

City Officers Plead for Street Assistance

Loan to Spain By Democratic Nations Hint

Great Britain, France Offer to Aid With Reconstruction

Offer Reportedly Made on Conditions That Dictators Get out

(By The Associated Press) Great Britain and France were reported yesterday to have offered insurgent Spain money for reconstruction of the war-torn country in return for a promise to eliminate German and Italian influence from a new insurgent state.

Pain heard reports that Gen. Jose Miaja, commander of the Spanish government's central zone, had opened peace talks directly with insurgent representatives, going over the head of Premier Juan Negrin. The government announced yesterday it would fight to the bitter end, although now it controls little more than the one-fourth of Spain in the Madrid-Valencia zone.

Premier Negrin himself took up quarters in the "last house in Spain," a few feet over the border in Le Perthus. In some quarters it was reported he might resign.

Oddities in News: Los Angeles Snow

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 8.-(AP)—A heavy snow-storm, accompanied by rapidly dropping temperatures struck suburban towns north and east of Los Angeles this afternoon.

The freak snowfall, reported simultaneously by the weather bureau and sheriff's sub-stations came to Glendale, Pasadena, Sierra Madre and all along the foothill areas from Newhall east to San Dimas.

Heavy falls of snow were reported at Palmdale, less than 100 miles from here, where the mid-afternoon temperature was 36 and at Mt. Wilson, where the high for the day was 33 degrees.

Kuling Evacuation Allowed by Army

SHANGHAI, Feb. 8.-(AP)—A British diplomatic request and inability to establish contact with 13 Americans and 53 other foreigners at Kuling, caused Japanese army officers today to postpone a long-announced attack on the resort town.

The officers agreed to extend the time limit for the evacuation of Kuling, where the foreigners have been stranded since last summer, beyond Friday, the original date set, but it was emphasized that "no commitments regarding possible military operations in that vicinity" could be made.

An army spokesman said that "the army is willing to assist the isolated foreigners as far as conditions permit," but added that necessity would govern future plans.

Molalla Man Collector Of Distinctive Buttons

MOLALLA, Feb. 8.-(AP)—In the past 15 years, R. W. Davidson has collected a chain of buttons 125 feet long. He thinks it contains almost every conceivable kind of button. Some of them are more than 100 years old, being European relics, while others were worn in American frontier days. Only a few are duplicates.

She's Mediator Of Labor Strife



Mrs. Alice Rosseter, national labor relations board director who sought to mediate troubles involving rival AFL and CIO unions in the lumber at Westwood Calif., where the situation was so tense that National Guard units in nearby cities were "on call" ready for action if necessary. A 48-hour truce was extended yesterday but the AFL union complicated matters by declaring a wage strike. (LIN photo.)

British Vessel's Fate Is Unknown

Conflicting Calls Reach Shore; Greek Vessel Sinks, All Rescued

THOMASTON, Me., Feb. 8.-(AP)—Conflicting radio advice tonight left the fate of the British freighter Maria de Larrinaga the temporary secret of a tumbling north Atlantic.

Mackay and Radiomarine operators reported urgent calls for aid, advised that the vessel was "sinking," then silence, as rescue ships, beating out repeated unanswered messages to the De Larrinaga, pounded to her assistance 1,200 miles east of New York.

But from the Canadian transport department's radio branch at Halifax, N. S., came word that at 4:30 p. m. (PST), 20 minutes after the rescue ships reported their last contact with the stricken vessel, the De Larrinaga radioed that a smashed bulkhead was holding and the sea decreasing.

The Cunarder Aurania, the American Seaman Scammell and the Holland-American vessel Veendam reported in messages intercepted by Mackay and Radiomarine that "nine or ten calls" to the ship had gone unanswered and that they last heard from her at 4:10 p. m. (PST) when she repeated an SOS several times, advised that a forward hatch was stove in and added she was sinking.

Mackay operators said the silence might mean that the De Larrinaga no longer had power to transmit.

Apparently, the Thomaston operator theorized, the freighter's master was repeating his calls in the hope there might be some vessel closer to his 3,084 (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Klamath Protests Over WPA Share

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 8.-(AP)—County Judge U. E. Reeder said today a protest had been dispatched to the Oregon delegation at Washington asserting WPA employment was disproportionately low here.

The judge stated the direct relief load was higher than at the corresponding period a year ago because an insufficient number of employable men were on WPA payroll. He presented figures showing Marion county, with a population about twice as large as Klamath's, had 2000 persons on WPA jobs against Klamath's 175. A similar comparison existed in Jackson county, the judge said.

