Bricker Gives American Plan

Manpower and Food Policies Hit by Possible Candidate

LINCOLN, March 6–(AP)–Gov. W. Bricker of Ohio, mentioned frequently as a possible republican party presidential candidate in 1944 ,Saturday night offered "the American way of life—to live and let live, to live and help live," as an "everlasting code of concord among the nations of the world."

Bricker, in a speech prepared for delivery at a Nebraska republican founders' day banquet, criticized the administration's policies in regard to both manpower and food shortages, and outlined his views of post-war America and its part in world cooperation.

Earlier, at a general press conference, Bricker had commented in response to queries about his candidacy that "the Ohio delegation will likely be pledged to me as a favorite son." The republican party, he added, has many able men available for the nomination.

"Post-war America must be a land where private enterprise is secure, where the individual will be willing to venture, where the hope of reward for individual initiative will outweight the fear of loss," Bricker said in his address.

"It is that spirit of venture—of taking a chance — that has built America. If it lives America lives."

Turning to the manpower shortage, Bricker asserted "it is apparent there is utter incompetence to solve it in washington."

He suggested that federal employes who are of war age, able bodied and who have asked for deferment "go into the army and release the productive power of America, at least for this farming period, and take the heel of government off the neck of the people of America."

The Ohio governor laid the food shortage to the "paradoxical program of attempting to achieve abundance and prosperity by killing off livestock. The travesty of this lies in the fact that starvation stalks throughout the world and hunger is at our very doors."

TR Grandson War-Wounded

OYSTER BAY, NY, March 6–(AP)–Lt. Quentin Roosevelt, 23-year-old grandson of the late president, was wounded February 21 on the Tunisian front, and the first thing he said was:

"I hope I can get back (into action) as soon as possible . . ."

Relatives here were advised of the news Saturday in delayed dispatches from North Africa.

It appeared that Lt. Roosevelt, a forward observer and liaison officer for an artillery unit and son of Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, who is also on duty in north Africa, would get his wish. The war department said he was reported to be in good shape and out of danger only two days after he was wounded.

Quentin, nephew and namesake of the late president's youngest son, who was killed in 1918 while flying with an American squadron over Chambray, was struck in the back by a machine gun bullet or an anti-aircraft shell fragment.

102 Planes Shot Down in Fracas In Bismarck Sea

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from the sunken ships), approximately 136 of our aircraft participated," the communique said.

"The enemy's air force employed approximately 150 planes of which 102 were definitely observed as put out of action. Our planes dropped 226 tons of bombs. Eighty direct hits were observed and 63 near misses or hits.

"Our losses were one heavy bomber and three fighters shot down, a number seriously damaged and others receiving minor damage. All but the four destroyed in combat returned to base. We had no other losses."

Of the 102 enemy planes put out of action, 63 were confirmed destroyed, headquarters spokesmen said, and these losses included planes destroyed on the ground at Lae during the Bismarck sea action.

The communique told of a raid by a single bomber on the airdrome area at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, and by another on the building area of Alexishafen, New Guinea, above Lae.

In the vicinity of Mubo, some 12 miles south of Salamaua toward which Jap ground troops recently were reported being driven by the allies, attack planes bombed and strafed Guadalcanal Saddle.

To the south of there in the Waria river area, attack planes bombed and strafed Mima village, destroying huts and starting fires.

In the Dentrecasteaux islands group, above the Papuan peninsula, a Jap bomber tried to attack Vivigani on Goodenough island and was shot down by allied fighters.

ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

We are a sentimental nation and should rejoice now that it becomes apparent we shall not draft Father on Mother's day.

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As for Father's day, that begins to look like a real treat for the male half of the population: Either he's limited to the proper service tie or he should be making enough money so that his wife and daughters can afford $2.50, in which case they'll probably buy bow ties for themselves—he's protected either way.

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We will now watch with bated breath the new Los Angeles experiment to determine whether being "Pixley-ated" is related to the condition of pixilation as it is now widely recognized. If Mr. Pixley will guarantee to pay same, he may have my grocery bill to use in determining whether two can live more cheaply than one.

(In case you read only the funnies and this column: Mr. William Pixley and frau have set out to prove that the relief budget for food as set up in his part of the country is ample. It provides $27.62 per month per couple.)

