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NINETEENTH YEAR

In One Ear

—Paul Hauser's Column

We went to the theatre the other night, as is our custom, and saw Mr. Disney's "Pinocchio" and were completely wowed over by Jiminy Cricket, the engaging little fellow, who comports himself in nearly every scene of that animated nursery tale.

Mr. Cricket, who comes from a long line of Pinocchio's, Gryllidae and is a member in good standing of the Royal Order of the Orthoptera, is, as far as we could see, a harmless sort of fellow and a fine friend of man, be he of wood or of flesh and bone.

Jiminy, we presume, is of the hearty loving variety of cricket, although he manages to get around plenty, and we just wanted to warn him to stay away from some of his less reputable relatives.

What we mean is Jiminy better stay out of Idaho and eastern Oregon, where the Mormon crickets, fearing rickets, ravage for their roughage.

Jiminy didn't look polyanthus to us; in fact he didn't even look monogamous, but to bug killers a cricket's a cricket and we don't suppose Walt Disney would wish losing such a valuable star to some of the Department of Agriculture's bug hunters.

No, we don't want this state to be blamed for such an insecticide.

Mr. Zizzle says he has a young friend whose car is the latest out and every night, too.

Billy Moran, the Centennial commission secretary, has 18 apartments for rent, every one fit to be a love nest. He's also willing to trade the whole shebang for a wood shed house.

Seems someone phoned and asked if the Centennial would like a birdhouse for its museum. Thinking the Centennial was going to get a birdhouse, vintage of 1860, Billy said, "Sure, send it down."

Proddy soon up drove a truck and the driver and a couple of helpers unloaded a huge contraption three stores high plus a penhouse. The bird house, or birds house, weighs about 95 pounds, and has accommodations for 13 families.

Now Billy is getting plenty of birds, but not the kind that live in bird houses.

We went past Commercial and State street last night when we saw a group of men wearing beards clear down to their waists. We figured it was some of the speedier Whiskerino boys until we saw one of them was on a soapbox and haranguing the crowd. Seeing that the boy religious group of the House of David order and we think Tommy Hoxie missed a publicity bet by not convincing them they should stay on until the Centennial.

On the other hand we saw a headless Filipino boy from the Marlon hotel wearing a huge red Whiskerino badge.

MARITIME NOTE
After Secretary Hull's warning to Japan to keep away from the Dutch East Indies last week the Wheatland Ferry weighed anchor for a mystery voyage. Reporters, inquiring about hurried loading of several cases of sarongs and glass beads, got from the command only the cryptic comment, "Indies for the Indies."

Migrant Problem
Study Is Favored
WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—The house decided today to create a five-member special committee to see what can be done for and with 350,000 migrant families whose homes are automobile trailers, boxcars and camps along highways.

Members from California, which has lived a spectacular existence of these itinerants to its orange groves and cotton fields, sponsored the inquiry, and Rep. Tolson (D-Calif.) is expected to be appointed chairman of the committee.

The investigation, however, is to be nationwide and was supported by the democratic and republican leadership of the house. The resolution to create the committee was passed, without dissent, on a voice vote.

Oregon Picket Law's Validity Still in Doubt

Supreme Court Hearing on Similar Laws to Be Started Here
Will Struggle to Bring High Tribunal to Decision; Right Is Involved

The United States supreme court decisions yesterday throwing out California and Alabama anti-picketing laws will speed up consideration of Oregon's picketing act whether or not the local statute is affected by the Washington ruling.

The appealing labor unions had obtained an extension of time to May 1 for filing their reply briefs, it being understood they wished to ascertain the rulings on the California and Alabama laws before completing their presentations to the Oregon court.

Neither Ralph E. Moody, labor terrorist prosecutor, whose activities have been about introduction of the picketing law in Oregon and who is its staunch supporter, nor Willis E. Moore, assistant attorney general representing Attorney General I. H. Van Winkle in the test case here, would venture last night to comment on the Washington decision until a copy is received.

If the appellants' reply brief is filed by May 1, the Oregon case probably will be set for hearing before the supreme court here in June.

The Oregon law has been declared constitutional by a three-judge circuit court sitting en banc but the decision has been appealed to the state supreme court.

PORTLAND, April 22.—(AP)—Attorneys who figured in the test case on Oregon's labor control law said today they could not determine whether the federal supreme court's action in upsetting the Alabama labor law suggests similar action on the Oregon law.

