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# Legislature, Adjourns Sine Die, 66th Day

# Favorites Fal Early in Tournament Hitler Enters

# Other Leaders Not Impressive In Scant Wins

Tillamook, Oregon City Pendleton Drubbed by 'Outsiders'

Salem Vikings, Medford, Oakridge Pushed by Lesser Quintets

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS Butte Falls 32, Arlington 21. Oakridge 27, Westport 18. Baker 44, Corvallis 34. Salem 28, Astoria 22. North Bend 33, Tillamook 28, Klamath Falls 40, Pendleton

Medford 28, McMinnville 24. University 38, Oregon City

GAMES TODAY Championship Flight
3 p.m.—Butte Falls vs. Oak-

(For the B Title) 4 p.m .- Baker vs. Salem. 7:30 p.m .- North Bend vs. H 8:30 p.m .- Medford vs. Univer-

Consolation Bracket 9 a.m.—Arlington vs. Westport. 10 a.m.—Corvallis vs. Astoria. 11 a.m.-Tillamook vs. Pendle-

2 p.m.-McMinnville vs. Oregon

By RON GEMMELL A trio of favorites failed miserably, and a like number appeared anything but of titular calibre as the 20th annual Oregon State High School Athletic association's basketball meet yesterday moved through its eight-game opening round before the smallest first-day throng in at least the last 10

gon City, listed as prime pre-tournament favorites, bowed out while Salem, Oakridge and Medford, also among the pre-meet fa-vored, were pushed hard by teams not figured in the dope to belong on the same floor with them. Night Turnout Large,

Afternoon Turnout Sparse
While a near-capacity crowd was out for the three night frays, a meagre afternoon turnout cut the net attendance 325 under that day night of denying Silas Gaiser of 1938. The 325 cut included 300 a new contract as city superinreserve seats and 25 general ad- tendent will probably meet with-

by Baker's Bulldogs in romping prominent member of the :teerover Corvallis was unexpected, the first major surprise and upset oc-curred shortly after 6 o'clock last night, when North Bend's Bull- No indic dogs walked off the floor vic-tors over Tillamook's Cheesemak- Director Percy A. Cupper might

tors over Tillamook's Cheesemakers. The second upset followed closely, with Pendleton's dashing Buckaroos being edged out by a driving band of Pelicans from Klamath Palls.

A slight pause, with Medford coming through over McMinnville—though not at all easily, and catastrophe No. 3 hit pre-tourney prognostications. For, Oregon City's highly touted Pioneers were emphatically drubbed by the Golden Tide from University high in Eugene.

Director Percy A. Cupper might be considered or whether efforts would be concentrated on electing two board members to succeed Directors W. F. Neptune and E. A. Bradfield, whose terms expire in June.

Another member of the committee, Barkley A. Newman, said yesterday he had discussed the situation only in brief following Tuesday night's meeting but declared "I can assure that everyone was disappointed that part of

Eugene.

There was no question but what the Pendleton-Klamath Falis maddap meice was the highlight game of the opening round, and it was the general thought of sideline

Reilwey Unionists Join experts that when Pendleton was bounced it took away one of the outstanding teams. Which only Suit on Picketing Law adds to the prestige of the aur-prising K. Falls Pelicans. Pendleton-Kismath Falls

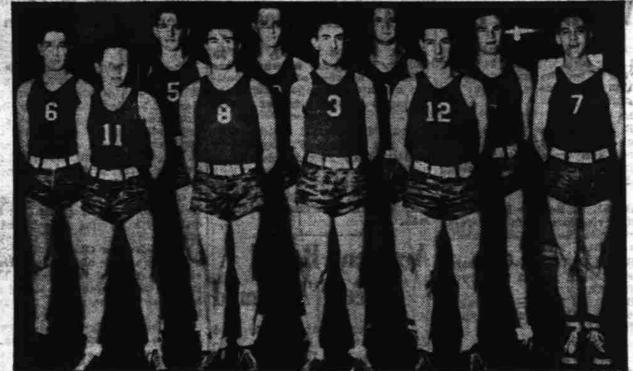
Battle Most Exciting Eight times the score was knotted in that Pelican-Buckaroo gallop, and the lead changed hands a total of 10 times. Both outfits stormed the floor in fast breaks and used swift-moving acreen plays against each other's old-time man-for-man play. What with the officials letting the lads go, it made a ball game, and the cash customers responded enthus-

iastically.

