

Iron Guards Given Choice

Rumanian Rebels Told to Kill Selves—or Else; Sima's Fate Secret

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agency, said in Berlin that a long range Nazi bomber sank a 4000-ton British merchant ship about 200 miles west of Ireland.

Two east Anglia towns were bombed by single German raiders late in the day. A few persons were killed and injured, the government reported.

In the African campaign British motorized units, operating near Derma, Libya, 175 miles beyond the Egyptian frontier, broke up an Italian tank column, the British announced at Cairo, while in Eritrea, which borders on the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, British troops were declared to have taken 600 fascist prisoners, including a brigade commander.

The Italians were said to have abandoned several additional posts in Ethiopia.

"Extremely heavy losses" on the Albanian battlefield have compelled the Italians to withdraw and to reorganize at least seven divisions, the Greeks said, basing their statement on talks with Italian prisoners.

German troops were reported helping the Rumanians, loyal to Antonescu, patrol Bucharest.

The premier, in a long account of the abortive rebellion, said he made "it a duty and an honor to declare to the nation in these days of greatest sadness that I have behind me the loyal shadow of the great fuhrer (Adolf Hitler) and the honor of German might which guaranteed our borders."

He accused the rebels of "ingratitude" in organizing against him and attempting to assassinate him.

Oddities ... in the News

GOLDSBORO, NC.—F. O. Parker and Harry Tatum are Goldsboro fishermen.

"I had a struggle to land a small whale weighing 155 pounds," related Parker.

"I had a bite too," replied Tatum. "But when I finally got it in, it was a lantern. It had engraved on it the ship that went down about 150 years ago. And the lantern was still burning."

Parker, at first taken aback, recovered quickly.

"I'll take off 100 pounds of my fish if you'll blow that lantern out," he said.

RALEIGH, NC.—J. T. Walton, 60, Wake county farmer, takes his jury duty seriously.

Since last Monday he has walked 12 miles to court, and the 12 miles home every day. To get to court on time he had to rise at 4:30 o'clock.

After his total hike of 120 miles, he will receive traveling expenses at five cents a mile—six dollars in all.

LANCASTER, Pa.—Joseph Arce, jailed two years for stealing clothing, spent his time perfecting an invention.

Now he's ready to ask for a patent—a "thief-proof" coat hanger.

DETROIT—Add to city traffic hazards: being buried under a load of coal.

It happened to Lois Ferguson, 17, as she waited at a street car stop. A coal truck collided with the approaching street car and its spilled cargo engulfed Miss Ferguson to the knees. Her left leg was broken.

BRIGHTWOOD—(P)—The savor of cooking apples floated into this mountain resort town the other day, but investigators found it was not the work of any housewife. A truck caught fire a half-mile west of here, burning 450 boxes of apples.

SPOKANE, Wash.—(P)—A Bigsmoke has federal court attaches admittedly dizzy.

Atty. Edward Connelly, seeking to subpoena an Indian as a witness, told the court the man was "a Bigsmoke, one of the six sons of Chief Bigsmoke. He isn't Pete Bigsmoke or Fred Bigsmoke, but we're not sure which Bigsmoke he is."

Upon US Dist. Atty. Lyle Keith's protest that "we don't want the whole tribe down here," Judge Lewis B. Schwellbach issued a subpoena for John Doe Bigsmoke.

Happy Birthday

He said he had quit having birthdays, but his many friends did not take him at his word when A. N. Bush, chief figure in Salem banking circles, for many years, went down town to his desk in the Ladd & Bush-Salem branch, United States National bank, "as usual" on Saturday, his 53rd birthday. Many friends dropped in to wish Mr. Bush well, and many others sent flowers. Born in Salem, Mr. Bush has spent most of his life here in the banking business.

Now the head of the Pioneer Trust company, he divides his time between that institution and the Ladd & Bush branch, which was the Ladd & Bush bank before its sale last year.

Texan Closes Long US Career



Garner packing his bags. Completing 46 years of public service, including 38 years in congress, John Nance Garner, 72, retiring vice president of the U. S., packs his bags in Washington, departing soon after for his home at Uvalde, Tex., "for a year of rest." Leaving the president, Garner gave Mr. Roosevelt a kiss on the cheek. He had served eight years as U. S. vice president.

Dwelling Census Bureau Director Reveals Oregon Compiled Figures

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24—(AP)—Director William L. Austin of the census bureau reported Friday that of 269,923 dwelling units in Oregon on April 1, 1940, 25,263 or 6.8 per cent were vacant and for sale or rent.

