

US Will Speed Planes West

Far Eastern Situation Declared "Serious" by Gen. Marshall

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port naval base and in the northern Malay peninsula.

The number of planes to be dispatched to the fleet was not disclosed.

Australian troops arrived this week at Singapore, considered possibly the first naval objective of Japan in any thrust which might be made toward the rich Netherlands East Indies.

British air reinforcements also have been sent to the northern part of the Malay peninsula near Thailand (Siam) and French Indo-China, on whom Japan was reported to have made sweeping military and economic demands.

As uncertainty over Japanese intentions kept Far Eastern tension high, Ambassador Kichiburo Nomura was reported to be holding back definite proposals for improving Japanese relations with the United States until a more favorable opportunity arose.

In other diplomatic circles, however, it was reported that he had a set of specific issues to discuss with state department officials in the hope that removal of some points at friction might lead to a better understanding on questions of general policy.

Among these were believed to be numerous relatively minor problems rising from the Sino-Japanese war, including claims for damage to American property and interests; exclusion of non-Japanese shipping from the Yangtze river, and a dispute over policing the international settlement in Shanghai.

US Welcomes Japan Moves But Asserts Problems Greater

The American government, while apparently welcoming any Japanese move toward more favorable treatment of American interests in the Far East, has made it clear that far greater problems now exist in American-Japanese relations.

These center on Japan's alliance with Germany and Italy, which in the view of high authorities links the Japanese expansion program in Asia with the war in Europe.

Administration officials, stressing attempts over a period of years to convince Japan that her best interest lay in friendship with the United States, have avoided closing the door against any new Japanese bid.

They have made it plain, however, that "deeds" and not "words" are necessary to convince this government of Japan's peaceful intentions.

Rumania Calls Million Men

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rather than aid any German scheme of getting at Greece.

The pact, said the newspaper Vakit, in fact was insurance against Bulgaria's entrance into the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo arrangement—and "it would not be easy for Germany to come to fight in Greece against a Greek-Turkish army unless the way had been thoroughly prepared as in Rumania."

This declaration (the Turkish-Bulgarian arrangement) makes this preparation more difficult.

Said the newspaper Ilkan: "Although we have made this declaration with Bulgaria, our doors are closed to Germany and we still keep our obligations with Greece and Britain."

Found at Last



Plane wreckage

After three and one-half years of searching for it, this plane was found by four farmers in the virgin jungle near Maria de Dota, Costa Rica. The plane, carrying five passengers, one an American, and piloted by Charles Stanton, native of Dorchester, Mass., disappeared June 20, 1937, en route to Costa Rica. Nothing remained of the occupants but broken bones. Searching planes had flown 75,000 miles hunting for the lost ship.

Salem Women Can Make These on Limited Budget



Left to right, beige rayon gabardine suit, rayon print dress, sailor dress

A slim budget is no excuse for a woman to have dull, uninteresting clothes this spring. With materials by the yard so inexpensive, she can make herself a new frock to brighten up her wardrobe. At the left above is the indispensable tailored suit made of beige rayon gabardine. It has a long torso jacket with single-breasted closing. The collar is overlaid with crisp white pique. Center is a new

frock in a tiny print in smooth rayon fabric. The ruffe-edged yoke and sleeves are very feminine and not hard to do on the sewing machine with a ruffe attachment. The sailor dress, right, is in a new guise, with a sleek, over-the-hip blouse and box-pleated skirt. It has regulation braid trim and concealed bodice pockets which are adroitly stitched down.

Where Hurricane, Fire Hit



View of Santander, Spain

Hurricane, followed by fire that swept across Portugal from the Atlantic, kills and injures hundreds and causes great property damage. The wind spent its fury in northern Spain. Fire, fanned by the high wind, reportedly destroyed more than 200 homes in Santander, Spain, on the Bay of Biscay. It was reported that more than 30,000 were driven from their homes by the fire.

Lobby Hobbnobber

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Frank Lonergan when he poked his nose, and very little more, into the house chamber Thursday afternoon. But the member knew he was a former representative, having served in the three sessions of the 1933 legislature and again in 1939.

