

TORNADO LEAVES 17 DEAD, SCORES INJURED

James Mess Chosen School Director, Budget Approved, Also Consolidation Proposal

Roseburg voters yesterday chose James Mess to be school board director, approved the 1946-47 school district budget, and consolidation of the Roseburg and Sylmar Valley school districts in the annual school district election.

An extremely light vote was cast. P. H. books showed only 230 names at the close of voting at 7 o'clock last night.

In Sylmar Valley, where a 23-to-11 vote was cast in favor of consolidation with the Roseburg school district, most of the district's 40 eligible voters participated, said R. H. Franks of the Sylmar Valley board.

Mess, a former city councilman and president of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce, received 132 votes for school board director, Charles Poirot, a contractor, received 65 votes, and John C. Piper, 30 votes. Mess will serve for the coming five years.

One hundred seventy-one persons approved the \$144,469.47 budget for the coming year, which exceeds the constitutional six per cent limitation. There were 39 "no" votes.

For consolidation, 176 persons approved, 27 persons disapproved of the measure.

34 Sailors Confess

Theft Guilt; One Jailed

SEATTLE, June 18.—(AP)—Thirty-four sailors each said "guilty, sir!" yesterday when arraigned before District Judge John C. Bowen on charges of larceny on the high seas. All were placed on probation except George Robert Hills, 26, who was sentenced to a year in the county jail after a postal inspector said Hills slashed a mail sack aboard the steamship Henry Filling, on which the sailors were passengers to Alaska. Most of the loot was food, the court was told.

Logger Faces Murder Charge After Fight

ALBANY, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—A first degree murder charge was filed yesterday against John Raymond Davis, 31, Brownsville, former in connection with the death of Lloyd Hubbs, 21, of Junction City, after a beating. District Attorney Weinick said Davis and Hubbs fought at a dance at Brownsville Saturday night. Hubbs died in a Eugene hospital Sunday.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE shipping strike is called off one minute before the deadline. The terms on which it was settled are described by the seven maritime unions as a sweeping victory.

They do sound rather good. The (U. S.) labor department estimates that all told a seaman's monthly pay will rise about \$50, bringing seamen's average earnings to around \$230 a month, which is roughly up to wartime pay.

Longshoremen (CIO) get an increase of 22 cents an hour, retroactive to the first of last October.

FROM whatever angle we may look at the shipping situation, two realistic facts stand out.

1. The higher shipping costs rise, with consequent upping of water freights, the better it will be for interior towns, which in the past have suffered from the competition of port cities enjoying the advantages of cheap water transport.

2. If the cost of operating a ship under the American flag becomes too high, the ships will be.

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JAMES MESS
Chosen for School Post

Four Britons Kidnaped In Holy Land Riot

JERUSALEM, June 18.—(AP)—A reliable informant said four British officers were kidnaped today from an officers club at Tel Aviv by a dozen Jewish extremists armed with tommyguns. The new outbreak of terrorism spreading throughout Palestine came after a wild night in Haifa when nine Jews were killed in a pitched battle after they attacked the central railroad shops. The deaths during gunfire and 15 explosions at the railway yards raised the toll in recent days to 18 deaths.

The informant reporting the kidnaping at Tel Aviv said the bandits were believed to be members of the Jewish extremist organization "Irgun Zvai Leumi." The British officers were believed seized as hostages against the impending execution of two Irgun members, sentenced to death last week for participating in a raid last March on a British Army camp.

The dozen terrorists raided the Hotel Yarkon, which has been a leading officers club in Tel Aviv for several years. Their victims

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House Votes Public Debt Slash of \$25 Billion

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—The House approved unanimously yesterday legislation reducing the nation's authorized debt limit from \$300,000,000,000 to \$275,000,000,000.

Debate was studded with demands for reduction in federal expenditures and curbs on foreign loans.

A similar bill, by Senator Byrd (D.-Va.), already has passed the Senate but, since legislation relating to revenues must originate in the House, the Senate will act again—this time on the House bill.

Checkers Resume Work Under Pay Hike Guarantee

PORTLAND, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—Portland harbor returned to normal today as CIO marine cargo checkers and supercargoes accepted employers' assurance that the wage increase negotiated in Washington last Friday night applied to them.

California checkers were named specifically for the pay boost but the Portland group was not and all CIO maritime unions here refused to return to work until the checkers were assured of inclusion.