With but a minute to play and the score tied for the eighth time, at 38-38, Cooley missed a set-up for the Pelicans but Erlandson dribbled out of a mix-up to toss in the winning bucket over his head. Thrice in the next 20 nds the Pendleton Bucks had

VICTIMS OF OPENING DAY'S BIG UPSETS





The Oregon City and Tillamook teams which were rated among the best in the state tournament went down to defeat in first round games. Above, Oregon City which lost to University high; from left, front row, McKenzie, Boyce, Newton, Strebig; back row, Erickson, Tainer, O'Brien, Bullivan, Coach Harold Dimick, Below, Tillamook which lost to North Bend; from left, front row, Witcher, Hediger, Long, Z. Smith; back row, E. Smith, Piper, Christensen, Wells, Schirmer, Bergstrom.

## Tillamook, Pendleton and Ore- Gaiser's Backers Mull Next Move

Citizens Opposed to Loss of Superintendent May Meet, Is Report

Citizens who opposed the Salem school board's action Tuesin a few days and decide on a Although the power exhibited further program of action, a ing committee which directed the campaign on Gaiser's behalf said

No indication was given as to

Railway Unionists Join

PORTLAND, March 15 .- (P)move to align all major forces of labor in a court fight by unions to invalidate Oregon's new picket regulation law was seen today in a petition by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Fire- 000 rearmament bill was made men and Engineers entered in circuit court. The brotherhood asked to be included with the AFL and CIO in suits filed last December against the law.

## Man Who Missed Custer Massacre Dies at Age 91

YONKERS, NY, March 15-(A)-Major Charles A. Benton, 91, who rode as an honor guard in President Lincoln's funeral cortege and served with General Custer in

the Indian wars, died today. After serving in the Civil war

Custer's cavalry. Custer and 276 men were massacred by Indians under Chief Sitting Bull at the battle of the Little Big Hern in June, 1876. Benton, convalescing from a head wound, had loaned Custer his horse for the campaign. He was one of the two last sur-

viving members of Lafayette post GAR, in New York city.

### Compromise Talk Heard Upon WPA

WASHINGTON, March 15.-(P) Compromise talk was heard connection with the quarrel be-tween members of congress and President Roosevelt over the latter's desire for an immediate supplemental appropriation \$150,000,000 for work relief. It came, to the surpr's of some, from highly placed republicans, who predicted that such a solution would eventually become necessary, but advanced no specific proposals as to the form it might take.

Arms Passage Near

# Vikings Stave off Astoria; Meet Baker Bulldogs Today

Salem's Vikings were extended last five minutes of play put the limit in ousting Astoria's game away for the Salems, got six fighting Fishermen in yesterday's in all fo 12 countes.

"tea hour" tussle of this 20th annual state hoop tourney. They did it by a 28 to 22 score, though they

driving Bulldogs at 4 p.m. today.

Pure aggression, plus the ability of "General" Jack Gosser and at 7-4, but Sebern and Gosser both bit while Knutsen was tanking a

were five times caught by Wally
Palmberg's pointsters after taking
over the lead midway of the second quarter.
The win puts the Vikings in the
quarter-finals, against Baker's
divine Bulldogs at 4 n.m. today

# Airplane Plunge Is False Alarm

Witness Tells of Seeing Craft in no Trouble; Airports Checked

A thorough investigation yesterday into stories that an airplane had plunged to earth in the Niagara country above Mill City early Tuesday night resulted in a conclusion that the accident

had not occurred. Giving special credence to this conclusion was contact yesterday with a family by the name of Mobley that lives on a ranch high on the mountain in the Niagara district.

Mobley, according to Mrs Gladys Harrow of the Mill City telephone exchange, said he was leeding his pigs at 5 o'clock Tuesday when a tri-motored monoplane passed in between the two mountains. He said he saw the plane and that there was no evidence of engine trouble. He added that in watching it he noticed it was hidden from view in the clouds several times during its passage over that area. The Mobley ranch is on the opposite side of the mountain from where U. S. Rider, Mill City resident and former Salem mail carrier, had declared he saw the plane disappear.

