

Nazi Air and Land Aid for Italy Is Arriving

Three Billion Arms Order Is Britain's Plan

Will not be Placed Till Credit Plan Approved by Congress, Said

'High Command' of Three Men to Speed Defense Program Talked

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Great Britain has begun negotiations, it was disclosed today, looking toward ordering \$3,000,000,000 worth of arms in this country, possibly to be financed by the United States under President Roosevelt's "lease-lending" plan. Announcement that the British had been told to go ahead with negotiations on new war orders was made by Secretary Morgenthau who said no contracts would be signed until congress could act on Mr. Roosevelt's proposal for putting aid to Britain on a new footing.

As outlined by the president at a press conference last Tuesday, this idea is for the United States to take over British orders for war materials, pay the manufacturer for their production, and lease or lend the products to Britain. When the war was over, the British would return those arms which were in good condition and replace those destroyed.

Morgenthau gave no hint as to the size of the proposed new British orders, but said the total was upward of \$3,000,000,000 and included the following: about 12,000 additional warplanes, to cost \$1,125,000,000; and 2000 to 2500 tanks, guns and ammunition to cost about \$1,750,000,000. Current British contracts are understood to total about \$2,500,000,000.

IEU to Disband, New One Planned

Compliance with NLRB Is Purpose; IWA Claims It Will Prevail

SILVERTON, Dec. 19.—Disestablishment of the industrial Employees' union local in its present entity was voted at a meeting tonight attended by 247 members. It was decided that the local's funds would be divided pro-rata among the members.

However, H. W. Burton, executive secretary of the IWA from Portland, announced that a meeting of all Silver Falls Timber company employees would be held at the WOW hall Friday night at 8 o'clock. It was understood that a new local might be organized at that time.

Another meeting of Silver Falls workers was in progress simultaneously tonight at the MWA hall under sponsorship of the IWA, affiliated with the CIO. Officers of the IWA have reported that the Silver Falls Timber company has entered into a stipulation with the national labor relations board that it will not bargain with the present IEU organization. (Turn to page 2, column 6)

Salvationist Band Haled Into Court And Given \$10.81

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—(AP)—A sextet of Salvation Army workers was haled into court today—and collected \$10.81.

Judge Harry McDevitt of quarters sessions court sent for the band because he said he was tired of watching from a courtroom window as hundreds of persons passed their Christmas fund. He suspended trials while the band—four men and two women—played several tunes and a court clerk passed a tambourine among attorneys and spectators.

MORE DAYS TO SHOP
FOR CHRISTMAS
SHELS
Save on earth... for there is no peace with inferiority. The right goes on buying Christmas gifts to our way we can help.

Extortion Tried A Upon DeTrista Family With Indecisive Result

Suspect Seizes Cigar Box Supposed to Contain Money, Gets Away Before FBI Can Grab Him; Once-Kidnaped Boy Believed Threatened

SANTA ROSA, Calif., Dec. 19.—(AP)—The Associated Press learned tonight that another "lone wolf" extortionist had been frustrated by the FBI in an attempt to obtain money from the Count and Countess Marc de Trista, wealthy Hillsborough family whose three-year-old son was kidnaped only three months ago in an unsuccessful ransom plot.

In One Ear.

Mr. Zizle, the demon motorist, has been worrying again lately. Mr. Zizle, who will worry at the drop of a hat, has worried recently about the tendency of automobile door designers to follow a technique of design sometimes known as the "barn door school." Automobile designers were once satisfied that a door on an automobile merely swung open and closed. Mr. Zizle, however, is a man of ideas and a man of means. He has designed a door which will not only swing open but will also swing shut with a bang. It is a door which will not only swing open but will also swing shut with a bang. It is a door which will not only swing open but will also swing shut with a bang. (Turn to page 2, column 5)

Jirak Funeral to Be at Warrenton Salem High Grad of 1933 Killed in Crash While in Army Service