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H. T. Carstens Given Seat on City Council

Succeeds I. B. Riddle, to Be City Attorney; Parking Meter Ordinance Passes

Henry T. Carstens, local furniture dealer and former president of the Roseburg Rotary Club, was chosen by the city council last night to take the seat of Councilman Ira B. Riddle when the latter becomes city attorney July 1. Riddle's resignation as a councilman was accepted at the same time. He will succeed A. N. Orcutt, who last month submitted his resignation, to be effective July 1, because of the pressure of his private law practice.

The parking meter ordinance, setting aside certain downtown streets as parking zones, was passed.

James Fogel, local blacksmith, was granted permission to shoe horses at his blacksmith shop, which he plans to erect on property near Fullerton and Mosher Streets, provided that the premises be kept sanitary and clean. Street Signs Coming

Street signs are promised soon by Roy Huffham, sign painter. It was reported by Council President Percy Croft. The signs, a few of which are to be painted this

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Hobbs Labor Bill Slated for Vote

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—Republican and Democratic backers counted today an overwhelming approval already voted by both houses to force early Senate action on the Hobbs "anti-racketeering" labor bill.

Senator Hatch (D.-N.M.), who unexpectedly jockeyed the measure out of the Senate judiciary committee yesterday, told a reporter he will resist any attempts to amend the measure. The measure's backers say it would declare the objections President Truman raised to its wording when it was presented to him as part of the Case labor disputes legislation he vetoed.

The bill, originally offered by Rep. Hobbs (D.-Ala.) and passed by a wide House margin, would declare it a felony to interfere by robbery, or extortion, or by threats of violence with movement of goods in interstate commerce.

Violations would be punishable by fines up to \$10,000 or imprisonment for up to 20 years.

The measure's backers say it is aimed among other things, at stopping the practice by some unions of collecting a fee from farmers who drive produce to markets in their own trucks.

These unions demand the fee in lieu of the hiring of a union driver.

Mr. Truman said he favored certain objectives but added that Congress should make it clear the measure does not "make it a felony to strike and picket peacefully."

The Case bill provision, approved by a 59 to 22 Senate vote, was identical with the Hobbs bill the House had passed.

Salmon Price Hike Ends Strike of Fishermen

ASTORIA, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—Gillnet fishermen were back on the job today after voting to accept a two-cent-per-pound price increase for salmon offered by the Columbia river packers.

The strike started June 10 when the fishermen asked a four-cent price boost.

Henry Niemela, secretary of the 1,500 fishermen who operate about 900 boats, reported the price for spring chinook salmon will increase from 17 to 19 cents a pound until July 31; will be 17 cents Aug. 1-10 and 15 cents Aug. 12-26.

The increase must be approved by the OPA.

Other prices: Steelhead, 12 1/2 cents after June 11; blue backs, 18 cents May 1 to Aug. 26.

Vice Adm. Hara, 7 Other Jap Criminals Hanged

SINGAPORE, June 18.—(AP)—Eight convicted Japanese war criminals, including Vice Adm. Hara, former commander of Japanese naval forces in the Andaman Islands, were hanged here today. Hara was held responsible for the deaths of 213 islanders.

Royal Trunkle, 12, Drowns In River at Myrtle Creek

Royal Trunkle, 12, was reported drowned in the South Umpqua River at 2:30 yesterday afternoon at Myrtle Creek. The body was removed to the Douglas Funeral Home. Details have not yet been learned.

Louis-Conn Fight to Be Broadcast From KRRR in Roseburg

Weather permitting, the Joe-Louis-Billy Conn heavyweight fight will go on the air at 2 P. M. Wednesday and fans in the Roseburg area will have an opportunity to hear the blow-by-blow ringside broadcast. Marshall Pengra, KRRR manager, reports that through special arrangements with the American Broadcasting Company, the fight will be reported by the Roseburg station as a public service. Cost of the wire service has been assumed by The Douglas County Flour Mills, The California Oregon Power Company, Roseburg Lumber Company, and Young's Bay Lumber Company. In the event of rain, the bout will be postponed until Thursday night.

Conferees Still In Draft Deadlock

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—Lawmakers caught in the teenage draft snarl looked today to a second time to reach agreement on a bill to exempt 18 and 19-year-olds, now exempt from induction under the expiring stop-gap extension act.

