

Three Billion Order Planned

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

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among them a proposal for a defense "high command" headed by Secretaries Stimson and Knox and William S. Knudsen, production chief of the defense commission. While it was expected that there would be some greater centralization of authority, Early indicated that establishment of a general purchasing agency was unlikely. A reporter said he assumed that the army and navy would not be deprived of their contractual powers, and Early replied that he thought the assumption was well taken.

At present, the army and navy each contract for its own needs, although all contracts are cleared through the defense commission. However, the commission has only advisory powers.

It was reported that much of a lengthy cabinet session today was given over to expressions from the various members of their views on what might be done to expedite the defense program. No decisions were reached, it was indicated, although no cabinet officer would discuss the meeting.

Knudsen Reported Probable Chairman

Reports circulated in official quarters that Knudsen probably would be given the chairmanship if the president approved the idea of a three-man defense high command with the secretaries of war and navy as two of its members.

The navy awarded contracts aggregating \$52,519,897 to seven companies for plant expansion and equipment to meet naval ordnance requirements.

The navy awarded a \$15,160,501 contract for airplanes to the Brewster Aeronautical Corporation, Long Island City, N.Y.

Morgenthau said Great Britain's proposal to contract for 50 cargo ships in this country, which had been previously announced, would not await congressional action on the president's "lease-lending" plan. It was indicated that actual contracts might be signed this week.

A shipyard at Portland, Me., and another on the west coast at a site not yet announced, will construct the vessels.

Clark and Bette Listed as "Tops"

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 19.—(P)—Boxoffice, motion picture trade journal, said today its annual poll showed that Clark Gable and Bette Davis were the most popular actors in 1940. Gene Autry was named the favorite western actor.

The poll was conducted among newspaper photoplay editors, independent theatre owners, and critics, educational and religious leaders.

Runners-up to Gable and Miss Davis, 1939 winner, were Spencer Tracy and Mickey Rooney, and Judy Garland and Myrna Loy.

Scouts' National Enrollment Gains

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(P)—Membership of the Boy Scouts increased \$2,793 in the past year, Dr. James E. West, chief scout executive said today.

The 1,437,743 men and boys enrolled as scouts, cub or leader on Nov. 30 represented a net increase of more than 6 per cent on the 1939 figure.

Nazi Army Chief Inspects



General Field Marshal Walther von Brauchitsch, German chief of staff, is shown, left, in company with other German officials inspecting the Nazi coastal defenses.

Three Salem Men Given Promotions

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battalion — Private First Class Jack J. Haek, Corporal Thure A. Lindstrom, Jr., and Staff Sergeant Sidney D. Shaw. Headquarters battery — Technical Sergeant Gerald E. Mason, Staff Sergeant Robert L. Simon, Sergeant Orvo A. Nikula and Corporal Edwin W. Weisner. Medical detachment — Staff Sergeant William C. Deew and Sergeant Mark R. Neary. Battery A — First Sergeant George W. Kinney, Sergeant Robert Hall and Corporal Oliver C. Kinney.

Young Buchanan May Face Charge

MIDDLEBORO, Ky., Dec. 19.—(P)—With his father dead from possession of bullets, 15-year-old Clyde Buchanan, jr., waited in a jail cell tonight for the law to decide whether it will press a murder charge against him in the slaying of a peace officer and the wounding of two others.

Bell County Attorney Walter B. Smith said he would question the boy tonight before making a decision. He added young Buchanan denied firing any shots but that he was armed when nabbed by officers yesterday near Wheeler, Va., about nine miles from here.

Smith led 50 heavily armed officers and citizens who captured early today the youth's fatally wounded father, Clyde William Buchanan, 46, described by the county attorney as a US army World war sharpshooter, former Virginia convict and more recently an itinerant basket-weaver.

Iron Fireman to Pay Extra Funds

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(P)—Extra dividend checks for stockholders were announced today by the Iron Fireman Manufacturing company of Portland. The firm said extra dividend checks of 25 cents per share of stock of vice-president December 5 were being issued. The payment will amount to \$89,815, bringing the total 1940 dividend disbursements to \$520,878.

President of Big Pencil Firm Dies

JERSEY CITY, N.J., Dec. 19.—(P)—George T. Smith, 85-year-old president of the Joseph Dixon Crucible company, lead pencil manufacturers, died today. During the World war he was treasurer of the US shipping board. Besides heading the crucible company, Smith was president of the American Graphite company and vice-president of the Colonial Life insurance company of America.