They asserted the dispatches were too incomplete to form basis for a prediction. Frank Sever of the Multnomah county district attorney's office and other lawyers who represented the severest of the federal supreme court's action in upsetting the Alabama labor law suggested similar action on the Oregon law but it would be impossible to say.

Guffey and Jones Highlight Primary
Seek Senator Nomination in Pennsylvania, Each as a New Dealer

PHILADELPHIA, April 22.—(AP)—Election eve counter-claims from rival camps tonight widened a democratic party branch in the primary election fight over Senator Joseph P. Guffey's bid for re-nomination—liveliest contest of the Pennsylvania campaign.

Guffey is opposed in tomorrow's voting by Walter A. Jones, Pittsburgh oil man, who is supported by a group of party leaders headed by Democratic State Chairman David L. Lawrence, who said: "Guffey was not the strongest candidate available."

"His candidacy would imperil the presidential and state tickets in the November election," Guffey fired back with a radio speech tonight in which he said: "There is not a single measure in the program we call the new deal that I have not spoken for, fought for, and voted for—not one."

"Should our party reject its new deal senator the press of the nation would hail that fact as repudiation of President Roosevelt and the new deal."

Jones also has called himself a firm supporter of the new deal. Guffey, veteran of the political arena (Turn to page 7, column 1)

They'll Speak for Oregon in East

—if Money Given for Debate Trip



Winners of two statewide tournaments, these Salem high school debaters have until noon today to raise the \$500 needed if they are to represent Oregon at the national debate meet at Decatur, Ill., next week. They are, left to right, Zeral Brown, Emogene Russell (seated at desk), Jack Hayes and Don Burton.

Deadline Set Today on Debaters' Travel Fund

Salem High Team Clings to Hope Expenses of Trip to National Tournament in Illinois Will Be Contributed by Generous Citizens

It's this morning or never, for the 1940 Salem high school debate team to obtain enough money to pay its way to the national tournament at Decatur, Ill. The four students on the team have earned the trip by winning first place in two statewide meets, they'll advertise Salem if they go, and they'll go if townsfolk contribute the remaining sum needed to pay expenses.

Donations will be accepted at the Statesman office on behalf of the team, or, directly, at the senior high school.

Whether Oregon will be represented at the national tournament, will depend upon the decision reached today at noon when the squad members meet with their coach, Norborne Berkeley.

Contributions for the expenses of the squad reached a total of \$250 yesterday, still \$250 short of the estimated amount needed for the team to make the trip by train. The possibility will be discussed at the meeting today of cutting expenses by going by auto instead.

Either Mrs. T. A. Gordon, debate champion for the past three years, or Mrs. H. A. Russell, mother of Emogene Russell, member of the squad, will accompany the debaters if they make the trip.

On the team are Don Burton, Jack Hayes, Zeral Brown and Miss Russell.

Milk Control to Be Resumed Here

Following Ruling in Case Testing Validity of Oregon Statute

PORTLAND, April 22.—(AP)—The state milk control board announced today its price and pooling orders would be reinforced in the Salem market effective May 1.

An order signed by C. E. Grell, chairman of the board, said a recent ruling by Circuit Judge L. G. Lewelling had vacated an injunction against the board and dismissed a suit to prevent enforcement of the board's edicts there.

September 1, 1939, the state milk control board suspended all price fixing and pooling orders for milk in the Salem area because of an injunction by the circuit court here preventing the enforcement of the price regulation on a substantial portion of the Salem market.

The injunction was issued in a suit brought by Alton D. Hurley of Salem seeking to enjoin hearings in which he was cited to appear to show cause why his milk dealer's license should not be revoked for failure to comply with the board's orders. His complaint stated the board's orders had been made without proper findings.

The complaints were ordered dismissed last Tuesday in a memorandum opinion of Judge L. G. Lewelling.

Downey Joins Anti-3rd Term Demo Faction

Pension Advocate Avers Eight Years Enough to Hold Powers

Norris "Fears" President Is Tired and Won't Agree to Run

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—The anti-third term forces today a prominent supporter today when Senator Downey (D-Calif.) wrote a letter to Democratic Chairman James A. Farley declaring that "no president should be elected a third time."

Downey said that he had long held that view and added pointedly "I see no reason to change that opinion now."

The pronouncement came at a time when California democrats are preparing for a hotly contested presidential primary in 1937. Among the groups of delegates entered are states favoring President Roosevelt and Vice President Garner.

