

CIO Declines Aid to Bridges

Oregon Body Tables Backing to Halt Deportation Try

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asserted Harvey Nelson, Molalla, president of the Columbia river council, International Woodworkers of America. "No one has done more to tear down the IWA in this area than Bridges," added Earnie Young, of Portland local No. 3, IWA.

Leading the fight for endorsement were Hugh Adams and Ed Laux, of Portland local No. 1-8, ILWU, who praised Bridges' leadership of the Longshoremen toward strike victories during the '30s.

In the afternoon, the CIO delegates added two more resolutions and sent several others back to committee. One asked that all political parties be required to adopt constitutions and to publish them, with the obligation falling upon all local units for abiding by these constitutions.

The council meeting, attended by more than 100 delegates, Saturday morning endorsed a system of unemployment compensation under national control, to supersede state jobless benefits. The delegates held the present system does not provide equal benefits in all states.

The proposal would provide \$20 per week minimum benefits after a delay of not more than one week to all wage earners. Another resolution would permit injured workmen to choose their own physician under private insurance plans as well as under state workmen's compensation. Another advocated a tri-state authority for regulating Columbia river fisheries made up of Oregon, Washington and Idaho representatives.

State war manpower commission director, L. C. Stoll, informed the delegates that the WMC's more complete jurisdiction this year would make it easier to fill farm labor demands. He said that contrary to many reports the 1942 crop losses from labor shortage were relatively small, that most serious losses were traceable to bad weather.

3-Day Aerial Battle One Of Great Wins

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six and closed Friday's account with another eight.

While the melee was going on up above, Mitchell's Friday sank one transport near the Lee Jetty. Subsequently flights saw the vessel roll over on its side.

Later in the day, they met an attack by 15 to 20 Zeros. In 15 minutes, the Mitchells sent five Zeros crashing into the harbor and probably destroyed two others.

Flying in under the fighters and bombers, Australian Beaufighters swept in low over the Lee airbase. Their blazing guns caught four Zeros, set one afire on the taxiway and holed others on the runway.

Not to be outdone, Douglas Boston attack planes rained telling bomb blows on troops and equipment and set a 6000 ton vessel ablaze.

Kittyhawks reentered the field in the late afternoon to achieve one of the outstanding victories of the battle. Attacked by 18 Zeros which closed in from all directions, 14 Kittyhawks knocked out 13 enemy fighters for certain, one probably and two possibly.

Lightnings closed the action late in the afternoon by downing 15 of 20 Zeros which hovered over the scene of destruction in the harbor.

Allied air losses in the three day battle have not been revealed but a spokesman described them as comparatively negligible.

Sprague Back On Statesman

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sence, will become state editor, to preside over a newly created department planned to handle news matters of statewide interest with particular emphasis on the Willamette valley and its development, the publisher's announcement said.

Other key staff assignments are to remain unchanged, with Stephen C. Meier continuing as managing editor, Phil Gilstrap as advertising manager, Hunt Clark as circulation manager and Edwin E. Thomas as manager of the commercial printing and engraving department.

Fire Destroys Store

TAUNTON, Mass., Jan. 10. (Sunday)—(P)—A general alarm fire which destroyed a three-story brick department store in the center of Taunton, causing damage estimated at \$100,000, appeared to be under control shortly after 2:30 Saturday morning.

Hubbard Pilot, Captain Carl, Decorated for Midway Fight

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navy cross) and 30 distinguished flying crosses. The congressional medal of honor, announced some weeks ago by the White House, went to Capt. Richard E. Fleming of St. Paul, Minn., who died in his flaming plane during an attack on an enemy battleship.

One of the navy cross awards was made to Maj. Lofton R. Henderson of Lorain, Ohio, who crashed his flaming dive-bomber into a Japanese carrier.

The gold star was awarded to Capt. Marion E. Carl, of Woodburn, Ore., fighter pilot hero of both the Midway engagement and the early air fight over Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands. He previously had been given a gold cross in recognition of his destruction of 16 Japanese planes in the Solomon Islands.

The mariner's air force was one of several groups of planes which joined in winning the great American victory at Midway. There were also army high-level and torpedo bombers and navy patrol and torpedo planes operating from the island and several of our carriers with their great plane complements were nearby.

The army and carrier squadrons were engaged in offensive attacks against the Japanese fleet and when the Jap planes roared in toward Midway just after dawn of June 4, it was up to the marine fighters to make what defense they could. They met the Japs about 30 miles out and a terrific melee ensued.

