

# Noted Plane Designer Refutes Lindbergh on Dangers of US

### Seversky Asserts America Vulnerable to Eventual Air Attack by Ships Able to Cruise 25,000 Miles

NEW YORK, April 21—(AP)—Aviation Designer Alexander P. de Seversky envisioned today military aircraft with a range of 25,000 miles and asserted an eventual air attack on America was a practical possibility.

Answering Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, who in his recent "Letter to Americans" asserted an attack upon the United States by a foreign power was "out of the question," Major de Seversky wrote in the May American Mercury:

"I contend that those who deny the practical possibility of an eventual air attack on America are lulling the American people into a false sense of safety as dangerous as the 'Maginot line mentality' that cost France its independence.

"Colonel Lindbergh, so well aware of what wishful thinking in such matters has done to European nations, should be the last one to join in the lullaby."

With the continual extension of bombers' flying range, the American continent would be as vulnerable to attack, de Seversky said, as the British Isles.

He said craft with a 25,000-mile range seemed "wholly realistic" in five years at the most.

"That will mean," he said, "that no nation and no part of any nation will be immune from direct attack from any part of the world. And long before that, the Atlantic, then the Pacific, will fall under the domination of one air power or another. In total disregard of respective naval strengths. There will be no genuine 'defense' against it except in the air. Oceans will be just so many Skagerraks."

De Seversky, who commanded the Russian imperial pursuits in the Baltic sea in the World war, said that he felt Britain, if given full material backing of this country, "has only a minor chance of not winning."

# Council Delays Milk Action

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of the year, was again put over when it was found that amendments suggested by the health and sanitation committee had not been prepared in proper form.

Appraisers appointed by the Salem Realty board to appraise property which would be needed for improvement of the Kings Valley-Independence-Salem entrance into the city reported that the value of nine parcels of property involved is \$5897.50.

The appraisals were: Thomas Scott property, \$1300; J. B. Bressler, \$167.50; Jacob Schindler, \$2700; Ernest Schindler, \$600; Spaulding Logging company, \$25; state land board, \$100; E. V. and Alda Geer, \$100; Anna Grettinger, \$500, and John Hoffmeyer, \$405.

The council granted a request of the Valley Oil company to increase the space it leases at the foot of Chemekeka street for service to tow boats from 20 feet to 50 feet. The company plans installation of an 8000 gallon diesel oil tank in the Willamette river bank. Resolutions were adopted for paving of Jefferson street between Fifth and Church streets, Fifth street between Highland and Spruce streets, and Academy street between airgrounds road and Myrtle avenue.

The council approved a resolution transferring \$400 from the emergency fund to the band concert fund to add to \$600 already budgeted.

A hearing was set for 8:30 a. m. May 5 on proposed condemnation of a barn half a block west of North 21st street between State and Court streets.

The building regulations committee reported that it had given the Wade estate until July 1 to remove old buildings in the 600 block on North Liberty street before condemnation proceedings are started.

# Speaker Denies Nazi Leanings At "War" Meet

"The time has come not only to write your congressman but your president as well to remind him that his campaign promises to keep this nation out of war are his contract with the American people," urged Dellmore Lessard, Portland, speaking at Bush school Monday night. Approximately 60 persons gathered to hear Lessard, former senator from Multnomah county, deliver the address preliminary to organization of a chapter of America First in Salem.

Accusations of Nazi tendencies in the organization were denied by the speaker, who named among its officers, directors and sponsors a former high-ranking official in the US army, present national, political and literary leaders and former President Herbert Hoover. Not opposed to aid to England, his organization is interested in seeing that this country receives some indication that it will be paid for its investments in this war, he said.

# Greeks Cover Albion Troops

### Allied Disaster Seen as Germans Drive to South; Near Athens

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to save the remnants of the British Balkan expeditionary force apparently intent on re-crossing the Mediterranean back to North Africa.