Senators said their compromise offer provided: First only volunteers would be taken. Second men 20 years and older would be used to fill manpower shortages resulting from the voluntary system.

Third 19-year-olds would be taken if the first two categories were short.

Finally 18-year-olds would be inducted if all three steps failed to meet needs, but only if the President certified these needs, and then only after October 1 of this year.

Both sides agreed there is slight chance that any 18-year-olds would be drafted because by October 1 a large group of youths now 18 will reach 19.

Both sides also predicted that all other differences can be adjusted quickly. The conferees already have agreed that the draft will terminate next March 31, or nine months after the present July 1, deadline.

Quislings, Bandits Roam Allied Zone, Paper Says

LONDON, June 18.—(AP)—A Tass broadcast from Moscow today quoted the Vienna correspondent of the Prague newspaper Rude Pravo as reporting that the American, British and French zones of Austria were "a shelter for all kinds of quislings and bandits."

"The number of armed Fascist gangs exceeds the occupation forces of all four zones taken together," the news agency declared.

Americans Face Food Cut, Farm Head Announces

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—Americans are in for a slimmer diet during the next 12 months compared with amounts they ate in the past year.

This advance picture of the nation's food supply was provided today by Secretary of Agriculture Anderson in a report which said nevertheless, that "on an overall basis, civilian per capita consumption is expected to continue at a high level, considerably above pre-war."

Falsely Imprisoned Man Awarded \$115,000 by N. Y.

ALBANY, N. Y., June 18.—(AP)—Bertram M. Campbell, who served 40 months in Sing Sing prison for forgeries later confessed by another man, has been awarded \$115,000 by New York State for humiliation and loss of liberty and earnings.

The state court of claims, declaring the 59-year-old Floral Park bookkeeper a "victim of a miscarriage of justice," granted the award yesterday.

Wartime Slaughter of Non-Combatants Alleged

TOKYO, June 18.—(AP)—Royichi Tozuka, former Japanese Lieutenant-colonel, was charged today with responsibility for the wartime slaughter of 1,600 non-combatants, including 17 American citizens.

Most of the 17 Americans were associated with Central Philippines colleges and were killed at Camp Hopevale.

Primaries On In Two States; Maine Chooses

(By the Associated Press)
Voters of Michigan and Massachusetts turned out today to stamp approval on nominees for governor, house and senate after a quiet Monday primary in Maine.

Despite a veterans bonus issue the Maine voting was the second lightest in history.

Republicans renominated Gov. Hersey A. Hildreth for a second two-year term over Roy L. Fernald of Winterport, an attorney making his fourth unsuccessful bid for the nomination. Hildreth's margin was 4 to 1.

F. Davis Clark of Milo, a 30-year-old Army veteran, was the Democratic choice over State Senator Leland B. Currier of Lewiston by more than 2,500 votes.

Fernald, Clark and Currier all proposed paying a cash bonus to discharged members of the armed forces. Hildreth promised to let the legislature dispose of the question at a special session next month.

U. S. Senator Owen Brewster was unopposed for renomination

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Japs Get Long Terms for Beheading Yankee Fliers

MANILA, June 18.—(AP)—Two former Japanese Naval officers were convicted today of beheading three unidentified American fliers at Ambolma in The Netherlands East Indies, west of New Guinea in August, 1944.

A war crimes commission sentenced the two, Lt. Harumichi Nogi and Warrant Officer Y. Shizaki to 30 and 25 years at hard labor, respectively.

During a brief trial, Yoshizaki described coldly how the fliers were forced to kneel, blindfolded, before a hole six feet long. He said he beheaded two fliers with a single stroke of his Samurai sword. Harumichi then decapitated the third flier, he testified.

Water Rates Upped for Sutherlin Consumers

SUTHERLIN.—The city council has voted to raise water rates here from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per 1,500 gallons of water used; 50 cents per 1,000 for the next 2,000 gallons, and 25 cents per 1,000 for water consumption above 3,500 gallons. The rates apply within the city limits. Outside the city, new rates will be \$3 for the first 1,500 gallons; 65 cents per 1,000 for the next 2,000 gallons used, and 30 cents per 1,000 above 3,500 gallons.

