

Annual Fall Opening Celebration is Gala Event for Tonight

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Weather

Fair today and Friday, little change in temperature. Max. temp. Wednesday 81. Min. 47. Southwest wind. River -2.5 feet. Clear.

NINETY-FIRST YEAR

Employees May Get Pay Hike

City Committee Approves Raise Of 10 Per Cent

A 10 per cent raise in all city salaries for the first six months of 1942 was approved by members of the Salem budget committee in their final session Wednesday night.

Declaring that the raise was the largest they could propose and keep the city's expenditures for the coming year within the limits set by law, members of the committee maintained that failure to provide some increase would have been a definite cut in salaries and that the percentage added could not be considered to have met increased living expenses.

Salem's proposed city budget came out of the three-hour session not only with readjusted salaries, which in many cases fell short of those recommended, but minus approximately \$37,000 in appropriations it had carried when the meeting opened.

Largest single slice came out of the fire-tax fund, with cutting off of \$7000 tagged for purchase of a fire alarm system and of \$9000 which had been set aside to buy a new pump.

Since estimated tax levy for the fire fund was placed at only \$6,691.13 in the budget as originally drawn, more than half the savings effected will remain in the fund as a balance for the ensuing period unless some of the fire department salaries included in another portion of the 69-page document are transferred into the fund's estimate. Should that be done, the cuts might be reflected in a lowered general tax.

Not without argument were the salary schedules drawn and the provision for the fire alarm system deleted from the budget, which is to be rechecked and possibly further cut at the October 6 meeting of the council before presentation at the public hearing November 2.

A scale of salaries taking individual needs and quality of work into consideration had been drawn by the salary sub-committee preceding the general budget group's session.

Without hearing, the sub-committee's recommendations were (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Texas Emerges From Storm; Loss Heavy

HOUSTON, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Refugees by the thousands returned tonight to the gulf coast homes they fled to escape a tropical storm which caused millions of dollars damage to crops and property.

The heaviest blow in years—peak winds of 100 miles an hour were recorded as it lashed inland—spent its violence as it moved northeastward before veering west into Texas again near Sulphur Springs.

Damage to the Texas rice crop alone was estimated at \$5,500,000 by Homer L. Brinkley, manager of the American Rice Growers Cooperative association.

In addition the storm buffeted bayshore homes; smashed boats to (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

British Tars To See Game

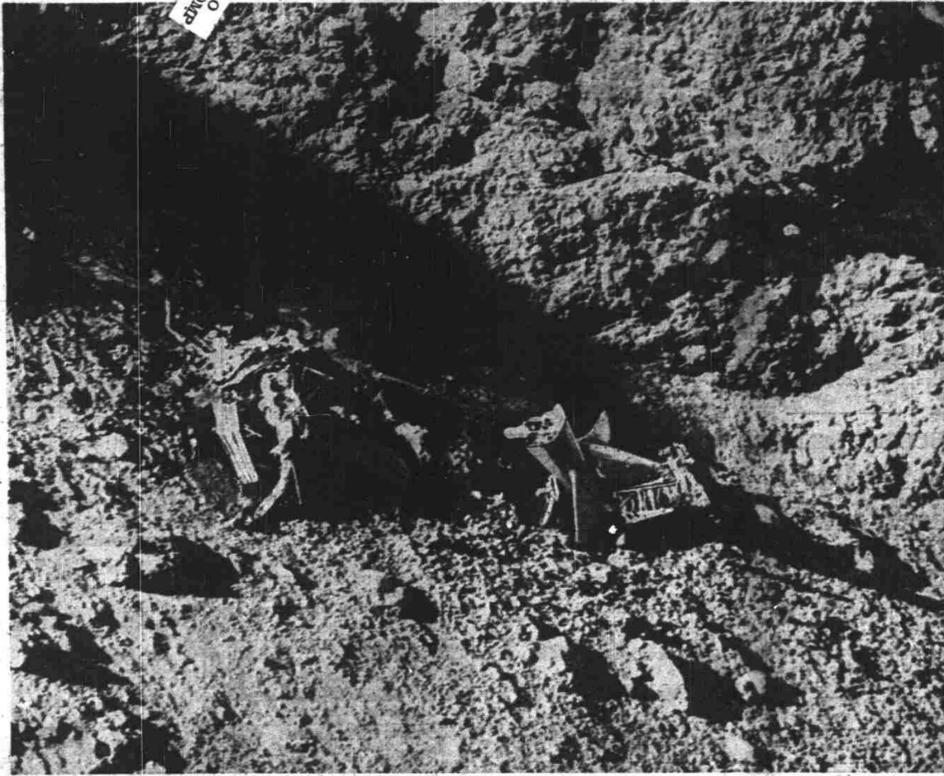
TACOMA, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Twenty-five sailors from the British battleship Warspite, now undergoing repairs at Bremerton navy yard, will get their first look at an American football game Friday night when Gonzaga university tangles with Pacific Lutheran.

