budgeting for fats and oils.

They have three days to do the job, for the OPA last night "froze" until Monday all retail sales of lard, other shortening and salad and cooking oils. When the ban is lifted at that time each of these products will be rationed at two red points a pound.

The sales halt was ordered, OPA said, to prevent runs on short supplies while the trade takes steps to put rationing into effect.

OPA's action was linked closely with a war food administration directive requiring 40 per cent of total lard output to be set aside for the armed forces.

Butter and margarine, already under rationing, are not covered by the sales freeze.

The freeze applies only at re-

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Allied Unity in War Stressed By Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—President Roosevelt stressed Anglo-American cooperation in winning the war today as he jokingly told inaugural-minded reporters that the first twelve years in the White House are the hardest.

At his bi-weekly news conference, the president:

1. Praised the combined production and resources and the combined raw materials and combined food boards as a "strikingly successful example of united nations' collaboration." Shortly before, the United States, Britain and Canada jointly had announced the boards would be continued until Japan is whipped.

2. Brushed aside a reporter's question whether this is "the last four years" of his presidency.
3. Declined to discuss any plans he might have for the retiring vice president, Henry A. Wallace. He remarked, however, he didn't think Wallace would starve.

4. Said there was no news on the question of whether Gen. Charles D. Gault would sit in on the "big three" meeting.
5. Remarked that he was still disturbed by the Italian economic situation but said there was no

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Who Ordered Dog Priority? Answer Is "No Comment"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The muzzle was on today in the mystery of who assigned Col. Elliott Roosevelt's dog an airplane priority ahead of three servicemen, but Rep. Miller (D-Calif.) had hopes of getting the facts.

Miller stepped into the case because one of the servicemen affected is a constituent, Seaman Leon LeRoy of Antioch, Calif.

The congress member asked Secretary of War Stimson for a "complete report" on why the servicemen (with "C" priorities) had to get off a cargo plane of the air transport command to make way for high priority freight while the dog (with an "A" priority) was flown on.

At ATC headquarters, a reporter's questions as to who asked the priority, who assigned it, etc., drew only "no comment."

Mr. Gen. Harold L. George of the ATC had said after a preliminary investigation that "an error of judgment" had been made, an error that won't happen again. His aides said the ATC did not intend to discuss the matter further.

LeRoy, who has been serving overseas, was on his way home to his father's funeral when he and the other two men were "bumped off" the plane at Memphis Jan. 11.

The dog, a handsome English mastiff named "Blaze," was the gift of the president's second son to his bride, actress Faye Emerson of Hollywood.

Col. Roosevelt said in London that he knew nothing about shipping the dog by air from Washington to Hollywood. Presidential Secretary Stephen Early said that neither Elliott nor anyone else connected with the White House was responsible for the priority arrangement. Early called it all a "regrettable combination of errors."

