

R. J. Hendricks Signs '30' to 63 Years of Editing



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Veteran Editor Served Widely

Work for University, YMCA, Church, City Recognized

Word of the death Tuesday afternoon of R. J. Hendricks came as a surprise to men over the state who had worked for and with the veteran newspaperman and civic leader.

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Polk Native Dies; Rites Thursday

R. J. Hendricks, editor emeritus of The Statesman, with which newspaper he had been associated for 53 years, died Tuesday afternoon at the home of his son, Paul R. Hendricks, Salem attorney.

Five weeks earlier he had sent his last "Bits for Breakfast" column to the printers, admitted feeling unwell and had gone home and to bed with pneumonia, which next day sent him to the hospital. Two weeks ago he was able to return to his son's home, but the anticipated convalescence did not follow.

Funeral services are to be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday from the Clough-Barrick chapel, with interment in the Odd Fellow cemetery.

Seventy nine years old at the time of his death, Mr. Hendricks had not limited his working years to the newspaper profession, although he had always swung back to his desk in The Statesman off-

Retirement Bill Back

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Russ Army Points for Kharkov

Chilean Senate Votes to Break With Axis

Teachers To Enter Measure

Committee Approves; Parole Change Asked; Guard Bill Amended

By RALPH C. CURTIS "Though the race with time for enactment of a bill extending the life of the Oregon state guard neared tonight's deadline with success still slightly in doubt, interest in the legislature's doings was still focused Tuesday upon the preparation and introduction of measures which will constitute the session's heavier tasks.

Following a conference with the Oregon State Teachers' association legislative committee, the house education committee voted to introduce the association's proposed amendments to clarify the voter-approved act distributing surplus income tax funds to school districts. Under the key amendment which would define as "surplus" all funds remaining after present state levies including special millages were offset, school districts would receive this year \$4,500,000, according to the estimate of state department of education officials. This however would be contingent upon the legislature's acceptance of an amendment specifying that "surplus" heretofore collected would be so distributed.

The OSTA committee also asked introduction of bills to simplify certification of teachers. (Turn to Page 2-A)

City Defense Chiefs Asked To Remain

No personnel changes in administration of civilian defense duties for Salem are contemplated by his organization, Alderman Tom Armstrong, chairman of the new city council, declared Tuesday night. "We need those men and women who have been doing the work," declared Armstrong, pointing out that his council is to serve in an advisory as well as a ruling capacity and that his aim is to strengthen the present organization.

"Public interest slumped when the setup neared completion and we'd like to help re-awaken it," he said. "Volunteer firemen, for instance, need support and greater numbers. One of our first duties when we meet late this week or early next will be to draw a budget and figure where the support for the needed defense preparation here is to be secured", Armstrong stated.

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Has Goebbels' Star Gazing Gone Awry?

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 19—(P)—The Berlin radio is some five or six thousand miles off, which perhaps is close enough for Nazi propaganda purposes.

While the Berlin radio broadcast, recorded by the Associated Press Tuesday night, was announcing that American film star Robert Taylor had been interned by Spanish authorities after a US bomber had been forced down in Spanish Morocco, the actor had just finished his day's work on his latest motion picture.

A studio spokesman said he had seen Taylor not half an hour before, and that to his knowledge the actor hadn't been out of the state for weeks, much less abroad.

Miners Told To End Strike

48-Hour Deadline Set By President; Five Locals Defy Him

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Jan. 19—(P)—Workers at five strike-bound anthracite collieries voted Tuesday to continue their 20-day old unauthorized walkout, three of them balloting hours after President Roosevelt demanded the strike be ended.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19—(P)—As commander-in-chief of the armed forces, President Roosevelt served notice on striking anthracite miners Tuesday that they must return to work within 48 hours or he would take the "necessary steps" to protect the nation against "serious injury to the war effort."

The chief executive's warning, possibly implying that troops would be dispatched to the mines, was telegraphed to local and national officers of the united mine workers. The war labor board had advised him that the strikers had not complied with two requests from it for a return to work.

Although 6000 of the strikers returned to the jobs Tuesday, UMW locals at the two large collieries voted to continue the three-week old walkout, and the meeting of a third broke up in confusion before balloting was completed. Altogether more than 12,000 still are idle.

