

Melting Snow Brings Heavy Floods to Colorado



Flood waters, several feet deep surrounded this ranch and highway on the Conejos river near Alamosa, Colo. Note bridge at left, where water usually is confined. Other Colorado streams were surging over their banks as warm weather melted deep mountain snowdrifts.

Hints Navy to Guard Vessels

Roosevelt Tells Press to Remember Fleet in Barbary Pirates Row

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college, said that "new factors" have appeared in recent hours and that it was "utterly impossible to exaggerate the moral danger of our country in this moment of history."

Knox had finished his prepared address, but went on, apparently referring to France, and said that "what seems to be the subjugation of a once great nation appears to be accomplished."

The day also brought the following developments related to the foreign and defense situations:

Speaking at a special session of the Pan-American Union, Secretary Hull said that "within a reasonable length of time" the effort of the axis nations "to build world mastery by force will be defeated."

The senate passed and sent to the house a bill increasing the RFC's lending authority by \$1,500,000,000 and widely expanding its defense powers by authorizing it or its subsidiaries to engage in many defense production activities.

Jesse Jones, the federal loan administrator, announced a \$200,000,000 machine tool purchase program and closing of four contracts for the production of synthetic rubber.

The senate approved a bill to give the office of production management broad statutory power to determine for what purposes available raw materials may be used. The bill was sent back to the house for approval of the senate's action in eliminating a provision establishing a new agency to control priorities.

Speaker Rayburn, although unready to make a direct statement on the use of convoys, said he was for "getting aid to Britain" and added that "everybody can put their own interpretation on that."

The house adjourned without taking action on senate amendments to administration ship seizure bill.

Launderers Open Meet

THE DALLES, May 16 (AP)—The Oregon State Laundry Owners' association opened its 21st annual meeting here today with 100 members present.

Soviet Chiefs at Celebration



On their way to the reviewing stand in Red Square, Moscow, for the May Day celebration were (left to right): Vyacheslav M. Molotov, Joseph Stalin and Marshal Klement Y. Voroshilov of the Red army. Later Stalin replaced Molotov as premier.

Resigns Post On Silverton School Board

SILVERTON—O. E. Lee, chairman of the Silverton school board has submitted his resignation as a board member, according to report made by H. W. Adams, school board clerk, Friday. The resignation is to take effect at the end of the present term.

In resigning, Lee reminded school board members that he had promised to serve but the one year and now wished to be released.

Lee's resignation will leave two vacancies to be filled at the June election. A member will have to be elected for four years to fill out Lee's term, and a second member will have to be elected to fill the vacancy of the expired term of Rhodin Cooley.

Adams reported the resignation of Miss Sylvia Kremer, who will teach in Portland next year.

War News Briefs

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Hitler and economic points in China where the fighting line now extends 2500 miles, a board of information summary reported today.

ISTANBUL, May 16 (AP)—The German embassy here announced Friday night that British air forces had bombed two air-ports in Syria and one near Beirut, Lebanon.

ROME, May 16 (AP)—Italy's King Vittorio Emanuele III will name a prince of his house of Savoy to wear the newly restored crown of Croatia, it was officially announced Friday night.

CHUNGKING, China, May 16 (AP)—More than 50 Japanese planes attacked this Chinese capital Friday, inflicting approximately 100 Chinese casualties and causing widespread damage. All press offices, including that of The Associated Press, were damaged.

Scope of French Collaboration With Germany Expected to Be Revealed Soon, Says Analyst

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Special to The Statesman

The world will probably soon know the real scope of French "collaboration" with Germany.

British bombing of Syrian air bases alleged to have been used by nazis has touched off actual Franco-British hostilities.

Despite Vichy's statement that the bombing is not considered an act of aggression, it is unlikely the French forces manning the bases did not answer the attack, possibly by anti-aircraft fire or sending aloft French fighter planes to drive off the British. That would be a natural French reaction, all the more certain if there is any French commitment to facilitate and protect German incursions into Iraq via Syria.

There are probable limitations upon the extent to which the French can aid the nazis in Syria. It seems wholly improbable that there is any adequate supply of oil or gasoline there to service German planes en route to Iraq, or even to keep France's own planes and mechanized equipment going long at an active war pace.

Syria has been cut off from anything more than boot-legged oil ever since France caved in under German attack nearly a year ago. The first act of the British and the then pro-British regime in Iraq was to stop oil delivery over the pipe line that runs through Syria from the Mosul field. It was the only source for the French army in Syria and the main supply for French naval forces in the eastern Mediterranean.

Therefore, German planes or the light mechanized units they ferry to Syria enroute to the Iraq war front may soon have to bring their own fuel with them. That has been done to keep the axis forces in Libya going. Some fuel may reach Tripoli or other axis ports in Libya by sea; but indications are that it is upon air transport from Sicily that the axis forces in Libya have depended primarily for refueling.