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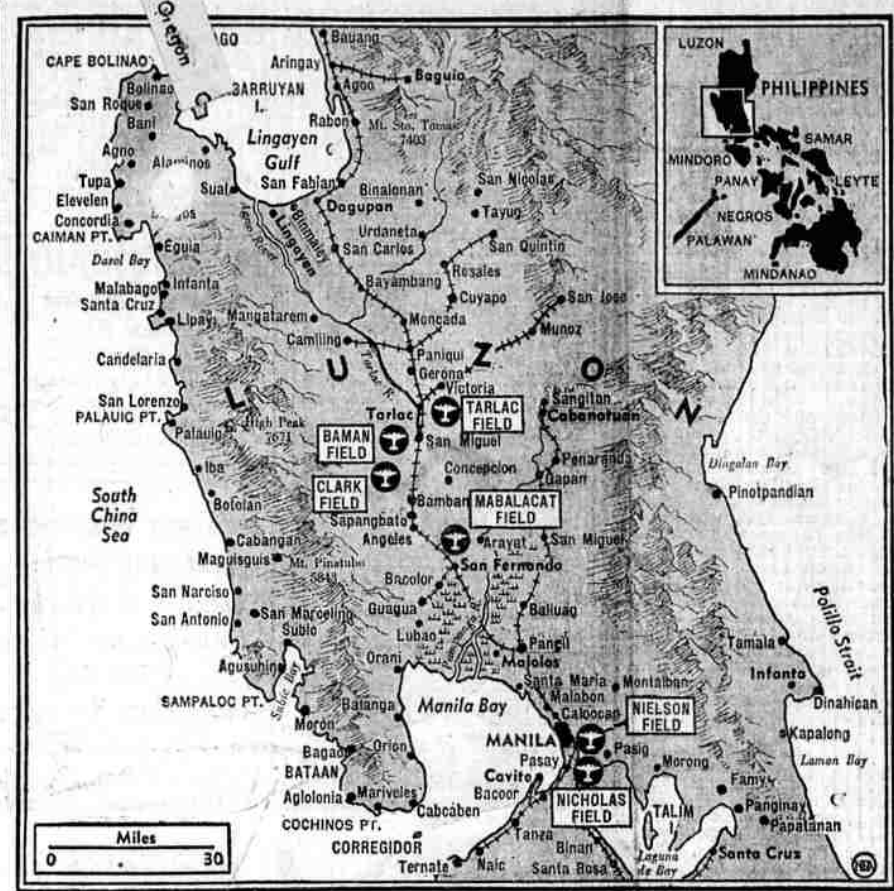
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WHERE BATTLE FOR LUZON RAGES—Center of map shows location of Tarlac, important Japanese air base and immediate goal of Gen. MacArthur's army. Also indicated are other Japanese air bases, being bombed almost daily by the supporting air fleets.

Superforts Blast Japs' Plane Factory at Kobe; Yanks Win Luzon Fight

Explosions, Fire Follow Attack of More Than Hour

B-29 HEADQUARTERS, GUAM, Jan. 19.—(via navy radio)—(AP)—Superfortresses from Saipan bombed a brand new target in Japan, a huge aircraft factory on the western fringe of the swollen Kobe-Osaka industrial area today.

Planes in a sizable force bombed upwind and several thousand feet lower than on any previous Honshu island raid. First reports were more encouraging than early returns from previous Honshu raids.

The target was the Kawasaki aircraft plant—one of the newest and most modern in Japan—on

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Union Votes to End Its British Columbia Strike

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 19.—(Canadian press)—Street car and bus operators in three British Columbia cities voted overwhelmingly last night to end a 10-day strike and resume normal operation of transportation services today.

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Confusing Red Clay On Both Sides Causes Some Yankees to Shoot Buddies

PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Red clay which coated both Yankees and Japanese on Guam was so confusing that some American soldiers shot their own buddies, Major Roscoe C. Torrance, Seattle, said here last night.

He said that the way Japanese wrap legions was the only means to quickly distinguish them from Americans.

Capture of 2000 cases of Japanese beer prevented a water shortage from becoming critical, Major Torrance related, but even then some fighters lacked water for 24 hours.

Japanese soldiers are comparatively easy to handle when scattered, but are "tough fighters" if competently led and in formation, he reported, describing the island's recapture.

John R. Kerr Is Named As Dog Law Officer

Appointment of John R. Kerr, Terrace Ave., Roseburg, as enforcement officer for the county dog control district, was announced today by County Judge D. N. Rusehark. Mr. Kerr takes the place vacated by the death of Thomas Fletcher, who died Wednesday night at his home. Mr. Kerr is entering upon his new duties immediately.

OPA Sues Box Factory For Treble Damages

PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The Goose Lake Box company, Lakeview, was accused today of overcharging \$1707.24 on lumber sales from January to November 1944.

The OPA filed a treble damages suit for \$5121.72, charging the company with collecting payment from Blanchard Lumber company, Seattle and Portland, for more lumber than was actually delivered.

Landis Iron Works Sets Opening of Business

The Landis Iron Works, located on the Pacific highway north of Roseburg, near the Gordon Valley highway intersection, will open Monday, Jan. 22. Owner C. V. Landis announced today. The shop, which is housed in a newly constructed galvanized iron building, is equipped to do heavy machine repair work including acetone and electric welding. A strike and rescue normal operation of transportation services today.