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Tear-wrenching sight of the week: The dainty white-haired lady who had worked five hours without cessation issuing gasoline ration renewals (B and C renewals are underway at Salem war price and rationing board office, and the request is that you mail in your application, wait for the return by mail) . . . anyhow, she had worked a long time and as she prepared to go home and get her husband's Saturday luncheon at 3 p. m., she started looking through the stack of applications for her own . . . not yet found. Please, Mrs. ———, if you mailed it in, completely filled out and accompanied by tire inspection certificate, you may expect the renewal shortly—by MAIL!

Yank Bombers Pound Naval Bases, France

By The Associated Press

German naval bases at Lorient and Brest in France were hammered by American Flying Fortresses and Liberators, respectively, Saturday afternoon, a few hours after British and Canadian bombers carried the allied aerial offensive against Germany through the tenth straight night by pounding Essen, site of the great Krupp armaments works.

The American planes were escorted by RAF and allied fighters and an official communique said three bombers and two fighters were lost in the twin operations. Just how many German fighters were downed has not yet been announced.

The communique described the results as "excellent" at Lorient, where a naval power station and railroad bridge were among the objectives hit. At Brest the results were termed "satisfactory."

Bombs rained down for 40 minutes on Essen in Friday night's saturation raid which cost the RAF 14 bombers.

St. Paul, Amity Men Imprisoned In Philippines

WASHINGTON, March 6.–(AP)–The war department Saturday made public the names of 1252 American soldiers held prisoners of war by the Japanese in the Philippine islands. Other lists will be issued.

The next of kin resided in each of the 48 states, the District of Columbia, Canada and the Canal Zone.

The list included:

Oregon:

Cpl. John L. Brooke; father, John Nelson Brooke, St. Paul.

Cpl. William E. Davis; father, E. R. Davis, Medford.

Pvt. Ernst H. Dudley; mother, Mrs. Marzetta Smith, Lorane.

Master Sgt. Cyril G. Humphreys; wife, Mrs. Erna Humphreys, Fort Stevens.

Cpl. Stanley P. Jones; mother, Mrs. Naomi O. Ecker, Monroe.

Sgt. Joseph F. Lawson; mother, Mrs. Gertrude Alice Lawson, Klamath Falls.

Cpl. Albert A. McKinney; mother, Mrs. Carrie McKinney, Portland.

Staff Sgt. Cecil L. Muir; aunt, Mrs. Frances Mecum, Portland.

Sgt. Frank M. Potter; father, Lawrence Potter, Portland.

Cpl. Bruce L. Simpson; father, John T. Simpson, Amity.

Sgt. Donald D. Starr; father, Wallace Starr, Marcola.

Cpl. Vance W. Taylor; mother, Mrs. Mae E. Taylor, Eugene.

Port Orford Airport Money Approved

WASHINGTON, March 6–(AP) The civil aeronautics authority Saturday announced approval of the following airport-projects and estimated cost:

Mendocino, Calif., $650,000; Lewiston, Idaho, $241,000 to complete existing project; Port Orford, Ore., $865,000.

No Income Tax Slice Allowed Current Year

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$25 and $17.50; $3500, $65 and $45.50; $4500, $115 and $80.50; $5500, $175 and $122.50; $6500, $245 and $171.50; $11,500, $595 and $416.50; $21,500, $1295 and $906.50.

Fate of the sales tax bill, with its referendum clause, may be determined by the speed with which the legislature agrees on the income tax program. The bill reposes in the senate and assessment and taxation committee, but may be reported out Monday.

Looking to the possibility that the people might adopt the many-times rejected sales tax, Rep. Hall Saturday introduced two bills to reduce income tax rates in such an event.

With a referendum vote proposed in the main sales tax bill, and talk of referendum efforts heard as to the Burke wine bill, a resolution calling a special election for next fall is understood to be under consideration for introduction yet this session. Sen. McKenna, in particular, would like to see a sales tax vote yet this year.

Mme. Chiang At Wellesley, Speaks Today

WELLESLEY, Mass., March 6–(AP)–As the first lady of China, but excited as a school girl, Mei-Ling Soong came back Saturday to give her alma mater the biggest weekend of its New England's women's college existence.

