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### Weather

Occasional rain today and Friday with little change in temperature. Max. temp. Wednesday 49, min. 31. River -3 ft. Rain .15 in. Northwest wind.

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## Wine Bill Wins In House

### Measure by Jones Given Approval in Close Vote

By RALPH C. CURTIS

Belief in the desirability of some form of control over the sale of fortified wine tipped a fine balance in favor of Rep. H. R. "Farmer" Jones' wine bill in the Oregon house of representatives on Wednesday and led to its approval by the narrow margin of 33 to 26, a result which Rep. Harry Boivin (D-Klamath), its principal opponent in the alcoholic control committee, will seek to upset by moving for reconsideration.

Several members said they had been "on the fence" when debate began but were persuaded to vote favorably because the bill did provide some control of fortified wine by forbidding its sale in beer parlors and card rooms, and limiting its purchase to holders of liquor permits.

### Jones Stresses Benefits To Valley Berry Growers

Rep. Jones (R-Marion) stressed benefits expected by Willamette valley berry growers through a provision forbidding the bottling in Oregon of wines imported in bulk. He said a 2 1/2-million-gallon wine industry with a \$750,000 payroll had been created in Washington state with the aid of a similar enactment.

Boivin contended that the bill would not help the berry growers and that the fortified wine provisions offered no effective control and were "mere window dressing." He said that type of wine could still be sold in grocery and drug stores which are

## In One Ear..

—Paul Hauser's Column

We just can't help clipping things from newspapers and today we clipped three things from news papers.

They're all about nazis. One tells how the Germans have banned detective stories, because it isn't conceivable that a nazi cop could be outwitted by the smart amateur who grows tuberoses because as a sideline when he isn't solving about three murders.

One tells how dogs in Alsace have been rationed 20 pounds of dog biscuit a month—provided the owners can prove the dog's parentage was German.

The last one tells how the Germans have requisitioned a third of all the French freight cars and that a lot of them are being used to haul German soldiers into Rumania.

It is the freight cars, the French freight cars, that intrigue us. The French freight car, so we are told, is a very peculiar sort of vehicle. Its comforts, theoretically capable of lodging 40 men or eight horses, so impressed American soldiers of the last war that they organized a society to preserve the memory of those immortal, rough and ready wagons de lit.

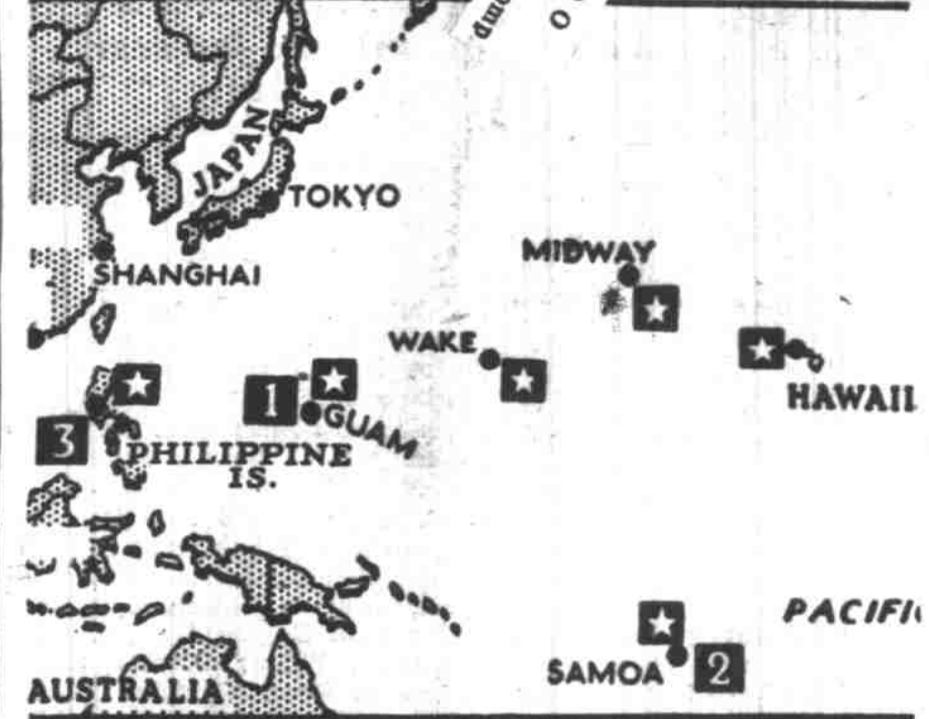
We are wondering if the German soldiers are now feeling the same tender sentiments for the French 40 or 8's that their foes of another war felt.

