

Italian Army Reported in Enemy Capital

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Views Upon Island Plan Voiced; Most Favorable

PROMINENT citizens, questioned yesterday as to their reaction to the report of Stevens and Koon, consulting engineers, recommending construction of an underground source of water supply for Salem from Stayton island, had varied responses but in the main these were favorable to the plan.

Mayor V. E. Kuhn: "This is a matter of very serious importance to the city of Salem and to every citizen in it. I feel that this plan has been thoroughly investigated from an engineering standpoint. The conclusions reached are not just guesswork but the results of engineering facts and data. Over a period of time, this water system will be a worthwhile investment for the city. Many people are not considering all the questions concerned in this program. When every phase has been considered, I feel it will in reality be found to be a profitable investment."

C. M. Inman, Attorney: "I at one time owned land adjoining the island, and I am inclined to believe that the water comes from Kiphart's bluff. If this is true, it would be an almost inexhaustible supply. The proposal certainly meets with my approval. I believe it better to save the expense of pumping if a gravity system such as this could be utilized."

Rev. Guy L. Drill, Pastor First Christian Church: "If the facts in the report can be established, I think the city of Salem should undertake that project immediately."

Senator Charles K. Spaulding: "Speaking from the taxpayers' point of view, I think it's more desirable than the Little North fork of the Santiam. I always did think wells were a good thing; of course, the water would be a little hard but I don't think you ever could pump them dry. Getting above Stayton, however, there will always be an ample supply of water and it will be cold—taken from the bed of the river. That's what we wanted. It has some features better than well water."

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Mrs. George R. K. Moorhead, President of the Woman's Club: "I have been in favor of the Little North Fork as a water source since it was the choice of the people when they had an opportunity to ballot on it. The ultimate financial setup for the Stayton source as well as the quality of the water (its hardness) should be carefully investigated."

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Carl Pope, Lawyer and Secretary of the Salem Taxpayers' League: "I am still hoping to be able to obtain the exact and detailed statement of the costs of the project. I am opposed to any increase in water rates."

Paul Wallace: "I haven't had a chance to read the report yet, but from what I have heard casual it seems like a fine solution. Of course I have no definite reaction as I have not looked into it."

John H. Weir, trouble-shooter at the Fairmount hill reservoir, attempted again tonight to head off increasing activity throughout the state to swing Townsend support behind primary election candidates.

Continued and increasing reports... indicate there are various unauthoritative groups making up political slates and giving out the inference that they are approved by Townsend headquarters.

Weir said in a bulletin to all Townsend clubs of the state. "The Townsend movement stands unalterably for an open primary in Oregon."

He asked Townsend members to organize the activities of a new organization, claiming members affiliated with at least 30 Portland pension plan clubs, which selected a full slate of candidates here over the weekend.

Appearing in court with Kellaher were his attorneys, John R. Murphy and George Mowrey of Portland. Neither the defendant nor his attorneys made any statement for the press.

Kellaher is accused of having agreed to accept a \$50,000 bribe from Llewellyn A. Banks, serving a life term in the state prison here for killing G. W. Prescott, Jackson county constable. Kellaher was state parole officer when the alleged contract with Banks, former Medford newspaper publisher, was made. Banks allegedly agreed to pay the \$50,000 if Kellaher obtained his release under a pardon.

Democrats of Maryland Are For Roosevelt

California Primary Set Today; Landon Faces Important Test

Incumbent, Sinclair and McGroarty Names are on Bourbon List

(By The Associated Press)
In a contest for Maryland's 16 democratic national convention votes, President Roosevelt acquired more than a five to one lead over Colonel Henry Breckinridge, critic of the new deal, in returns from about one-third of the state's 1,425 ballot boxes.

With 427 polling places reported, the vote was: Roosevelt 30,521; Breckinridge 4,334. Mr. Roosevelt carried the City of Baltimore by more than six to one on the basis of complete but unofficial returns.

California last night adopted a republican contest between a state of uninstructed delegates— a move favored by former President Hoover—and a state pledged to Governor Landon of Kansas.

Democratic primaries there also will find the names of President Roosevelt, Upton Sinclair of the Epic organization, and Representative McGroarty. Town and plan advocates, listed on the ballots. Both of the latter have said they would throw their support to Mr. Roosevelt on the second ballot at the democratic national convention in June.

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Pullman Campus Agog Over Rules

Restrictions Placed Upon Picnics by Dean of Women Protested

PULLMAN, Wash., May 4.—(AP)—Washington State college students marshaled support today for a parade tomorrow in protest against what they described as strict administrative policies, while underground threats of a walkout were heard.

Tomorrow's parade was called in handbills circulated today by the "Students' Liberty association," a previously unlisted campus group.

Students who claimed to be spokesmen for the "Liberty association" said tonight the rulings of the dean of women were a special cause of dissatisfaction.

