

Local News

Visiting at Brown Home — Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Brown of North Hollywood, Calif., are visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown, in Elgarose.

Visiting at Dingley Home — Mrs. Homer C. Mills of Pasadena, Calif., is spending 10 days visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Dingley at their home on Nebo Vista.

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MAY QUEEN CROWNED IN ANNUAL FETE—Queen Doris Durch, who ruled over the annual May Fete at Roseburg High School yesterday, is crowned by Duane Pope, in the picture above. Princesses and escorts in the queen's court, left to right, include: Shirley Helweg, sophomore; Henrietta Johnson, junior; Gordon Singleton; Patricia Holmquist, senior; Duane Pope, Queen Doris, Carolyn Koberick, sophomore; Jackie Goodwin, senior; Tyler Evans, and Patricia Par-geter, junior.

Visiting From La Grande — Mrs. Victor Bean, nee Jean Myers, of La Grande, is spending several weeks visiting her parents and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Myers, and Mrs. George Campbell, who reside in Oaks addition.

Members Asked to Get Tickets — Those planning to attend the state Lions Auxiliary board meeting at the 1 o'clock luncheon at Carl's Haven in Roseburg next Tuesday are requested to purchase their tickets at Harth's store on Jackson street.

Return to California — Robert Rideout, Mrs. C. Morrison and George Hanson have returned to their homes in Ukiah, Calif., following a few days at Elgarose as guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Hanson. The Hansons have as a guest at this time, their daughter, Mrs. Ed Baldwin, of Anchorage, Alaska.

Visitors Arrive — John F. Riedel of Holisting, Kan., accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Johanna Von Pessl of Colorado Springs, Colo., have arrived in Roseburg to visit another sister, Mrs. Marie Ospeid. The Von Pessls formerly resided in Roseburg. Mr. Von Pessl is a brother of the late Edward Von Pessl of this city.

Meet Visitors — Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Amiot of Roseburg drove to Eugene today to meet their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Lorian, of Berkeley, Calif., who will spend two weeks vacationing here. Mrs. Lorian is the former Meta-Marie Amiot of this city and prior to her marriage was employed by the Douglas County Welfare Commission.

Return Here — Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Russell and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bailey have returned to their homes in Roseburg, following a trip to Salem to attend the meeting of the official visit of the Sovereign Grand Master of the I. O. O. F., Hon. C. A. Wheeler, of Austin, Tex. Mr. Russell is Grand Representative of the Oregon I. O. O. F., and Mrs. Bailey is past president of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon. The Russells returned home by way of Corvallis, where they stopped over for a visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wright Mallory.

At Bacher Home — Mr. and Mrs. David Heis of Madison, Wis., arrived Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. George Bacher at Winston. They became friends while Mr. Heis and Mr. Bacher were stationed at Lincoln, Neb., while in training during World War II. Mrs. Heis and Mrs. Bacher were employed at the same place in Lincoln during that time. Also visiting at the Bacher home is Mrs. Ray Owens, Jr., and baby daughter, Gwen, of Denver, Colo., who are also visiting the baby's paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Owens, Sr., and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Masters at Winston.

Wallace's Urge To Help Russia Seen as Absurdity

By DEWITT MacKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst
Former Vice President Wallace has produced a heavy crop of question marks and exclamation points by his declaration in Paris that Soviet Russia should get ten to seventeen billion dollars worth of goods and services under a fifty billion dollar world construction program which should be financed mainly by the United States through the United Nations.

Any such program would be the height of incongruity to those who agree with the Washington administration's policy of aiding weak nations to stand off Communist aggression. If both plans were in operation simultaneously, we should have the weird spectacle of America sinking billions to restore Russia's war potential and at the same time expending other vast sums to combat a Communist offensive on the grounds that it might lead to another world war.

Of course, Wallace's proposal doesn't present any incongruity from his standpoint, because he is campaigning against President Truman's plan for aiding Greece and Turkey to withstand the Red avalanche. The former vice president would give aid to Russia, and to other war stricken countries, including Greece.

Soviet Ignores Promise
As a matter of fact there wouldn't be any incongruity in thus assisting Russia if she gave a satisfactory quid pro quo. The quid pro quo obviously would have to be that Moscow would halt such world-wide activities as have given rise to the Greco-Turkish situation.

It has been the western world's dislike of and fear of Communism which has so often dampened international relations since the Soviet government was established. It wasn't until 1933 that Washington recognized the Soviet Union, and then a promise was exacted from Moscow that it shouldn't inspire any further Communist activities in America. But things have changed mightily since then. As matters now stand, U. S. Assistant Secretary of State William Benton yesterday declared that Russia spends more for propaganda than the other big powers combined.

In advocating the huge aid for Russia, Mr. Wallace makes the proviso that Moscow should be required to forego her heavy reparations demands on Germany and to become a member of the International Bank. He adds:

"The world cannot afford to allow reparations claims to shift from devastated Russia to Germany the misery and deprivation that create in Europe a danger spot."

Warns of Depression
The former vice president and Secretary of Commerce also stated in Paris that the United States would face the gravest business depression in history un-

less it took the lead in world economic reconstruction. He predicted that "this will be one of the most serious depressions the United States ever has had, a most amazing phenomenon which will affect the whole world."

So far as concern's Russia's huge losses in life and resources during the world war, they have aroused the keenest sympathy throughout America. Uncle Sam has rendered aid to our ally, and done so gladly. And you can bet your last dollar that he would go all out in giving further assistance to Russia if she would announce that she finally had reached the end of her colossal program of expanding her zones of influence, and agree to remove her political pressure from other countries.