Rep. Warren Erwin has trouble getting himself quoted accurately, but as nearly as can be determined without consulting the official record, his announcement on Thursday was to the effect that filibusters found on the representatives' desks earlier in the week were the gifts of Mrs. John Frump of Newberg.

Did you know that the grandfather of Chief William Yellup of the Columbia River tribe of Indians, who has been watching fish legislation at this session, provided the horses ridden by Lewis and Clark when they made their historic exploring journey to the Oregon country? It's so, says an old-timer who should know.

Get Life Memberships CORVALLIS, Feb. 20 (AP)—C. F. Doane, Salem, who recently retired after 50 years in the dairy products industry, and Russell F. Smith, Portland, federal butter grader ordered to Washington, DC, after 12 years in Oregon, were voted life memberships in the association.

Firemen Called Again Salem firemen were called out Thursday night to extinguish a chimney fire at 231 East Mission street. Little damage was reported.

Former Salem Attorney Dies

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building, in partnership with W. C. Winslow.

This partnership continued until 1936 when Endicott retired from active practice and took up residence again in Turner. He was a stockholder in the Bank of Commerce until it was dissolved. The original Turner water system, fed from springs, was promoted by Endicott.

Surviving are the widow, Hallic C. Endicott, a daughter, Mrs. Vincent Ahern, of Portland; and two brothers, Charles and Irving Endicott of Chester Hill, O.

Funeral services will be held from the chapel of the W. T. Rigdon company at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, followed by private committal service at Mt. Crest Abbey mausoleum.

Held in Fraud



Robert J. Bolts

Robert J. Bolts, an investment counsel of Philadelphia, was arrested in Rochester, N. Y., and returned to the City of Brodway Love to face charge of defrauding clients of \$2,500,000. Authorities charge he embezzled the money entrusted him for investment. This photo courtesy the Philadelphia Enquirer.

In One Ear . . .

—Paul Hauser's Column

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and went streaking down to the Oregon building's basement. Ready for anything they stalked into the desolated drinkery.

There, right enough, were the four men.

They were, reading from left to right, Ray Maynard, the erstwhile operator of the Club Web-foot, and the three plug-uglies, District Attorney Miller B. Hayden, Justice of the Peace Joe Felton and Attorney Ray Rhoben.

Anyway that's who our scout said they were.

Utility Note—Officials of the Portland General Electric company denied yesterday that a power shortage is imminent. The fact that the E (for Electric) in the moon sign over their main offices has been unlit for a week means nothing, they said.

We wonder if any of the boys out at 2605 State street would be interested in taking a tip from John "Iron Jaw" Smith. "Iron Jaw" says he was released from the Nebraska state penitentiary because he snored so loud the warden, and everybody else, couldn't sleep.

They finally let him out, but he still snore's too loud. Says he's been evicted from four rooming houses because of his rasping slumber serenade. He's working on a farm now, but says it's still bad. Every time he starts snoring the dogs bark, the cats meow and the chickens cackle.

He's asking restoration of his civil rights in a full pardon so he can get a place of his own where he can snore as contentedly as he did when he was in solitary.

Hopkins Is Named On New Board

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 (AP)—Harry L. Hopkins, who inspected conditions in Great Britain recently as personal representative of President Roosevelt, was named Thursday to a nine-member production planning board designed to survey defense industry and study the problems of post-emergency readjustment.

John D. Biggers, defense production director, appointed the board which, in addition to the former secretary of commerce, is composed of representatives of the army, the navy, industry, labor and scientific research.

Highway Workers To Get Raises

PORTLAND, Feb. 20 (AP)—Wage increases for 2500 workmen in Oregon highway and heavy construction projects will go into effect with signing of a new contract next week, J. M. Scudder, labor relations counsel for Associated General Contractors, predicted today.

He said only minor clauses need straightening out in negotiations between AFL unions and the contractors. The increases would range from 5 to 20 cents an hour for seven craft unions.