They probably are, but we hardly suppose that the American veterans would be disposed to open a Berlin voliere of the Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux.

The Trivials—Sig Unander, soon to leave the governor's office for a tent at Camp Murray, received a fine testimonial and gift from the Lane county Young Republicans. . . . i. e., an engraved alarm clock. . . . Former Governor Os West, an early diner, delightedly punches nickels into one of the town's classier juke boxes, picking a swing version of Tales From the Vienna Woods. . . .

The house of representatives worked late last night and wished they had good little boys and thought of the starving Armenians when they wouldn't finish their Saturdays.

## Where US Will Spend Millions



An emergency fund of many millions to increase naval facilities and strengthen fortification on Pacific islands is being considered in congress and Wednesday caused acrid debate on "unnecessary costs and delays." The map (above) shows where the money, when voted, will be spent—1: Guam; 2: Samoa; 3: Philippines. The "stars" indicate other strategic points the navy will continue to strengthen.

## Funds for Isle Bases Bring GOP Charges

### "Unreasonable Costs and Delays" in Defense Program Causes Acrid Debate in US House

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26—(AP)—The house took up a \$1,533,439,702 emergency appropriation bill for the army and navy Wednesday and almost immediately heard a republican charge that "unreasonable costs and unreasonable delays" had occurred in the defense program.

Most of the money, \$838,321,702 in cash and contract authorizations, would go to the navy for development of its far-flung bases—including establishment of naval aviation lookpost posts at Guam and Samoa—to start construction of 400 submarines, chasers and other small craft and to speed up the delivery of 55 destroyers.

Direct appropriation of \$695,118,000 was included for the army, chiefly for cantonment construction and other housing. Of that amount, \$338,880,000 was requested for the completion of 186 projects already underway and for which the original estimates were too low.

Special Fund Asked For Engineering Studies To prevent a repetition of the delays and increased costs experienced in the army construction program in the event that the land forces are expanded further, the house appropriations committee recommended a \$15,000,000 special fund to enable the war department to make advance engineering studies.

Soon after the bill reached the house floor, Rep. Taber (R-NY) said:

"There have been all sorts of things that resulted in unreasonable costs and unreasonable delays in the defense program that could have been avoided if

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## River Expenses For State Told

PORTLAND, Feb. 26—(AP)—Dredging, drydock and towing services in the Willamette and Columbia river cost Oregon approximately \$58,000 during 1939 and 1940, the Port of Portland commission said Wednesday in its biennial report.

Dredges earned \$60,000, but total costs exceeded the amount about \$4000. Drydocks had a deficit of \$22,883, and towboats a deficit of \$24,871.

## Marion County to Concentrate On Road Improvement Program

Marion county's summer road improvement program, scheduled to begin with the arrival of drier spring weather, will probably concentrate on 40 to 50 miles of county road already built which require repairs and re-oiling, Ralph Girod, county commissioner, indicated Wednesday.

The stretches of road in question are a part of the county's 170.2 miles of oiled roads which in one degree or another are in need of repair or maintenance work.

The road oiling budget, in consequence, will be spent largely on these items of repair and replacement of roads too lightly laid, rather than on extension of the county's system of oiled roads which now comprises a broad network in almost every corner of the area under the jurisdiction of the county.