Despite the 3 to 1 ratio the marines scored over the enemy, there were not enough of them to stop all the invaders and some bombers got through. When finally they had come, Lt. Col. Ira L. Kimes of Mexico, Mo., radioed the fighter planes to return and refuel. One by one 12 of the original 25 came back. The pilots were weary and the planes were riddled by bullets. Some of them had to crash-land on the field; others settled on the sea and patrol boats rescued the pilots.

"Six of the 12 surviving pilots were wounded," the navy said. "But they were lucky and they knew it. Two of their comrades had bailed out of falling planes and were machine gunned by Zero fighters as they dangled helplessly under their parachutes."

Before the fighters went into action the marine dive bombers had taken off from Midway in two formations—16 planes under Major Henderson and 11 under Maj. Benjamin W. Norris of Colorado, Calif., and Orange, N.J.

Among those decorated, their addresses or addresses of next of kin and type of award, were:

First Lt. Ellwood Q. Lindsay (missing), parents, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Lindsay, Dingle, Idaho, navy cross.

Capt. Marion E. Carl; mother, Mrs. Ellen Carl, Woodburn, Ore., navy cross; First Lt. Jack Cosley; mother, Mrs. Mabel Cosley, Hood River, Ore., navy cross; Capt. Bruce Prosser; wife, Mrs. Valerie Prosser, Athena, Ore., navy cross; Second Lt. Bruce E. EK (missing); mother, Mrs. Nellie EK, Spokane, navy cross; Sgt. Wallace Jordan Reid (wounded), next of kin, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Reid, Ft. Steilacoom, Wash., distinguished flying cross; Sgt. Duane Lemar Rhodes; mother, Mrs. Ruth Rhodes, Astoria, Wash., distinguished flying cross; Capt. Robert W. Vaupell; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Vaupell, Seattle, navy cross.

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Inter-County Bridge Opens

Eight days after its closure because of flood damage, the Marion-Folk county bridge over the Willamette river was reopened to automobile traffic at 4:48 Saturday afternoon.

State highway department officials said the structure, repaired so that it is currently safe but still undergoing strengthening operations, had been damaged to the extent of approximately \$15,000.

Search for the bodies of Archie Cook and Michael Mauer, drowned Saturday night, January 2, continued Saturday without success. Both men were employees of the state highway maintenance division, who had been working at the task of removing the Midway Moon skating rink from the position against the bridge approach where it had been floated by the flood. When the floor disintegrated beneath them, four men dropped into the water; two escaped.

Class Party Postponed

LABISH CENTER—The Kum-Join-U class party will not be held at the Rents home as was announced, but another meeting place will be announced at Sunday school Sunday morning.

Rev. Paul Petticoat, district superintendent, will conduct the morning church services beginning at 11 a. m. Sunday.

Little Karen Archer who was burned quite seriously in the fire place of her parents' home is slightly improved. They were able to bring her home from the hospital.

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The small quantity thus far received will go to the armed forces first at a fixed price of 15 cents a pound.

It has not yet been decided whether there will be enough additional supplies to distribute to the fruit-hungry public.

Pension Body Meets Tuesday

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ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

To the legislators, greeting! Since tonight you will be meeting informally (as you always have of yore).

Hotel corridors may ring with the songs you shouldn't sing. But the capitol's marble halls (There are ears in all its walls) Will echo only discreet words Told to you by little birds. Type of wisdom you will need in goodly dose.

May discretion be your master— We've just had ONE flood disaster. And of laws we really don't need many more.

With three pro tem members seated (Your own law won't be defeated) You can turn to fish and taxes To feed us and beat the axis. Change each commission slightly— And here you should tread lightly As smart solons have always done before.

Thus, 50 days will speed from sight, And on scheduled closing night Clock hands you will set back to time pre-war.

Flood Damage Thought Less Than in 1927

PORTLAND, Jan. 9.—(P)—It will take the district army engineers about four months to get a complete and detailed survey of flood damages in the Willamette valley, Col. Ralph A. Tudor said Saturday.

A preliminary report of water levels, flood causes, damage prevention action during the high water, and damage of the flood will be finished in about three weeks. A detailed report on which to base a corrective program, however, will require about four months.

He warned that war construction limitations probably would preclude more flood control work until after the war.

The damage of the recent flood will probably not equal that of the 1927 flood, Col. Tudor hazarded. The 1927 damage was \$4,500,000.

Difference in the season of the 1943 flood from that of 1927 should have made agricultural losses less this year, although as in 1927 majority of the losses are in agricultural investment, Col. Tudor told The Statesman Saturday.

War construction work limits the number of men available to make the survey, he said, although several parties worked in the valley Friday and Saturday.

