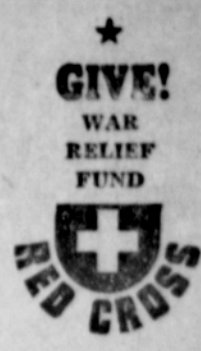


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Metcalf Names Officials District Defense Council

Personnel of Council Falls Into Five Separate Divisions.

VOLUNTEER WORKERS TO GET AID.

The naming of the district defense council, with the exception of two subordinate chairmen, has been completed, Harry Metcalf, South Lane chairman, announced here Monday. The divisional chairmen were announced at a meeting of the council members Friday noon at the Rainbow cafe, at which time plans were discussed for setting up the council.

Of interest was the announcement from Chairman Metcalf that the council was endeavoring to provide comfort for those engaged in volunteer work and that a fund has been set aside to purchase needed equipment. Included in the equipment are several barrel stoves which have been or are being made to be used by air wardens, watchers, etc. The personnel of the council appointed up to Monday falls into five divisions and includes:

(1) Planning division: Roy Short, chairman; C. E. Humphrey, morale; W. C. Martin, publicity; Roy Short, finance and Don Allen, registration. (2) Protective division: Myron Perry, chairman; John Wilson, fire; D. R. Hamant, debris clearance; Schofield Stewart, rescue; Mrs. Corinne Jones, first aid; E. R. Lemley, air raid precautions; Cecil Wooley, aircraft observers. (3) Necessities: Vinal Randall, chairman; C. K. Haynes, food; S. L. Mackin, clothing; Vinal Randall, housing, emergency shelters; Dr. H. A. Axley, medical; H. B. Ferrin, community facilities. (4) Community division: Lloyd Griggs, chairman; Ray Nelson, radio; Lloyd Griggs, telephone and telegraph; L. J. McCoy, transportation; James Tedford, road repairs. (5) Public utility division (PUD): L. C. Schroeder, chairman; L. W. Coiner, water; L. C. Schroeder, power; Everett Powell, gas; Dr. Guy Earl, sanitation; Roy Sunderland, gasoline and oil storage.

Rites for Roland Gray Held Monday

Rites for Roland Bruce Gray, 89, were held at the Mills chapel Monday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. with the Rev. Ted Burns officiating. Burial was in the Masonic I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mr. Gray died at the home of a son, Daniel M. Gray, in the Comstock community, December 26. He was born in Lynn county, Iowa, February 14, 1853, and was married on September 18, 1875, in Illinois to Elizabeth McCoy, who died in 1935. Mr. Gray had lived in this section for the past eight years, coming here from Wheatland, Wyoming, where he had lived for the past forty years.

Surviving are the following: Five sons, Daniel M. Gray of the Comstock section, Clarence Gray of Yakima, Washington, Frank Gray of San Bernardino, California, Isaac Gray of Royal Grand, California, and Clayton Gray of Santa Barbara, California, and one sister, Mrs. S. G. Hopkins of Arlington, Virginia.

McQUEEN BUYS KING INTEREST IN EAGLE CIGAR STORE

Carl King has sold his interest in the Eagle Cigar store to George McQueen. The transfer is effective the first of the year. Earl Hill retains his interest in the establishment.

Mr. King has made no plans so far as known at the time the announcement was made. He has served as a scout for the Detroit Tigers of the American League for several years and is expected to devote at least part of his time to this enterprise.

TRAVELING EXAMINER HERE

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs will be in Cottage Grove January 5th from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. at the city hall for the purpose of examining those wishing to obtain permits to drive cars.

Aliens Asked to Register Firearms

Provisions Apply to All Persons 14 Years Old or Older.

The department of justice has requested all aliens to register all firearms, bombs, explosives and materials used in the manufacture of ammunition or bombs or explosives at the nearest police station. Myron Perry, local chief of police, has requested all aliens living in this territory to register the above named weapons, cameras, radio transmitters and short wave receiving sets at the police office in the city hall.