New Oiling Contemplated In Improvement Program Some new oiling will be done, however, Girod indicated, though the county intends to decide closely on its repair and improvement

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## Senate Gets Hot On Aid

### Opponents Said Undermining Confidence

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26—(AP)—In tumult of snapping tempers, the senate Wednesday heard Senator Chandler (D-Ky) accuse opponents of the lease-lend bill of endeavoring to undermine public confidence in President Roosevelt.

In turn, Senator Wheeler (D-Mont) angrily replied that Mr. Roosevelt was trying to "flim-flam" the public. He repeatedly described as "shocking" the president's statement of Tuesday that task of winning the war must take precedence over any talk of peace aims.

He called it indicative of an attitude that the United States was already in the war.

First Real Debate With Signs of Impatience It was the first real debate, and the first sign of ebbing patience, of the nine days the senate has devoted to the bill. A session which began in quiet fashion with Senator Nye (R-ND) continuing a speech begun last week, was suddenly transformed into a scene of excitement.

First of all, Wheeler interrupted

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26—(AP)—A White House aide asserted Wednesday that the government is contemplating no press or radio censorship aside from the customary military censorship in event of war.

Lowell Mellett, gray-haired director of the office of government reports, made the statement in urging the house expenditures committee to establish his bureau on a permanent basis.

Nye to say that Mr. Roosevelt's words indicated a position which this country should not take unless it is ready to enter the war.

"I submit we are not in the United States has already committed us to war," he shouted. "If we are in the war, I repeat that we are in violation of the constitution of the United States."

"How can Britain win, unless we come into the war?" Nye asked, and to this, Senator Clark (D-Mo) added the observation that the president had "practically laid, 'yes we are in the war.'"

People Lack Confidence "I don't think any senator is serving his country by making the people lack confidence in their president," he said, facing Wheeler from a few feet away. "We

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## Court to Join Highway Meet

The Marion county court Wednesday consented to attend the meeting in Portland next Monday of the state highway commission at which time the commission is expected to announce the results of its survey of the possibilities of a new bridge across the Willamette at Independence and to state whether it will accept an offer of Marion and Polk counties to contribute half of its cost over the next 25 years.

The court's presence at the meeting was asked by E. A. Miller, representing the Salem-Independence-Kings Valley Highway association, active sponsors of road improvement and bridge construction between Salem and King's Valley.

## Late Sports

MONMOUTH, Ore., Feb. 26—(AP)—Oregon College of Education swamped a Mt. Angel college quintet here Wednesday night, 73 to 51. Kuppenbender of Mt. Angel was the game's high scorer with 18 points.

High School By The Associated Press Springfield 23, Junction City 12, Columbia Prep (Portland) 36, Canas, Wash. 24.

McMinnville 38, Newberg 23, Willamina 28, Independence 17, Molalla 29, Corbett 25, Forest Grove 23, Sherwood 17, Beaverton 22, Tigard 12.

College Basketball Gonzaga university 37, Portland university 35.

## Six Killed, Many Wounded As Dutch Riot Against Nazi Police

### Autos Smashed By Strikers At Buffalo

### Two-Mile Picket Line Halts Work in Big Steel Plant

BUFFALO, N.Y., Feb. 27—(Thursday)—(AP)—Violence flared early this morning along the two-mile picket line at the Bethlehem Steel company's plant in suburban Lackawanna as strikers sought to keep workers from entering gates leading to plant property.

Hottest spot on the line was the strip mill gate where in a 30-minute period five automobiles were battered with sticks and windows smashed. Ten cars were chased away.

CIO workers walked out of the plant, occupied on defense orders, Wednesday night as last-minute efforts to avert the strike failed.

Fifteen minutes before the 9 p. m. (EST) strike deadline, representatives of the steel workers organizing committee, the defense commission and federal conciliators ended a three-hour conference with the announcement the controversy could not be settled then.

Picket Lines Formed Along Two-Mile Area Picket lines formed at seven gates of the Lackawanna plant which covers a two-mile area as Lorne H. Nelles, union international representative, predicted the plant would be shut down in two hours.