A total of 337,731 dwelling units were occupied and 6929 largely were vacant and held for absent households. A few of the latter were occupied by non-resident households.

Of Oregon's total dwellings, 49.8 per cent were located in urban districts of 2500 or more inhabitants and 5.2 per cent in rural areas. Only 5.6 per cent of the urban dwellings were vacant and 8.1 per cent of rural dwelling units.

Dwelling units vacant and for sale or rent formed 5.2 per cent of all such units in Salem and 5.8 per cent in Portland.

Private households in Oregon increased approximately 26.8 per cent between 1930 and 1940, compared with a 14.2 per cent population increase. However, the average size of the family declined from 3.58 persons in 1930 to 3.23 in 1940.

Total and occupied dwelling units, respectively, by counties:

Baker 5524 and 5406; Benton 6231 and 5876; Clackamas 20,759 and 17,674; Clatsop 9463 and 7610; Columbia 6602 and 6239; Coos 11,218 and 10,181; Crook 1722 and 1586; Curry 1572 and 1412; Deschutes 5788 and 5545; Douglas 5562 and 7876; Gilliam 1910 and 815; Grant 2043 and 1931; Harney 1846 and 1632; Hood River 4130 and 3410; Jackson 12,539 and 11,418; Jefferson 771 and 630; Josephine 6015 and 5322; Klamath 13,140 and 11,978; Lake 2446 and 1928; Lane 22,206 and 20,930; Lincoln 5984 and 4470; Linn 9,630 and 9136; Malheur 5475 and 5197; Marion 28,563 and 20,563; Morrow 1421 and 1243; Multnomah 125,257 and 117,449; Polk 6222 and 5869; Sherman 868 and 747; Tillamook 4786 and 3714; Umatilla 5229 and 7459.

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Total and occupied dwelling units, respectively, of incorporated places of 2500 or more inhabitants:

Albany 1925 and 1879; Ashland 1786 and 1586; Astoria 3,501 and 3300; Baker 2954 and 2838; Bend 3039 and 2974; Burns 896 and 842; Coquille 1,124 and 1055; Corvallis 1944 and

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Group Faced, Fund Demands

Requests not Allowed in Official Budget May Cause Unbalance

Demands that would unbalance the state executive department's budget will face the legislature's joint committee on ways and means when it resumes its deliberations this week.

These demands, for funds not allowed in the official budget, were not fully tabulated Saturday, but it was indicated they would throw the budget several thousand dollars off.

Possible offsets to non-budgeted appropriations are being ferreted out by a special lay committee serving the ways and means group. These may be found in favorable differences between estimated and actual receipts for the last biennium in sums worth considering, David Eccles, state budget director, indicated.

Consideration Planned

The proposal of the budget division that the tax commission finance its activities from its own funds rather than from the state general fund will be considered at the ways and means committee's first meeting this week. Its legality was questioned last week by Sen. W. H. Strayer (D-Baker), who held that all tax commission receipts must go into the general fund as a property tax offset. The law provides that the commission net proceeds shall be used for that purpose.

Legislators hinted at a possibility that appropriations for higher education and relief might be slightly curtailed. A hearing on the former was held Friday; airing of the public welfare budget may be delayed for some time.

Budget Allocations

The budget as it stands allocates \$21,690,452 to public welfare as against a request for \$23,569,563 from the state public welfare commission. The state would contribute \$9,250,000 the federal government \$7,742,973 and the counties \$4,697,479 under the administration budget.

The committee is withholding judgment on most of the bills referred to it, because they largely propose appropriations not in the budget.

The committee to date has approved budgets exceeding \$10,000,000 in the aggregate, of which only some \$2,000,000 is subject to legislative appropriation.

Move to Settle Strike

PORTLAND, Jan. 25—(AP)—The Consolidated Timber company moved Saturday to settle the strike of 500 employees in 11 of its operations. The strike was called after two timber fallers were fired.

2732; Cottage Grove 882 and 847. Dallas 1104 and 1086; Eugene 6949 and 6675; Grants Pass 2109 and 1987; Hillsboro 1295 and 1228; Hood River 1091 and 1001; Klamath Falls 5294 and 5055; La Grande 2647 and 2481; Lebanon 863 and 854; McMinnville 1222 and 1184; Marshfield 1813 and 1729; Medford 3928 and 3694; Newberg 1040 and 977; North Bend 1503 and 1404; Ontario 1060 and 1001; Oregon City 2082 and 1977; Pendleton 2483 and 2379; Portland 108,940 and 102,234; Roseburg 1705 and 1590; St. Helens 1365 and 1309; Seaside 9483 and 8901; Seaside 2119 and 1031. Silverton 1013 and 937; Springfield 1100 and 1071; The Dalles 2177 and 2050; Tillamook 906 and 860.

