

No Tires

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 (AP)—OPA Saturday told US motorists rereads and recaps were "out" this month and "doubtful" next month. Oregon drew a 1223 new tire quota, trucks 2016.

NINETY-FIRST YEAR

Crucial

Huge New North Power Plan Incl Detroit 'High D

US Advisory Board Okehs Project Asks Complete Survey in 90 Days May Be Built Regardless of War

By RALPH C. CURTIS

The Detroit "high dam" power project, estimated to generate 90,000 kilowatts and to cost \$28,636,000 on the North Santiam river east of Salem, is among new projects included in a plan endorsed by the interdepartmental Bonneville Advisory board, it was disclosed Saturday by Paul J. Raver, Bonneville administrator.

Inclusion of the Detroit project in the 5,000,000-kilowatt program recalls the inspection trip to the site made several months ago by Sen. Charles L. McNary of Oregon which brought the first intimation that this site was under consideration.

Significantly, the Detroit project is the only one of the Willamette Valley project units included in the power plan. The valley project, primarily designed for flood control and irrigation, is generally conceded to have been stymied by the nation's entry into war, except for completion of the Cottage Grove dam now under construction and finishing touches on the Fern Ridge dam which was virtually completed last fall.

But if the Detroit project is approved as a power project its construction may proceed regardless of the war. The report says it could be built in from two to two and one-quarter years.

An item of additional local interest is the prospect that if this dam is built, it will be necessary to relocate the unimproved stretch of the North Santiam highway and if it is relocated, construction in line with modern highway standards is indicated. This stretch has been left largely unimproved because of the uncertainty of the dam and reservoir project.

Members of the Bonneville advisory board in addition to Raver are Roger McWhorter of the federal power commission, Ernest Wiekling of the department of agriculture, Col Richard Park of the army engineers and Joel D. Wolfsohn of the interior department.

The board by formal resolution requested "the appropriate agency" (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

County Goes Over in Red Cross Drive

Marion county's contribution to Red Cross war relief is \$5404.07 "over the top" of the quota set for it, Floyd E. Miller, chairman of Marion chapter's special fund committee, declared Saturday night.

A total contribution of \$22,404.07 has been tallied for Marion county chapter, American Red Cross, in the nationwide campaign for war relief funds, Miller said, while \$17,000 was the sum asked. Of this fund, Salem contributed \$16,044.53; rural Marion county contributed the remaining \$3799.54.

Outstanding among Oregon counties was the contribution of Marion, according to Miller, and among the larger gifts within the county was that of the Silver Falls Lumber company of Silverton, whose \$500 donation brought Silverton's part in the fund to \$1028.76.

Mt. Angel community made the second largest contribution outside Salem with \$583.55; Woodburn, third with a contribution of \$491.18; Mill City, fourth with \$432.64.

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Battle Fought At Shipyards

Welder Pickets Take Beatings From 1000 Enraged Workmen

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 14—(AP)—More than 1000 shipyard workers charged a 400-man welder picket line Saturday at the Seattle-Tacoma Shipbuilding corporation plant in a fierce inter-union battle that raged for an hour down a mile and a half of factory-walled right-of-way.

The outnumbered independent welders were put to flight with fists, clubs, wrenches, pipe sections and shipyard tin-helmets.

Heads were bashed, noses broken, eyes blackened and at least four welders were taken to hospitals.

A force of 24 city policemen was unable to cope with the mob. They stood by watching the battle, which raged uncontrolled in the pre-dawn darkness of the early morning shift at the big plant, where thousands are employed on millions of dollars' worth of war contracts.

The pickets were massed at the shipyard gates at the change of shifts. Workers coming off shift joined with the new shift, went into the shipyards and behind the fences laid their plans.

Then, with a mighty roar, and with clubs and tools drawn like sabers, they charged out of the gates and down on the pickets with shouts of "Don't be a white Jap" and "Work for Uncle Sam."

Pickets were beaten, knocked to the ground, kicked in the head. The main body of welders withdrew down the streets, the shipyard workers hot on their heels. Several groups were cut off, and in some instances lone pickets were surrounded by a group of workers and pummeled around the circle.

Four or five automobile loads of pickets, trying to escape, were captured and forced to drive to (Turn to Page 2, Col. 7)

Fag Dealers To Get Back Tax, Ruling

The state tax commission has authority to refund to dealers cigarette taxes in amounts paid in excess of sums they collected from consumers and also to return the \$1 license fees they were required to pay during the 26 days in which the commission sought to enforce the tax act, Attorney General I. H. Van Winkle ruled today.

The opinion did not rule directly on the question of whether or not the commission was bound to refund all taxes paid under the act, which now faces a referendum vote. The attorney general did state in his ruling, however, that the cigarette (Turn to Page 12, Col. 1)

Malta Bags Axis Ships

VALETTA, Malta, Feb. 14—Three axis planes were shot down Saturday by anti-aircraft fire and another was "severely damaged," it was announced officially. Two of the victims were bombers.



A London commentator said that the Singapore defense line to Pasir Panjang on the south (1). This is the approach of Japanese ships trying to evacuate civilians from Singapore city. British artillery blasted across the northeast strait (2).

Candidates in New D City Lineup

A. O. Davison to Seek Recorder Job; O'Hara To Seek Mayor Post

Another candidate for a major city of Salem office at the May election was added Saturday night with the announcement of A. O. Davison, an alderman from the fourth ward, that he would file for the city recordership.

Possibility that a second candidate would appear soon for the position of mayor was seen in reports that Alderman David O'Hara, veteran from the fifth ward, would seek that post. He admits he is definitely interested in the office; likelihood that he may declare his candidacy would be heightened by a decision, now being considered, by Mayor W. W. Chadwick to run (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Three Naval Planes Down In Mountains

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Feb. 14—(AP)—The navy sent giant patrol bombers cruising over the rugged, snowclad Laguna mountains area Saturday in a widespread search for three missing navy fighting planes.