Persons bringing in such articles for registration should bring wrapping paper or boxes to be used in storing the materials until the close of the present emergency. Such articles will be stored in or near the city hall until released by the department of justice.

Failure to comply with this request will subject the alien or aliens to the provisions of the alien law and any officer may issue a warrant for an alien enemy.

Provisions of the request applies to all aliens fourteen years old or older. This should receive the immediate attention of all aliens.

Local Employment Office Transferred To Federal Control

The Cottage Grove office of the Oregon State Employment service is being transferred from state to federal control, effective January 1, 1942, and will hereafter be operated as an office of the United States Employment Service. L. C. Stoll, United States Employment Service Director for Oregon, announced today.

Mr. Stoll said that the 24 offices of the state department are being made federal offices this week, following President Roosevelt's request to the governors of the states on December 19, 1941, asking that arrangements be made to transfer the personnel and the necessary equipment to the federal government in a nation-wide reorganization of the employment service to meet increasing labor demands of the war industries.

All employees of the State employment Compensation Commission, who are engaged in employment service functions, will become federal employees at their present rating and salary under the state merit system.

The Cottage Grove office will remain in its present location, 922 Main street, under the management of George Machen, but will operate under the name of the United States Employment Service.

Claims for unemployment insurance, under the state law, will continue to be taken at the Cottage Grove office by federal employees, and transmitted to the state agency for the usual determination as to eligibility.

V. Randall Elected President C. of C.

Vinal Randall was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce for the ensuing year and will assume office on January 13th. Chamber of Commerce members in the regular meeting Tuesday elected Mr. Randall who succeeds C. L. Stroup, resigned. No other change was made in the official personnel.

There will be no noon meeting of the Chamber Tuesday. The noon meeting was postponed until evening at which time the members will join in a community meeting at the Odd Fellow hall to hear the address of Dr. Frank Munk, guest speaker. The committee appointed to sell tickets for the dinner on the 6th includes George Machen, Dr. Kime and L. J. McCoy. Committees are also functioning from the Lions and Business and Professional Women's club.

Harry Metcalf, South Lane defense chairman, was present and explained the local defense setup and how the setup should function.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis B. Harrington became the parents of a 7-pound son, Howard Winston, at the McFarland maternity home on December 31.

Where British Must Hold Japs



On this map is shown Britain's most crucial battleground of the Far East—the fight in the Malay states for strategic Singapore. Japanese troops, finished with Hongkong, poured into Malaya to increase pressure on British. If Singapore falls, Dutch East Indies and Australia are gravely periled, and Japs gain access to oil and other materials for long war.

Office Will Open In Armory for Defense Efforts

A home defense office will be opened the first of next week in the armory to serve as a clearing house in all home defense efforts. The office located in the captain's office on the first floor, is in charge of Mrs. Alvis Wicks. The office will be opened each week day from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. If you have any materials to donate to the Red Cross or other war agencies, bring the material to this office. The Red Cross sewing class, first aid, home nursing, etc., will be conducted from the office and the telephone number is 34.

Both Major Metcalf, local defense chairman, and William Haldeman, are gratified at the public response and the manner in which a number of individuals have volunteered to do their part. Since all work is on a voluntary basis, Major Metcalf and Mayor Haldeman join other defense officials in expressing appreciation for this splendid start and fine cooperation.

Orville Isham Killed In Action December 7th at Pearl Harbor

Orville A. Isham, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Isham of South 8th street, met his death at Pearl Harbor December 7th when his ship, the U.S.S. Arizona, was attacked by the Japs, according to word received here Friday. News of his death was received from Mrs. Isham, who, with a five-year-old son, was making their home at Honolulu.