Although complete arrangements for the funeral of Corporal Frank J. Jirak, Jr., killed Wednesday night in the crash of an army four-motor flying fortress in the San Bernardino mountains, Calif., have not yet been completed, the family said yesterday that burial would be at Warrenton, Ore., where his grandparents lived. Funeral arrangements are waiting shipment of the body to Astoria, site of nearest funeral parlors. Sergeant Frank J. Jirak, sr., US army retired, said he would go to Astoria today to complete details. Born November 15, 1914, at Hammond, Ore., Jirak entered school in Salem in September, 1920, and graduated from Salem high school in 1933. He was a member of Headquarters battery, 249th coast artillery, ONG, from 1931 to July, 1932, when he was discharged to enlist in the regular army air corps at San Diego, Calif., and graduated from the air corps specialist school at Rantons, Ill., in June, 1933. At the time of the fatal accident he was a corporal and mechanic first class at March Field. In addition to his parents Jirak is survived by his sister, Mrs. Harry E. Eyerly of Salem.

Fined for Theft Of WPA Checks

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—John Henry Hoffman, 41, was sentenced to 13 years in a federal prison and fined \$400 today for fishing WPA checks from mail boxes with a stick and wad of gum.

Stores Stay Open Until 9, Planned

A group of Salem merchants catering to Christmas shoppers agreed informally yesterday to keep their stores open each night until 9 p. m. for the convenience of buyers. The late closing will prevail through Monday night.

Christmas Baskets Coming; Advance Notice Is Sent out

Foley, trained social worker in charge of the exchange, is sending out the notifications as fast as families are allocated to the various assisting agencies. The primary purpose of the exchange is that of avoiding duplication, and in this it has already had notable success. It is regrettable that a few agencies making up food baskets for Christmas have not been fit to cooperate, but at any rate most of the duplication that has occurred in the past will be avoided. Still another advantage of this system is that a clear picture of the entire problem is afforded. Names of nearly all the families needing Christmas baskets are brought to the exchange, where it is possible to match them up against the combined capacities of the various agencies to fulfill the need. This has been done—and the result is not too encouraging. That is, the list of families is to (Turn to page 2, column 3)

Newberg Firm Gets Contract On Gates Span

Specifications Reduced, Final Cost \$13,688 for Steel Bridge

Old One to Stand Until New Bridge Complete, for Foot Traffic

The Marion and Linn county courts agreed yesterday with J. F. Johnson, Newberg, on terms on which a new steel-truss bridge will be installed at Gates on the North Santiam river. The consulting parties agreed to accept the original bid of the Johnson firm, \$15,958, less a \$1300, leaving a total cost of \$13,688 for the new span. The reduction was made when the county withdrew from the specifications a \$1500 item calling for clearing way of the old bridge by the construction company before work should start on the new span. A credit of \$200 was then allowed the Newberg firm, making the net deduction \$1300. County officials indicated that the new price for the span, \$13,688, fell well within the 10 per cent variation from estimated cost which is considered a good criterion of value in such cases. Old Bridge Remains For Foot Traffic. They also pointed out that under the contract as agreed upon, the old bridge will remain standing until the new span is completed, and during the interim will afford a foot-way across the river for Gates residents in spite of the fact that the old bridge had been condemned for wheel traffic. Construction will begin as soon as materials are received. It is anticipated that a delay of from 30 to 60 days will follow the order for bridge orders because of the present of defense orders in iron foundry, and delivery is similarly expected for lumber material. The agreement was reached between Commissioner H. W. Cookey, representing the Linn county, and representatives of the Newberg contractors.

Dies Few Hours After Term End



Ovation Precedes Kallio's Collapse

HELSINKI, Finland, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Kyoosti Kallio, who broke his health in leading Finland's lost cause against the Russians in 1918, died tonight of a heart attack in the arms of the country's greatest military leader, Baron Gustaf Mannerheim, just as he was saying farewell to Helsinki and to public life. A few hours beforehand, Rytö had been elected his successor as president, and Kallio, 83, and died at 67, had been driven to the railway station with his wife through streets ringing with (Turn to page 2, column 7)