Also pointing to the probability that there was no crash was the report yesterday afternoon of Allan D. Greenwood, Portland, state aeronautics inspector, that he had checked and rechecked all airports and that no plane was reported missing.

A. E. Elliott, acting manager of the Detroit district of the Willamette national forest, and (Turn to page 2, column 2)

#### Mrs. FDR Steps Into Mexico on Good-Will Visit

EDINBURG, Tex., March 15-(AP) new deal was represented in Mex-ico today by Mrs. Franklin D.

The wife of the president, ac companied by Mayor E. A. Brown of Edinburg, and by her secretary and others, visited Reynosa, Mex-ico, across the border from Hidal-

go, Tex.

Mexican officials presented her with a large corsage of flowers.

Mrs. Roosevelt was shown about the small border town and the

Tacoma Bank Robbed TACOMA, March 15 .- (AP)-Sher-

# Port Closure Threat Fades For Portland

Chinese Show Willingness to Disperse Pickets on Sprague Plea

McNary Wires Advice to Let US Assume Responsibilities

PORTLAND, March 15 .- (AP)-With the apparent willingness of Chinese leaders to withdraw pickets from a scrapiron ship, the threat of a port closure decreased here today.

The Waterfront Employers' association, although defied by CIO longshoremen, extended the deadline of its closure ultimatum from 8 a. m. Thursday to the same hour Friday. Spokesmen had previously announced the would be closed tomorrow if longshoremen declined to pass the Chinese line to load junk for Japan on the Greek steamer Ann Stathatos today.

Governor Asks for Federal Intervention Shortly after the longshoremen ignored the order, Governor Charles A. Sprague requested Sen. Charles L. McNary, Oregon republican, to ask the state de-

partment at Washington to inter-

In reply, Senator McNary telegraphed:

"After considering the matter most of the day state department through Under-Secretary Welles believes it unwise to take the initiative having to do with emonstration. The department suggests that either you or I make appeal to attorney-general for advice concerning legal right to dispose of scrapiron. Conferred also with department of labor which is working along similar

Conference Set Here Today on Dispute

Chinese leaders had promised to terminate the protest if 'some action" was taken. Meanwhile, Governor Sprague requested groups involved in the 12-day blockade to confer with him at Salem at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Chinese protestors, yielding to request of Governor Charles A. Sprague that their efforts to stop scrapiron shipments not be permitted to close the port of Portland, agreed at the executive offices here Wednesday to ask their organizations to take the pickets off the Portland water-

The conference with the Chinese representatives followed an greement by the Portland Waterfront Employers to hold up their port closure for 24 hours while the governor intervened.

The state's chief executive was reported to have stressed to the Chinese representatives that their protests had attracted national attention to the question of whether or not scrapiron should be exported to Japan. He urged that they now concentrate their efforts on the federal government which alone has power to determine whether or not future exports shall be permitted,

## Dr. Benes Speaks On World Crime

CHICAGO, March 15 .- (AP)-Dr Eduard Benes, former president of Czecho-Slovakia, tonight described as a "new, shocking international crime" the dismemberment of his native country.

Without mentioning Germany or Adolf Hitler by name, he said one of the four powers which "solemnly promised" at Munich to guarantee existing and safety of the Czecho-Slovak territory, had "wantonly divided the territory and is occupying it with its army" a fter "provoking difficulties" which served as a "flimsy excuse" for the act.

Dr. Benes, now lecturing at the University of Chicago, gave his reaction in a written statement to

## Relief Units Sent Into Flood Area

JORDAN, Mont., March 15-(P)-Relief agencies sent detachments into this ice-locked prairie town today to aid 200 persons driven from their homes Monday night by flood water loosed when earth at dam gave away.

# **Prague Amidst** German Troops

Quick Coup by Germany Stuns, Bewilders Czech Capital

Hungary, Poland Unite on Frontier; Some Resistance Made

(By the Associated Press) Germany took over Bohemia-Moravia, ancient homeland of the Czechs, Wednesday with a succession of swift, deft strides topped by a sudden, unheralded entry of Reichsfuehrer Hitler himself into the Czech capital, Prague.