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Key Town on Road To Manila Gained In Tough Combat

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Luzon, Jan. 19.—(AP)—American mobile guns, mortars and armor, smashing a cleverly concealed concentration of Japanese tanks and anti-aircraft in a 24-hour battle, captured the highway town of Urdaneta early yesterday in the first bitter fight of the Luzon invasion.

Seizure of the key town on Gen. MacArthur's left flank opened the northern section of the main Manila-Bagui highway to the Yanks.

Meantime an American column 10 miles south along the same vital highway captured the road and railroad junction of Paniqui in a five-mile gain and pressed on toward the important city of Tarlac, 70 road miles from Manila. Another infantry force approached Tarlac obliquely down another road from Camiling.

All advances were supported directly by American warplanes operating off the Lingayen airfield. Formosa and even parts

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Grandson of Roseburg Couple Killed in War

Attorney and Mrs. Ira B. Riddle of Roseburg received word today of the death of their grandson, PFC Robert B. Riddle, who was killed in action in Belgium. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Riddle, residents of Berkeley, Calif.

Besides the parents and grandparents, he is survived by a sister, Jacobina, a student at University of California.

PFC Riddle served with Co. A, 63rd armored infantry, and had been overseas for the past three months.

AAA Program Pays Out \$3,500,000 in Oregon

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Immediate results in increased food production were shown as a result of \$3,500,000 paid Oregon farmers last year for soil and water conservation practices, the state AAA committee chairman told 150 county committeemen at the opening session of the state AAA conference yesterday.

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Liquor Deal Quiz Voted by Oregon House

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 19.—(AP)—The house of representatives, voting unanimously and without any debate, completed legislative action today on Governor Snell's requested resolution to investigate the 1943 Waterfall and Frazier liquor purchases by the state liquor commission.

Speaker Eugene Marsh said he would appoint the three house members of the investigating committee next Monday, and he did not indicate whether a democrat would be included. The senate members of the committee, both republicans, are Angus Gibson, Junction City, and Paul Patterson, Hillsboro.

The lack of debate on the issue was in sharp contrast to the senate, which had approved the resolution 21 to 6 after democratic charges that the heavily-republican majority wanted to "white-wash" the liquor commission.

Democrats Are Mum.—But the house democrats kept mum, not even raising the issue of whether the Oregon committee should cooperate with the similar investigating committee in the Washington legislature. Washington and Oregon entered the liquor deal jointly.

Republican leaders of both houses said they do not think the committee will cooperate with the Washington group. They feel cooperation is unnecessary, and that, since the Washington committee contains seven democrats and three republicans, it might already have its mind made up to find that the liquor purchases, made while the republican administration of Gov. Arthur B. Langlie, were illegal.

More Pay for School Heads.—The house education committee said today it would sponsor

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Soldier Survives Auto Plunge Over 300-Ft. Bank

SPOKANE, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Twenty military police beat the brush along the Spokane river last night, searching for the occupant of a car which had plunged over a 300-foot embankment, turning over a dozen times.

This morning a Spokane army air field soldier, Gerald Ingham, walked into the police station to report the accident. He had a small bruise on the side of his head—the only injury.

Northwest Outdoor Signs To Be Exempt From Ban

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Senator Wayne Morse (R., Ore.) said the War Production board assured him today it would exempt the Pacific northwest from the dimout on electric advertising signs.

The northwest has asked to be exempted since power comes from hydroelectric plants and not from coal. Purpose of the ruling was to conserve coal.

More Snow on Siskiyou.—ASHLAND, Ore., Jan. 19.—(AP)—The weather bureau forecast continued snow last night for the Siskiyou mountains, already covered by a five-inch blanket.

The measure, to take effect in 30 days, also requires tests every 90 days for mastitis, from which humans get little sore throat.

Cow, Goat Testing Is Decried by Portland

PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Family cows and goats will be tested once a year for Bang's disease, undulant fever source, and tuberculosis, through an ordinance passed by the city council. The measure, to take effect in 30 days, also requires tests every 90 days for mastitis, from which humans get little sore throat.

Shortest Inaugural Address In History Is Predicted for 4th Induction of Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—President Roosevelt toiled today over what may be history's shortest inaugural address.

In an abbreviated ceremony at noon tomorrow, President Roosevelt will take the oath of office for an epochal fourth time, then deliver the speech. He is aiming at 500 words.