Dedication Date Only Approximate

ASTORIA, Dec. 19.—(P)—Lieut. Commander George Hasselman said today a recent statement that the Tongue Point naval air base here would be commissioned December 15 was only approximate. Actually, the commandant said, the base will not be commissioned for several more weeks, despite the statement by Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox.

Naval Shore Employees Get off for Christmas

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—Secretary Knox today instructed all naval shore establishments to excuse all employees from work December 24 "except those employees necessary to maintain 24-hour service."

Cubans Strike, Report

HAVANA, Dec. 20.—(Friday)—(P)—Unconfirmed reports from Guantanamo early today said that approximately 2000 Cubans working on the United States naval base there had gone on strike in protest over the death of a fellow-worker, allegedly beaten and thrown overboard from a US navy launch.

Valley County Officers Meet

Legislative Issues Given Attention; Load Limit Removal Is Argued

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gram of the judges and commissioners association was a measure to change the apportionment method of automobile registration fees among counties. The proposal would make apportionment consistent with the number of automobile owners resident in particular counties, rather than the number of residents as shown by postoffice addresses given on registration tags in the secretary of state's office. Another proposal to lower mileage fees for witnesses and jurors in circuit court proceedings from ten cents to five cents was heard, and an amendment to the county auditor's statute permitting the expenditure of \$3500 yearly in cooperation with other counties or with public or quasi-public bodies, was discussed.

Change of the tax assessment date from December 1 to January 1, proposal also sponsored by the state tax commission and the district attorney's association of the state was brought forward, as well as a list of changes in county welfare legislation already outlined by the state welfare commission. The latter was approved provisionally, though a measure to permit aid from county welfare establishments to reach persons under quarantine received unconditional support.

The question of auditing of county books was brought forward when legislative proposals of the state organization of public accountants were introduced to the group.

The county judges and commissioners present went on record as favoring an improvement in auditing standards, the publication of a list of accredited auditors from which counties might choose, but declined to accept a proposal that within five years each county adopt auditing standards approved by the accountants' organization.

Instead the group expressed its disapproval of the division of audits of the secretary of state's office, advocated its retention as a state agency and the extension of its function to include all county auditing. During the afternoon session E. J. Griffith, state director for the WPA, offered a measure for general discussion of the activities of his agency.

Those attending the meeting were Judge H. C. Herron and Commissioners W. H. Malone and O. B. Kyle of Benton county; Judge A. E. Wheeler of Marion county; W. J. Holland and Commissioner-elect Allen P. Wheeler of Lane county; Judge Franklin E. Gilkey and Commissioners E. G. Calkins and J. C. Barclay of Lincoln county; Commissioner H. W. Cooley of Jackson county; and Commissioner Van Walt and Commissioners Fred Gibson and H. H. Brant of Polk county in addition to Marion county officers.

Legislators present included Senators Dean Walker, Ronald Jones, H. C. Wheeler, H. R. K. K. and Representatives George A. Duncan, John Steelhammer, Ray L. Jenkins, A. Ronnie, H. R. Jones and Angus Gibson.

Six Scioans Moan Birthdays Stolen By Christmastide

SCIO, Dec. 19.—Six Scioans will make moan next week's birthdays will not be properly observed. Even efforts of friends to make the day an event failed when no suitable hour could be agreed for all to participate.

Born on December 25 were Mrs. Mary Egr, Dave Horsburgh, Mrs. Joe Lytle, Mrs. Ed Uovsar, J. A. Withers, and W. H. Young, all of this community. Arriving in or near Scio on the year's biggest holiday were Mrs. Joe Haller (Alma Philipp) now of Oak Grove, Ariz.; Pepper Albany, Helen Shelton of Salem, and Frankie Bilyeu of Kalama, Wash. Standing on his rights that his birthday not be lost in the larger melee of Christmas is Frank Gates of Albany, son-in-law of Mrs. Carl Warren of Scio, who has spent several Christmases—and birthdays—here.

Helen Shelton will complete her first dozen years of nearly birthday-less existence. W. H. "Bill" Young, III at his Scio home, will reach the three-score-and-fifteen mark.

Cases Fewer but Flu "Gets Worse"

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(P)—City health officials said that 109 new cases of influenza were reported today, a decline from 120 Wednesday, but that conditions were "getting worse."