A stunned and bewildered Czech populace greeted the goose-stepping infantry and motorized columns which preceded him either with silence or jeers. Women-and men too-wept openly in the streets.

Although this occupation was peaceful, there was fighting in Carpatho-Ukraine, eastern extremity of the fallan Czecho-Slovak republic, which we be-Hungarian Troops Run Into Gunfire

The Hungarian foreign office announced its troops were being resisted by artillery and machine gun fire. It was admitted there were Hungarian casualties, but the number of dead was not known. The fighting apparently was

had been ordered to retreat in accordance with an Hungarian ultimatum. Early Thursday Hungarian troops, after marching 60 miles

across Carpatho-Ukraine, reached the Polish border at Lavoczne and Sianki where they were received happily by Polish troops. They had established a common Hungarian-Polish frontier. Jews Seek Cover As Freedom Goes

Hitler established a military rule in Bohemia and Moravia, the commanders having civil administrators under them. The (Turn to page 2, column 4)

# Clackamas Timber Supply Exhausted

OREGON CITY, March 15 .- (P) One hundred and twenty-five families faced loss of immediate sources of livelihood today when two sawmills announced they would quit the Viola-Clarkes region because the timber supply was exhausted.

The Roy Hehn company said it probably would seek another location but the Clackamas fir plant prepared to dismantle. The action, expected to be completed in three months, also meant termination of Clackamas Easterp railroad.

In the last two decades 500,-000,000 board feet of lumber have been cut. Little remains but brush covered stumpage.

## College Professor

Dead at Age 64 CORVALLIS, March 15.-(P)-O. C. Mauthe, 64, assistant physical education professor of Oregon State college, died from a heart attack yesterday at Camp Olympus near Olympia, V.ash. the CIO instead of the AFL, Sec Mauthe came here 10 years retary George Bambrick an ago after previously having been with the Multnomah Athletic club at Portland from 1917 to 1928. His widow and a son survive. Funeral services will be held

First Premier Of new Nation



Dr. Joseph Tiso, first premier of the new nation of Slovakia, shown arriving in Berlin for conference with Adolf Hitler, after which the reichsfuehrer engineered the Slovakian secession from Czechoslovakia.--AP Telemat.

## by patriotic semi-military forma-tions. Regular Czech army units Stark Will Head US Navy Forces

Rear Admiral Is Appointed to Succeed Adm. Leahy Who Will Retire

WASHINGTON, March 15-(AP)-The navy announced tonight the selection of Rear Admiral Harold R. Stark, 59-year-old Pennsylvanian as the new chief of opera-

tions, top post of the sea service. paid striking workers, whether or With President Roosevelt's approval, a dozen other assignments annual shift of the high command. times to get his sales tax bill on

liam D. Leahy, who is to retire Earlier Lonergan had come with-

age limit of 64. The chief of operations is ap-

Precedent was set aside in the selection of Captain John Henry the house stood behind its presid-Towers, whom fellow officers call ing officer on the test vote. the navy's No. 1 aviator," as chief of the bureau of acconautics. busy in his office as the night Towers, a flier for more than 27 years, at one time was passed over for promotion and faced the possibility of involuntary retirement.

### Coast Fishermen Vote to Join CIO

ASTORIA, Ore., March 15.-(A)
-The Pacific Coast Pishermen's union, claiming 2, 00 members in the territory between Fort Bragg, Calif., and Alaska, voted 2 to 1 today for affiliation with the CIO instead of the AFL, Sec

nounced. The question of AFL-CIO affiliation also is being voted upon by the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective union, an independent gillnetters organization.

