

Truman Urges Change in Presidency Succession

House Speaker First in Order in New Plan

Present System Out of Electorate's Reach, Says Message to Congress

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—President Truman recommended legislation today placing the speaker of the house first in order of succession to the presidency in case of vacancies in both the presidency and vice presidency.

In a special message to both houses of congress sent shortly after he took off on a non-stop flight to Olympia, Wash., the president said the question of succession "is of great importance now because there will be no elected vice president for almost four years."

Mr. Truman, who entered the White House from the vice presidency on the death of President Roosevelt April 12, said the existing succession law, enacted in 1886, provides for members of the cabinet to take over the presidency in the event that neither the elected president nor vice president can serve.

The order of succession is: the Secretary of State, Treasury and war; Attorney General, Postmaster General, and Secretaries of Navy and Interior.

President Truman criticized the present system, pointing out that each of these cabinet members is appointed by the president, Mr. Truman said it now lies within his power to nominate his immediate successor "in the event of my own death or inability to act."

"I do not believe that in a democracy this power should rest with the chief executive. Insofar as possible, the office of the president should be filled by an elective officer."

He recommended that the

Building Proposal Expected to Win; 'Fag' Tax Doubtful

SALEM, June 19.—(AP)—A total of 560,536 persons will be eligible to vote in Friday's special election, compared with 602,013 at the general election last November, the State department said today in announcing final registration figures.

It was estimated, however, that only 25 or 30 per cent of the registrants would vote.

The totals include 283,734 republicans, 264,334 democrats, 2672 independents, 386 socialists, 478 prohibitionists, and 8952 independent miscellaneous.

Since last November, the democrats lost 20,482, while the republicans lost 19,071.

There will be only two measures on the statewide ballot.

One would levy a 5-mill property tax for two years to raise \$10,000,000, but the tax would not be levied, as sufficient income tax surpluses are on hand to cancel it.

Of this money, \$6,000,000 would be used to build new buildings for state institutions, and \$4,000,000 for new buildings for state colleges and the university.

The other measure would levy a 2-cent cigarette tax to raise \$2,000,000 a year for public schools.

The building proposal is expected to win easy approval, since almost no opposition has developed.

But the cigarette tax has found little support, even among school teachers and administrators.

Some school groups have endorsed it, but only in a lukewarm manner.

Willamette Yields Body Of Man After Ten Days

SALEM, Ore., June 19.—(AP)—The body of Lester E. Case, 44, farm laborer in the St. Paul district, was found in the Willamette river near here yesterday, state police said.

The body was so badly decomposed that officers could not determine whether there had been foul play. They estimated he was drowned 10 days ago.

Douglas County Car Loadings For Six-Day Period Total 512

Car loadings from Douglas county during the period from June 11 to 16 inclusive totalled 512, it was announced today from the Southern Pacific district freight office at Portland, through J. E. Clark, agent at Roseburg. Loadings by stations were as follows:

Lumber	Logs	Piling	Misc.	Total
Glendale	56			56
Riddle			3	3
Myrtle Creek	26	11		37
Dillard	5			5
Green	28	8		36
Roseburg	72	10	3	85
Sutherlin	68	7	11	86
Oakland	9		2	11
Yoncalla	5			5
Drain	7	17		24
Anlauf	2			2
Leona	7			7
Reedsport	88		41	129
Kroil		25		25
Totals	345	71	47	512

Miscellaneous shipments included: Riddle, 3 cars prunes; Roseburg, 1 car ice, 1 car sheep, 1 car wool; Oakland, 2 cars sheep; Reedsport, 41 cars gravel.

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LT. GEN. BUCKNER KILLED ON OKINAWA

Trip to West Coast Started By President

Truman Plans Visit at Olympia, Then Address At World Peace Meet

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—President Truman left by plane today for a west coast visit he will climax by attending the San Francisco united nations security conference.

The president planned an 11-hour non-stop flight to Olympia, Wash., where he will pay a "special visit" to Gov. Mon C. Wallgren before going to San Francisco to address the closing session of the security conference.

With the president were his military and naval aides, Colonel Harry Vaughn and Captain James Zardman, Secretaries Matthew J. Connelly and Charles G. Rosier, and J. Leonard Reinsch, radio advisor.

Two other planes are in the flight. The first carries secret service men; the second, newsmen, cameramen and more secret service agents.

