

# Fall of Bardia Reported Near

### Town Shattered; Bremen Left Sea of Flames Is Claim of RAF

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ern front the British reported that their bombers, in the third successive night attack upon the German seaport of Bremen, had left such vast fires that night could be seen below save "a swirling mass of flame."

But while this attack was in progress—on Friday night—the Nazis answered in kind, heavily assaulting the British port of Bristol. The British acknowledged that there had been casualties and "considerable damage."

There were these outstanding diplomatic-political developments:

1. The Irish, clinging to an endangered neutrality, accused Germany anew of violating Irish soil, this time identifying as of "German origin" magnetic sea mines and bombs which had been dropped in Wickford and Wexford counties. Already the Irish government had strongly protested to Berlin against earlier bombings; last night it attacked air warnings appeared in the streets of Dublin.

2. Unofficial observers in Berlin reported that President Roosevelt's message to congress, to be made Monday, was awaited with great interest, since the way in which congress went about aiding Britain might be a great factor in helping to determine the day on which the Germans attempted to invade England.

These persons stated that should it become apparent that congress is going to "bite the bullet" and affirmatively, the Nazis likely would put everything they had into an effort to strike Britain down before expanded American aid became effective.

# Three Councilmen Will Start Terms

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foreclosure. All held other committee assignments. Hannah Martin, new city recorder, will serve for the first time as the council's reading clerk at the Monday meeting. Annual reports of city officers to be submitted will include report of City Treasurer Paul H. Hauser that the city has a balance as of December 31, 1940, of \$172,142.04 after receipts of \$929,329.87 and disbursements of \$856,969.11 in 1940.

# In One Ear . . .

—Paul Hauser's Column

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get it all straightened out. Yeah, nice, I bet.

Oh, so it shows ruggedness of character to save tinsel, does it? Shows all the old virtues of thrift, does it? Save and have tinsel, huh?

Suppose you think they might need it to melt up and build battleships with?

Yeah, and after you thought you had it all picked off the tree it still left a litter all the way down the hill, didn't it? Yeah, you're so smart.

Hey, wait a minute. Put down that ax. Help! Oh, Ma! (Gurgling sounds).

We aren't yet sure that Shirley Temple should come out of retirement. After all, thousands will want to remember her as she was in her youth.

**METEOLOGY DEPT.** (Combined with Indian Lore) LONG GRASS, Jan. 3.—(Special)—Big mites point out that the winter is over. Deer have not left their summer ranges and are as fat as seals. Wild geese did not fly south this year, and other birds which disappear for winter are coming in the low or sections. The old Indian tradition, no winter on green grass, seems to be holding good. Mixing men and prospectors are retreating in the hills, that the heavy rainfall in the high mountains will afford more water for planting and mining.

—Fossilized East Oregonian.

God's in His Heaven and all's right in Long Creek.

The state tax commission, with an air of surprise, announces that it took in a million dollars more than it expected during 1940. We regret that we cannot make the same announcement and feel reasonably sure that we could stand the shock.

# Nation's Lawmakers Take Oath of Allegiance to Constitution



# School Tax Issue Eyed at Meeting

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only one member will need be elected to the executive committee.

In an address before the convention, Harley Libby, state president, recommended a firmer opposition toward foreign imports and closer affiliation of the Farmers Union to other farm organizations in the state. Libby urged the farmers of the county not to be "fooled by a little prosperity" and urged a continued drive for farmer's aims. Libby said that National President James Patton of the Farmers Union would be present for the state convention.

Other officials present were Warren Gray, head of the Farmers Union Oil Cooperative, which he related had grown from a beginning in 1934 to more than a \$50,000 a year business. Mrs. Jessie Williams, state junior president, was called on for a short talk as were Joe Owens, junior leader from Yamhill county and Henry Johnson from Washington county.

Luther Chapin from the Clear Lake district gave a report on the recent PUD activity and expressed an opinion that the reason it had failed in some instances was voters' lack of information. He recommended that each of the 18 locals keep the issue before the public by lectures and publications. He said that the committee for PUD would be continued and avowed that it would appear on the ballot at the next general election.

More than 400 members and 121 delegates were present including the charter officers of the Marion county Farmers Union, to hear the short program which followed the business meeting. C. K. Lawrence conducted the Liberty orchestra in several numbers and solos were sung by Monette Moring, Liberty and Mrs. T. C. Mason, Keiser Jacqueline Judd of Liberty was the accompanist.

Officials of the county union 10 years ago, who were present yesterday, were Ernest Werner, president; Donald Jones, vice president; Warren Crook, secretary; Alvin Krug, doorkeeper; K. S. Kaufman, conductor.

# Lampro Continues Slow Improvement

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—(AP)—George Lampro, 22, Portland moulder shot by mistake in a bank robbery here December 18, was showing "slow but continued improvement" today, physicians said. The youth was shot by an officer after his automobile, commanded by the robber, was forced to the curb. Loyd McCredy, 48, Los Angeles, who admitted to Police Sergeant William Browne that he robbed the bank, was slightly wounded.

