

# Nippon Reply Fails in US

### Tokyo Now Proposes Commission to Iron Out Pacific Trouble

(Continued from page 1)

It is the cause of the Chinese troop movements to which the Tokyo communication referred.

TOKYO, Saturday, Dec. 6—(AP)—A proposal to appoint a Japanese-American commission to iron out the Pacific deadlock gained ground in important civilian circles today on the heels of the officially expressed view that both Tokyo and Washington would "continue with sincerity to try to find a common formula for a peaceful solution."

The commission idea was given the whole-hearted approval of Count Kentaro Kaneko, 88-year-old Harvard-educated privy councillor and veteran student of United States affairs.

"It is the only proper way of solving the present critical situation that I can see," said Kaneko in an interview. He recalled that Washington had used the commission method to settle disputes with her neighbors in the past, such as that over the St. Lawrence river.

Kaneko suggested that a committee of "respectable and trustworthy representatives from economic, political and diplomatic circles of both nations be appointed and invited to meet either in Japan or the United States."

Earlier, official amazement was expressed by a government spokesman that the United States had a "misunderstood" Japanese policy, but, he added, "if there is no sincerity then there is no need to continue the conversations."

The spokesman cited an utterance by Prince Konoye, when he was premier, to disavow any Japanese territorial ambitions.

Japan at the same time broadened the scope of her withdrawals of nationals from strategic areas around the Pacific, with Japanese ships now scheduled to call within the month at embarkation points in Mexico, Panama, the United States, Malaya and British Borneo.

Tomokazu Hori, the spokesman, one time consul in Los Angeles, dealt in his press conference with statements made by Secretary Hull in the latter's Wednesday press conference at Washington.

"We are amazed to find the existence of a big misunderstanding on the part of the United States government regarding our policy in the far east," he said.

"The Hull statement seems to allege that we are following a policy of force and conquest in establishing a military despotism."

"They have misunderstood our fundamental policy. . . . The negotiations will continue in an effort to correct this misunderstanding."

The spokesman was asked if he thought that the United States was stalling.

"I do not think she is delaying purposely," Hori replied, and then added the belief that both Washington and Tokyo would try to reach agreement but that the effort was doomed unless both sides negotiated with sincerity.

# Auto Use Tax Costs Owners \$2,250,000

The new so-called federal "use automobile tax," based on \$5 a year, starting July 1, 1942, will cost the automobile owners of Oregon approximately \$2,250,000 a year, based on the prospective registrations up to that time, officials estimated here Friday.

This is in addition to the use tax of \$2.09, due in February, and covering the period up to next July 1.

Other automobile fees, licenses and taxes in Oregon will boost the annual payments of Oregon motorists to approximately \$25,000,000.

The federal "automobile use tax" will be paid at the post-offices, and not at the state motor vehicle departments.

## Late Sports

GRESHAM, Ore., Dec. 6—(AP)—The big nine high school basketball league opened play here Friday night with a jamboree. Scores: Molalla 8, Woodburn 6; Canby 7, Estacada 4; Silverton 6, Gresham 3; Chemawa 7, Sandy 4; Parkrose 7, Corbett 4.

At San Diego, Calif.: College of Pacific 6, San Diego State 12.

# Swashbuckling Scenes Mark Birth of "Jefferson"



Speeded here on the first UAL plane from San Francisco to stop at Salem under the new schedule which went into effect Friday were these pictures of the "launching" of "Jefferson," the 49th State. With fanfare, color and halcyon worthy of Hollywood itself, "Jefferson" was formally launched at Yreka, Calif., December 4th under spreading chestnut trees from which four desperadoes were lynched by the vigilantes of 1895. No less swashbuckling in spirit than the early day mass execution was the "provisional territorial assembly"—a gathering of more than 1000 citizens and sensation seekers on the spacious front lawn of the venerable Siskiyou county courthouse. Painted Indians from the Klamath, a hard-riding sheriff's posse on Mexican steeled saddles, two savage wrestling bears and a brilliant torchlight procession featured the inaugural gray-haired John L. Childs, formerly superior judge of Del Norte county, as "acting governor" of the state which has aspirations to become the 49th star in the nation's flag. The secession movement had its inception in protests by Curry county, Oregon; Del Norte, Siskiyou and Trinity counties, Calif., against alleged neglect of their area, rich in virgin copper and timber, by the respective legislatures of California and Oregon, particularly because of the alleged ignoring of the region's plea for adequate roads. Pictured is a scene at the inaugural in Yreka. This picture was rushed to The Statesman as a special service of the International Illustrated News.

# State TB Hospital Chief Will Speak at Portland Conference

Dr. G. C. Bellinger, superintendent of the Oregon State tuberculosis hospital, will play an important part in the second post graduate session of diseases of the chest, opening in Portland December 11 for three days, it was announced here Friday.