To Witness Charter Signing. Although signs are growing that the delegates from 50 nations will not complete the writ-

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Correspondent Hits Idea Of Quick Jap Surrender

PORTLAND, June 19.—(AP)—Fred E. Hampson, veteran Associated Press war correspondent, was back home here today for the first time since he left for the Pacific nearly two years ago.

The Portland newsmen, who went through 10 amphibious landings, indicated little hope for a quick Japanese surrender. "There's not even any indication of it in Tokyo," he told interviewers yesterday.

"If we do get a formal surrender, it's doubtful that outlying islands will accept it. I've seen orders to Jap troops to disregard any surrender order even if it's signed by the emperor, because it may be forged."

Hampson discounted recent Japanese surrenders as an indication of falling morale. "If you comb through them," he said, "you'll find they're Korean soldiers or Jap work troops. The real Jap fighter never says die."

Firms Allocate War Bond Buys to Douglas

Allocation of \$121,313 war bond purchases by corporations to Douglas county was announced today by the Oregon War Finance committee. Purchases by many corporations are made in large blocks and credit distributed to the respective counties in which operations are conducted. Among allocations to date are the following: California Oregon Power company, Medford, \$75,000; Pacific Cooperative Producers, Portland, \$1,000; Crown Zellerbach corporation, San Francisco, \$25,000; Tidewater Associated Oil Co., San Francisco, \$4,000; Pacific Greyhound Lines, San Francisco, \$10,000; Safeway Stores, Inc., Portland, \$1,000; Richfield Oil Co., Los Angeles, \$2,000; The Texas Co., Los Angeles, \$650; Pacific Gamble Robinson Fruit and Produce Co., Seattle, \$2,633.

Mac Hoke, State Wool Assn. Official, Civic Leader, Dies

PORTLAND, Ore., June 19.—(AP)—Mac Hoke, 54, Pendleton grain and sheep rancher who became one of the best known names in America's wool industry, died here this morning in Emanuel hospital, where he had been a patient about a month.

A member of the state board of higher education since 1940 and a former member of the state board of agriculture, Hoke was one of the state's leading citizens. He was vice-president of the National Wool Growers association.

At the time of his death, he was president of the Oregon Farm bureau and of the Northwest Livestock Production Credit association, which he headed since its inception. Until last January, when he refused to stand again for reelection, he was president of the Oregon Wool Growers association.

Born at Cherokee, Kansas, he attended school in Quay, Okla., and was graduated from Oklahoma A. & M. college.

The widow, the former Carrie Williamson of Stillwater, Okla., and two daughters, Helen, and Mrs. George Corey, live in Pendleton. Hoke also leaves his mother, Mrs. J. T. Hoke of Stillwater, Okla.

In Pendleton, he headed the Cunningham Sheep company, Pendleton Ranches, Inc., and Mud Springs ranches.

Hoke came to Oregon from teaching agriculture in Idaho Falls, Twin Falls and Boise High schools. He served as county agent in Walla Walla county from 1917 to 1920.



Mac Hoke

O. H. Peterson Given Duty At Seattle B-29 School

Ola H. Peterson, former News-Review stereotyper, is spending a three-day leave at his home in Roseburg while preparing to move his family to Seattle. Former first sergeant of Co. D, 162nd Infantry, the Roseburg national guard unit, Peterson has had five years of military service. He spent more than three years in overseas duty. Although he has nearly twice the number of points needed for discharge, he has elected to remain in service for the duration, and has been advanced to master sergeant and assigned to duty as an inspector at the B-29 school at Seattle.

Decision on Blood Test Rendered by Oregon High Court

SALEM, Ore., June 19.—(AP)—The state supreme court, in a far-reaching 5 to 1 decision today, authorized the state police had authority to take a blood test from an unconscious man to get evidence to prove he was drunk.

At the same time, the court said "we are not deciding that an accused can be forced to undergo a physical examination or to submit to a blood test."

The opinion apparently will bar the taking of blood tests from an accused person if he objects.

The case involved Carroll Loren Cram, convicted of manslaughter in Yamhill county a year ago. He was charged with reckless and drunken driving two passengers in his car having been killed while he was driving them home from a dance. Cram was unconscious for 48 hours after his car overturned, and during this period, the blood test was taken.