Steelhead Trout or Salmon Arguments Dusted Off Anew

"Relentless operations" of sports anglers rather than the activities of commercial fishermen have caused the rapid depletion of steelhead in Oregon streams, opponents of the perennial "steelhead bill" in the legislature charged at a hearing Wednesday night.

The measure under consideration was introduced by Senator C. W. Clark, Roseburg, and others, and provides that a steelhead shall be classified as a game fish or trout in all Oregon streams with the exception of the Columbia river.

Proponents of the bill argued that commercial fishermen were responsible for the absence of steelhead in the coastal and interior streams.

W. C. Harding, secretary of the Roseburg chamber of commerce, declared that the tourist business in Oregon was built around its fishing resources.

Recc. Upheld By Secretary Before House

Madame Perkins Defends Her Enforcement of Immigration Laws

Support of Democratic Ideals Pointed out in Recent Acts

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.-(AP)—Secretary Perkins defended her record of enforcement of immigration laws today in a personal appearance before the house judiciary committee.

Answering charges of negligence contained in an impeachment resolution under consideration by the committee, the labor secretary said:

"I feel confident that whether examined minutely or at large my record as secretary of labor will show a consistent purpose not merely to support the ideals of democracy, of orderly government and of freedom, but a purpose to assure all persons subject to the government, whether citizen or alien, that those ideals are being carried forward in actual day-to-day practice. I have applied this to my administration of the immigration law and the case in point."

Bridges and Strecker Cases Apparently Meant

The case in point apparently referred to the deportation proceedings involving Harry Bridges, west coast CIO leader, and Joseph Strecker, former communist of Hot Springs, Ark.

The impeachment resolution, introduced by Rep. Thomas (R, N.J.), accused Miss Perkins; Gerard D. Reilly, labor department solicitor; and James L. Houghtaling, immigration commissioner, of "high crimes and misdemeanors" for alleged failure to enforce the law. (Turn to Page 3, Col. 1)

Republicans Set Banquet Tonight

Noted Guests, Large Crowd to Attend Lincoln Day Event at Hotel

More than 200 republicans are expected to attend the annual Lincoln day banquet to be held at the Marion hotel at 6:30 o'clock tonight under auspices of the Marion county republican central committee. Mrs. R. L. Wright, county vice-chairman, reported last night. Tickets will still be available today at the Marion.

Governor and Mrs. Charles A. Sprague will head the list of honorees at the speaker's table. Others will include Dr. William G. Everson, president of Linfield college and principal speaker; Senator and Mrs. Douglas McKay; Senator and Mrs. Robert M. Duncan; Representative and Mrs. E. R. Fattland, Mayor and Mrs. C. C. Chadwick, Secretary of State and Mrs. Earl Snell; Dr. Henry Marcotte, County Chairman Lewis Judson, Mrs. R. L. Wright, vice chairman; Fred J. Toose, Jr., county secretary; Grant Murphy, state committee chairman and Otto Bowman, county committeeman.

The banquet program was announced today. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Businessmen Ask Visitor Tag Ban

Initiation of a movement to permit out-of-city motorists to park their automobiles on Salem streets without receiving overnight tags was urged upon the chamber of commerce directors last night by a delegation of businessmen. Manager Fred Thielsen reported.

The board instructed its civic committee, headed by Walter B. Miner, to see what could be done.

Two-Foot Blanket Covering Detroit

DETROIT, Ore., Feb. 8.—Detroit and vicinity is well blanketed under fresh snow that has been falling at regular intervals since Sunday night and at present has reached about two feet here with two and a half feet at Idanha and four feet at Marion Forks.

There have been several minor auto mishaps on the roads here due to the snow the most serious being that of Roy Stayer who had the misfortune of colliding headon with a other car on a narrow bridge about five miles below Detroit Monday morning. Mr. Stayer left his car at the scene of the accident and had made arrangements to have the car towed to Salem Tuesday but when he went to get the car found someone had taken off one of the wheels.

Borah to Stay Home

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.-(AP)—Friends of Senator Borah (D-Idaho) said today he would not return to his office for several days. Borah is recuperating at home from an attack of grippe.

Has Retort for Letter of FDR



Appointive Power Purge Tool, Held

Carter Glass Strikes Back at President Anent Judge Selection

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.-(AP)—Senator Carter Glass (D, Va.) charged tonight that President Roosevelt has used his appointive power in an effort to "purge" Virginia's two senators from public life.

The aim, the 81-year-old legislator said, was to defeat Senator Harry Byrd, democrat, in 1940 and Glass himself later if he should live "longer than the intriguer's hope."

He said the method chosen was to disregard the senators' recommendations for federal positions in order to discredit and "dishonor" them among their own constituents.