He will discuss diagnostic points in pulmonary tuberculosis at the morning session of December 12. The conference is sponsored by the University of Oregon medical school in cooperation with the Pacific northwest section of the American College of Chest Physicians.

Dr. Bellinger will preside at the December 11 morning session and will participate in an "Information Please" roundtable luncheon that day. He will also be chairman of a business meeting of the Pacific Northwest chapter of ACCP.

Dr. Robert E. Joseph, also of Salem, will speak on intrapleural pneumonolysis at an afternoon session on December 12.

The postgraduate faculty will include Pacific northwest leaders in the field and Dr. Leo Eloesser, professor of surgery at Stanford university school of medicine. The program is designed as a review of present day therapy in diseases of the chest for physicians in general practice as well as those specializing in diseases of the chest.

# Stimson Flays Chicago Paper

(Continued from page 1) Stimson issued this statement: "I would think of an American general staff which in the present condition of the world did not investigate and study every conceivable type of emergency which may confront this country and every possible method of meeting that emergency?"

"2. What do you think of the patriotism of a man or a newspaper which would take those confidential studies and make them public to the enemies of this country?"

"The publications made Thursday are of unfinished studies of our production requirements for national defense which have been carried on by the general staff as a part of their duties in this emergency. They have never constituted an authorized program of the government."

"While their publication will doubtless be of gratification to our potential enemies and a possible source of impairment and embarrassment to our national defense, the chief evil of their publication is the revelation that there should be among us any group of persons so lacking in appreciation of the danger that confronts the country and so wanting in loyalty and patriotism to their government that they would be willing to take and publish such papers."

Stimson refused to amplify the statement. He declined to reply to the question of a reporter who asked whether Mr. Roosevelt in a letter to the war secretary dated last July 9 had decided that the army and navy draft a master plan for a war to defeat Hitler.

He volunteered no information on progress of the investigation which the White House and war department had said would be made of the source of the documents.

# City Air Day Draws Through

### Daily Service Starts With Celebration as Thousands Watch

(Continued from page 1)

of the semi-clouded sky, in the noise of the engines and the hubbub of the excited watchers the scarlet-clad Salem high school band provided added notes of color and musical tribute to the occasion.

Master of ceremonies for the day, Irl S. McSherry manned the microphone to which were called Mayor W. W. Chadwick and Gov. Charles A. Sprague to speak briefly on the pride of the city and the state in welcoming the coming of the air lines to the capital, UAL Vice-President Seely Hall, Harvey Hancock, assistant to the lines' president, and Oliver Judd, Salem agent, to declare the company's concern in the service offered.

Observers, headed by King Bing Frank Doerfler, presented packages of toasted filberts to passengers on the "first flight" ship as they stepped from the cabin during the christening ceremony.

Meanwhile, from the other side of the plane were removed first consignments of air express for Salem residents and business firms, and the south-bound portion of the 8000 pieces of mail carrying the "first flight" caches from the Salem postoffice were stowed away in the postal compartment.

Included in the air express "first flight" receipts here were orchids from an Oakland, Calif., grower, consigned to Salem florist; carnations for Mayor Chadwick from Mayor Rossie of San Francisco, two crabs for the mayor from Mayor Earl B. Millikin of Seattle; two large boxes of fish to a Salem market; 48 pounds of coffee from a Seattle firm in one-pound cans distributed here by messenger to city and state officials and retail grocers, according to H. E. Brown, agent in Salem for the Railway Express, which provides ground service for UAL air express, and A. L. Mitchell, western manager for UAL's express, mail and freight service, here for the day.

From the arrival at 10:20 the "City of Cleveland," to dusk, with time out only for dedicatory exercises, the first Mainliner to land in Salem on Friday was utilized to provide courtesy rides for residents of the mid-valley area, carrying each trip a capacity passenger list of 21 together with captain, first officer and stewardess.

Among the group of attractive trimly-tailored stewardesses on hand for the occasion were Jean Barabonow, chief stewardess of the division, who arrived on the 10:20 plane with dignitaries of Salem, Portland and the state, Mary McGonigle, who left her position as a nurse at Salem Deaconess hospital last July to enter UAL's training school and Kay Martley who showed hundreds through the sleeper plane.

The first plane in, on non-scheduled flight, brought Gov. Sprague, Mayor Chadwick, Portland chamber of commerce representatives including Frank Womak, assistant manager; George Greenwood, trade and commerce committee chairman; E. R. Hodson, head of aviation committee and Clark Burgard director.