Thermopylae, a pass from one to three miles wide in a mountain chain at the southern end of the Thessaly plains, has been the scene of many epic struggles, notably when King Leonidas and his outnumbered Spartans were cut down to the last man by the Persian invaders in 480 B. C.

The British army will suffer the same fate, the Germans assert. And at home the British public was prepared for news of such a disaster.

"Rough handling" of the Nazi mechanized units by hard-fighting Australian rear guards was said by the British to have slowed the Germans and enabled the bulk of the British-Greek eastern army to take up new positions.

But in western Greece beyond the Pindus mountain range near the Albanian frontier, the Italians reported roughly 150,000 men were threatened with annihilation or capture by axis legions.

The Germans, who have said all along that the British were planning to desert the Greeks in "another Dunkerque," reported that five full British transports totaling 23,000 tons were sunk near Evvoia, the island strip composing southern Greece on the Aegean seaboard. These ships were headed for Crete, the British-Greek island base south of the mainland, the Germans said. The British said their withdrawals in Greece were accomplished with heavy losses to the Germans and light casualties for themselves.

Emmanuel Tsouderos, Greek economist and public leader who was elevated to the premiership Monday following the suicide last Friday of Premier Alexandros Koryzis, declared his nation would keep on fighting "until the Balkans are cleared of those who led the infamous campaign against us."

British assistance was praised by Tsouderos and attention also was called to US aid. "Behind us," he said, "we also have the assistance of the United States, from whose great humanitarian principles mankind will benefit."

But many realistic Britons in London apparently already had given up hope of retaining the only continental toehold obtained since the rout from Dunkerque. They insisted, however, that defeat in Greece "does not mean we've lost the war—not by a long shot."

They took a grain of encouragement from the fact that axis forces driving aross north Africa had been stalled at Salum, Egyptian outpost near the Libyan border; that other British units still were holding out at besieged Tobruk to the west, and that great reinforcements could be rushed from Italian East Africa as soon as the Italian army was broken in Ethiopia.

The defense of the Suez canal and the Iraq oil fields, London editorialists pointed out, was of far more importance than the Balkans.

The landing of British troops in Iraq caused loud protest in Berlin. In north Africa the RAF reported its airmen strewed bombs up and down the axis-held coast line in weekend assaults.