Old Singing Job Denied, Vet Sues "Pied Pipers"

LOS ANGELES, June 18.—(AP)—Sue for \$150,000 against the "Pied Pipers," who sing for the radio and records, has been filed by John Huddleston, who alleges that he has refused to accept him back as a member of the organization since he returned from the Army.

Huddleston was a crooner for the group before the war.

Herman's Shop Refused Permit for Construction

Herman's Men's Shop, Roseburg, was denied a permit by the Civilian Production Administration, Portland, for construction of a retail store at \$3,500 yesterday.

The denial was in line with the administration's policy of cutting commercial and industrial construction two thirds, an announcement said. There were eight other denials, two approvals.

With Roseburg's March of Progress



—Photo by Paul Jenkins

PRODUCES CONCRETE BLOCKS—Located near the old Drager dryer in North Roseburg is one of two plants owned by John Cummings for the molding of concrete building blocks. These blocks are being used extensively both for business and residential construction. The plant pictured above manufactures about 1200 per day. Jim Pollard (with shovel) is crew foreman.



RIDE THAT HORSE, COWBOY! Pete Dixon wins money on the high-flying bare back of peppery "Red Pepper" in the bronc riding event at Livermore, Calif., rodeo, cowboy classic of the west coast. The annual Livermore outing drew a record crowd for the fun.

Arrangements Completed For Saturday Rodeo Parade; Stock, Performers Arriving

All entries for the Rodeo Parade, next Saturday morning at 10:30, must be in line by 10 o'clock at the triangle on N. Jackson St., where the parade will be formed, Al Bashford, parade captain, reports.

Floats—both western and industrial—decorated cars, and horses and riders are asked to meet at 9:15, so that the parade will not be delayed.

Negro, 14, Admits Murder Of Woman Employer

LANGHORNE, Pa., June 18.—(AP)—A 14-year-old Negro boy who helped his gardener-father after his junior high school classes faces arraignment on a murder charge today for the brutal sex slaying of his 48-year-old woman employer.

Bucks County Detective Chief Anthony Russo announced that Aaron Shelton, Jr., "signed a complete confession that he killed" Mrs. Walter A. Shetland, wife of a Trenton, N. J., rubber company executive, at her suburban home here Saturday.

Shelton will be 15 next July 21. However, District Attorney Edward G. Flester said he would seek to have him tried in Bucks County and not in juvenile court.

Russo said the youth admitted attacking Mrs. Shetland, knocking her unconscious with a poker, strangling her with a string and then trying to set her home on fire.

Blood Donors' Pool Established by V. F. W.

A voluntary blood donors' pool has been established under the auspices of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Roseburg Veterans Lounge members.

"Veterans of World War I and II are showing the way in the matter of public interest in this community with great interest toward this all-important cause," said Veterans Lounge Manager Edward F. Sexton.

Members have volunteered their services for any emergency calls for blood as well as for regular donors. Names are listed by blood type at the Veterans Lounge at 115 W. Washington street. The public is invited to cooperate in this worthy effort, Sexton stated.

The Weather

Clear tonight and Wednesday.

The parade route will be north on Jackson St. to Cass St., and west on Cass to the Southern Pacific depot. All floats, vehicles, and marching units will proceed south from the depot for disbandment near the Metzger Mill.

All horses and riders will proceed directly to the fairgrounds via the Oak St. bridge following the parade.

Three prizes are offered by the rodeo committee, Bashford said: To the best western float, \$50; for the best decorated horse and buggy, \$25; and the best mounted and western-costumed man and woman rider in the parade, \$25.

Rodeo stock—horses, steers, bulls—and rodeo performers began arriving yesterday for the Sheriff's Posse Rodeo to be held here June 22 and 23, Sheriff O. T. Carter said this morning. All animals and cowboys taking part in the rodeo are expected to be in Roseburg by tonight.

The corral at the Douglas County Fair Grounds are described by the rodeo cowboys as

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Grazing Bill Opposed by Chief Forester Watts

PORTLAND, June 18.—(AP)—The chief of the United States Forest Service Lyle F. Watts, announced here last night he was opposed to the McCarran bill, which would prevent the Forest Service from reducing herds of a particular ranch grazing on forest acreage.

"This legislation would make it impossible to increase permitted numbers of stock for small owners or to provide range for ranchers who need a new source of forage," he said.

The bill would "freeze existing range permits, thereby giving a special privilege to a limited group of large ranchers," he added.