A general belief prevailed among the miners throughout the strike area that the president's order meant that the government would take over management of the closed mines without the use of troops. Many of the strikers favor such action.

John L. Lewis, president of the UMW, had no formal comment on Mr. Roosevelt's action. Officials of (Turn to Page 2-F)

Algeria Gets Anti-Vichy Governor

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA, Jan. 19—(P)—The appointment of Marcel Peyrouton as governor general of Algeria was announced Tuesday and his elevation was taken by observers here as a sign that there would be a thorough housecleaning of pro-Vichyites by the deadly political enemy of Pierre Laval.

Among the pro-Vichyites in Algeria most likely to go at the insistence of Peyrouton, who is known as a ruthless administrator, is Charles Temple, Laval-appointed prefect of Algiers, a post second in importance only to the governor generalship.

Temple also is director general of the French postal and telegraph system.

Peyrouton, a former French ambassador to Argentina who once signed an order for Pierre Laval's arrest but who at the same time played hand-in-glove with Vichy, apparently had the full approval of the allied governments.

Statement Expected Today

Government's Decree Required Before Break Complete

SANTIAGO, Chile, Jan. 19—(P)—The Chilean senate voted 30 to 10 Tuesday night to break relations with the axis, political sources said, and a government announcement later said that President Juan Antonio Rios would broadcast to the country Wednesday night on the "international situation."

Two abstentions were reported in the vote.

The move would leave Argentina as the single American republic still maintaining relations with Germany, Italy, and Japan. After weeks of wrangling over the issue, Foreign Minister Joaquin Fernandez presented the motion to the senate, then went to President Rios's residence to inform him of that body's vote. A public statement is expected soon.

As the report of the senate vote spread a crowd gathered outside the congress building began cheering and organized a triumphant parade through the central streets.

A few shouts of opposition were heard.

Political sources said a government decree announcing the break and formal notification of axis diplomats remained before the Chilean action was complete.

Chile, which along with Argentina of all American nations had been maintaining relations with the axis powers, has been debating the step for many weeks. The senate was ready to vote in December, but at the request of President Juan Antonio Rios postponed action awaiting a report of Interior Minister Raul Morales on a trip he had made to the United States.

Allies Pressing Pocketed Japs

Cleanup Operations Pushed in Sanananda Sector New Guinea

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, Wednesday, Jan. 20—(P)—American and Australian jungle fighters tightened their lines around four pockets of doomed Japanese in the Sanananda sector of New Guinea Tuesday after taking the village and point Monday.

Japanese were pocketed on the coast on both sides of Sanananda point and in two places along the swampy Sanananda road which leads to the beach. Enemy casualties were described as heavy but no figures were given. Twenty seven were captured. Some Japanese escaped from dugouts and were wandering at large.

The number captured was unusually large.

Eighteen Jap bombers raided (Turn to Page 2-C)

SEATTLE, Jan. 19—(P)—Ensign Gilson Rohrbach added another chapter Tuesday to the epic of the navy's undersea raiders as he told of patrolling so close to the Japanese shores that "We've gotten to know the landmarks better than those at home."

Flynn Post Before Senate



Edward J. Flynn (left) President Roosevelt's choice as minister to Australia, as he conferred in Washington with Postmaster General Frank C. Walker, his probable successor as national democratic chairman, before the senate offered the appointee an opportunity to testify today before its foreign relations committee. Sen. Bridges (R-NH), who denounced Flynn's nomination, also will present testimony before the committee.

Coastal Gale Predicted; Cold Kills 8

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 19—(P)—The Portland weather bureau Tuesday night ordered small craft warnings on the coast changed to storm warnings from Newport to the Oregon-California line. Gales are expected, the weather bureau announced.

Bitter below zero weather congealed a large part of the midwest Tuesday resulting in at least eight deaths directly attributable to the low temperatures.

Minnesota hit a frigid jackpot with a low of 51 below zero. Minneapolis recorded 29 below. Creighton, Neb., had 31 below. At Garner, Ia., and Mismarck, ND, it was 28 below. Kansas City, Mo., had 12 below.