Glass issued a lengthy statement in answer to President Roosevelt's criticism yesterday of the senate's refusal to confirm his nomination of Floyd H. Roberts to be a Virginia federal judge. Glass and Byrd contended their recommendations for the judgeship were ignored. They opposed Roberts on the ground that his nomination was "personally offensive to them."

Recalling correspondence with President Roosevelt regarding a published report that Governor James H. Price of Virginia had been given the "veto power" over senators' recommendations, Glass said the president answered that while he still wished to have suggestions from the senators he reserved the right to consult "Nancy Astor, the duchess of Windsor, the WPA, a Virginia moonshiner, Governor Price or Charlie McCarthy."

Japanese Naval Expert Is Dead

TOKYO, Feb. 9.-(Thursday)—(AP)—Admiral Kanji Kato, 63, one of Japan's greatest naval experts, died today at his seaside villa near Atami.

Admiral Kato's death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage after a four days' illness.

A former chief of the naval general staff, Admiral Kato attended the Washington naval conference of 1921, heading Japan's technical delegation. He bitterly opposed British and American proposals to scrap capital ships and urged withdrawal of the Japanese delegation.

Eight years later he opposed Japan's participation in the London conference, but Premier Hamaguchi overruled him. Admiral Kato went to the imperial palace and pleaded personally with Emperor Hirohito, but he failed to win his point.

It was reported the admiral's death was hastened by his work on a monumental analysis of Japan's naval position, which he had been writing for several years.

Late Sports

SPOKANE, Feb. 8.-(AP)—The Portland Buckaroos battled their way to a 5 to 4 victory over the Spokane Clippers in rough, overtime period Pacific coast conference hockey game here tonight. Spokane tossed the game away in the final moments on penalties.

TILLAMOOK, Feb. 8.-(Special)—The Willamette university Bear-kittens defeated Tillamook high school 29 to 19 here tonight. Hill, of the visitors potted 10 points and Shirmer of the locals was next high with 7.

Bayocean May Disappear; Ask Federal Funds

Peninsula Is Threatened After Recent Storms; Jetty Is Blamed

Governor Sprague Joins in Plea to President for Early Action

TILLAMOOK, Feb. 8.-(AP)—Civic leaders warned that unless the federal government takes steps to build a seawall and breakwater soon, the Bayocean peninsula, Oregon's first modern beach resort established in 1909, may disappear into the ocean.

Storms which have battered the peninsula since last October—already have washed away 160 feet on the west side. A quarter of a mile of the peninsula was washed out last October and the storms of the past few weeks sent the ocean pouring through four apertures into Tillamook bay, taking out the peninsula highway at one point.

Destruction of the peninsula, besides causing considerable property damage, would endanger the valuable fish and oyster industries and thousands of acres of tide-lands diked for grazing. Loss of the state-county highway built several years ago also is likely.

Students blamed the condition on the extension of the north jetty at Barview a few years ago. They said this work changed the ocean currents and sent them against the peninsula.

Immediate federal aid for the protection of the Tillamook Bay area, recently threatened by ocean storms, was urged by Governor Charles A. Sprague in a telegram. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Wage Strike Hits Big Lumber Plant

California Firm Employees Under AFL's Banner Extend Shutdown

WESTWOOD, Calif., Feb. 8.-(AP)—AFL lumber workers who closed the Red River Lumber company plant in a walkout during a bitter dispute with the CIO, declared a wage strike against the company tonight.

At the same time, they extended for another day a 48-hour truce during which the AFL agreed not to picket the plant against the CIO. The truce was due to end tomorrow morning.

Earlier, the AFL membership until a collective bargaining election was ordered.

The AFL press relations committee announced tonight that the union had notified the company that its plant "would never operate" until after an election and the negotiation of an agreement which would restore wages to their 1937 level.

New Italy Consul Asks US 'Respect'

PORTLAND, Feb. 8.-(AP)—Italy only asks for "one thing" from our government," Aldo Masio, Italy's new consul for the northwest, said in an interview.

"We think we have democracy—social democracy, economic democracy and political democracy," he said. "We don't try to teach our form of government to other people; we consider it an internal matter and all we ask is respect for our form of government."

Saying he was surprised to see American reaction against "something that belongs to my life," he remarked that "we are born fascists just as we are born Catholics."

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New Legislative Plan, Milk Control Bill up

Kansas Setup Of Lawmaking Being Studied

Sprague, Eccles Consider Streamlined System of Midwest State

Sen. McKay Introduces Milk Control Plan to Erase Ills

Consideration of an entirely new system of legislation for Oregon and the introduction of a new milk control bill which its sponsors believe will eliminate the principal flaws of the present setup, were among the highlights of a legislative day Wednesday characterized more by the appearance of new issues than by definite achievement.