2,500 Oregon Teachers Below Normal Standards

PORTLAND, June 18.—(AP)—There are 2,500 teachers in Oregon who do not meet normal certification standards of the Oregon Education Association, the group reported today.

Dr. Frank W. Parr, secretary, said they were allowed to teach during the war emergency and will continue to teach until the supply of accredited instructors is adequate.

"On the basis of current reports, we estimate that only 102 fully certified teachers were graduated from Oregon teachers' training institutions this year," he said. In 1945 there were 177 graduated; in 1944 there were 177.

State Elks Assn. Sets Meeting in Roseburg

Roseburg has been chosen as the site for the mid-winter session of the Oregon State Elks Association, the Roseburg delegation, which attended the state convention in Baker last week, reports. The mid-winter meeting will be held in February. The state convention next June will be held at Coos Bay.

Robert Gile, trustee in the Roseburg Lodge, was elected treasurer of the state association.

River Rouge Towns Lashed By Freak Blow

Damage May Reach Into Millions in Southern Michigan, Canadian Area

DETROIT, June 18.—(AP)—A freak June tornado struck viciously Monday night into Southern Michigan and adjacent Ontario, Canada, and left behind today a death toll of at least 17 and more than 100 injured.

Searching parties hunted through a one-hundred foot path of devastation in Canada for possible additional victims. The identified dead totaled 13, but hospitals in the Windsor area reported at least "seven or eight" other victims critically injured and near death.

The search through the debris began at the first streak of dawn less than 12 hours after the twister roared across the Detroit River and into a sparsely settled rural area near Windsor.

River Rouge, Mich., a Detroit suburb and home of the huge Ford Motor Company Rouge plant, sustained the first shock of the tornado shortly after 6 P. M., but tiny Sandwich, Ont., bore the full fury of the blast.

Enormous Damage Dealt

Property damage was expected to run into the millions of dollars. Hundreds of persons were homeless as the wind toppled their homes like so many straws.

Business establishments were wrecked, autos tossed about like

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Molten Metal Jet New Army Terror

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—The Army lifted the edge of a blueprint briefly today to disclose a fantastic weapon that may develop into a defense against atomic rockets or armored space ships laden with bombs.

It is a jet of molten metal which has an initial velocity of almost five miles a second.

Although still in the research and planning stages, the possibility of the horrendous new weapon has experts in the Army ordnance department enthusiastic. The concept of adapting it to robot anti-aircraft sky defense is going to require a bit of doing, however.

Maj. Gen. Everett S. Hughes, chief of ordnance, is of the opinion the high explosive bullets and projectiles that fighter pilots pumped into enemy aircraft probably will be replaced in a few years by the new high speed metallic jet, traveling at an initial velocity of 25,000 feet a second.

Beyond Detection

This molten metallic jet—comparable in a way to what jumps out of a toothpaste tube when squeezed, a patient ordnance spokesman explained—would travel at such a high speed that it couldn't be detected. That is, it would go right through the armor plate of a plane flying an atomic bomb. It could punch an atomic rocket right on the nose.

If the jet travels at 25,000 feet a second—and that speed is known to be possible—its spurting flash of molten metal could catch up with a V-2, if it travels at only 5,000 feet a second. A bullet lags at 3,000 a feet a second. Sound drags along at 1,120 feet a second.

The jet-firing mechanism is envisioned as an airplane weapon. First it would hurl out a rocket to be guided by radar or drawn by electronics to its skynone enemy target. As it closed in, it would let go with a stream of molten metal.

Food Sharing With All World, LaGuardia Urges

PHILADELPHIA, June 18.—(AP)—An international organization that can distribute the world's food supply so "none need go hungry" is urged by Fiorello H. LaGuardia, director general of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

"The former New York mayor told a meeting of the United Nations Council of Philadelphia last night that "God put food enough on the earth for all its people, but selfish man devised ways to control this food for private gain so that some people get too much and some not enough."

"What the world needs," LaGuardia asserted, "is a permanent successor to UNRRA, so that the surplus food can be shipped where it's needed, and none need go hungry. The world must have food production for need, not production for purchasing power."

Lovely Fast Rent

By L. F. Rosenblatt

Some look real stunning in those cowboy togs, while others—well, let's quote Robert Burns: "Oh wad some power the giftie gie us! To see ourselves as others see us!"