New Mexico had some of the lowest temperatures in its history. The official Chicago mercury sank to 8 below. At St. Louis Mo., it was -5.

Two fatalities were reported in Iowa, and many rural schools closed.

Bernard Deuel, 63, Norfolk, Neb., farmer, froze to death after he was gored by a bull.

Three deaths were attributed to the cold in Chicago and a young boy and girl were found frozen to death in an automobile near Quincy, Ill.

PORTLAND, Jan. 19—(P)—Oregon's most severe cold wave of the winter plunged temperatures to sub-zero or sub-freezing marks throughout the state Monday, the weather bureau revealed Tuesday.

The most frigid spot was Meacham, Blue Mountain town, with 47 degrees below zero. La Grande reported 20 below, the (Turn to Page 2-D)

British Smash Near Tripoli

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 19—(P)—The left wing of the British eighth army had swept across the Tripolitanian hump Tuesday night to within 50 miles or less of Tripoli in an inland dash apparently intended to cut in ahead of Marshal Rommel's fleeing axis forces along the coast. The advance had carried more than 40 miles within 24 hours.

(The Cairo radio, in a broadcast heard in London by Reuters, reported the British had swept to within 30 miles of Tripoli.)

The British right, driving along the coastal road, had reached a point beyond the settlement of Zilten in an area 80-odd miles short of Tripoli and it appeared more and more likely that that great port, once the key to Italy's (Turn to Page 2-E)

Gas Station Hours Limited

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19—(P)—Service stations throughout the country may stay open not more than 72 hours a week, and for not more than 12 hours a day, the office of petroleum administrator ordered Tuesday. The only exception is stations staying open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The order is effective Saturday.

Ralph K. Davies, deputy petroleum administrator, said the 24-hour-a-day alternative would permit so-called truck stations to serve common carrier trucks and other T card holders.

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But life wasn't always so tense aboard the marauder. The men could relax and dine lavishly from an undersea storehouse. Throughout the long cruise, the men had an abundance of steaks, chicken, turkey, pies and cakes.

Nazi Base Taken At Kamensk

Germans Pushed Back To 1941 Starting Point, Claimed

By The Associated Press MOSCOW, Jan. 19—The red army has reached a point only 79 miles from Kharkov, big Ukraine industrial city in a continuing westward sweep that has resulted in the capture of 52,000 axis prisoners in one week, it was announced officially Tuesday night in a special communique circulated by the soviet news agency Tass.

Kamensk, 85 miles north of Rostov, strategic Nazi base at the northwestern corner of the Caucasus, also fell to the advancing Russians, the special communique said.

Valueki and Urazovo fell to the Russians driving on Kharkov, and the red army now has hurled back the Germans to their 1941 invasion mark.

Valuiki, an important railway junction for three lines, is 82 miles east of Kharkov, and Urazovo is 79 miles from the steel city.

Of the 52,000 prisoners taken since last Wednesday the Russians said 27,500 were Hungarians, 22,000 Italians, and 2500 Germans.

In the fighting from January 13 to January 18 the Russians said their troops on the Voronezh front had captured 170 tanks, 1700 guns, 2800 machine guns, 4000 mortars, 6000 trucks, 1500 horses, 55,000 rifles, about 10,000,000 cartridges, approximately 800,000 shells, and more than 150 various supply dumps.

The capture of Valuiki and Urazovo apparently was made by the red army that two days ago took Alekseyevka, 40 miles to the northeast on the railway leading back to Voronezh. Alekseyevka was reported captured Sunday.

This Valuiki spearhead is the northern arm of the Russian attempt to envelop Kharkov. The southern arm is operating in the area of Novo-Pskov, 112 miles southeast of Kharkov.

In between these two forces "enemy troops west of Kamensk-Rossosch railway line are completely encircled and are being wiped out by our troops," the communique said.

The Germans reached Valuiki the fall of 1941. They were pushed back slightly toward Kharkov by the Russians, but it was from the same general area that the Nazis began last summer's drive that carried to Stalingrad, and deep into the Caucasus to the south.

By seizing Valuiki the Russians denied the Germans the use of the north-south railway which the Nazis had been using to supply their forces on the middle Don front.

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