

Men From Mars' Russ Attack Branded Futile

In One Ear..

We have been thinking about groundhogs and other marsupials. The reason for this is undoubtedly that yesterday was Groundhog day and will go down in the annals as such.

Troops Falling In Parachutes Are Picked Off

Those Who Land Fail to Rally. Are Captured or Shot by Finns

Tank-Propelled Sledges Also Fare Badly but Planes Take Toll

By WADE WERNER HELSINKI, Feb. 2-(AP)—A bizarre and mighty red army onslaught "in the shape of things to come" tonight sent parachute troops, at a night steel-roofed sledges and smoke screen laying tanks against the unyielding defenses of the Mannerheim line.

Charge Accuses Ex-Clerk



GRANTS PASS, Feb. 2-(AP)—Sheriff A. Donley Barnes arrested former City Clerk F. L. Coon tonight on a warrant charging larceny of \$554 in public funds.

Four Members Cleared, Plot On Dies Probe

Representatives Attend Dinner but Without Pre-Knowledge

Advised Against Use of Documents Involved in Mayne Issue

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2-(AP)—Rep. Starnes (D-Ala.), acting chairman of the Dies committee, tonight cleared four members of the house of any "collusion" or "concerted action" to abolish the committee.

Farm Bill as It Passes House Reflects \$106,928,435 Saving

50 Firms Talk Buying Power At Bonneville

Inquiries Cover Field of Many Industries Says Head Man Raver

Signed Applications in From 123 Agencies, Over 600,000 Kw.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 2-(AP)—Bonneville Administrator Paul J. Raver told Secretary of the Interior Ickes today that more than 50 firms or individuals had made inquiries concerning purchase of Bonneville power for industrial use.

Ex-Inmate of Concentration Camp Talks of Trip Here, not Politics



JOSEF KRAUTH—Statesman Staff photo.

Recent Vienna Citizen Glad to Be in Salem

Informality of American Life Is one Pleasing Item Noted by new Arrival; Veteran Leather Sorter Finds Employment

By WALLACE A. SPRAGUE If you've just arrived from Vienna in Hitler's new Ostmark, if you've had the misfortune to have spent time in a concentration camp before coming, and especially if you've left a good many relatives and friends behind when you came to America, the one thing you won't do when you get here is talk politics in any way, shape, form or manner.

Crews of English Subs Are Rescued

Men From two Destroyed in Helgoland Bight Prisoners, Word

LONDON, Feb. 3-(Saturday)—The British Press association said today that it understood the entire crews of the sunken British submarines Starfish and Undine were prisoners in Germany.

2 Burned Fatally in Mystery Blast

SEDRO-WOOLLEY, Feb. 2-(AP)—Two prominent Sedro-Woolley men were burned fatally late today by a mysterious blast in a cold storage locker room which was being painted with a spray gun, and a third was injured critically.

Salem Guard Unit Ranks 3rd, State

Salem's Headquarters battery, 249th coast artillery, rated 92.6 per cent to win third place in the annual Oregon national guard competition for the unit having the highest attendance at army drills, Major General George A. White announced here yesterday.

Whitaker Named Census Taker for Stayton Area

A. R. McCall, district census supervisor, yesterday announced the appointment of John G. Whitaker as census enumerator for Stayton; Arthur H. Paquet, Tillamook; Mrs. Eleanor W. Rich, Newberg, and Lester W. Willford, McMinnville.

Manager Plan Is Advocated In Talk by ex-Mayor Kuhn

Adoption of a manager plan of city government for Salem was advocated by former Mayor V. E. Kuhn in a talk before the Salem Credit association yesterday noon at the Argo hotel.

Plywood Workers Seek Shorter Day

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 2-(AP)—The plywood section of the Oregon-Washington council of AFL lumber and sawmill workers unions recommended today its executive board seek a shorter working day at the current wage scale.

Tenant Relief Fund Left out In Close Vote

Sugar Benefit Restored as Only Concession by Economyites

Cut Technically Is Only 67 Million but REA Item Is Included

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2-(AP)—Despite Roosevelt protests at cuts made in his farm fund recommendations, the house tonight passed an agriculture department appropriation bill which contained \$66,928,435 less than he asked.

Bourbons Scheme, Later Convention

Would Wait to Set Date Until After Meeting of GOP Committee

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2-(AP)—An increasing number of democrats are seeking to force republicans to hold their national convention first—and republican leaders conceded today that the effort might be successful.

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French Vessel in Distress, Report

THOMASTON, Me., Feb. 2-(AP)—Fate of an unidentified French ship which radioed it was in trouble approximately 600 miles west of the Azores remained undisclosed tonight as several vessels searched for her position.

Woman Is Killed As Auto Strikes

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 2-(AP)—Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, 69, died tonight a few minutes after she was struck by an automobile at an east side intersection. Her husband, Charles B. Brown, 67, walking with her at the time, suffered cuts and bruises and possible rib fractures.

French-Operated Railroad Bombed

Government Will Protest Raids by Japan Planes on Line in China

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2-(AP)—Japanese bombing planes renewing raids from the French government, blasted again today at the French-operated Hanoi-Kunming railway, killing or wounding 100 persons as they blasted a north-bound passenger train 50 miles inside Chinese territory.

Europe Will Need Aid Hoover Warns

Famine, Pestilence Ahead if War Is Protracted; Urges Generosity

NEW YORK, Feb. 2-(AP)—Former President Herbert Hoover declared tonight that if the war were long drawn-out the United States would need to meet the question of famine and pestilence over the whole of Europe.

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Peace Proposals Irk Nippon Army

TOKYO, Feb. 3-(Saturday)—Parliamentary criticism of the government's policy in China and a suggestion that troops be withdrawn to pave the way for a negotiated peace drew from infuriated army officers today a charge long known as one of the boldest insults against the objectives of the sacred war in China.

Cloud Cap Inn Is Sold, US Forest

PORTLAND, Feb. 2-(AP)—Cloud Cap Inn, historic, rustic resort on the 6000-foot level of Mount Hood's north slope, was purchased today by the United States forest service.

TR's Widow Injured

OSTER BAY, N.Y., Feb. 2-(AP)—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, widow of the late president, was shaken up but not seriously injured today when her automobile skidded into several other cars on an icy long island road.

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