Union Pickets Portland Plant

PORTLAND, Jan. 25—(AP)—CIO pickets marched before three retail furniture establishments here Saturday because of a jurisdictional dispute in a manufacturing plant.

Union members accused the retailers of refusing to buy products of the Doernbecher Manufacturing company, where the dispute is underway. AFL and CIO pickets are marching side by side in front of the plant, the latter insisting that the firm has good union standing.

Jack Kaufman, CIO international representative said the three retail establishments, Edwards, Powers and Directors stores had refused to accept delivery on Doernbecher merchandise.

Linfield College Board Is Filled

McMINNVILLE, Jan. 25—(AP)—Dr. W. H. Buerman, Portland physician, succeeded the late A. L. Veazie, Portland attorney, as president of the Linfield college board of trustees at a meeting here.

State Senator Walter Pearson, former state treasurer, was named to fill Veazie's position on the board proper and Henry Ellis, Jr., Seattle attorney, was elected to succeed the late W. Lair Thompson, also on the board.

Executive Sec'y



DR. JOHN R. BOOTH

First Christian Schedules Booth

Dr. John R. Booth, executive secretary of the board of church extension of the Christian churches of America, with headquarters at Indianapolis, Ind., and a member of the team which is leading in the Christian convocation to be held in Portland, beginning Sunday morning and continuing through Tuesday, will be the guest speaker at the morning service of the local First Christian church.

Dr. Booth is one of the main speakers at the convocation and appears on the program with Dr. Robert M. Hopkins, president of the United Christian Missionary society, and Dr. J. Warren Harting, pastor of University Christian church of Seattle.

Dr. Booth is responsible for the administration of a fund of several millions of dollars, through the assistance of which several thousands of Christian church buildings in America have been financed.

Culbertson Gives New Bridge Rules

Singleton Deuce Comes Into Its Own With Bidding System

NEW YORK, Jan. 25—(AP)—The Singleton deuce finally comes into its own.

From his hospital sick-bed, Bridge Expert Ely Culbertson of the first basic changes since 1935 in the Culbertson system of contract bridge bidding.

The new rules, along with a number of other details which will govern the conduct of millions of United States contract players, will be given to some 200 of the nation's 4000 contract teachers at a three-day convention here.

Under the new rules, singletons, even the lonely deuce, heretofore uncountable in the bidding, have been included in the Culbertson honor-trick table to be considered in the same category with the ace, king and queen.

Minimum biddable suits have been reduced to queen, four, three and deuce, in place of the previous rock bottom of queen, jack, three and deuce, and even weak five-card suits, such as from deuce to four, may be bid at times. Such suits have been listed as "conditional biddable suits," however, because they may be bid only under certain circumstances.

Opening one-bid requirements have been reduced, and responses to keep the bidding open have been correspondingly increased.

While the minimum biddable hand for years was two-and-a-half

US and British Officers Meet

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 25—(AP)—The US naval academy played host to some officers, midshipmen and enlisted men of the British battleship King George V before it sailed Saturday, ending a 21-hour visit to Annapolis.

In return, Lieut.-Commander Chester Wood, an aide to the academy superintendent, and several other academy officers were taken aboard the new 35,000-ton warship—one of the most powerful in the British navy—for an inspection visit.

Klamath Youth Admits Shooting

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Jan. 25—(AP)—A 17-year-old boy who insisted he shot in self-defense after a struggle over control of a truck was charged with murder Saturday for the death of Jerry Zulkoski, 31.

The youth, James Anderson, son of O. T. "Buck" Anderson, prominent cattleman, surrendered to Sheriff Lloyd Low at Beattl Friday night, upon advice of his father.

Sheriff Low said the boy and his father told him this story of the slaying: After scuffling, Zulkoski pushed the youth out of the truck. Anderson obtained one of two rifles in the truck, he told the sheriff, decided he had better "shoot first," before Zulkoski obtained the other gun, and pulled the trigger.

Halifax Wants Ships, Supplies

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where its significance will be understood.

As soon as opportunity permits, the ambassador said, he was looking forward to seeing different parts of the United States and "to see what you are doing, and what we are doing, to aid us."

Zieberts Have New Girl

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tomey Zievert, Mill City, at the Deaconess hospital Saturday was a seven-pound, four ounce girl.

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