Death Takes Albany Woman

ALBANY—Miss Margie L. Downing, 57, a native of Marion county, but who had spent the greater part of her life at Lacombe, died at the Fidler Nursing home in Albany Thursday. Funeral services will be held from the Baptist church in Lacombe Saturday at 2 o'clock, followed by burial in the Lacombe cemetery.

Miss Downing was born near Salem on July 3, 1883. When quite young she moved with her parents to Lacombe where she had since made her home. Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Mary Downing of Lebanon; two brothers, Fred of Baker, and William of Pacific City; two sisters, Mrs. Cora May Goodwin of Corvallis, Mrs. Elsie Riddle of Lebanon.

Simmons New Senior Prexy

Forrest "Dutch" Simmons, basketball player who was runner-up for the student body presidency, was elected Thursday to head the senior class of next year.

Other officers chosen by the class are Maxine Meyers, vice-president; Alma Yantis, secretary; Janice Patterson, treasurer; Rex Hardy, Carl Riddle, and Otis Wilson, members of the ASB council; Jim Bacon, sergeant-at-arms; Bob Scott, forensic manager; Jack Knedler, athletic manager; Leonline Lebold, song leader, and Ed Fitzsimons, yell leader.

Salem Man Elected

EUGENE, May 16 (AP)—Membership in Phi Beta Kappa, national scholastic honorary, has been granted 12 University of Oregon seniors. Included was Orva Abbi, Dallas. Among members elected last fall term was Jack Powers, Salem.

Call Board

GRAND Today—Alice Faye, John Payne, Jack Oakie in "The Great American Broadcast."

STATE Today—Lane sisters, Jeffrey Lynn in "Four Mothers." Lew Ayres, Lionel Barrymore in "Dr. Kildare's Crisis."

SATURDAY Today—Robert Young, Randolph Scott, Virginia Gilmore in "Western Union."

HOLLYWOOD Today—Allan Jones, Nancy Kelly, Abbott and Costello in "One Night in the Tropics." George O'Brien in "Stage to China."

LIBERTY Today—John Wayne in "The Big Stampede." Wayne Morris, Virginia Bruce in "Flight Angels."

ELIZABETH Today—The Ziegfeld Girls, James Stewart, Judy Garland, Hedy Lamarr, Lana Turner, "Tuliver Fall Out," Eddie Albert, Joan Leslie.

CAPITOL Today—Frank Albertson, Len Chaney, Jr. in "Man of the Month." Peggy Moran, Dic. Foran in "Horror Island."

Another Big
DANCE TONIGHT
Hazel Green
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British Hit At Axis Foes

Take Offensive With Capture of Salum; Bomb Syria Bases

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speeding armored panzer columns across the country to aid the Iraqi. This equipment presumably had been ferried across from the Italian Dodecanese islands, or from other axis-occupied islands in the Mediterranean—some of the lighter stuff perhaps by plane.

The nazis themselves allowed it to be stated in Berlin on high authority that they had now occupied the positions from which they would strike next at Britain. These "positions" were neither described nor located, and as to the Syrian matter German spokesmen were cagey.

They did not confirm that France was allowing military passage through Syria. But, they said, if she was, she was doing no more than applying to Germany the "lease lend" principle which the United States already had put in operation in aid of Britain.

Too, German commentators suggested the extent of "collaboration" now promised by stating approvingly that Marshal Philippe Petain, the French chief of state, had taken "a positive attitude."

To a question as to whether German war materials were being sent to Iraq by way of soviet Russia, Berlin declined any answer.

The French government at Vichy—with which the United States as well as Britain had reached what amounted to an open break—was represented as surprised at President Roosevelt's denunciation of Vichy's apparent determination to co-operate with the nazis.

Roosevelt, these persons said, didn't understand the necessities facing France. They explained that France's position had been brought about by force of circumstances.

A current British theory that the Germans had set out upon new adventures in the middle east in part because of the "shock" of Rudolf Hess' flight to Britain was supported during the day by Sir Neville Henderson, who was Britain's last ambassador to Germany before the war.

"They will try to force the issue before next winter," Sir Neville predicted.

Military action in the west was relatively light during the day, but an important incident was reported by the Germans.

They stated, without giving details, that British ships had attempted to approach the nazi-occupied channel coast but had been forced by German naval artillery to "turn off."

The implication thus was that British fleet units had assaulted German continental positions.

Ingalls to Talk At GOP Meeting

Claude Ingalls, Corvallis newspaper publisher and a republican party stalwart, has accepted an invitation to address the Marion County Republican club at the Marion hotel here at 8 o'clock Monday night, according to Dr. P. O. Riley, program chairman. Also scheduled to speak is Rep. Allan G. Carson of Salem, who will review the work of the 1941 legislature.

The club leaders expect to complete plans at this meeting for their part in the executive committee meeting of the Oregon Republican club to be held here from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. next Saturday.