In a vigorous dissenting opinion, Chief Justice Belt wrote: "To extract blood by hypodermic needle from a person accused of crime, without his consent and while he is unconscious, for the purpose of obtaining evidence to be used against him, shocks his sense of justice and decency. It is law enforcement with a vengeance. It is law enforcement based on violation of the law and ought not to be approved by any court."

President's Power to Slash Tariffs Restored

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—The senate restored to the reciprocal trade bill today power for the president to cut tariff rates by as much as 50 per cent.

The house had approved the additional rate cutting power in passing the bill extending the reciprocal trade program for three more years.

The administration had suffered a temporary setback in the senate finance committee, where three democrats jumped the party fence to line up with a solid republican representation and delete the extra authority, 10 to 9.

Y Stop Zones Legalized By City Council

The maze of vehicular stop zones created by the Y extension of Second Avenue South to the Pacific highway and Winchester street in North Roseburg was made legal by the Roseburg city council at its regular meeting Monday night when amendments to the traffic control ordinance were adopted as an emergency measure. Second Avenue extensions are made arterials requiring stops on Winchester and North Jackson streets, which previously were through streets. Stop signs have been erected following a plan worked out jointly by the state highway department and city street committee.

The council last night passed an ordinance authorizing paving of the alleyway in the Rose hotel block between Mosher and Lane streets, and placed on first and second readings an ordinance to establish a grade in the alleyway between Mosher and Woodard streets, where A. S. Coen desires to pave the alley in the rear of the Greyhound stage terminal now under construction.

The city entered into a new contract with The California Oregon Power company to provide a new rate schedule for street lighting. The contract will result in considerable reduction of street lighting cost.

A resolution authorizing the CAA to open the Roseburg airport to commercial use was adopted, following application by George Felt, of Roseburg, now employed at the Boeing factory in Seattle, to operate flight and mechanical service facilities at the port. The question of the city's responsibility is involved as a legal matter and further action is awaiting determination of CAA.

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Silver Nook Grill Is Bought by Redford Tester

Purchase of the Silver Nook grill in Roseburg by Redford (Red) Tester from Wesley Baylor was announced today. Mr. Tester has taken possession of the restaurant, located at 227 N. Jackson street.

Mr. Tester, a former resident of Roseburg, was discharged recently after two and one-half years as director of army air force bands. He entered military service from Portland, where he was employed for six years with Sears Roebuck company.

Carroll Johnson Killed In Luzon Campaign

Carroll Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Johnson, former Roseburg residents, now residing at Snow, Oklahoma, was killed in action on Luzon, May 13, according to word received here. The family formerly resided at 420 Cobb St., Roseburg, and later at 529 E. Douglas St. Mr. Johnson being engaged as a piling contractor.

Last Okinawa Nippons Being Cut to Pieces

GUAM, June 19.—(AP)—The U. S. Tenth army broke all planned resistance on southern Okinawa and drove today toward imminent, final victory to avenge the death of its commander on the field of battle.

Shortly before he fell mortally wounded from a shell burst yesterday, Lt. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr., declared that with two dry days he could "cut them to pieces" and a field dispatch reported that task now was accomplished.

Buckner had held back a surprise, the Second Marine division, and those veterans of Tarawa and Saipan roared into the Okinawa battle for the first time, crushing in the enemy's west flank.

The mangled remains of a Japanese garrison that numbered at least 25,000 when the invasion struck 80 days ago have been herded into hardly more than six square miles of the southern tip.

They have been swept from most of Yaeju Plateau, bulwark of their last line of defense, and with their backs to the sea held position three miles wide and nowhere more than two and a half miles deep.

Although some Japanese were fleeing in the southwestern sector, thousands of others fought back as savagely as any time in the 80-day old Okinawa campaign. It was just such resistance—a counter-artillery barrage—which killed Buckner.

All along the ragged, narrow, southern Okinawa sector, Tenth army troops surged northward against crumbling, diminishing resistance. Everywhere they encountered intense fire from automatic weapons, machineguns and rifles.

Borneo Refinery Blasted. Allied naval and air forces have been bombarding the Balikpapan

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Senate Group Restores Sum Cut From OWI Bill

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—A senate appropriations subcommittee today restored almost the full budget recommendation of funds for the Office of War Information, approving a total of \$39,750,000 for the agency.

With full senate committee approval considered certain, and senate acceptance likely, the OWI appropriation probably will be thrown into a conference with the house, which had voted only \$18,000,000.