Dr. Adolph Weinzirl said reports from physicians indicated that hundreds of persons had colds, gripe and flu. He added that he did not believe conditions would improve until the middle of January.

30 Face Charges Under Draft Law

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(P)—Carl Donough, United States attorney, said today that charges would be filed soon against 30 persons whom draft boards have accused of violations. Failure to notify the boards of changed addresses caused most of the accusations, Donough added. A few failed to fill out questionnaires or gave wrong addresses, he said.

Frank Condon Dies

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Dec. 19.—(P)—Death wrote the last chapter to the successful career of Frank Condon, magazine writer. He was 58 years old. He was widely known in Hollywood's film colony, having written scenarios for all the major studios.

In One Ear..

Paul Hanson's Column

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critic. But he says that the wide car door problem is one which must be coped with and coped quick.

Mr. Zizale's Sylph Six (the old style model of 1940) has a relatively wide door and every now and again Mr. Zizale finds himself in a tight spot because of it. We mean tight and literally.

Mr. Zizale parks the Sylph Six, gets out and goes about his business. Pretty soon he comes back. There are cars on both sides of the Sylph Six, snuggling up to it as if they were all pups of the same litter. There is about six inches clearance on either side.

Stepping trimly and primly, Mr. Zizale wedges his way back between the cars. Narrowly averting tearing open his tummy on the door handles, Mr. Zizale finally makes his way back behind the door. Then comes the tough part. Mr. Zizale opens the door, or rather, he unlatches it and it swings out, making a crack about four inches wide. It won't go any further because of its long door-base, shall we say, it hits the adjacent car. The door is a good five feet wide. But for practical purposes the entrance space is four inches. Mr. Zizale, though not a portly man, is a little wider than four inches.

He's not a quitter though, not Zizale. He sticks a leg through the crack and somehow manages to squeeze it into the car. Then he chins himself on the little rain gutter around the top of the car, hanging by his fingernails, and gets the other leg in. This leaves him in a peculiarly vulnerable position, but he's winning.

By turning his body sidewise, pulling in his stomach and collapsing his lungs he can get most of his body in. This leaves only his head out in the weather. By a bit of adroit maneuvering at the risk of losing an ear, Mr. Zizale finally gets his head in.

The only thing he has forgotten is his hat. It didn't follow him in. It's he's lucky, and he usually isn't, he will find it neatly balanced between the door and the edge of the roof and can reach out with one hand and pull it in. If not he goes through the same thing all over again.

Mr. Zizale is a normally patient man, but he says let this happen one more time and he's going to bracket a fireman's axe under the rear vision window and letter on the window in red, EMERGENCY ENTRANCE—USE AXE IF NECESSARY.

Dodges Auto, but Fall To Pavement Is Fatal

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(P)—An attempt to evade an approaching automobile cost the life of Malcolm G. G. here today. G. was tripped and fell to the pavement, striking his head, last Thursday. He was not hit by the car.

Call Board

GRAND — Henry Fonda in "Young Mr. Lincoln," and Brian Donley in "Sharpshooters."

LIBERTY — Gene Autry in "Carolina Moon," and Anita Louise in "Hero for a Day."

HOLLYWOOD — "Goldwyn Follies" with Edgar Bergen, Charlie McCarthy and the Ritz Brothers, and Hopalong Cassidy in "Stagecoach War."

STATE — Bob Hope, Martha Raye in "Never Say Die," and John Payne, Gloria Dickson in "King of the Lumberjacks."

ELGINORE — The Marx Brothers in "The Marx Brothers Go West," and Sigrid Gurie, Ralph Byrd in "The Dark Streets of Cairo."

CAPITOL — Gene Jones, Nancy Kelly in "One Night in the Tropics," and The Three Mesquiteers in "Trail Blazers." Saturday—Marlene Dietrich in "Seven Sinners," and Jack Holt in "A Fugitive From a Prison Camp."

Grew Explains US Viewpoint

Blunt Speech Delivered as New Ambassador Gets Sendoff

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of the persuasive garb in which they may be dressed," but "facts and actions too."

The candid, though informal exchange of views, recalled Grew's speech of October 19, 1939, when he said "the American people regard with growing seriousness the violation and interference with American rights by Japanese armed forces in China in disregard of treaties and agreements."

At the time, Grew speaking shortly after returning from the United States and a talk with President Roosevelt, said his remarks came "straight from the horse's mouth."