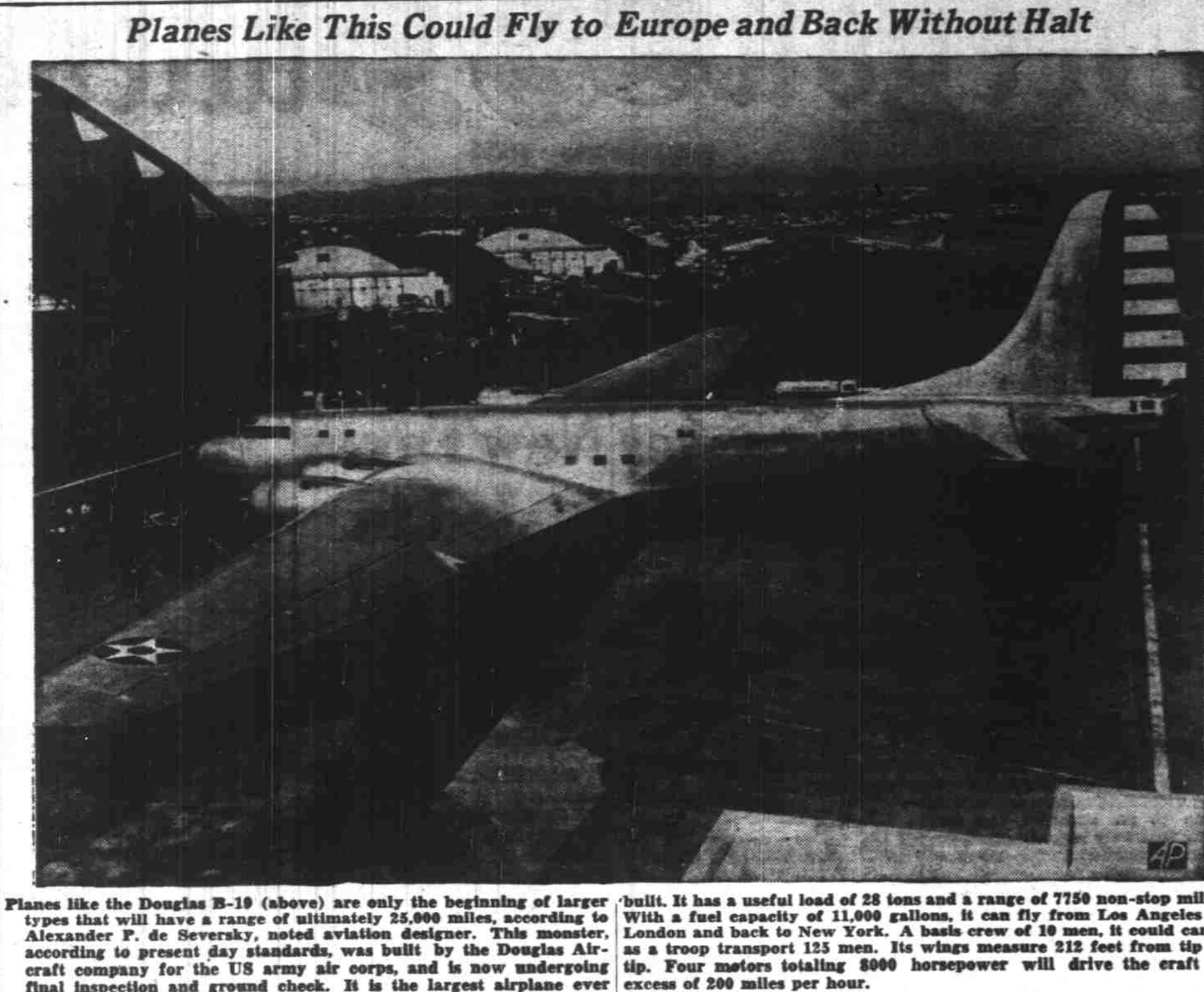
A British attempt to land men at Bardia, a port between the besieged forces at Tobruk and the axis salient at Salum, failed and those landing were captured, the Italian high command announced.

The Duke d'Aosta, Italian commander in Ethiopia, rejected a British demand for unconditional surrender of his troops in order to insure the protection of Italian civilians.

# Salmon Escapement at Bonneville Sets Mark

ASTORIA, Ore., April 21—(AP)—Officials said today that early spring salmon escapement through Bonneville dam counting gates April 16 set a new record for the spring run.

A total of 2342 chinooks were counted through, compared with 1308 a year ago and 1335 on April 16, 1939. April 16, for the first three years, has seen the heaviest escapement of salmon in the spring season.



Planes like the Douglas B-19 (above) are only the beginning of larger types that will have a range of ultimately 25,000 miles, according to Alexander P. de Seversky, noted aviation designer. This monster, according to present day standards, was built by the Douglas Aircraft company for the US army air corps, and is now undergoing final inspection and ground check. It is the largest airplane ever built.

# Big Brother Farm Founder To Speak

Leslie Methodist Laymen's association will meet at the church tonight at 6:30 for a no-host supper and program with Chester A. Lyon, Portland, founder and director of the Big Brother Farm for Boys and Girls at Lebanon, as principal speaker. His subject is "Dividends on Investments, or Are You Getting Good Returns on Your Life?"

Former Big Brother Farm boys, now grown, to appear on the program will include Ernest Burgard, Portland, connected with the Honoyman Hardware company; Lloyd Beatty, Portland, Bank of California; Bill Schmitz, Salem, representative of the Catholic Sentinel; Don Douris, Salem, and Harold Douris, Salem, linotype operator at The Oregon Statesman and president of the Leslie Methodist Laymen's association.