Gen. George C. Marshall, army chief of staff, had urged the appropriations committee to restore the house cuts for OWI which had eliminated the agency's funds for European operations.

A message from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, conveyed by Marshall, also had asked a fuller OWI appropriations.

Eleven More Jap Ships Sunk by American Subs

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—United States submarines have sunk 11 more enemy ships, including two light combatant vessels, in far eastern waters, the navy announced today. The Japanese losses inflicted by United States submarines. The total includes 138 combatant ships and 1,015 non-combatant.

Rep. Robert Gile Backed for State Tax Commission Post Appointment to Succeed Day

Robert Gile, representative from Douglas county to the state legislature, is reported to be under consideration to succeed Earl Day, Medford, in the office of state tax commissioner. Mr. Day, former county judge of Jackson county, has announced his resignation, effective Aug. 1, in order that he may devote his entire time to private business affairs.

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Mr. Gile has served three terms in the state legislature and has been a member of the committee on assessments and taxation, where his work has won the respect and commendation of fellow legislators.

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Roseburg, Edenbower Vote Merger of School Districts

Consolidation of Roseburg and Edenbower school districts was approved in both districts at elections held Monday. The vote was extremely light, only 52 votes being cast in the Roseburg district, which has more than 2,000 eligible voters, while Edenbower district polled 24 votes.

Roseburg favored consolidation 47 to 2, while the vote in Edenbower was 19 to 5.

The report of the election boards will be submitted to the county school district boundary board, composed of the county school superintendent and county court, for official canvass.

Roseburg voters gave A. J. (Bud) Ellison 49 of the 50 votes cast for school director and Ellison was promptly reelected chairman of the board when the directors met to accept the election report. Ellison has served as chairman for the past two years.

Second German Treasure Cache, Richer Than First, Found by American Troops

PARIS, June 19.—(AP)—American troops of the 12th corps have discovered a second great German treasure cache, communications zone headquarters announced today. Value was estimated at around \$5 billion.

Included in the capture in hidden vaults of the Regensburg reichsbank was the national wealth of Bavaria and Austria. The cache was estimated to be more valuable than that found April 7 in the Merken salt mine, which included 200 tons of gold.

The treasure was in gold bullion, stolen jewelry and securities. Some was known to have been taken from victims of Nazi death camps.

The same corps made the original discovery in the same general area of central Germany in the last days before the unconditional surrender of the enemy.

Corporations Put Billions Into 7th War Loan Drive

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—Corporations, eager to invest their idle funds in U. S. securities, already have put more than three billion dollars in the 7th war loan drive.

Bonds were not issued to corporations in the drive until yesterday, Ted Gamble, national War Finance director, said the size of the early figure "indicates that corporation sales will equal the good record shown to date in sales to individuals."

Here is the money standing in the drive which ends June 30: Total sales, \$8,903,000,000, which is 63.6 per cent of the \$14,000,000,000 quota. This figure is divided as follows:

The individuals, \$5,854,000,000, of which series E bond sales made up \$2,638,000,000. The individual sales are 83.6 per cent of the \$7,000,000,000 quota for individuals. E bond sales are 66 per cent of the \$4,000,000,000 E bond quota.

Oregon War Bond Sales Near Three-Quarter Mark

PORTLAND, June 19.—(AP)—Oregon neared the three-quarter mark in the Seventh War Loan drive today.

Sales of \$81,524,599 were reported today against the \$110,000,000 quota. The E bond total stands at \$36,863,496.

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League Urged To Bar Spain From Entry

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—(AP)—Mexico came forward today with a proposal that the united nations permanently bar the Franco government of Spain from membership in their world league.

Luis Quintanilla, former Mexican ambassador to Moscow, planned to put the proposition formally before a public session of one of the united nations conference commissions, which are driving toward completion of a world charter this week.

His proposal invited argument as to whether the conference should attempt to write any specific membership limitations when it is assigning to a world assembly the task of admitting outside nations.

Quintanilla said he would ask the commission to adopt a declaration stating that no government should be admitted which came to power with the aid of military forces of countries which have fought against the united nations.

The final session of the conference, with President Truman making the closing address, still is scheduled for next Saturday.

But it also is still uncertain whether that date can be kept, even with every effort of conference leaders.