Downey California Influence Scanned
Influence scanned political speculation as to how the Downey stand would affect the November election if President Roosevelt should be renominated. California, with its 22 electoral votes, is always a much-sought election prize, and of times in the past the vote as between democrats and republicans there, has been close.

It was also noted with interest that Downey addressed his letter to Farley, who is himself a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination. Asked whether Farley and Downey had talked the matter over beforehand, Downey's aides denied it, saying that it was natural for Downey to address such a letter on party matters to the chairman of the party's national committee.

Downey has been a critic of Roosevelt (Turn to page 7, column 7)

Wreckage Strewn Along East Coast

Heavy Damage From Gale Is Counted; Snow and Tides Add Havoc

BOSTON, April 22.—(AP)—A howling northeast gale, accompanied by giant tides, raging seas and a portpour of rain, snow and sleet, left many sections of the New England coast strewn with wreckage tonight, while several northeastern Maine communities repaired communications after being isolated.

Damage estimates throughout New England ran to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Indications were that the weekend storm had blown itself out. The coast guard's Quoddy, Me., station reported that the wind, which once hit a 53-mile velocity, had dropped to 30 miles an hour and a few local markets were open.

There, the old navy wharf and several boats, wharves and buildings used in the Sardinia fishery were demolished.

The patrol boat Travis was sent to Eastport, near the Canadian border, close to the Maine coast (Turn to page 7, column 4)

Extortion Charge Bail Under Probe

NEW YORK, April 22.—(AP)—An inquiry into the source of a \$111,000 payoff to George Scallies, the ex-convict labor leader charged with extorting \$100,000 from New York State, now has begun today by the office of District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey.

At the same time, Dewey associates disclosed that their investigation of suspected extortion was not limited to Scallies, but might be expected to expand rapidly.

Land and Sea Fighting Intensified; Strafing Effective, Nazi Claim

"Bloody Losses" Said Inflicted Upon Landing Parties; British Warn of Bombardment Plans at Narvik

Pincer Move to Cut off Trondheim Is Held Succeeding, Troops Approach From two Sides; Fight "Fierce"

(By The Associated Press)
Fighting of renewed intensity on land and sea and in the air was reported today in Europe's war as the rival belligerents chorused new claims of victories.

Germany claimed her air armada was taking a grave toll of allied landing operations about the Norwegian coast; Britain, reporting 24 German warship "casualties" since the war began, blasted away at a foray of German mine-laying planes seeking to plant a new menace to shipping and transports on the eastern and southeastern coast of England.

In the Norway theatre fighting was reported in the allied pincer operation to cut Trondheim off from the rest of the German-held area.

Describing far-flung activities of the reich's huge air fleet, DNB, German official news agency, said early today that naval aircraft have inflicted "bloody losses" on debarking British troops on the Norwegian coast.

In the past 48 hours, said DNB, 14 British transports, ships and warships have been sunk or damaged.

Monday's fighting, said DNB, German aircraft attacked Norwegian troops north of Oslo at various points.

Reuters, British news agency, said German destroyers from Trondheim had landed troops north of Trondheim to strike British forces from the rear, but that the attack failed.

The same dispatch also declared that "fierce fighting" was taking place between German and British troops at Stikkestad, north of Trondheim, between Steinkjer and Vardalors.

Three times Monday the British warned the Narvik population by radio that they should leave the city before a bombardment started. This indicated, apparently, the allies were readying a determined action to pry loose the city (Turn to page 7, column 1)

Mounted Posse to Be Started Here

Uniformed Group to Boost Centennial, Aid Law When Called Upon

Organization of a mounted posse to act as an escort of honor for visiting dignitaries during the centennial celebration next summer will be advanced Friday night at the courthouse when prospective members meet with Sheriff A. C. Burk, author of the proposal. It was announced yesterday.

At a preliminary meeting held last week, Lee U. Eyerly, Dr. Fred Ellis and D. W. Helyer selected a committee to investigate purchase of uniform costumes for the troop.

According to proposals made, the mounted body, which will resemble a similar group from San Francisco participating in last year's state fair, will be equipped with brightly-colored shirts, neckerchiefs, belts, hats and revolver holsters. Each will furnish his own mount.

Sheriff Burk yesterday described the posse as a colorful addition to the city's Centennial celebration, and also as of potential value in law-enforcement work.

Pacific's Defense Urged by Taussig

Who Denies His Forecasts Meant Early War With Japan Inevitable

NORFOLK, Va., April 22.—(AP)—Rear Admiral Joseph K. Taussig, commander of the fifth naval district, said here tonight he did not intend to intimate in testimony today before the senate naval committee in Washington that war with Japan is "imminent."