In charge of arrangements for the program and supper are G. O. Boyce, George Hall, Warren Bertelson and George Warman.

# Church Meet Starts Today

Christian churches of the Willamette district will hold their annual spring convention in Salem today. The local First Christian church will be host. The Willamette district comprises the counties of Benton, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk, Tillamook and Yamhill, and includes more than 35 separate congregations.

The program will begin at 10 a. m. and run throughout the day and evening. Main addresses will be given by Rev. A. C. Bates, Klamath Falls, president of the Oregon State Missionary board, Rev. C. F. Swander, general secretary of state missions and director of Christian education; Rev. Walter L. Myers, field representative of state Christian Endeavor and northwest representative of the National Benevolent association of the Christian churches, Rev. D. W. Daniels, pastor at Tillamook, Rev. James Osborne, pastor at McMinnville, Rev. Teddy W. Leavitt, pastor at Ellensburg, Wash., and Rev. Guy L. Drill, pastor of the local church.

Special musical numbers will be provided by the visiting churches. There will be a fellowship luncheon at noon and an evening of the old-fashioned camp-meeting style. Sessions are open to the public.

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# In One Ear..

—Paul Hauser's Column (Continued From Page 1)

front of Capitol theatre. That is all.

Just then Car No. 1 came screeching to a halt alongside the supposedly endangered Car No. 2 and it took the best oratory of City Attorney Lawrence Brown and Alderman Tom Armstrong to convince the patrons in Car No. 2 that they weren't suspicious characters, but only a couple of boys playing they were anti-aircraft spotters.

# HEAT TODAY, GONE TOMORROW

ONEONTA, N. Y., April 21—(AP)—A 91-degree temperature yesterday provided this Susquehanna valley city with its hottest April day on record.

# Call Board

ELSI NORE Today—Spencer Tracy, Mickey Rooney in "Men of Boys Town." Edmund Lowe, Una Merkel in "Double Date." Thursday—Clark Gable, Vivien Leigh in "Gone With the Wind."

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# Rural Schools To Give Music Fete Friday

Student assemblies occupy the forefront at most Salem schools this week, concluding Friday afternoon with the Marion county rural schools' music festival in the senior high school auditorium.

Other activities, according to the schedule released by Supt. Frank B. Bennett's office, include: Tuesday: 9:30 a. m., Highland school fourth grade presents play, "Color Fairies"; 3 p. m., "Robin Hood" at senior high school.

Wednesday: 2:30 p. m., "Color Fairies"; 6:30 p. m., Tri-Y banquet at senior high school.

Thursday: 9 a. m., assemblies at Englewood and McKinley schools.

Friday: 1 p. m., assembly in charge of Miss Gilles' room at Richmond school, assembly in charge of Miss Williams' room at Grant school, assembly in charge of sixth grade at Washington school.

# Vik Nine Plays Corvallis Here

Corvallis' Spartans, the only club to defeat them so far, meets the Salem high Viks in a return game at George E. Waters park this afternoon at 3:30.

Southpaw Clay Patterson, undefeated this season, probably will start on the mound for the Salem preppers.

Today's stiff is the first of four this week for the Viks, who play Milwaukie here Wednesday, the OSC rocks at Corvallis Friday and the Rooks here Saturday.

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# Late Sports

WASHINGTON, April 21—(AP)—Louis "Kid" Cocco, Puerto Rican welterweight, spent nine rounds Monday night "softening" Joe Sutka of Detroit, then tagged him for a knockout in one minute 10 seconds of the tenth. Sutka weighed 153 1/2, Cocco, 150.

EUGENE, Ore., April 21—(AP)—The University of Oregon freshman tennis team defeated Eugene high school Monday, 7 to 0.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21—(AP)—Vern Bybee, aggressive Ogden, Utah, lightweight, knocked out Al Spina of Portland, Ore., in the second round of a scheduled ten-round bout Monday night at Coliseum bowl.