Benton County Hurdle Faced

House Votes College City in; Payless Days Arrive

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Jackson, Josephine, Lane and Linn counties. All are now part of the first district, which encompasses all of western Oregon save Multnomah county. Plan Faces Displeasure of President of Senate

If the house passes the committee bill early next week as expected, the plan will face the ill favor of President Dean Walker of the senate.

The upper house may be urged to remove Benton from the new district and return it to the first, Walker indicated Thursday night. He said he did not approve of having his senatorial district, Polk and Benton counties, divided between two congressional districts.

Rep. Alex Rennie (R-Benton) told the reapportionment committee Tuesday that he considered his county more closely allied to the Willamette valley than it is to southern Oregon, but he voted with the majority Thursday. There was not a republican vote against the committee recommendation and debate only on the minority report of Rep. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Multnomah) asking that his bill be substituted for the majority plan.

Today is Black Friday for the legislators; for Saturday they start working for their constituents for nothing. They draw their last \$3 wage today and from now on out it's for the good of the cause and to the detriment of the purse.

How long will they work for nothing? Sessions Expected to Last Another Two Weeks

Speaker Robert S. Farrell, Jr., said Thursday night he thought the session would end a week from Saturday. Several long-time legislators thought, rather, that the feverish, clock-stopping final day would not arrive before two weeks from Saturday.

The worth of these guesses will depend in considerable part on whether the house judiciary committee can expeditiously devise a compromise agreeable to both labor and employers on the questions of unemployment compensation experience rating, seasonally, waiting weeks and liberalized benefits. The committee was still wrestling with its troubles Thursday night.

One aid to early adjournment was the senate's defeat of the "big truck" bill, that saved the house at least three days' time, it has been estimated.

Sells Soldiers



Lloyd E. Harkema

Talk about star insurance men! Meet Private Lloyd E. Harkema, 31, formerly of Pittsfield, Mass., now in the 104th infantry at Camp Edwards, Falmouth, Mass., who has sold a total of \$2,556,500 worth of insurance to regimental comrades in five days! Harkema interviewed 907 enlisted men and 86 officers and signed 97 per cent of the regiment on the dotted line.

New Land in Program WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 (AP)—Secretary Ickes announced Thursday an additional 1,200,000 acres of land in ten western states including Idaho, Oregon and Washington would be brought under the department's soil and moisture conservation program.

Alcohol Control Hears Debates

Pro, Con Arguments on Wines Sales Wax at Joint Hearing

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said that of the 14 states having state liquor stores, only Oregon

Twelve bills were signed Thursday by Gov. Charles A. Sprague. Four of these originated in the senate and eight in the house.

One of these bills relates to irrigation district elections and was introduced by Senator Rex Eells, Umatilla county.

Other bills signed: SB 60—Relating to special certificates for vocational teachers.

SB 184—Relating to certified copies of certificates of illegitimate birth.

SB 185—Relating to livestock in Harney and Malheur counties.

HB 35—To provide for employment of parolees from penitentiary in forest camps.

HB 111—To provide method of converting federal savings and loan associations into domestic savings and loan associations.

HB 137—Relating to filling fees of candidates.

HB 151—Relating to sale of securities.

HB 152—Relating to disposal of securities.

HB 234—Relating to appointment of guardians for insane persons.

HB 274—Relating to drawing checks on clients' funds.

HB 430—Appropriation for state lime and linen board.

and Virginia permit sale of wines outside the state stores. His bill would remove Oregon from the

minority category. Sportsmen, appearing at a senate game committee hearing, supported bills to permit the game commission to appoint game protectors and to provide that state police assigned to commission duties shall do that work exclusively after taking commission examinations; to give the game commission sole power to fix bag limits and seasons; and to permit owners of more than 320 acres of land to propagate game birds and shoot 80 per cent of those they liberate.

Sanskrit Savant Dies CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 20 (AP)—Dr. Charles Rockwell Landon, 90, professor-emeritus of Sanskrit at Harvard and an internationally recognized authority on oriental literature and culture, died Thursday at his home after a long illness.

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