They said students objected to the rule forbidding taking blankets on picnics and requiring chairs for three couples or more, and the return to the campus by 7 p. m. They cited as "absurd and arbitrary" an order from the dean to remove a davenport from a sorority house side porch because it was "suggestive."

Minto and Coffey Demurrers Heard

Demurrers to indictments against Frank Minto, chief of police, and Orey Coffey, member of the city police force, were argued before Circuit Judge E. C. Latourette of Clackamas county here yesterday, and the court ordered attorneys to submit briefs before he gives a decision. The indictments grew out of the gambling investigation conducted by the Marion county grand jury under leadership of Assistant Attorney General Ralph Moody.

The demurrers claimed the indictments were not direct and certain as to the particular circumstances of the crime charged, that the acts or omissions charged as the crimes are not clearly set forth, and that the indictments are void for indefiniteness and that they charge the alleged crimes in more than one form.

Legation Still Being Held in Spite of Riot

U. S. Minister Declares Situation is Quieter There Early Today

Advised to Evacuate by Hull; British Unable to Send Soldiers

WASHINGTON, May 4.—(AP)—American Minister Cornelius Van H. Engert, and his small band of defenders still were in possession of the American legation in Addis Ababa at 6 a. m., Ethiopian time (11 p. m., eastern standard time), in spite of Secretary Hull's recommendations that they abandon it and seek safety in the fortified British legation from attacking natives.

At that hour the minister radioed the state department as follows: "Nothing happened since my dispatch 3 a. m., May 5 to other views expressed then."

"Still some firing but much less yesterday and we in no immediate danger."

Hull Advises to Evacuate Legation
Upon receipt of an urgent message from Secretary Hull to abandon the legation in the interest of safety, the American minister, Cornelius Van H. Engert notified the state department that he felt the mission should not be evacuated except as a last resort.

Earlier, the British legation had advised, through London and the state department, that it would be unable to send soldiers and guns from its own guard to aid in defense of the American legation.

The British offered, however, to send a military convoy to assist in the evacuation of the remaining occupants of the American legation. Secretary Hull "urged" Engert to abandon his valiant defense of the inadequately fortified American diplomatic building.

"Idiot's Delight" Is Pulitzer Play
"Honey in the Horn" Best Novel, Jury Decides in Annual Rating

NEW YORK, May 4.—(AP)—Robert E. Sherwood's "Idiot's Delight" tonight was awarded the 1936 Pulitzer prize for the best drama by an American author presented during the current season.

The prize for the most distinguished novel published during 1935, by an American author was awarded to "Honey in the Horn" by Harold L. Davis.

Other awards in letters were: History—"The Constitutional History of the United States," by Andrew Cunningham McLaughlin. Biography—"The Thought and Character of William James," by Ralph Barton Perry.

Verse—"Strange Holiness" by Robert P. Tristram Coffin. Each of the awards carried with it \$2,000.

Silverton Rotary Club Is Launched

SILVERTON, May 4.—Two hundred fifty Rotarians and their wives assembled for dinner in the Silverton rotary last night and participated in the program of presenting the new Silverton Rotary club with its charter. William McGilchrist, Jr., of Salem served as toastmaster and the address of the evening which reviewed the meaning and the scope of Rotary around the world was made by Dr. Bruce R. Baxter, president of Willamette university.

Walter G. Gleason of Portland, representing the district governor, Stanley Long, presented the charter to Robert Goetz, president of the new club. Dr. H. C. Epley of Salem led in group singing, and the Rev. J. S. Milligan of Salem delivered the invocation.

Clubs represented included Albany, Corvallis, Eugene, Hillsboro, McMinnville, Newberg, Portland, Salem. Each club presented the new club with a gift, some articles of service for the new organization.

The dinner was prepared by the American Legion Auxiliary and served by the Girl Reserves. An orchestra played during the dinner. Glen Bridwell was chairman of the committee of arrangements.

Heavily Guarded Public Enemy No 1; Karpis Reaches St. Paul

Five automobile loads of federal agents met the plane that brought Alvin Karpis to St. Paul from New Orleans where the "Public Enemy No. 1" was captured last Friday. Karpis is pictured as he was escorted from the plane to an automobile. In the foreground preceding the desperado is J. Edgar Hoover, head of the "G-men," who supervised the capture. Soundphoto from Chicago to west coast. International Illustrated News photo.



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Capitol Situation Is Deemed Tragic

Martin Fears Public Will Object But He's Just Spectator, Avers

"The state capitol situation is tragic," Governor Martin declared at a meeting of the state board of control Monday in connection with a supplemental proposal by Donald Young, Salem attorney, who recently offered to construct a temporary office building for the state under a three year lease.

It was proposed that this structure would accommodate a number of state departments now housed in downtown office buildings.