Admiral Taussig on his return here made this statement: "From some newspaper accounts which have come to my attention, it seems that in my testimony before the senate naval committee today, I gave the impression that war with Japan is inevitable."

"It was not intended to convey any intimation that I considered war at the present time to be imminent, as I certainly do not believe it is."

"What I did mean was that the present trend of events seems to point towards war at some time in the indefinite future, and that we can prevent such a war and insure our remaining at peace, if we keep our armed forces in a proper state of preparedness."

"My entire testimony before the committee was given with the sole intention of helping to insure our keeping the peace for all time."

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—A proposal that the United States construct an "impregnable" naval base in the Philippines and agree with the allies and Holland to maintain the present status in the Pacific was made to congress today by Rear Admiral Joseph K. Taussig.

Urging this course in testimony before the senate naval committee, Taussig said he did not see how this country could escape being forced into war eventually by the Japanese (Turn to page 7, column 5)

Capt. Losey Death Probed; Is First US Victim of War

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—Secretary of State Hull, expressing sorrow over dispatches reporting that Captain Robert M. Losey, 31, assistant American military attache, had been killed by a German bomb in Norway, considered tonight whether to take strong diplomatic action toward Germany.

Capt. Losey had gone from Sweden to Norway to assist Americans to get out of the latter country. A newspaper at Goteborg, Sweden, describing his death, said he was standing in a mountain tunnel at Dombas during an aerial bombardment yesterday when a splinter from a bomb struck him in the heart.

Although several American diplomats and military attaches have had narrow escapes from German and Russian bombing planes, Captain Losey was the only one to be killed.

Hull said he was seeking all information surrounding Losey's death and would not make a decision as to diplomatic action, if any, until the information had been assembled.

The state department's first information came through a telegram sent from Opdal, Norway, yesterday, to the American legation at Stockholm and signed by a "major Yasum" presumably a Norwegian army officer. It read: "American Military Attache Captain Losey was killed by German bomber plane at Dombas today. Inform Mrs. Harrison (American minister to Norway). He will be sent tomorrow via Roros to Fjallans where instructions from legation are awaited."

Captain Losey had gone to meet a group of Americans who were assumed to be enroute from Killehammer, Norway, to Sarus, Sweden. The state department has been informed (Turn to page 7, column 3)

Pedestrian Is Hit, Knee Sprained; Autoist From Monmouth Gets Citation

Michael Meyers, route six, a pedestrian, received a sprained right knee when he was struck at State and High streets last night by a car driven by Raymond C. Comstock, Monmouth.

Meyers was given emergency treatment by first aid men and taken to the Salem General hospital.

Comstock was cited to appear in municipal court on a charge of failure to give right of way to a pedestrian.

74 Reds Arrested in Paris Roundup

PARIS, April 22.—(AP)—Police tonight announced the arrest of 74 communists working in national defense centers.

A quantity of printing equipment and thousands of issues of clandestine newspapers about to be launched, called the "Voice of the Factories," were seized.

The communist party has been banned in France.

Americans Are Suffering Hardships, Is Complaint

TOKYO, April 23.—(AP)—United States Ambassador Joseph C. Grew today made representations to Masayuki Tani, Japanese vice minister of foreign affairs, charging that Americans at Tientsin were suffering hardships as a result of a tightening of the Japanese blockade on the British and French concessions.

The chief executive checked when a reporter asked whether his trip would be non-political and replied that it would be entirely so.

He disclosed that W. L. Mackenzie King, Canadian prime minister, would arrive here tomorrow to be his guest at the little White House until Thursday afternoon.

Only if the war permits and congress adjourns early in June, Mr. Roosevelt said, can his 21-day transcontinental journey be made.

The first stop and first speech will be made at the dedication of the Great Smoky Mountains national park in North Carolina and Tennessee.

Mr. Roosevelt will move into Mississippi either to view progress on the Natchez trace, the historical trail through Mississippi, which is being converted into a highway, or to visit the city of Natchez.

After leaving Fort Worth, the president will head for the west coast to dedicate California's new national park, King's canyon, (Turn to page 12, column 5)

Washington Principal Falls on Slick Office Floor and Breaks Hip

Principal Clara H. Callison of Washington school suffered a fractured right hip when she slipped and fell on linoleum in her office late yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Callison was taken to the Salem General hospital where her condition was reported as "good" last night.

Emergency treatment was given by city first aid men.