W. R. Thigpen, UAL district traffic manager; Thomas Gunn, Standard Oil company public relations director; Warren Kaley, assistant to the president of the First National Bank of Portland; Harry Devereaux, director of the division of operations for the WPA; L. G. Devaney, state aircraft inspector; J. E. Keefe, CAA engineer; H. E. Albert, Railway Express company Portland agent; William A. Boves, city commissioner, Portland; Seely Hall, UAL vice-president for operations; Harvey Hancock, assistant to UAL president and Homer Merchant, UAL's western sales manager, completed the passenger list for the flight of dignitaries.

Reminder of a pre-centennial flight over the state in 1940 for which United Air Lines had also been the first of the afternoon's courtesy trips, with Gov. Sprague, Secretary of State Earl Snell, Irl S. McSherry, Mayor Chadwick, E. H. Bingenheimer, Jerrald Owen, Stephen C. Mergler, managing editor of The Statesman, President Carl Sumner Knopf of Willamette university and C. K. Logan and their wives as guests.

With the exception of President Knopf, none in the group had taken the 1940 trip and had been active in securing air service for Salem. Tom Blanchard, UAL traffic representative, said Knopf was selected to replace Bishop Bruce Baxter, who had been on the former flight, it was reported.

United Air Lines officials were hosts at a 2 o'clock luncheon to members of the visiting delegations and a group of Salem residents, where Mayor Chadwick displayed a parchment scroll carrying a sketch of the Oregon capitol dome and congratulations from the mayors of Vancouver, Seattle, Spokane and Portland.

Notes of appreciation received Friday by the Salem press and numerous residents of the city from W. R. Thigpen, UAL district traffic manager, paid special tribute to the airport and aviation committee of the city council.

# Sun Bowl Eyes Tulsa, Tech

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 5—(AP)—The Sun bowl committee wants the Red Raiders of Texas Tech to oppose the Tulsa university Golden Hurricane in the Sun bowl—IF the representative chosen by the border conference declines to play.

By custom, the border conference representative is named by a poll of loop members. The vote is expected Sunday. If the team selected by the poll declines, the Sun bowl committee decides the bid.

# Governor Grooms Inaugural Flight



Governor Charles A. Sprague officially welcomed Captain Grover Tyler, two-million-mile pilot of United Air Lines who piloted the inaugural flight in and out of Salem yesterday. Stewardess Mary McGonigle was a nurse at Deaconess hospital here before joining United last July, company officials discovered Friday.

# Sprague Promises State Agency Aid in Getting US Contracts For Distressed State Areas

State agencies will assist in every way possible in the creation of distress areas in Oregon so the state may obtain substantial army and navy contracts under the defense program, Gov. Charles A. Sprague promised a group of Portland chamber of commerce officials and industrialists in conference here Friday.

# Air Executive Keeps Promise

### Seely V. Hall, UAL Chief Predicts New Business for Salem

(Continued from page 1)

airports a few years ago that are being used today," Hall said. "You were fortunate in having these gentlemen who selected a site that could be added to."

Hall recalled that as department aeronautics chairman for the American Legion in Oregon and as a member of Pacific Air Transport company, father of United, he had promised Salem 13 years ago a place in the airline picture, a promise which "it has taken me 13 years to make good."

More than 100 citizens attended the banquet. Brief addresses of welcome were made by Gov. Charles A. Sprague and Mayor W. W. Chadwick. History of the airport was outlined by Small, Irl S. McSherry served as toastmaster.

Air transportation, one of the fastest-growing industries in the nation, expects a 40 per cent increase in business next year, Homer J. Merchant, western sales manager of United Air Lines, said Friday night.

"We are most happy to welcome Salem to United's 'Business Route of the Nation' which extends from border to border and coast to coast connecting the nation's most important cities," he said.

"This year United has enjoyed a 34 per cent increase in business over 1940, and we expect a 40 per cent increase next year when we will have some 30 additional 21 and 24-passenger planes. It indeed is gratifying that Salem is a part of our system and will be able to share fully in the benefits derived from the growth of air transportation, which speeds the industrial tempo of the nation."

# Marion Young GOP Club to Attend Meet

About 35 members of the Marion County Young Republican club are to travel to Eugene this weekend for the second annual state convention, which begins this morning.

Official delegates from the chapter are Herman Lanke, Don Black, Steve Anderson, Gene Tipton, Mary Eason, Joseph Felton, Delbert Louvre, Robert Jones, Robert Hamilton, Ardis Richardson, Talbot Bennett, president of the Marion group, and Freeman Holmer, vice-chairman of the fourth district.

Election of officers is set for this afternoon. At tonight's banquet Gov. Charles A. Sprague and Secretary of State Earl Snell are to speak. Principal address will be by Philip H. Parrish, editor of the editorial page of The Oregonian.

while other representatives of the company added verbal praise for the efforts and cooperation of that group.