Mr. Isham was chief petty officer on the Arizona. He graduated from the Dorena high school in 1930 and enlisted in the navy in 1932. Surviving Mr. Isham, in addition to the widow and son are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Isham, two sisters, Mrs. Frank Miller of the Latham community, and Mrs. Leonard Bish of Westfir, and a brother, Albert Isham, a student in the Cottage Grove high school.

From now on all county defense councils will use only the FBI application cards for the fingerprinting of men and women assigned to duty in civilian defense work, according to an announcement from the Oregon State Defense Council.

Dr. Frank Munk to Address Open Meeting Jan. 6th

Three civic clubs, the Chamber of Commerce, the Lions club and the Business and Professional Women's clubs have joined in sponsoring a community dinner here Tuesday, January 6th, to be held at the L.O.O.F. hall at which time Dr. Frank Munk, former Reed College professor and former resident of Bohemia, Czechoslovakia, will address the gathering on the "Silent Millions of Europe," how they live and what they think. Price of the dinner is 75 cents per plate.

The dinner and program is open to the general public and anyone not affiliated with the local organizations named above can purchase tickets from the ticket committees of either the Chamber of Commerce, Lions or Business and Professional Women's club.

Robert Fromm, member of the committee who is sponsoring the visit of Dr. Munk here, said plates would be set for about 150 but more people could be accommodated if necessary.

Dr. Munk, a writer, economist, educator and lecturer, is authority on problems of the so-called totalitarian economies and is familiar with the condition of the European continent today and understands the Nazi aims for world domination. His address should be of general interest.

KELLY COMMISSIONED AS SECOND LIEUTENANT.

Jack Kelly, former member of Battery E, with the 249th Coast Artillery, who has been attending the Coast Artillery school at Fort Monroe, Virginia for the past few months, was graduated from the officers' course of that school on December 24th and was commissioned a second lieutenant, C.A.C. It is not known at the present time where Lt. Kelly will be stationed.

BICYCLE LICENSES AT CITY HALL.

L. W. Coiner, city recorder, announced yesterday that the 1942 bicycle licenses had arrived and would be ready to issue on and after January 2nd. A total of 500 license tags are available for issue and bicycle owners are advised to get their plates as soon as possible.

Defense Council Session Held at Local Armory Last Tuesday Evening

Merchants Sponsor Another First Baby Of Year Contest

Many of our readers may find the Sentinel advertising particularly of interest this week because of the First Baby Contest of 1942, which is being sponsored by local merchants. Many attractive prizes are being offered for the first as well as the second baby of the new year.

The contest conducted by the publisher for the past ten years, and the third year for Cottage Grove, is timely under the present national conditions. The reoccurrence of another international conflict, regrettable as it may be, serves as a reminder that America may need manpower as well as resources to defend democracy in future years and while we join in the fervent hope of millions that this manpower may never be needed so far as an armed conflict is concerned, it is reassuring that such force is available if needed and that as long as we have a young America we will have a strong America.

Mercury Falls to 17 For Coldest Spell of Winter Thus Far

New Years day was ushered in with sunshine and a cold wave that set the native's teeth a chattering. The mercury touched 17 above this morning, according to C. E. Stewart, weather observer, for the coldest weather of the year and for several years so far as records go.

The cold wave hit here Wednesday morning, borne by a stiff north wind. Practically all the coast section experienced the change in temperature. Saturday the first thrust of winter left an inch of snow, which was greater in the higher altitudes. The forest service reported this morning that there was two feet of snow in the Bohemias with a fall of four inches yesterday.

Appointive Officers Are Named for the Police Reserves

The personnel of the local police reserve officers was completed this week with the announcement of the appointive officers who were: Philip Bukowski, captain; Bernard Rohleder, Hugh Brisbane, first lieutenants; Everett Abbott, Russell E. Smith, Floyd Holmes and Ace Gregg, sergeants; Frank Hoard, Merrill Craig, Hugh McBride and Harry Rentle, corporals.

LOCAL L.S.W.U. OFFERS 100 PERCENT COOPERATION.