Nelles estimated 3000 pickets were available for strike duty and have been instructed to "harm no one."

"They will try and persuade non-union members not to re-

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## House Passes Board Merger

### Consolidation of Three Commissions Approved; Senate Acts Next

With surprisingly slight opposition the house passed Wednesday a measure to combine the state industrial accident commission, unemployment compensation commission and state labor commission in a single department of labor and industry. The bill now goes to the senate.

There were only nine dissenting votes cast on the bill which originally came out of the house labor and industries committee with a "do pass" report, but was sent back to committee for more complete study.

After making minor amendments the labor and industries committee again reported out the measure, authored by Rep. J. D. Perry (D-Columbia), this time recommending its passage.

The department would be administered by a three man board with directors in charge of the unemployment compensation, accident insurance and labor divisions.

The house referred to the resolutions committee memorial by Rep. Warren Erwin (D-Multnomah) (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

## Mother Suspected In Child Burning

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 26—(AP)—A three-year-old boy was receiving treatment in a Spokane hospital Wednesday night for critical burns and Prosecutor Carl Quackenbush said he was pushing investigation of a report the child's mother put the boy on a hot stove to dry his clothing.

Declaring the "case is barbarous," Quackenbush said he was cooperating with Stevens county officials because the boy was brought into Spokane county from the family home in Fruitland, north of here, for treatment.

The child's body also bore "stripes all over, apparently from beatings," the prosecutor added.

## Salem Girl Pledged

MONMOUTH, Feb. 26—(AP)—Pledges to Sigma Epsilon Pi, Women's scholastic honorary, announced Wednesday at Oregon College of Education, included Julie Engdahl, Salem.

## US Newsmen Expelled by Italians

ROME, Feb. 26—(AP)—The departure of John T. Whitaker, correspondent of the Chicago Daily News, from Italy was requested Wednesday by the ministry of popular culture. He is the second American newspaperman to leave Italy by government action.

Whitaker declared he was advised through the US embassy that the ministry wanted him to leave "because of the number and importance of his contacts and the unfriendly attitude of his newspaper" as well as Italian displeasure over the tone of his dispatches.

It was understood that as a courtesy to Whitaker the Italians made their request known through the embassy instead of serving a formal expulsion order.

## BULLETIN Eastern Air Sleeper Down

### Eddie Rickenbacker of War Fame Said Plane Passenger

NEW YORK, Feb. 27—(AP)—Eastern Airlines publicity department said early Thursday that Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, president of the airline was aboard the New York-Atlanta transport reported to have crashed early this morning in Georgia.

ATLANTA, Feb. 27—(AP)—An Eastern airlines sleeper plane carrying 14 passengers and a crew of three was long overdue here from New York early this Thursday morning.

Airport officials said the plane had reported in from the vicinity of Jonesboro, Ga., 20 miles south of here, shortly before it was due at 9:55 p. m. (PST), but that nothing further had been heard from the ship.

At Jonesboro, Chief of Police O. L. Roberts, reported a big plane had been seen flying low over that town about 10 p. m. and had disappeared toward a sparsely settled section where the terrain was rough.

A member of the Clayton county police force said the plane had one motor in trouble and that six ambulances were standing by. Airline officials (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

## Portland Seeks Grizzly Trade

PORTLAND, Feb. 26—(AP)—Grizzly bears cause too much trouble, City Commissioner Kenneth L. Cooper said Wednesday as he moved to exchange the bruins for animals of less bulk.

The city council reached no agreement in attempting to provide larger quarters for the now cramped pair of bears in the city park, so Cooper said he would try to make a trade with the San Francisco zoo.

## Lobby Hobnobber

Quips, "Angles" and Personalities at the Capitol would raise his salary from \$180 a month to approximately \$180.

Rep. Kimberling "put up such a logical argument, he just convinced us we ought to report his reappointment bill out."

commented Rep. John Stuchman, chairman of the house special reappointment committee. The Kimberling plan, giving each county at least one state representative, would require a vote by the people before it went into effect.