Thus he may lower the record of Abraham Lincoln, whose second inaugural address approximated 600 words.

Some 1,500 guests, the top strata of American officialdom plus diplomats and a handful of outsiders, are expected at a buffet luncheon following the inauguration ceremony. Another 1,000 persons are scheduled to attend a reception and tea later in the afternoon.

For the ceremony itself, only 5,000 or 6,000 persons have invitations—because this is wartime. That compares with 25,000 or 30,000 in peaceful years. Most of those on the invitation list will have to stand out in the yard to see what's going on. No seats are being provided.

Krakow, Lodz Taken, Budapest Liberation Nears; U. S. 7th In Grave Position in Alsace

(By the Associated Press)

Ancient Krakow, nazi citadel in southwest Poland, has fallen to Marshal Konev's First Ukrainian army, Marshal Stalin announced today, as four great Russian armies surged across the entire length of the country toward a titanic assault on the reich and Berlin.

To the north the German high command announced that red army troops had smashed into Lodz, Poland's greatest industrial city, 250 miles from the German capital. Other enemy broadcasts indicated a wholesale withdrawal back into reich territory.

But on the western front the nazis linked their Rhine bridgehead north of Strasbourg with their forces in northeast Alsace, forming a solid front against the U. S. Seventh army along 40 miles of the Maginot line as far as Bitcher, and headquarters regarded the situation there as increasingly grave.

This may be the springboard for another German offensive.

All of 1,200-year-old Krakow, 47 miles from the German Silesian border, collapsed the strongest German position in southern Poland and released huge soviet forces for the descent into Silesia, second only to the Ruhr as a nazi arsenal.

Complete liberation of Budapest appeared near. The language of today's German communiques indicated their positions there had been written off. It would be the 17th European capital to be freed of German domination.

The Germans said a battle of greatest intensity raged all along a line from Krakow to Lodz, Kuno and the Vistula, and Moscow reports confirmed German accounts of volkssturm units fighting in Poland.

New Red Drive Launched.—Still another soviet offensive has exploded on a 38-mile front and to a depth of 50 miles in the Carpathian region of southern Poland, Marshal Stalin announced. Started Monday, it has resulted in the capture of Gorlice in Galicia, 65 miles southeast of Krakow; of Jaslo, 15 miles farther northeast of Gorlice, and 400 other towns.

Moscow reports said the Germans had not been able to form any semblance of a defense line on the Polish plains, while on the northern wing of the offensive, the outflanking of the Masurian lakes in East Prussia was threatened.

Capture of Lodz, "Poland's Pittsburgh," 70 miles southwest of Warsaw and 65 miles from the center of the German-Polish frontier, would provide a base for the development of a grand soviet assault toward the heart of the reich.

Allies Score Gains.—Gen. Eisenhower's offensive in the west also was on the move. British Second army troops pushing through mud and slush northeast of Sittard have captured Honzen, three miles inside Germany, while the U. S. Third

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Warsaw as City No Longer Exists

LONDON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Soviet Russia's leading war correspondent reported today that the Germans had exiled every living inhabitant of Warsaw before yielding the Polish capital to the red army.

Describing the newly seized city as "one big ruin, smelling of burning destruction," M. Makarenko wrote in Pravda: "No single live human was among this devastation. The Germans had exiled all the inhabitants."

A graphic account of Warsaw's capture was given by "Soviet and Polish troops are marching to the west along wrecked streets," the correspondent wrote. "The inhabitants are coming back to a city which has practically ceased to exist."

"During the abortive uprising of last August the Germans wrought destruction with sadistic brutality, methodically turning street after street to ashes."

He declared all the most widely known structures in the city were destroyed.

German Casualties Far Above Those of Allies

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Paris, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The Germans suffered 120,000 casualties from Dec. 12-Jan. 11 in their offensive to split the allied front in the Ardennes, supreme headquarters announced today.

Allied casualties, predominantly American, were 55,421 during the same period. Of these, 18,415 were lost as prisoners.

Loivity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

"Whodunnit?" Under this heading may be listed the question as to who gave the air priority order for the Roosevelt dog. Fala is probably grateful for the incident in that it switches comment on the family dogs to another canine.

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