## Chamberlain Taken Aback, Nazi Trade Plans Dropped Session. Three new Records Are Stablished

LONDON, March 15-(AP)-Prime; In addition, Anthony Eden, who Minister Chamberlain replied to resigned as foreign secretary 13 state's .istory. More bills, 1662, Czecho-Slovakia today by excluding Germany, for the present, from Britain's drive for conciliation through trade. Before a tense, uneasy house of

commons the prime minister deman fuehrer's action, which he described as a "shock to confidence troversy are all the more regrettable since ment of a confidence was beginning to reall parties. In grave tones both Chamber-lain and Foreign Secretary Vis-count Halffax noted that Ger-

many, in taking over Bohemie and Moravia, was for the first time effecting military occupation of territory populated by non-Ger-

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Adolf Hitler's swift liquidation of Chamberlain's foreign policy, renewed his request for an all-party government to "banish from our people haunting fear." After quoting from Hitler's au-

tobiographical book, "Mein Kampf," which outlines his plans, clared "I bitterly regret" the Ger- Eden said the present European situation was beyond party con-troversy and called for establishment of a coalition government of

Unemployment Compensation **Changes Voted** Bill's Reading in Full

Forced by Left Wing, Finished in Time Windup Comes at 10:13 With Clocks Stopped

in Both Branches By SHELDON F. SACKETT The 40th legislative session of Oregon, 66 days old and by nearly one week the longest in the state's history, fluttered to its close at 10:13 p.m. Wednesday, the sen-

ate concluding its work seven min-

utes after the house had adjourned sine die at 10:06 p.m. The senate ended in an exchange of good wishes between its members in sharp contrast to hostilities which broke out earlier in the evening when Senators Rose and Kenin forced strict conformance to constitutional requirements that bills be read in full.

Irked because the senate had refused to suspend its rules and reconsider a measure to make delinquent tax payments easier and also seeking to block final passage of HB 394 amending the unemployment compensation act, the senators compelled Walter Meacham, reading clerk, to drone through the 40-page bill. President Robert Duncan, obviously vexed at the procedure, spoke harshly to the two senators who interrupted frequently to charge that the bill was not being read

Expected to Block

Passage of Bill Kenin later stated that he exected the sine die adjournment called for at 9 p.m. in a concurrent resolution, to end the session while the bill was being read. House members, advised of the strategem, shifted sine die adjournment to 10 o'clock with the result that the upper assembly approved major amendments to the unemployment law. Included in the new measure is a provision that no benefit payments will be

not plant activities are stopped. Rep. Frank Lonergan, who throughout the long day prior to were made at the same time in an adjournment, had tried three Most of the changes take effect in final passage in the house, gave up the battle early in the evening when a motion to adjourn until Stark will succeed Admiral Wil- this morning failed of adoption. June 1 on reaching the statutory in two votes of the necessary twothirds majority required to susnend the house rules and get the pointed for four years and has the | measure on final passage. Once in rank of full admiral while in the an effort to reconsider rules suspension. Lonergan appealed from Speaker Fatland's decision but

Governor Charles A. Sprague meeting closed, called members of the senate railroads and utilities committee to witness signature of the PUD revenue bond act, the most bitterly fought bill of the

Shortly before adjournment the governor sent a brief message to both houses, expressing his appreciation for the cooperation tendered the executive department during the session. "I believe the 40th legislative assembly has made a good record for itself and rendered enduring service to the people of Oregon," he declared. Clocks in both legislative halls

were stopped as the hour of ten approache: to conform with the sine die resolution. Lawrence Christensen, building superintendent, and Lloyd Taylor, his assistant, turned the electrical switch which cet the new statehouse clocks from the master system to which they are connected and saved legislative workers a chore which used to come in the old capitol in the closing hours of the

cc ds. It was the longest in the were introduced t an in any pre-vious assembly. The former high mark was in 1933 when 955 bills were proposed in the two houses. The session will cost nearly \$180,000-the final cost figures were not in Wednesday night-compared to \$137,744 spent in the 57-day session of 1937. The ways

and means committee, at adjournment, had set aside \$180,000 for the session's cost. Major enactment of the elo Chamberlain and Halifax both announced that the projected visits of Oliver Stanley, board of trade president, and overseas trade Secretary R. S. Hudson to Berlin for trade talks would be "inappropriate" now and had been "postponed."

Hudson, however, will go ahead with his scheduled visits to Moscow and other northern European capitals.

Major enactment of the closing day were the long-debated fax revision bills. Under these enactments in the state drops its flat is per cent tax on income from intangibles. Hereafter all such income "postponed."

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Major change was a revision in (Turn to page 1, column 8)