Matagosa, speaking of Japanese adherence to the Rome-Berlin axis, declared a large section of the American people, willfully or otherwise, have misinterpreted the harboring hostile intentions toward the United States.

"I owe it to candor," he said, "to admit that relations between our two countries are severely strained."

Matsuoka's reiteration of loyalty to the tri-partite pact was emphasized by a Domei Japanese news agency, report that Lieut. Gen. Hiroshi Oshima, ardent advocate of German-Japanese collaboration, would return to Berlin as ambassador, replacing Saburo Kurusu.

Oshima was withdrawn in 1939 in a gesture of disapproval of Germany's non-aggression treaty with Russia, just prior to the start of the war.

(In Berlin, authorized sources hailed the return of Oshima as an indication of Japan's firm adherence to the axis bloc.)

IEU to Disband, New One Planned

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ization. It is assumed that the NLRB's objection is based upon a contention that the IEU here was, when first created, company-dominated.

Officials of the IWA claim that their membership has been increasing rapidly and will be in the majority by the time lumber mill operations are resumed after the holidays. They also insist that the recently-granted wage increase of 5 cents an hour and vacations with pay was obtained by the IWA.

It was reported tonight however that the IWA meeting was poorly attended in comparison to the IEU meeting. Members of the latter organization contend that a new IEU local, independently created, will be able to qualify as bargaining agency.

Seven Deathless Days Enjoyed by Traffic in Oregon, Snell Reports

OREGON, for the first time in 1940, has gone seven days without a traffic fatality, Secretary of State Earl Snell reported yesterday.

This record was established during the period December 12 to 18.

Snell said there were only seven traffic fatalities so far this month as against 25 during the same period in December, 1939. There also were 25 fatalities during the first 19 days of November this year.

Ovation Precedes Kallio's Collapse

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the cries of Godspeed from tens of thousands. He was going home to the country.

On the platform a company of soldiers was drawn up in his honor. He paced smartly to the end of the line in the last act of what Helsinki had planned as its goodbye to him.

He smiled, said "Goodbye, thanks for everything." Then he gasped, thrust a hand to his breast and tottered.

Baron Mannerheim caught his sagging body.

Mrs. Kallio already was in the waiting train. A group of officers took in her husband's body, and the crowd was hushed.

It seemed that at least half of Helsinki's population of 330,000 stood on the streets to cheer the little caravan as Kallio rode to the station. Some held flaming torches; the bands played the Fort March, the Finnish national song, and that melody resounded in the railway station as Kallio died.

Victim of Police Shot May Recover

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 19.—(P)—George B. Lampro, 24, Portland moulder shot by mistake in a bank holdup yesterday, was in fair condition today after three blood transfusions—one by the policeman who shot him.

Lampro was wounded by the body by Patrolman W. L. Edwards after police stopped his car which had been commandeered by the bank robber.

"Spell" Prompts Shooting, Claim

LEWISTON, Ida., Dec. 19.—(P)—Robert Kress, 18, was arrested in Lewiston tonight as he stepped out of a taxi, and, according to Clearwater county Sheriff George Panky, admitted shooting Mrs. Mabel Hinkley, 30, teacher at the Sunnyside school, 10 miles west of Orofino last night. Mrs. Hinkley is at the Orofino hospital with a 22-calibre bullet lodged in the center of her spine. Tonight she was reported "resting easy" but still in dangerous condition.

Army Units Going To Newfoundland

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—An undisclosed number of army units will leave New York for Newfoundland early next month, to Garrison the northernmost of the Atlantic naval and air bases being acquired from Great Britain.

Announcing this today, the war department disclosed that the troops would sail for the outpost even before shore accommodations were ready for occupancy.

Until these are completed, the transport which carries the men to Newfoundland will be used as a floating barracks, the department said. This ship is the Edmund B. Alexander, the old coal-burning liner America which recently was named in honor of a brigadier general who served in the Mexican war.

May Give Pacific Highway Priority

EUGENE, Dec. 19.—(P)—Carl I. Rynearson, Oregon Pacific Highway association manager, said today that he believed the route would be given first priority for additional national defense road legislation.

Rynearson, who recently returned from Washington, D.C., said that "the strategic military highway report, now being prepared for President Roosevelt by the public roads administration in cooperation with state highway commissions, would be completed within a short time."

Storm Warnings Posted All Along Pacific Coast

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