Grew Explains US Viewpoint Not Sentiment

Blunt Speech Delivered as New Ambassador Gets Sendoff

'Actions' Judged Here, Asserts; Matsuoka's Pledge Praised

(By The Associated Press) TOKYO, Dec. 15.—In a blunt, unscheduled speech before the American-Japanese society, U. S. Ambassador Joseph C. Grew took issue today with the assertion of Japanese Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka that "the fate of China is largely a question of sentiment to Americans." The ambassador's forthright remarks were made after he heard Matsuoka's exposition of Japanese foreign policy at a farewell luncheon for Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, new ambassador to the United States. Matsuoka, who had been introduced by Grew with the statement that the foreign minister "Has the same sort of personal affection for our country as I have for Japan," asserted in his speech: "The fate of China is largely a question of sentiment to Americans; to us it is truly a vital issue affecting the very existence of our empire." "We believe we have a great mission in civilizing and stabilizing the world for peace and honor. We shut our door to no one. Any nation that desires to take a hand in this task is welcome." He concluded with a plea for America to stay out of the war lest it bring on the world an "Armageddon" that would destroy civilization. Arising after the address, Grew took immediate exception to the foreign minister's interpretation of US interest in China. "I think I must advise the minister of his misapprehension that the interest of Americans in China is largely sentimental," he said. "I am glad to learn that in the Japanese program the door is to be shut now, among which, on one hand, are their obligations and on the other their rights." The United States, Grew continued, must consider not only "expressed intentions, regardless" (Turn to page 2, column 6)

Big Planes Convey Italian Troops up To Albanian Front

Brenner Railway Reported Cleared to Let Nazi Troop Trains Through; No Confirmation at Berlin

Arrivals in Italy Declared Resented; Rear Guard in Bardia Sector Is Said Trapped; Bomb Road

LONDON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The British Broadcasting Corporation, quoting a "neutral observer" in Rome, said tonight that large numbers of German anti-aircraft gunners and other German army units described as "specialists" have arrived in Rome. Italian officers told the neutral observer, the BBC said, that "these arrivals are the beginning of a German attempt to reduce Italy from the status of an ally to that of a vassal." The BBC also quoted Rome reports which said the council of the fascist militia today passed a resolution calling on Italians "to form a bloc strong enough to meet all trials around Il Duce, while one of the greatest crises in history is nearing its conclusion."

Minority Reports On Compensation

Making It Compulsory in Hazardous Occupation Is Recommended

Three labor members of the interim committee to study the state workmen's compensation law, in a report filed with Governor Charles A. Sprague here yesterday, recommended that the act be made compulsory in connection with all hazardous occupations. The committee further recommended that benefits be increased and voiced opposition to the majority report of the committee recommending that the legislature abolish the right of jury trials in appeals from awards by the commission. There would be no difficulty in increasing the benefits, the minority report said, provided all employers in hazardous occupations were compelled to come under the law. The labor members of the committee recommended that widows of workmen who are killed be paid \$45 a month instead of \$30, and that workmen whose limbs are permanently lost be paid \$50 a month instead of \$30. Commenting on the proposal to abolish jury trials, the minority report said: "This right of jury trial is fundamental." The minority report indicated that if the legislature abolished jury trials, the matter would be referred to the voters. The majority and minority reports agreed on the recommendation to substitute a manager for the three-member industrial accident commission. The minority members are G. O. Hunter, Roscoe Cramer and C. W. Boardman, all of Portland.

Many Bundists in US Forces, Claim

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—(AP)—An investigator on the state's attorney's staff reported today that a book seized in the Chicago headquarters of the German-American Bund indicated between 1500 and 2000 members were in US military or naval service. The book was examined by federal bureau of investigation agents who did not comment and there was no definite word as to whether the men listed were now in any branch of this nation's armed forces, or had served at some previous time.

Expansion of Air Base Is Proposed

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Naval and WPA officials discussed possible expansion of the Tongue Point naval air base here today. They planned relocation of the Columbia highway to gain more room for the air station, and drew up a tentative landscaping project which would make necessary the establishment of a WPA camp in Astoria.