"Acceptance of this proposal might be construed to mean that we are hindering construction of the new capitol building," Governor Martin said.

\$500 Is Received On First Aid Car

Salem citizens have to date contributed \$500.50 toward purchase of a first aid car for the fire department, the Salem Trades and Labor council executive committee announced yesterday. This figure was based on returns made by volunteer collectors at a meeting in Union hall Sunday.

The drive will continue for several days to be centered in the business district, union leaders said. Its scope will be widened later if necessary to raise the full \$2,000 needed.

When the full quota of funds is raised, the union will obtain and equip the car for all emergencies and then present it to the fire department. Firemen trained in first aid will man the car and answer emergency calls free of charge. The car will not be used as an ambulance except in case of extreme emergency, it is planned.

Townsend to Take Witness Stand, Pension Plan Probe

WASHINGTON, May 4.—(AP)—Dr. Francis E. Townsend tonight had sharp words for the house committee which tomorrow will open its questioning of the co-sponsors of the old age pension plan.

Returning to a remark by Chairman Bell (D-Mo) of the investigating committee, characterizing a proposed caravan to carry ten million Townsend petition signatures to the capitol as "a cruel hoax upon the aged and infirm," Townsend said:

"The only hoax I know in relation to the Townsend plan is the Bell investigating committee."

James H. Sullivan, special committee counsel, was expected to direct the questioning of Dr. Townsend, although some committee members indicated they were desirous of participating in the examination.

Askaris Ready To Take Over City Command

Planes Protect; Selassie Heads for Palestine, General Flees Too

Regular Blackshirts to Move in Soon; Rail Line is Cut Off

ROME, May 4.—(AP)—A reliable source reported tonight an advance guard of Askari (native) Italian troops under the command of Gen. Pirio Broil entered the suburbs of Addis Ababa late this afternoon.

The same source said that the main body of Field Marshal Pietro Badoglio's northern army arrived at the ridges above 16 miles from the Ethiopian capital and joined the 15,000 native soldiers.

It was believed in the Italian capital Addis Ababa will be formally occupied tomorrow.

The report of the entry of the first of the northern Blackshirt warriors came as the government in Rome was reported taking what it believes to be "adequate measures" for the protection and release of foreigners in besieged legations in the Ethiopian capital.

The plan of occupation, this reliable source said, will be to send the selected troops of Marshal Badoglio to the city under the protection of 150 airplanes. Won't Announce It. Will Position Sure.

The news that the Askari vanguard had already reached the outskirts of Addis Ababa was not expected to be published here until tomorrow.

This follows the government plan to hold back publication of the occupation of Ethiopian territory until the Italian positions have been consolidated and the danger of another attack passed.

In military circles it was felt, however, the Askari had pushed ahead with the hope of alleviating the distressing conditions among foreigners in the riot-stricken city.

It was understood that airplanes from bases behind the Italian line had flown over the city again today and had reported the Askari troops well placed on the outskirts of the capital so they could take over the city at a given command.

DJIBOUTI, French Somaliland, May 5.—(Tuesday)—(AP)—Ras Nasibu, former commander of Emperor Haile Selassie's troops in southern Ethiopia, fled to British Somaliland early today accompanied by his Turkish general staff officer, Wehbi Pasha.

Ras Nasibu's precipitate departure for Berbera came on the heels of reports the Addis Ababa-Djibouti railway, Ethiopia's only railroad, had been cut off near Mojo, about 100 miles southeast of the Ethiopian capital.

Earlier, the emperor himself, accompanied by his family, left this port city aboard a British cruiser. The negus was bound for Palestine.

The cutting of the railroad was considered here as presumably impeding the progress of French colonial troops sent to the aid of 200 refugees in the French legation at the Ethiopian capital.

The little ruler, tired and apparently heart-sick after his futile flight from Addis Ababa, was represented as holding little hope of ever returning to rule his empire.

Informed sources pointed out, however, that despite his dramatic flight from the capital the emperor has not formally abdicated and in name, at least, is still emperor of Ethiopia and "king of kings."

Many WPA Workers on Weekend Police Blotter For Drunkenness, Claims

PORTLAND, Ore., May 4.—(AP)—Judge Julius Cohn said tonight that the percentage of WPA workers arrested on charges of drunkenness over weekends is gaining.

"Something should be done," about it, he said, pointing out that the daily average of WPA workers appearing on charges of either drunkenness or traffic violations was five, and an all-time high of 15 was set last week.

E. R. Austin President Of Oregon Reservists

PORTLAND, Ore., May 4.—(AP)—The Oregon department of the Reserve Officers Association of America elected Capt. E. A. Austin of Salem president and Lt. Alva C. Goodrich of Eugene secretary at the weekend convention of officers here. The 1937 meeting will be in Hood River.