# Private Wins Rifle Title

FORT STEVENS, April 21—Pvt. 1st Class Lyle F. Collier, Battery F, Marshfield, has been named "champion rifle-aimer" after emerging victorious from a field composed of platoon winners from all the batteries of the 249th Coast Artillery in the first of a series of competitive rifle drills, known in army terminology as "Drill Downs."

Competition was by elimination first among the platoons of the units and then among the winners from each battery. As an incentive to preciseness in the manual of arms, passes were given to the platoon winners good from retreat, Friday evening, until reveille Monday. A total of 16 passes were issued.

Those winning from Salem units were: Sergeant Quentin C. Ruecker, Battery G, First platoon; Private First Class Paul C. Rodgers, Battery G, Second platoon; Private Bernard J. Ridders, Battery G, Third platoon; Corporal Charles J. Zerran, Headquarters battery, First platoon; Corporal Clarence W. Williams, Headquarters battery, Second platoon; Corporal Robert D. Lindstrom, Headquarters battery, Second battalion.

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# FR Intervenes In Coal Strike

### Says Production Must Resume in Interests of US Defense

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a day in all mines compared with the previous \$6 in the north and \$5.60 in the south. Northern mine owners agreed, but southern operators countered with an offer of a 11 per cent increase, then withdrew from general negotiations in New York. The southerners offered to open negotiations in

WASHINGTON, April 21—(AP)—Secretary of Labor Perkins is having a few labor troubles in her own department.

A local of the United Federal Workers of America (CIO) has written her an open letter contending that many promotions in the department are based on "personal or political favoritism."

"Equally serious," it added, "has been the failure to accord to your employees the prompt redress of their grievances through collective bargaining in good faith."

Washington for a separate contract covering their mines, but John L. Lewis, UMW president, demanded that they reenter the New York negotiations. He refused to agree to reopening of northern mines until contracts were gained covering all mines.

The strike situation continued to claim much attention in congress. Testifying before a senate committee, Sidney Hillman, associate director of the office of production management, expressed belief no new legislation was needed.

Leaving the coal mining shut down out of account, only 15,000 workers are on strike, he said, in industries concerned with defense production, and an "era of even greater collaboration between management and labor" appears in prospect.

In the house, meantime, Rep. Cox (D-Ga.), an advocate of some restriction on strikes in defense industries, asserted that private ownership had been placed at the "mercy of government bureaucrats and union dictators." It was time, he declared, for congress to "strike the shackles" from industry.

A show of house sentiment on the question of restricting strikes may come this week. Rep. Vinson (D-Ga.) is seeking to bring up on Thursday his bill to require 25 days wait between notice of intention to strike and the effective date.

There were reports of disorder during the day at one struck plant. This was at the Bethlehem Steel company's Alameda plant in Oakland, Calif.

PITTSBURGH, April 21—(AP)—An agreement calling for a flat wage increase of eight cents an hour for all hourly-paid employees in five plants of the Aluminum company of America was reached shortly before midnight Monday night between representatives of the company and the CIO-Aluminum Workers of America.

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"Somebody is going to get \$100 for naming my baby sister"

[It may be YOU] More on Page 9

# Schools Given High Rating At Music Fete

Silverton and Molalla high school musicians received high ratings in the northwest Oregon music festival and contest at Newberg on Friday and Saturday. It was learned here Monday. About 1500 students participated.

Competing against a set standard, excellent ratings were won by Don Renwick, cornet soloist; Jim Nelson, French horn, and Russell Christenson, sousaphone, all of Silverton. The former two may enter the national regional competition-festival at Tacoma on May 16 and 17.

Rating of good was given Mjrdanis Rogan, girls' low voice; Jean Park and Doris Schafer, girls' high voice senior, and the class B mixed chorus, all of Canby.

Piano and marimbaphone adjudicator was Miss Frances Virginie Melton, Salem music teacher. Relected vocal chairman was Miss Fay Sparks of Salem, director of Canby high school music, whose entries won more top ratings than any other school.

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