Several of the tars, all of whom will be guests here, are members of the Warspite's soccer team, reputed to be one of the best in the royal navy.

ON THE AIR FOR DEFENSE

Bryan H. Conley, Marion County Civil Defense council's coordinator, is to be interviewed on the council's KSLM broadcast at 9:15 tonight by Glen Wade.

First Photo of Army Bomber Crash on Mt. Constance



FLASH—Here is the first, and according to all information available late Wednesday night, the only clear and printable photograph of the McChord field army bomber located by searching planes Monday on the high slopes of Mt. Constance, Olympic peninsula, Washington. The bomber had been missing since Sept. 9. This remarkable air picture was obtained only after a hazardous flight down between pillar-like rock peaks. It is understood that other photographs were obscured by fog. Note the fragments of the

metal fuselage (left) and tail assembly (right), the final resting place of the plane after smashing into solid rock 200 feet above. Latest news reports from forest rangers via short wave radio indicate all the crew of six met instant death in the resultant explosion. Soldiers sent into the area with a pack train are expected to bring the bodies and parts of the plane out late Thursday. This picture was obtained by the International Illustrated News Special Service To The Statesman.

Sprague Will Fly to Parley

State GOP Clubs to Hear Mott; County Sends Delegation

PORTLAND, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Gov. and Mrs. Sprague will fly to Roseburg for the state republican clubs' convention after she has smashed a magnum of champagne on the nose of the Star of Oregon at 3:30 p.m., Saturday.

Mrs. Sprague was selected some time ago to christen the ship, which will slide down the ways here in a nation-wide launching of Liberty ships Saturday.

Gov. Sprague told Ernest Jachetta, republican club president, that he would reach Roseburg by 7:45 p.m. Jachetta said Wednesday that Rep. James W. Mott (R-Ore.) would attend the convention at Roseburg Sept. 26-27.

President Frederick S. Lampert, Salem, will head the 11 delegates who will represent the Marion county Republican club at the state convention at Roseburg Friday and Saturday.

Other delegates are Dr. F. O. Riley, Ernest A. Miller, Mrs. E. L. Wright, David Eccles, Douglas McKay, Chris J. Kowitz, Mrs. Hal D. Patton, Mrs. George R. K. Moorhead, John Steelhammer and Joseph B. Felton.

Ford to Make Medium And Heavy US Tanks

DETROIT, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Volume production of medium and heavyweight army tanks is planned by the Ford Motor company.

This became known definitely Wednesday as officials of the company admitted that negotiations with the war department and the office of production management had been under way for several weeks.

Soldier Rescue Party At Bomber Crash Site

Remains of Bodies and Plane Will Be Brought Down Late Today; Camp Established in Rugged Mountains

QUILCENE, Wash., Sept. 24.—(AP)—After a grueling 10-hour climb Wednesday, an army rescue party reported by radio that it had reached the spot where a bomber crashed against the rocky crest of Mount Constance with six men aboard.

The wreckage was discovered from the air Monday, two weeks after the twin-motored ship's mysterious disappearance. Three forest rangers reached the scene Tuesday to report positively that all the men were killed instantly by an explosion.

A camp was established Wednesday near the top of the 7,700-foot Olympic range peak, about three miles from where the bomber crashed in an area of rocky ledges, sheer cliffs and barren ravines. Major H. H. Pennington, of the McChord field air base, is directing the rescue operations on the mountain.