Demands Rise On Red Cross; Drive Planned

Demands of the military upon the Red Cross have increased the budget of that organization tenfold the past year, Tom Russ, war funds representative from the Pacific branch office, said in Salem on Saturday as he worked with civic leaders to outline plans for the financial campaign for war funds tentatively scheduled to open March 1.

Any serious increase in the present national emergency would probably cause an earlier start for the campaign, Russ pointed out.

"People of Marion county must prepare to give larger sums than ever before to the Red Cross in order that the county may meet its share of the Red Cross responsibility to our armed forces," Justice George Roseman, chairman of the Marion county chapter, declared in introducing Russ to a committee of representative business persons.

No financial campaign, no roll-call for membership was conducted by the Red Cross during 1942, spokesmen for the organization emphasized as they organized for the March drive. Success of the 1941 war fund campaign together with the tremendous volunteer service of the people of the nation has made it possible for the Red Cross in the United States to cooperate with United War Chest drives by giving up its traditional fall membership roll call, they said.

In a speech before the Pacific Northwest Personnel Management association, he urged industry to lay aside the prejudices "which still exist" and make a place for "every able-bodied woman who is not held at home by small children."

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senate has produced to stir real interest in this first wartime assembly since 1917, because the impressive issues that have rocked the sessions of recent years will have hard sledding against the surpassing importance of problems raised by the war. And the party clashes of other years are "out," since there are only three democrats left in the senate and nine in the house, out of memberships of 30 and 80, respectively.

Taxes will be one of the issues: Assessment methods, reconstitution of the tax commission, and what to do about and with mounting income tax surpluses, questions the new governor emphasized in his primary campaign; also property tax limitation and the sales tax.

At least one employer-labor issue is expected to arise with proposed further alteration of the unemployment compensation and industrial accident laws. The question of an attempt to curtail secondary boycotts also may be pressed.

Repeal of the milk control law will have to find a new champion. If Sen. Thomas R. Mahoney (D-Mult) stands by a last-minute declaration to "lay off" because of the war.

Efforts to curtail sale of fortified wines and liberalize retailing of the lighter natural wines may be anticipated, with Marion county's H. R. "Farmer" Jones again talking the former with a view to securing the latter.

Old age pension advocates are meeting here this week to formulate demands upon the legislature for more liberal grants.

McNary Avers Flynn Naming To Be Probed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—(P)—Minority Leader McNary of Oregon served notice Saturday the republicans would demand a hearing and full investigation of the record of Edward J. Flynn, the resigning democratic national chairman, if President Roosevelt appoints him envoy to Australia.

Flynn, announcing in New York Friday that he was resigning the party chairmanship, said Mr. Roosevelt was appointing him his ambassador and personal representative to Australia. Flynn added Saturday that he expected to leave "early in February."

Meanwhile there was no word from the White House but it has been customary in the past to withhold official announcement of the appointment of an ambassador or minister until the nomination actually goes before the senate.

McNary told reporters that if the nomination is received he would ask that it be sent to the foreign relations committee for a hearing.

"In view of the charges made against Flynn before a grand jury, I think it wise to ask for an investigation," McNary said.

The republican leader alluded to charges made before a Bronx grand jury last April that a Belgian court-yard on Flynn's Lake Mahopac estate had been paved with New York City materials and city labor. The grand jury exonerated Flynn of any wrong doing.

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they smashed back another German attack northeast of Pichon "and dispersed small enemy positions." The Germans lost three out of four tanks engaged in this assault Friday, the French added.

"Fairly lively" air activity was reported west of Kairouan and in the Pont-Du-Fahs area, but on the mud-bogged northern battlefield of Tunisia there was only patrol activity.

(A Berlin broadcast meanwhile indicated that the British Eighth army of Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery might be about ready to attack the axis east of Tripoli in Libya.

(A Berlin commentator said reconnaissance had disclosed that the main British forces "are taking up positions for attack on the southern flank of the axis 'panzer army.'")

(A fighting French communique issued in London announced that "the defeat of the enemy in the Fezzan is becoming a rout" and said Brig. Gen. Jacques Leclerc's flying columns advancing through the desolate plateaus of southern Libya from the Lake Chad area of equatorial Africa had seized the important caravan crossing of Brach, but 350 miles southeast of Tripoli.

(The British Eighth army, 180 miles east of Tripoli in the Wadi Zem-Zem region, sent its planes to attack the withdrawing axis forces between Homs and Zliten, 65 to 90 miles east of Tripoli. No report was made on ground forces. Eighth army planes also bombed Tunis and Sfax in Tunisia.)