That Sunday may see an even larger crowd at the airport as plane time was predicted Friday night by United Air Lines employees who have seen inauguration of the service in other cities. Flights are regularly scheduled to stop in Salem at 6:15 a.m. (north-bound), and 10:35 p.m. (south-bound) with mail, express and passengers. The 1:10 p.m. north-bound plane are to make "radio stops" here, that is, they will land when express or passenger service requires, which officials of the lines declared Friday would probably be regular.

# British Plans For War Notes

### Finland, Hungary and Rumania Placed in Fold of Axis

(Continued from page 1)

headed for Mariupol, 60 miles west of Toganrog and 100 miles beyond Rostov, scene of the first in the chain of Nazi disasters, with the apparent intention of encircling the German advance forces. The main bodies of the frontal assault corps along the Azov were reported to have by-passed Toganrog, leaving lesser forces to deal with the surviving nazis there.

Moreover—and this was one of the most significant of all factors—the British radio reported that the soviet Black sea fleet was heavily shelling the Germans along the Azov coast.

On the central front, the Russians still were hard-pressed. German advances on both the upper and lower ends of the Moscow defense arc were acknowledged by the Russians—to the vicinity of Dmitrov, 40 miles north of the capital, and to Narv Fominsk, within 40 miles of Moscow on the south-west.

Hitler clearly was applying growing pressure, probably to try to take some of the curse off his failure in the south, and Russian reports spoke of at least 15 German armored divisions of about 180,000 men in action around Moscow.

Russian counter-attacks, however, were claimed to have checked the German advances both above and to the southwest of the capital and an improvement in the previously critical situation about Tula to the south also was reported.

German dispatches from the Moscow front made much of the weather—13 below zero, Fahrenheit—and said that this "hampered" but did not halt German operations."

In the Libyan theatre, action again was relatively light in the uneasy interlude before another big impending battle. The British reported the repulse of three axis attacks on the imperial spearhead at Ed Duda southeast of Tobruk, and a widespread series of RAF bombing raids.

The Germans for their part told of dive-bombing attacks on British tank concentrations in southern Libya and implied that they were content to let the British move first in the expected attempt to form another junction with Tobruk from the south.

An officer of the British fleet estimated that air and naval action had destroyed 60 per cent of all axis supplies dispatched to Libya.

# Milk Bottle Shortage Is Told Here

"Where are all our milk bottles going?" That question is both mystifying and worrying Salem dairymen.

In recent months losses through failure of customers to put their emptied bottles back on their front porches have become alarming. Lewis Judson, whom the Salem Producer-Distributors association has delegated to "do something about it," declared Friday.

"With it becoming increasingly difficult for us to obtain new stocks of bottles, the shortage in the Salem area will become acute in the near future if our loss rate continues as high as it is now," Judson predicted.

Customer carelessness is the answer, in the opinion of most members of the association, Judson said.

"We often find whole boxes of unreturned milk bottles in stacked houses," the dairymen's spokesman complained. "And it's surprising how many unbroken bottles find their way into garbage cans."

# Funeral Set For Resident

Funeral services for James H. Harper who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Clifford Jones, Thursday, are to be held at Rose Lawn funeral home, today at 1 p.m. Burial will be at Mount Hope, Rev. W. Irvin Williams officiating.

Born in Oswego county, New York, June 22, 1854, he moved at an early age to Illinois. He married Janet Hubbell in 1883 and six children were born to them. He came to Oregon in 1903, and resided in Pratum and Salem a number of years.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Clara Cady, Portland, Mrs. Mabel Grant, Marysville, Calif., Mrs. Wilma Jones, Salem, and Mrs. Myrtle Welch of Portland; one son, James E. Harper of Winchester Bay; one sister, Mrs. Mary Decker, Hoxie, Kansas, and eight grandchildren, Allen, Margaret and Mary Alice Jones, June Welch, Janice Cady, Geraldine, Doris and Joyce Harper.

# Salem ROTC Cadets Appointed Officers

CORVALLIS, Dec. 5—(AP)—Cadet officer appointments in the Oregon State College ROTC Thursday included: Infantry: Victor E. Gibson, Salem, second lieutenant. Engineers: James F. Busch, Silverton, major; Norman L. Paulson, Salem, first lieutenant; William M. Smith, Donald K. Wooden and Harold G. Nelson, Salem, second lieutenants.

Baby Swallows Iodine Jenny D. Harner, 18-month-old daughter of Mrs. Sylvia Harner, 229 North Commercial street, was treated by Salem first aid officers Friday night after swallowing an unknown amount of iodine.

**DANCE TONIGHT**  
—Featuring—  
**ALTON BENEDICT'S ORCHESTRA**  
2 Miles North of Independence  
AT  
**KENTI**

**BIG DANCE**  
**HAZEL GREEN**  
EVERY SATURDAY  
Wayne Strahan's Band  
Admission 55c Per Couple