Capt. Boyd Homewood, McChord press relations officer, predicted that the horse and mule pack party would be back to this base by Thursday with the rescue party. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Registration Wednesday was only 22 behind the count on the same day in 1940 at Willamette university, according to Registrar Walter Erickson. The total is approximately 700 students. Classes begin this morning.

Upper classes were 19 behind those of last year at the close of the first day's signing, for a total of about 500. Registration of freshmen was down from 210 to 207. Not all of the 221 freshmen who enrolled Monday have as yet fixed their schedules.

Freshmen enjoyed Wednesday night a "mixer" party at the Salem YMCA, a departure from programs of former years, when separate parties for boys and girls were arranged.

The annual YM-YW formal reception in the gymnasium is scheduled for 8 o'clock tonight, in general charge of Glennerva Harnsberger, Independence junior.

Young Willkie in Navy NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Philip H. Willkie, son of Wendell L. Willkie, will be sworn in as an apprentice seaman in the naval reserve Monday aboard the USS Wheeling.

It was the second victory for the team from Honolulu on its current mainland invasion, the University of Portland being its first victim.

More than 70 local merchants will participate according to Co-Chairman Edward Bissell, of the Salem Retail Trade bureau. These include: Morris Optical Co.; The Blue Bird restaurant; Reed's millinery; Carlson's cafe; Bruno studio; Sears-Roebuck & Co.; S. & N. Clothiers; George C.

FDR Cancels Duke Luncheon

Illness of Family Said Reason; Windsor Will Visit With President

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Only twelve hours before the Duke and Duchess of Windsor were due in Washington on a flying visit, the state department suddenly announced Wednesday night that a White House luncheon planned for them Thursday had been postponed.

But a few hours after giving out this information, the department issued a second announcement saying that President Roosevelt would receive the famous couple at noon. The department spokesman was unable to say whether Mrs. Roosevelt also would be on hand to greet them.

After the White House luncheon was cancelled, the British embassy gave out word that the Duke and Duchess would have their luncheon there.

The announcement that the White House luncheon was off (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Yugo Cabinet In Canada

MONTREAL, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Four cabinet members of the Yugoslav government of Gen. Dusan Simovich arrived in Montreal Wednesday night to establish a headquarters here for the duration of the war. A fifth member is expected Thursday.

They represent Croat, Serb and Slovene elements of the nation. Premier Simovich will remain in Britain with ten other members of his cabinet.

The Yugoslavs have no official status in Canada, but hope to constitute themselves as part of the Yugoslav government-in-exile on Canadian soil, after visiting Canadian officials in Ottawa.

Repeal Of Neutrality Act Seen

FDR Expected to Ask Changes to Free US Ships

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—(AP)—There were strong indications Wednesday that President Roosevelt would request virtual repeal of the neutrality act next week, and Senator Connally (D-Tex.) said he believed American ships should be able to sail the high seas to any port in the world.

Mr. Roosevelt indicated at a press conference Tuesday he would ask that the act be changed to permit the arming of American merchant vessels. He said that he was seeking to decide in conference with advisers to what extent the law might be overhauled.

It was reported on Capitol Hill that administration officials were urging the president to recommend also the elimination of the provisions preventing American ships from entering belligerent ports or "combat areas" defined in presidential proclamations.

Connally, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, predicted that "the neutrality act will be amended in important respects," and added in a statement that it might be completely repealed except that it carries some desirable provisions, such as that providing for government control over munitions exports.

"The prohibition against American ships going into combat zones was predicted on the theory that if they remained out of the combat zones the naval submarines would not attack them or sink them," Connally declared. "That belief has proven illusory."

"They (the Germans) attacked and sunk the Robin Moor, flying the American flag, and a submarine attacked the Destroyer Greer. Neither vessel was in a combat zone. If the Nazis in their ruthlessness are to attack our ships wherever they may be found there is no reason why we should continue to observe combat areas."

"The restrictions which we imposed on American shipping in combat zones are in derogation of our rights under international law. Our ships, under the law of nations, have the right to go anywhere on the high seas."