Legislative Problems Eyed By Valley County Officials

Legislative matters which affect Oregon counties and which will probably appear during the 1941 legislative session were discussed here yesterday by judges, commissioners and legislators from six surrounding counties. The meetings, sponsored by the state county judges and commissioners association, was presided over by F. L. Phipps, The Dalles, secretary of the association. Delegates attended from Linn, Lane, Polk, Benton and Lincoln counties in addition to Judge J. C. Steward, Judge-elect Leroy Hewlett, Commissioners J. E. Smith and R. S. Nelson and Commissioner-elect Ralph Girard, all of Marion county. Discussion centered about the legislative program of the judges and commissioners association, already elaborated at the organization's state convention held last month in Portland. One new item, however, was introduced to the group in the form of a proposal to remove all load limits for trucks operating in the service of the armed forces of the nation, or for trucks of contract carriers handling products for the exclusive use of the military or naval services by the state. Form of a bill containing these provisions was circulated among the court members and legislators present, together with a general statement of purpose behind the measure. The latter was originally drawn up and accepted by the Clatsop county court, and more recently has been approved by the Tillamook and Washington county courts.

Crash Kills Engineer

SEASIDE, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—A Seaside Air Line passenger train, the Sunbeam, and an Atlantic Coast Line freight train, collided at a right angle crossing here early today, killing the Sunbeam's engineer and injuring 10 of the passengers and crew. The proposal was not without opposition, however, for several delegates pointed out that major damage might result for county roads should excessively heavy loads be permitted on them from whatever cause. Among the items discussed which were already on the program were already on the program (Turn to page 2, column 4)

Three Salem Men Given Promotions

Allen, Kerney and Welbes Sergeants; Clatsop Exams Are Held

CAMP MURRAY, Wash., Dec. 18.—Three Salem men are included in a list of 226 men from nine regiments who received non-commissioned promotions here today. The three are Sergeant Richard H. Allen to staff sergeant, Private First Class Richard T. Kerney to sergeant and Private Dick A. Welbes to sergeant. All are members of Company B, 162nd Infantry.

Eastern Seaboard Has Severe Quake

felt from New Jersey to North New England; No Grave Harm Known

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—(AP)—An earth tremor ranging from central New Jersey to the northern section of New England today shook buildings and caused excitement among thousands of persons. Scores of persons in Worcester, Mass., awakened by the rumbling, rushed scantily clad to the streets. In almost every city and hamlet, lights flashed on in homes as sleepers awoke to learn what caused their dwellings to tremble. Newspaper offices and police stations were upped as hundreds of telephone calls poured in from all directions. First reports gave no indication of serious damage to buildings. The shock was felt as far west as eastern New York. In Northern and central New Jersey and Staten Island in New York harbor experienced the tremor.

Man Found Slain; Question Woman

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Police broke into a house to find the butchered body of Paul Notzold, 53, lifeless on a bed tonight. Detective W. C. Fetters said Mrs. Julia Carlson, 50, was found lying on the floor in a stupor and was arrested. It was in answer to her moans that police broke into the house. Inside the room they found a blood-spattered razor and axe with which Notzold had been slain. Fetters also said two empty whiskey bottles and several beer bottles were in the room. District Attorney James R. Bain questioned the woman tonight.

Senator McNary Leaves Hospital

After winning his three weeks' battle with pneumonia, Senator Charles L. McNary was discharged from the Salem General hospital yesterday afternoon, hospital attendants revealed. The senator from Oregon will rest at his Fircone country home until completely recovered. He expects to leave for Washington, DC, after the first of the year.

Rosewood Plant Damaged by Fire

KEIZER, Dec. 19.—Fire striking from lumber piled on a brick-lined boiler to dry slightly damaged the frame and sheet iron structure housing the steam plant of the Rosewood mill, half a mile north of Keizer school, at 9 o'clock tonight. More extensive damage was believed prevented by Mr. and Mrs. Chris Wagner, route two, who were driving by and gave the alarm. The Salem fire department extinguished the flames. The present Rosewood mill, replacing one that burned down on South 13th street in Salem a year ago, produces plugs for paper rolls for mills as far south as Los Angeles. Tonight a fire will not interfere with production, Mrs. Fred Rose, who with her husband owns the plant, said.

Vessel off Coos Bay in Distress

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The steam schooner West Coast was in minor distress with a foot of water in her forward hold tonight five miles off the mouth of the Umpqua river, near Coos bay, Ore., the San Francisco marine exchange reported. Heavy weather apparently caused the ship's difficulties. It was believed, although radio messages from the West Coast failed to explain. The West Coast, on route from Puget sound ports to San Pedro, is owned by the West Coast Steamship company of Los Angeles.