Local L.S.W.U. No. 257, representing the mill and woodsmen of the Chambers mill has offered to cooperate 100 percent in the present emergency with the local state and national government for unity and solidarity. In a letter dated December 23rd, Walter Scarpi, recording secretary, urges all members to volunteer wholeheartedly for any emergency that may arise.

L. C. Schroeder, South Lane chairman of the Red Cross war relief campaign, visited this local at the regular meeting and explained the purpose of the second Red Cross campaign. The membership present responded generously.

GREENWAYS RETURN FOR ANOTHER SACRED CONCERT.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Greenway are returning to Cottage Grove for another sacred musical concert, this time at the Baptist church, next Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Greenway have recently completed a 9,000-mile tour of Canada and are now touring the United States.

Mr. Greenway is a former concert violinist and Mrs. Greenway a gifted accompanist and talented harpist. While here they will play an unusual instrument known as the "Theremin," unusual in that the performer never touches the instrument while playing.

HORSES, MULES REGISTERED

A total of sixty-eight horses and mules had been registered at the office of O. S. Fletcher, county agent. All owners of horses and mules between the ages of 3 to 10 years are asked to register their animals. Registration is voluntary.

Fall of Manila Is Imminent as Jap Hordes Press On

Allied Soldiers May Retreat to Island Fortress of Corregidor.

WOUNDED EVACUATED TO AUSTRALIA.

The fall of Manila appeared imminent Wednesday night as Japanese dive bombers and armored units blasted fiery pathways from the north and south to within close range of the Philippine capital itself.

So desperate has the situation become for General MacArthur's valiant but outnumbered defense forces that all communications from the besieged capital to the outside world are now restricted to military dispatches to and from the war and navy departments in Washington.

The latest war department communiqué, issued in Washington and based on direct word from General MacArthur, said "American and Philippine troops are continuing their stubborn resistance in accordance with prearranged defense plans."

General MacArthur advised the War Department that wounded soldiers of his army have been evacuated aboard the S.S. Macatan, which is proceeding to Australia clearly marked as a hospital ship in accordance with international law.

General MacArthur's troops, engaged in the heroic defense of the Philippines since the first Japanese invasion hordes began to land on the Queen Island of Luzon 22 days ago, are admittedly falling back in an effort to keep their forces intact and to prevent complete encirclement.

What avenue of escape the American commander-in-chief and his troops will be able to find from the closing jaws of the ferocious Japanese pincer drive on Manila the next 12 hours are likely to tell.

Washington dispatches state that there is every indication MacArthur's forces are fighting desperately to preserve their lines in orderly withdrawals so that if Manila falls they can retire to some other point—possibly at Corregidor, rugged island fortress commanding the harbor approaches to the capital, and in the province of Cavite, south of Manila.

First Registration Under New Draft To Be Held Soon

WASHINGTON—First registrations under the new draft act enrolling all men between 18 and 65 probably will be late in January, or early in February, National Selective Service headquarters disclosed last Thursday.

Officials there said it would take several weeks to set up machinery for the registration. Under present plans, registrations probably will be held on different days for different age groups.

Under the new law, which was signed by President Roosevelt only last Monday, men from 20 to 44 inclusive will be liable to military service.

Draft officials have tentatively decided, it was reported, to call for registration of men between 20 and 28 first, probably all of them on the same day.

Later, dates will be fixed for registration of other age groups, those from 28 to 44, then those from 18 to 20, and finally those from 44 to 65.

Because of the war, local draft boards are to be instructed to be more stringent in classifying the new crop of registrants.

Reclassification of the 17,257,000 men signed up in the first draft already has started. It is believed that many men in class 3-A, those who claimed deferment of persons dependent on them, will be shifted back into class 1-A.

Draft officials estimated that from 20,000,000 to 23,000,000 men not now registered will be forced under the new draft act, bringing the total number of men signed up to between 40,000,000 and 45,000,000.