Governor Charles A. Sprague and his executive secretary, David Eccles, were seriously studying the Kansas legislative plan, adopted in that state in 1933, which involves the creation of an interim council to prepare needed legislation. The council consists of 10 senators and 15 representatives, chosen proportionately from political parties and from sections of the state. Presiding officers of both houses are members. The council meets for two or three days, four times each year.

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County Lays out Nearly all Funds

Marion Closes Year With but \$306.82 Left Over in Departments

Marion county came within 306.82 of spending the entire \$964,738.23 appropriated last year for its general, roads and highways, school and old age pension funds, according to a statement released yesterday by County Clerk U. G. Boyer.

The statement shows that all of the \$67,400 budgeted for market road improvement and \$40,000 for market road maintenance was expended while the county closed the year with an \$832.60 (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Executive Praises Boy Scouts Work

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.-(AP)—President Roosevelt declared tonight that the nation "never had greater need of the Boy Scouts" than it has at present.

Saluting the youth organization on its 29th anniversary, the president, in a radio talk from the White House, said the Scouts were a "national asset and therefore should be regarded as a national trust."

"It is the duty," he added, "to inculcate in the Scout mind these simple fundamental principles which embrace strength of body, alertness of mind and above these and growing out of them that sense of moral responsibility upon which all sound character rests."

Legislative Sidelights: Here and there behind and in front of the scenes at the 40th legislative assembly.

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They Differ on Gas Tax Policy



Above, Mayor Joseph K. Carson of Portland, who favored the League of Cities' proposal to allocate a portion of gas tax money to cities for street maintenance and construction; below, Carl G. Washburne of Eugene, former highway commissioner, who took an opposing view.

Proponents of the bill claimed that it is not a "diversion" measure, that it would not jeopardize federal match-a-fund money and that it would not interfere with the highway department's present program.

Opponents said the bill would hamper retirement of \$22,000,000 in highway bonded indebtedness, would postpone completion of many highways and would "wreck" Oregon's highway system.

Charles H. Huggins, former mayor of Marshfield, presented an array of charts which purported to show that highway department revenues have been steadily increasing while the share allowed for city and county road building has remained constant.

Huggins said the highway commission, with an estimated revenue for 1939 of \$13,500,000, would have "more money than it has ever had in its history." He denied the highway commission would lose federal funds if the bill were enacted. "The highway commission," he said, "has never yet lost a dollar of federal funds necessary to match."

Washburne Sec. Designer To Highway System

Carl G. Washburne of Eugene, former state highway commissioner, said "if we start to divert this money at the rate of \$800,000 this year there'll be plenty of other purposes next year and we'll wreck the highway system."

Governor Sprague Asked To Introduce GOP Head

PORTLAND, Feb. 8.-(AP)—Republicans sponsoring the appearance here Sunday and Monday of Glenn Frank, Chicago, national chairman of the republican program committee, asked Gov. Charles Sprague today to introduce Frank when he speaks Monday at a Lincoln day banquet. On Sunday, Frank will confer with party leaders from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

Sam Dolan of Corvallis said, "We want roads out in the country. We don't want our automobiles just to ride around town in. They just want to get their hands in the highway commission's pocket to take money we're putting there for other purposes."

Said Mayor J. E. Mohrback of Sheridan: "The cities have been the goat and they're about milked dry."

Said U. L. Upson, Portland metropolitan association: "I notice an absence of taxpayers here tonight but I see plenty of taxpayers."

Portland Trial Set for Freeley

Frank Fred Freeley, picked up for forging endorsement to an emergency relief check made to William H. Smith of Woodburn, will tell his story to the federal grand jury in Portland.

Brought before United States Commissioner William J. Linfoot here yesterday, Freeley waived preliminary hearing and was bound over on \$3000 bail. He was taken to the Multnomah county jail from the Marion county jail.

Opponents to League's Bill Also Have Say

Mayors Strive to Show City Street Program Being Milked dry

Opponents Assert State Highway Program in Peril if Passed

City officials favoring the League of Oregon Cities bill to take \$745,000 yearly from highway funds for construction and maintenance of city streets posed their arguments for the measure against pleas of those opposing "diversion" of highway funds last night before the house committee on highways and highway revenues.

The bill, which Mayor W. C. Hand of Corvallis said was backed by 141 cities out of 196, would give to the cities from gasoline tax funds \$1.50 per capita for cities of less than 100,000 population and \$1 per capita to Portland.

Mayors and city attorneys who spoke in favor of the bill said that loss of revenue by the cities through decrease of property values and "usurpation" of revenues by the state made some such program necessary to save their streets.

Proponents Claim Road Program Safe

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