Late Sports

SACRAMENTO, May 16 (AP)—Second night game:
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High Spring Winds Spread Damage in Middle West



High winds, hail and rain that moved eastward over the Mississippi valley left a trail of crop and property damage. Near Chicago, Ill., a sudden gale swept through the Robinson airport, damaging several planes and destroying hangars. The storms followed a heat wave in Missouri and Kansas and were felt in Ohio and Illinois.

Army Gets New Aircraft Cannon



The United States army took possession of this 20-millimeter aircraft cannon, first to be produced in the United States, at Elmira, N.Y. Examining the weapon, designed to be mounted in a plane, are W. L. McGrath (left), general manager of the Eclipse machine plant that turned out the gun; Brig. Gen. C. F. Harris, (right), who formally accepted it for the army, and other officers.

Scouts' Unit Set to Judge At Camporee

Members of the Explorer Unit for Older Boy Scouts, recently organized at the First Presbyterian church, will take part in the Camporee being held at Silverton Saturday and Sunday. They will cooperate with other Explorer units and members of Sea Scout ships, who will be present from the Salem district, in judging the abilities and conducting the inspections of the Boy Scout troops who will be striving to obtain "A" ratings.

Coming activities for the Presbyterian Explorers include a Memorial Day outing to Nelscott, a trip to Portland to visit Explorer units there, and a climb up Mt. Hood on June 6-7.

Kenneth Murphy is the unit leader, assisted by Don Douris, and Roy Burns is scribe. Other members of the unit are: Bill Eurns, Frank Southwick, Allen Touchie, Earl Van Lydegrat, and David Weston. Meetings are held on Monday evening at the First Presbyterian church, at 7:30 p.m. Any fellows in Salem who are at least 15 years of age and who have attained the rank of second class scout at some time in the past, are invited to become an explorer scout. Information may be secured by calling the church or the Boy Scout office.

In One Ear .. —Paul Hauser's Column

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ing given names: Pictorial Review, Premium, Asbestos, Hiccup, Farapip, Castoria, Lemons and Peroxide.

All in all naming a baby is quite a problem. Maybe that's why an adult in New England just hasn't any first name. His parents never got around to giving him one.

HEPPNER, May 16—(East Oregonian Heppner News Bureau)—The Pendleton Male Chorus under the direction of Ted Roy was enthusiastically received in Heppner Monday night.

The singers were generous no end with their encores.

—Pendleton East Oregonian.

Often the sad case. Sometimes they sing on no end, mistaking the clap of doom for a curtain call.

Silverton Hills Program Changed

SILVERTON HILLS—Commencement night was moved forward from May 24 to May 17, according to announcements made Friday noon.

The program will be held Saturday night at 7 o'clock at the community hall for both Porter and Mt. View schools. Anton Sacher as chairman of the consolidated school board will serve as chairman of the night. Richard Bars, principal of the Silverton

Farm Parity Seen as Law

Congress Confident President to Sign not Veto Loans

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ride the veto. The house passed the loan measure by a four to one margin of 275 to 63.

President Roosevelt gave his press conference a discussion of parity prices, loans and government payments after reporters asked where he might cut \$1,000,000,000 in non-defense government spending.

In weighing mandatory loans at 85 per cent of parity, the president said one must consider whether present benefit payments might push returns to the farmer above the parity level.

Senator Bankhead (D-Ala.), sponsor of the 85 per cent loans, said he was "quite confident that the president, when fully informed and in possession of all facts, will without hesitation approve the loans."

"I don't think his statement indicates any other line of thought," Bankhead added. "He wants to make certain that the loan plus benefit payments will not exceed parity prices."

Senator McNary (R-Ore.), minority senate leader who supported the loan measure, said that even with the proposed 85 per cent loans "plus all benefits, the farmer will be way below parity income on these products."

Hepburn Asks Censorship

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—Rear Admiral Arthur J. Hepburn Friday asked for a voluntary censorship on the arrival of warships of friendly foreign neutrals in American waters as well as on movements of American and British vessels.

Taking charge of the navy's expanded public relations office, Admiral Hepburn said the request applied to such cases as the arrival this week in Philadelphia of a Colombian warship, and to all Latin-American vessels which might come to the United States for repairs.

'Cat PA System To Be Busy Unit

Frequent use is expected for the month-old public address system purchased by the Willamette university speech department, Dr. Herbert E. Rahe, professor of speech, said Friday.

The equipment, in conjunction with the recording apparatus bought a year ago, is to be used for university activities by Dr. Rahe and Tom Terjeson, senior scholar. It has already been employed by the band, in a program at the state school for the blind and in recording and repeating sermons by student ministers.

junior high school will give the address.

Opposing Forces Figuring in Near East Situation



This map shows disposition of forces figuring in the tense situation in the Near East, centering around Syria and Iraq, and involving Russia (1), Germans (2), and British (3), and (4). Germans were reported moving through Syria toward Iraq. British with troops in both Trans-Jordan and Iraq, attacked German warplanes in Syria.

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