Officers at the naval air station reported no trace of the single-seaters had been found since they apparently were forced down Friday on a routine flight from Tucson, Ariz.

Another plane of the flight was slightly damaged in making a forced landing on a country road near Ramona Friday. The pilot was not injured.

Civilian ground parties, including volunteer ski patrols, joined the navy's search through the wild mountain country.

Christian Mission Opens Sessions Today

Salem might well be called the church center of the state this week as outstanding religious leaders from many sections of the nation and laymen and ministers from all parts of Oregon gather here for the National Christian Mission, which opens today.

Through daily seminars, mass meetings, public luncheons and dinners the mission theme, "Christ Is the Answer," will be stressed in order to emphasize the need for renewed church activity during these critical times.

Names to Be Called in Mid-March; Ruling Is

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 14—(AP)—Selective service officials said Saturday night that men already registered would be subject to call to military duty before the 9,000,000 registration deadline this weekend and Monday.

Reversing a previous announcement, officials said it had been decided that the new names should be listed on draft rolls behind those of men previously enrolled.

The anticipated effect is to defer the prospect of an early summons for currently unregistered men age 20 to 44, inclusive, who are required to register by Monday night.

Earlier, it was said officially that names of the newly enrolled men would be "integrated" with those of more than 17,600,000 previously listed, so that all would possess an equal chance for a call to arms.

The integration process was followed when 752,527 new 21-year-olds registered last summer. Their names were dovetailed in lists of men enrolled in 1940.

Some 95 per cent of existing registrants already have been classified, and thus those placed in 1-A class are immediately available to meet the army's expanding demand for manpower, whereas many weeks will be required to assign numbers to the newest registrants and to classify them according to availability for service.

In advance of Monday's mass registration, men were permitted to enroll over the weekend in many localities, to avoid disrupting industrial or other production for the war effort.

All the approximately 6500 local draft boards are to be in full operation Monday from 7 a. m. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Friday Weather

Weather forecasts withheld and temperature data delayed by army request. River, Saturday, 6.5 feet. Max. temp. Friday, 49, min., 28.

Salem Board Handles 635 Men in Call

Veterans of World War I registered beside their sons Saturday as both were affected for the first time, in World War II, by selective service legislation. The Salem board signed a total of 635 potential selectees in the first of three days.

The "first to fight" marines were also the first to register, as L. L. Pittenger, deputy sheriff of Marion county and commandant of the Salem Marine Corps league, enrolled. Others who led the lines were Howard Maple, 38, basketball coach at Willamette university, in the older group, and Jack Hannaman, just a few months past 20, who said he'd prefer the air corps if called.

Registration for all men 20-21 and 36-44 years of age will continue at the Salem armory today from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. and Monday from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m., according to Ray J. Stumbo, chairman of the local draft board. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Women Skill Survey Here On Monday

While men of the state participate in compulsory registration, women of Oregon are to be asked this week to register voluntarily in the statewide survey of skills with the understanding that by complete cooperation they may halt any move toward required registration of members of their sex.

What immediate disposition of forces might be taken to meet altered Atlantic situation was matter of conjecture, but the day brought fresh evidence that the power of the American fleet was growing fast.

A 6000-ton cruiser, the Junco, was commissioned at the Brooklyn navy yard and the navy made plans to follow that up with the launching of a destroyer Sunday. On Monday, the schedule calls for the 35,000-ton battleship Alabama to take the water at the Norfolk, Va., navy yard.

The keel for that huge fighter was laid only two weeks more than a year ago. Meanwhile, work is being rushed on the hulls of many other warships already in the water and needing guns, machinery and fittings before they are commissioned for the war in two hemispheres.

Refrigerators Are 'Frozen'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14—(AP)—The war production board Saturday froze manufacturers' stocks of mechanical refrigerators as a preliminary to some form of rationing and announced that all refrigerator production would be halted after April 30.

The board announced that retailers each would be allowed to sell 100 more new refrigerators, or a number equal to 1/2 of their total 1941 sales—whichever figure is larger—before the freeze order is automatically applied to retail stocks.

The \$280,000,000 refrigerator industry is to be converted to full war production, officials said. War contracts already held, plus those expected, would tie up 70 per cent of the industry's plants and manpower.

Brothers Hurt In Car Mishap

SILVERTON, Feb. 14—Clarence and Frank Joerg, brothers, are in the Silverton hospital as the result of an auto accident which occurred in Gervais at 7 p. m. Saturday.

The boys stated they were parked in a service station in Gervais when another car backed into theirs. They were taken immediately to the hospital. The boys live in Kinzua but formerly lived in Silverton.

Hospital attendants late Saturday night said they were badly cut and bruised but apparently had no broken bones.

British Raid Axis Bases

CAIRO, Egypt, Feb. 14—(AP)—Far-ranging British columns hurled by axis forces west of Ain el Gazala Saturday, while RAF bombers pressed home severe bombing attacks on key German and Italian invasion bases scattered through the eastern Mediterranean.

Bombs thundered down on Salamis, Crete, Sicily and Tripoli. Dockyards at the Greek port of Salamis were damaged and at Candia on the island of Crete—scene of a bitter British defeat last spring—the airbase was peppered with bomb hits. In Sicily, Catania—where a nest of German and Italian planes was based for reinforcing Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's North Africa Corps—likewise was raided.

Tripoli, major axis base in Libya, Premier Mussolini's last African possession, felt the sting of British explosives again. Special attention was paid to the Spanish port and other harbor areas. Large fires were started.