Meanwhile Admiral Harold R. Stark, chief of naval operations (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Hitler Wants Bulgars for Work, Report

ANKARA, Turkey, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Enough evidence is accumulating of a serious labor shortage in Germany to indicate that her pressure on Bulgaria may be directed less at getting that nation into the war against Russia than at winning help in the war against lagging axis production.

Official and unofficial reports trickling out of occupied Europe indicate that Adolf Hitler is grabbing at all men within reach, to put them into the German factories or to push them up to the Russian front so as to lessen the need of sending more German munition workers to the army.

Germany's own reserve man- (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

British Raid Tripoli

CAIRO, Sept. 24.—(AP)—British bombers scored direct hits on Italian military barracks at Tripoli and the harbor at Benghazi in heavy raids Monday night along the north African coast, the near middle east headquarters announced Wednesday night.

Number 13 Is Unlucky To Cyclist

Thirteen proved truly unlucky Wednesday night for 13-year-old Roy Scofield, who was riding his bicycle when struck at 13th and Hines street by a truck driven by Otis Earl Franke, 1385 Hines street. The boy was taken to Salem Deaconess hospital by the first aid car, suffering from a serious head laceration, severe bruises and probable internal injuries.

Young Scofield's residence is at 1310 South 13th street.

The police officer called, who cited Franke to appear before Chief of Police Frank A. Minto this morning, said neither vehicle had lights. The bicycle was badly damaged. The accident occurred at 7:10 p. m.

Argentine Air Chief Confined

Dispute Grows Over Responsibility in Foiled Uprising

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 24.—(AP)—The head of the Argentine air force was reported relieved of his command Wednesday night in the midst of a growing dispute between Acting President Ramon Castillo and the chamber of deputies, over responsibility for a foiled uprising among army aviation officers.

Unconfirmed reports said General Angel M. Zuloaga, the air force commander, had been confined to his home, but the news agency Andl, in reporting his dismissal, said he had asked for it himself.

Zuloaga was quoted as saying he felt he could no longer count on the support of army officials. Andl's informant said the general had not admitted complicity in any plot but had considered (Turn to Page 2, Col. 7)

Nazi Stand On Sinkings "No Change"

BERLIN, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Prospective arming of United States merchant ships provided the comment from an authorized German spokesman Wednesday that Germany sees no need to change her principles of sea warfare.

While the German conviction that the American neutrality law soon would be altered in important respects commanded extensive notice in Berlin, there was not the slightest sign that the Reich would deviate in any way from its policy of striving to "sink anything bringing aid to England."

Reds Halt Drive In Arctic

Murmansk Held; Nazis Claim to Be in Leningrad

By The Associated Press

The Russians said Thursday morning they had defeated a second Nazi attempt to take the ice-free port of Murmansk and fought back against the invaders on the whole front, but German reports told of fierce new pressure on Leningrad.

Murmansk was said to be firmly in soviet control, with the Russians maintaining that vital breach in the blockade by which Hitler is trying to shut European Russia's gates to British-American aid shipments.

The Germans reported their troops fighting in the streets of Leningrad suburbs while level-fight and dive-bombers struck at the defenders in one of the big air assaults of the war. Germans were said to have fought their way to within binocular sight of Leningrad docks.

A dispatch from Berlin indicated new trouble in Nazi-con- (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

French Seek Nazi Favor

Will Ask Relaxation of Reprisals; French Will Take all Responsibility

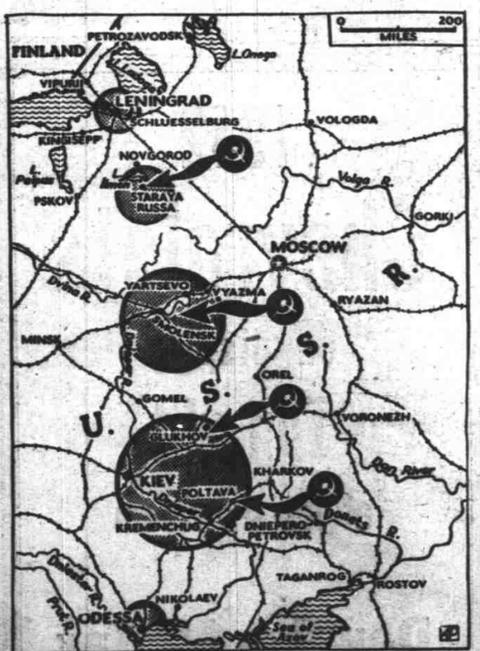
VICHY, Unoccupied France, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Pierre Fucheu, minister of the interior, left for Paris Wednesday seeking a relaxation of the German hostage-reprisal system under which dozens of Frenchmen have been executed because of terroristic attacks on German soldiers.