# Boys Heroes in Dynamite Case

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Leo Battistelli, Trooper Aten and Warren Hubner

Heroes for a day, Leo Battistelli, 11, left, and Warren Hubner, 13, who discovered 48 dynamite caps near the dam of the Kenasco reservoir, emergency water supply of New York City, listen to State Trooper Ray Aten of North White Plains explain the workings of the dynamite caps. After the discovery, police searched all day for other possible dynamite caps near the dam, but failed to find any.

# Tourist Business in Brazil Is Doubled As War Closes European Bright Spots; Low-Priced Entertainment Big Lure

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bers attended meetings in Corvallis, Oregon City, Eugene, De-Lake and Portland on various programs for the benefit of Salem and the Willamette valley.

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# Queer Looking, but They Say It Will Go 300 MPH



This queer looking torpedo boat is the invention of a Windsor, Ontario, Canada, man who thinks it can go between 200 and 300 miles per hour. The best in design.

# Scope of Nazi Attempt Seen

### And They're From Eight Separate Units; Cycle Troops Are Active

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ish high command will make the big followup push if and when the time comes.

Hitler's own ideas on the subject were reflected in reports current in British military circles shortly before I left London three weeks ago that the Germans had begun to build a defensive line of fortifications along the English channel.

Whether the line is intended eventually to approximate the strength and elaborate detail of Germany's French frontier has not yet known. Military authorities point out it would be a fairly simple operation to bolster its firing power by transferring the powerful French guns from the Maginot line. Some of the British not guns already have been moved up to the coast and have seen service in the sporadic cross channel artillery duels these authorities say.

Just when the new German line may have been started is not known in London but it cannot be very far advanced, these authorities point out, since the British raiding parties have been able to make at least nine daring thrusts into German-held French soil.

# Luckner's Career Is Watched Here

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am, Aberdeen, Tacoma, Everett and Bellingham, he recalled.

Since the world did not learn until months afterward that Von Luckner's vessel was wrecked on a deserted Pacific island in August, 1917, the crews of the four cruisers pursued their assignment from June of 1917 until mid-1918, taking pleasant respite from long searches by paying goodwill visits to Rio, Bahia, Montevideo and Buenos Aires.

A state official who declined to permit use of his name, the teller of this Von Luckner story, remarked that the search proved an agreeable way to spend a war. No enemy warships were encountered, every merchant vessel was stopped and searched, enemy agents removed from two and two hostile supply vessels captured.

Von Luckner did not learn until about eight years ago, when he stopped in Portland to fill a lecture engagement, that his shift of operations from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans before the Americans began their intensive search probably saved him from capture. The United States naval vessels followed a practice of sweeping the seas as much as 1500 miles from mainland, whereas he believed they were pursuing the British navy's course of restricting patrols to a distance of 300 miles offshore. Except when he darted in after a prize, Von Luckner consequently called his windjamming "Seadog" on the border of the 500-mile zone.

# Chamber Reports Successful Year

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# Officers Will End Services

### Mrs. Brooks' Tenure Over Quarter Century; May Serve Week More

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recorder of Marion county from 1902 to 1907, and for 17 years following was in the abstract business in Salem. For two years he was manager of farm properties for Ladd and Bush bank.

He was appointed county judge by Governor L. L. Patterson in 1927, to succeed County Judge J. T. Hunt, resigned. During his administration as judge he dealt with the county relief program before the days of the county public welfare commission, and was vitally interested in the county's road program. He has long been a champion of the North Santiam highway, just as he has also been a firm advocate of economic conservation in county affairs.

The judge told reporters recently that he expected to remain in Salem, but will probably spend a considerable portion of his time on his Fern Ridge farm during the summer months. Next summer, he said, he wants to fish in the North Santiam, and perhaps buy a boat.

Commissioner Melson is the other official who will leave office at midnight tonight. As a member of the court, Melson was particularly interested in the county's program for oiling secondary roads, and during much of his tenure as commissioner made a personal study of that subject.

He recently remarked that "whatever has been done with oiling roads has been based on standard and true specifications. I think a good start has been made." Since he went into office, 300 miles of road have been oil surfaced.

# Club to Install Kuhn on Tuesday

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Salem Kiwanis club will officially install its newly elected officers at the regular luncheon meeting in the Marine room of the Marion hotel Tuesday. Judge Arlie G. Walker, lieutenant-governor for division 10, Kiwanis International, on this occasion will install V. E. Kuhn as president of the local club.

President-elect Kuhn, immediately following his installation, will announce the appointment of committees to serve through 1941. The club is planning under the leadership of Kuhn a year of great activity which will be climaxed in August 1941, when the Salem club will be host to the district Kiwanis convention, including clubs in the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia. More than 1000 Kiwanians and their wives will journey to Salem during the district convention for three days.


The retiring president is Rev. George Swift.

# Masons, Wives to Dine

Members and their wives are invited to a covered dish dinner at 6:30 p.m. Monday of Salem Masonic lodge No. 4, which precedes the conferring of the Fellow Craft degree. The women will play cards and visit during the short lodge session. Further information may be obtained from Mrs. Carleson at 3347.

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