Rep. Allan G. Carson became "Mr. Speaker" for half an hour Wednesday afternoon, as the session ran on toward 5 p. m.

Rep. Warren Erwin, despite his vow to the contrary, goes down in the record as having voted for (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

## Hollanders Warned Heavy Penalties Will Be Meted

### British Victory in Somaliland Heads War Developments; Eden Talks With Turkish Chiefs

AMSTERDAM (Via Berlin), Feb. 26—(AP)—Six civilians were killed and a number wounded Wednesday in clashes between the police and "disturbers of the peace," it was announced officially Wednesday night.

A brief German announcement stated that these deaths had occurred in police actions during which "the ringleaders of nightly attacks against the police patrol and a secret Jewish organization were uncovered."

"During the act of restoring order six disturbers of the peace were killed and a number more or less severely injured. A great number of persons responsible for the disturbances or having participated therein were arrested."

Strikes and riots brought the imposition of a German military administration upon all the province of North Holland and the people were warned that violation of orders might result in 15-year sentences and even the death penalty.

Strikers were ordered back to work by Thursday, and all parades, demonstrations and assemblies on the streets were forbidden.

The order, issued by the German military commander, Gen. Friedrich Christiansen, applied to Amsterdam, chief city of the Netherlands, but left out Rotterdam and The Hague, outside North Holland province. Military courts will handle violators.

The province was quiet later Wednesday night, and Dutch newspaper men expressed the opinion that the strikers would return to work in accordance with General Christiansen's proclamation.

## War News Briefs

SHANGHAI, Feb. 27—(Thursday)—(AP)—Domei, Japanese news agency, reported from Tokyo today it had learned authoritatively Japan had ordered Japanese residents to leave French Indo-China immediately to allow Japan full freedom of action in event of failure of the Thailand-Indo-China peace conference.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 26—(AP)—Vice Admiral Lothar Von Armin de La Perriere of the German navy, reported by the Berlin radio Wednesday to have been "mortally wounded," figured in the celebrated "green pajamas" incident with the late Huey P. Long here in March, 1930. Then commander of the cruiser Emden, the vice admiral had brought his ship to New Orleans at Mardi Gras.

KUNMING, China, Feb. 26—(AP)—Twenty seven Japanese bombers attacked Kunming late Wednesday, inflicting the heaviest damage yet wrought on this ten-bombed city.

BERLIN, Feb. 26—(AP)—A long-range German bomber still over the Atlantic radioed Wednesday night that it had sunk a 10,000-ton British-bound steamer and severely damaged a 6000-tonner, the German news agency DNB announced Wednesday night.

BERLIN, Feb. 27—(Thursday)—(AP)—British aerial bombs dropped from the highest altitude killed and injured a number of civilians in a western German industrial region Wednesday night, informed sources stated today.

The country north of Mogadiscio was described by the British as of such small importance that it meant the entire 270,000-square mile colony was out of fascist hands.

The Italians, reportedly chased from all British possessions in Africa except British Somaliland, still are resisting in Cheran, Eritrea, and in Ethiopia. Bulgaria, expected to be invaded at any time by German troops (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

## Pinball Machine Suit Indicated

Indication that a suit may be filed in circuit court here, possibly to restrain local officials from enforcing ordinances against pinball machines operating for amusement only, was expressed Tuesday night in response to questioning by Guy O. Smith, local attorney.

Smith, who declined to reveal principals in the matter, stated that it was not yet fully certain whether such a suit would be filed, or exactly what its terms would be.

He indicated, however, that action one way or the other would be taken in the near future.

## Has 103rd Birthday

OAKLAND, Ore., Feb. 26—(AP)—Mrs. Margaret Story Cain, born at Jamestown, Pa., in 1838, observed her 103rd birthday here Wednesday. She crossed the plains to Nebraska in a covered wagon, living there until 1909, when she came to Oakland.