Informed sources said Fucheu would seek German consent to a substitute plan whereby French authorities would assume responsibility for combating "terrorism, sabotage and communism" in both zones.

At least 35 Frenchmen have been executed in the occupied area either as hostages or on espionage, sabotage and communism charges. More than 34,000 persons have been arrested in both zones for opposition to Marshal Petain's German collaboration regime.

A military court at Perpignan in southwestern France Tuesday sentenced 23 persons described as communists to prison terms (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Reds Claim Counter-Attacks



Experts indicated Soviet counter-attacks in all three major sectors of the eastern front. Besieged Leningrad and Odessa were pictured by Moscow as repulsing Nazi thrusts. Russian counter-attacks in the directions of Smolensk and Gorkov were indicated and German mentioned Soviet counter-attacks in the vicinity of Peltava. Berlin said all Soviet counter-offensives had been broken.

Salem Merchants Unveil Latest Fall Styles Tonight

Crowds swarm on Salem streets annually for Fall Opening, and surprises and entertainment promised by merchants tonight portend to keep that record intact. Windows in the downtown district will be unveiled at 7:30 o'clock.

A profusion of gay fall colors will dominate in window decorations, and an advance "sneak" preview conducted by members of the Retail Merchants bureau and the Ad club points to an array of decorative and lighting effects surpassing past Fall Opening efforts.

Music is to augment the varied sounds, as five groups parade and ride through the streets. The municipal band directed by H. N. Stoudemeyer, Salem high school band directed by Vernon Wiscarsen and Hassenstab junior band directed by Joe Hassenstab will play during the celebration.

The cowboy band from the Fricilla Meisinger studio and a group in charge of Wes McWain are to play from roving trucks. Schedules have been arranged to prevent confusion. A football filled with "passes" to Friday night's Willamette uni-

versity-College of Idaho football game, to be dropped from atop the First National bank building, is one of many surprises.

A dance starting at 9 p. m. at Crystal Gardens is the final event of the Fall Opening celebration. More than 70 local merchants will participate according to Co-Chairman Edward Bissell, of the Salem Retail Trade bureau. These include: Morris Optical Co.; The Blue Bird restaurant; Reed's millinery; Carlson's cafe; Bruno studio; Sears-Roebuck & Co.; S. & N. Clothiers; George C.

Will; The Man's Shop; The Spa restaurant; Cliff Parker; The Meadows; Perry Drug store; Benson's bakery; Pomeroy and Keene jewelry; Barmen Bros. jewelry; Arbuckle & King Co.; Howard Corset shop; H. L. Stiff Furniture store; Miller Mercantile store; Bishop's; "Frosty" Alon. Adams, florist; Roen Typewriter shop; Jayson's Men's Wear; Fred Meyer Drug store; Fred Meyer Food store; C. Penney Co.; F. W. Woolworth & Co.; Price's; Western Auto Co.; Moderne; Marilyn Shoe store; Golden Pheasant restaurant; Leon's;

Bloch's Golden Rule store; The Fashionette; Margaret's Baby shop; Schoen's bakery; Breithaupt florist; Good Housekeeping; Sullivan's draperies; The fashion lounge Wiles Drug Store; Acklin Boutique; The Jewel Box; Karl's Shoe store; McKendry and Bell; Gevurtz Furniture store; Hanning's Dress shop; Hogg Bros. Metropolitan store; Fields dress shop; Kay's Dress shop; Mode-O-Day; Tallman Piano store; Little French shop; Sally's; Milgrim's; Morrison's Dress shop; and the Style Arch Shoe store.