Debate Right at Issue. Much depends on possible Russian acceptance of a compromise for limiting the field of subjects which the assembly may debate and on which it may make recommendations to member nations and the security council which would be the peace-enforcing agency.

Originally a conference committee approved the right of the

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Sheet Metal Contractor Will Open Business Here

C. A. Storrs, sheet metal contractor, has arrived in Roseburg and is preparing to engage in business, with headquarters in the Drager building, at Second Ave. South and East First St.

The building is now being remodeled preparatory to installation of metal working machinery and equipment.

Mr. Storrs was engaged in business in Eugene for several years prior to the war and since the outbreak of hostilities, has been employed in war work. He handled a number of contracts in Roseburg and vicinity while located at Eugene.

Mr. Storrs reports he plans to feature blow pipe work for sawmills and, in addition, will do general sheet metal work and contracting. He expects to open his business about July 1.

Northwest Tuna Price Boost Recommended

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—An increased price for northwest tuna has been recommended by the fish and wild life division of the interior department. Sen. Mitchell (D-Wash.) said today.

Mitchell told a reporter he has urged the increase to encourage development of the industry.

Tax Study Committee Dates First Meeting

SALEM, Ore., June 19.—(AP)—The 13-man legislative committee to investigate the state's tax structure will hold its first meeting here Wednesday.

The committee will report to the 1947 legislature on new methods of raising money and whether tax money now is being apportioned fairly to various departments.

Nippon Shell Deals Death at Battle Front

Tragedy Strikes on Eve Of Victory in General's First Field Campaign

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—A big fleet of Superfortresses, possibly more than 400, kindled new fires in industrial areas of the Japanese home islands of Honshu and Kyushu today.

The raiders struck at night (Japanese time) only two days after a similar attack on four Japanese cities of the two islands.

OKINAWA, June 19.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr., died with a smile on his face, reported his aide Maj. Frank R. Hubbard, Jr., of Des Moines, Iowa, and Los Angeles, Calif.

"The general was smiling when hit and it remained on his face in death," said Hubbard after attending Buckner's funeral this morning at Hagushi beach where the first landings were made Easter morning.

The funeral was held less than 24 hours after Buckner was killed by the enemy artillery shell which Hubbard believes was a 75 mm. The commanding general had been at the forward observation post of the third battalion of the Eighth marine regiment, which went into the line yesterday, for about two hours when the shell hit.

Buckner had just been pointing out interesting bits of action to accompanying officers. Tanks spurring flames into cave positions; civilians leaving caves to surrender and sharp fighting on an adjoining hillside—when the shell exploded in the observation post and a fragment entered his left breast. No one else in the observation post was hurt.

When Hubbard reached his side, the general was still breathing but unconscious. "He didn't know what hit him."

The day before his death Buckner had expressed satisfaction that his forces had killed almost 80,000 Japanese. On that same day 1,549 Japanese were killed on Okinawa to 47 Americans—a ratio of 33 to 1.

Succeeded by Geiger. Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, a veteran of the Solomons, Marianas and Palau, took over the command of expeditionary troops and the Ryukyus forces today, after receiving orders from Nimitz.

Ironically Buckner met his death on the eve of complete victory in his first field campaign.

The Kentuckian, who at 58 had won a reputation for aggressiveness and discipline, was the highest ranking American to die by enemy action in the war against

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Roosevelt Escort Ship Sunk by Japs

WASHINGTON, June 19.—(AP)—The U. S. S. minesweeper Emmons, which helped escort President Roosevelt en route to the Tehran Big Three conference, has been lost off Okinawa—victim of Japanese suicide planes.

Hit by five kamikazes within a few minutes, the Emmons was so badly damaged she had to be sunk by sister ships 12 hours after the attack last April 6. She suffered 139 casualties, including 50 killed, 73 wounded and two missing.

Her fatal engagement was her first in Pacific waters. Attacked by 12 enemy planes, she shot down six, but five bored through the wall of AA fire and crashed the ship.

Lt. Comdr. Eugene N. Foss of Chestnut Hill, Mass., grandson of the former Massachusetts governor of the same name, was the Emmons' skipper, and was wounded in the first hit. Command was assumed by Lt. John J. Griffin, Jr., Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.

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By L. F. Robinson

An American general has brought home Herman Goering's trousers as a war trophy. This raises a bulky question as to the reich's greater loss: Hitler's panzers or Goering's pants?