Oregon Legion Chief to Visit Umpqua Post Fete

"Past Commanders' Night," next Tuesday, of Umpqua Post, No. 16, American Legion, will be marked by an official visit from Fred A. Lothrop of Portland, state commander of the American Legion.

The meeting will be a joint gathering of Umpqua Post and its auxiliary, said E. A. Springer, post commander. All past commanders of other Legion posts, as well as of Umpqua Post will be honor guests.

Invitations have been extended to neighboring Legion posts on the Pacific Highway from Drain to Canyonville to attend. A special team of veteran Legionnaires will conduct the meeting.

"It is urgently requested that all past commanders be present, because we hope to take pictures of them to complete our history of Umpqua Post," Springer said. Refreshments at the meeting will be provided by members of the auxiliary.

About 400 people in the United States are killed by lightning every year.

Churches to Sag, Schools to Boom, Survey Reveals

By JOHN L. SPRINGER

AP Newfeatures Writer
NEW YORK—The war has had a "depressing effect" on the growth of the church, and unless existing trends are reversed organized religion will hold a "small and declining" place in American economic life in the coming years, according to authorities of the Twentieth Century Fund.

The Fund experts say that contributions to churches and welfare institutions in recent years have totaled "little more" than \$1.50 out of every \$100 spent by consumers—an amount less than that for either tobacco or alcoholic drinks. Despite rises in the national income since 1933, they declare, there has been a steady decrease in the percentage given the church.

Church Seats Vacant
In a chapter devoted to religion and social welfare in an exhaustive survey of "America's Needs and Resources," the Fund suggests that church attendance, rather than church "membership" would be a better guide to the public's interest in organized religion. It cites one survey indicating that "70 per cent of the seats in churches are not being used on Sunday morning and probably 75 per cent of persons known as members are not supporting their churches with their personal attendance and active encouragement."

As to the influence of the war on church-going, the Fund authorities say "millions of young men were drawn from their homes and from normal lives at the very time when they might have been forming church-going habits. The man-power demands of war industries drew workers from their home communities and broke church ties, while the pressure of overtime work often interfered with church attendance."

In addition, the Fund study says "the trend of Sunday school membership over the past few decades does not promise a substantial future growth in church membership."

Education Progresses
While relatively weaker days may be ahead for the churches, the Fund indicates there may be good prospects for the schools.

It says there has been steady progress in education during the past generation. (The typical enlisted man in the World War I army had 7 years of schooling while his counterpart in World War II had 10 years.) This latter figure, it says, is what "well-informed and experienced opinion" thinks should be the "absolute minimum of universal schooling."

In order to achieve this under minimum standards the study indicates it would be necessary to raise the average expenditure per pupil each year to \$72 a year (in the prices of 1940).

Current expenditures by states, it says, range from \$31 to \$157 per pupil, with nine states spending under \$50.

"To make up for our deficiencies in school buildings and equipment by 1960 and to provide all newcomers with adequate facilities," it says, "we need to increase our annual capital expenditures for schools nearly two and a half times."

Among trends in schooling

which the survey notes are:
Gradual disappearance of the little one-room schools. About 15 per cent of all elementary school pupils still are in one-room, one-teacher schools in the open country, however.
Increasing emphasis on "utility" in education. This means "ordinary polite conversation" is studied instead of "pieces" to be recited, and a modern language likely to be used is learned instead of Latin.

A big postwar boom may be expected in adult education, fed in part by the need for vocational training of war casualties and the shifts of millions of persons to peacetime production.

Local Goal Set For Aiding China

The Rev. Benjamin E. Bollman of Roseburg has been named county chairman of United Service to China for its 1947 fund raising campaign, for which a goal of \$1,500 has been set locally.

Slogan of the drive is "Help China Help Herself." It was originated by former Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, who serves as national campaign chairman.

The week, May 5 to May 12, has been designated, "Friendship to China Week," the Rev. Mr. Bollman said. The film, "Bridge to Yonshu," will be available for showing to local organizations, to point up the need for cash donations to aid China.

Of "stimulating interest" to the campaign, he said, is the recent report of a survey made by the American Institute of Public Opinion (Gallup Poll) during March.

The survey indicates that 63 per cent of the people polled on a national basis believe it "important" that Americans contribute money to help China get on her feet.

Percentage of people favoring aid to China gained in March over December, despite "unfavorable" news of political happenings in the Orient.

The Oregon quota for the 1947 campaign has been set at \$80,475, the Rev. Mr. Bollman said. Governor Earl Snell is honorary state chairman, Francis Lambert of Portland is state campaign chairman.

Cash donations may be sent locally to "United Service to China, care of Miller's Department Store," it was stated by David J. McCarroll, who serves as finance chairman.

Arrangements for showing the motion picture, "Bridge to Yonshu," may be made with Eugene A. Springer, Douglas County Creamery, who is chairman of the speakers' bureau.

Traffic Code Breakers Fined in Justice Court

Overload and traffic violations reported by Justice of the Peace Hartfield this week included:
William J. McKinnon, passing with view obstructed, fined \$10; Darrel D. Taylor, insufficient lights, \$10; Carl E. Burkman, no clearance lights, \$10; Oliver K. Ladd, unit overload, \$15; Mason G. Adair, overload, \$15; Clayton

Clemens, no vehicle license, \$10; Junior R. Kee, failure to yield right of way, \$25; Chester R. Smith, no vehicle license, \$10.
George S. Elliott, axle overload, \$10; John S. Springstead, no declared weight receipt, \$10; Lenora M. Walsh, no operator's license, \$10; Ronald F. Jackson, overload, \$50, and no registration card, \$10; Louis F. Kobow, overweight load, \$10, and overload, \$25.

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