Now, Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, wife of the Chinese generalissimo, she halted her limousine near the end of a 40-minute ride from Boston's south station in order to look at the house where she lived as a freshman.

She commented that it appeared to be more painted.

The honor grraduate of the class of 1917 then went on to Wellesley Towers where she lived as a senior. For this weekend, she is occupying the suite of the assistant house mother.

Madame Chiang drove with Lt. Cmdr. Mildred H. McAfee, on leave as president of Wellesley to serve as director of the WAVES.

At 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Madame Chiang is to address the Wellesley student body in Alumnae Hall. The speech is scheduled to be broadcast (10:30 a.m., PWT, over NBC).

At 5:30 p.m. she is to be initiated into Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic fraternity to which she was elected by her alma mater last year.

Miners Leav Note on Box

BEARCREEK, Mont., March 6–(AP)–Found chalked on a powder box in the depths of the Smith coal mine Saturday, a note "we hate to go but it can't be helped; it is going to be an easy death to die"—was the only word from 74 men entombed in the mine by an explosion a week ago.

A crew found the note when it came upon the bodies of six more men, bringing to 72 the number located.

The message had been written by Emil Anderson, 40, electrician, and John Sudar, 28, loading machine operator. Others had signed their names under the note.

Bonneville's Rates Urged

WASHINGTON, March 6–(AP)–More than one billion dollars would be saved the American people if local power rates were aligned with those of TVA, Bonneville and the Tacoma, Wash., municipal system, Representative Rankin (D-Miss) told the house.

Charging that the nation's customers were being overcharged 100 per cent, Rankin cited comparative costs including this for Oregon:

The state's 330,979 customers used 1,438,846 thousand-kilowatt-hours for which they paid $23,-331,600. At Bonneville rates the cost would have been $12,959,812, at Tacoma rates $13,113,638.

Thomas in Hospital

E. E. Thomas, manager of The Statesman commercial printing and engraving departments, was taken to Salem Deaconess hospital Saturday suffering from a severe case of poison oak. Both Mr. and Mrs. Thomas contracted the poisoning working in their garden. He was reported resting well Saturday night.

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Late Sports

BAKER, Ore., March 6 –(AP) –Baker high school swamped Ontario, 51-33 Saturday night to win the district 1 playoff and the right to enter the Oregon high school basketball tournament opening in Salem Thursday.

Alaska Road Not Desired

WASHINGTON, March 6 –(AP) The war department does not consider construction of a $25,000,000 military supply highway to Alaska through Canadian territory either "desirable" or a "military necessity," Secretary of War Stimson has advised Chairman Robinson (D-Utah) of the house roads committee.

Stimson's letter was made public Saturday by delegate Dimond of Alaska, after Secretary of the Interior Ickes had written Robinson recommending enactment of a bill (HR 331) to authorize construction of the road.

In his letter, Stimson stated: "The construction, at this time, of another highway for the same purpose as the existing road is not desirable, nor is it considered to be of military necessity, and the necessary diversion of equipment, labor and strategic materials precludes war department support of a construction project not so classified."

The Alcan highway, completed last November, Stimson said, is being improved "to provide a suitable military highway."

Early Probe Asked of Suit

WASHINGTON, March 6.–(AP)–The house rules committee was urged by Rep. Harness (R-Ind) Saturday to turn over to the house "at the earliest possible date" his resolution calling for an inquiry into circumstances surrounding a government suit charging the Associated Press with violation of the anti-trust laws.

In a letter to Chairman Sabath (D-Ill) of the rules committee, Harness said "Such an investigation should not undertake to try the lawsuit, nor to interfere in any way with the regular and orderly procedure of the courts, but should ascertain what forces and facts influence the bringing of the action and determine the truth or falsity of the charges that this suit was instituted to weaken and destroy the freedom of the press."

The government seeks a court order directing the Associated Press to open membership to any newspaper willing to pay a proportionate share of the cost of gathering news. In its answer the Associated Press, a non-profit co-operative organization, contended that the provisions of a free press include the provision that newspapers "shall be free to choose their associates" in the collection and distribution of news.

Absentee Curb Move Favored

WASHINGTON, March 6 –(AP)–Chairman Vinson (D-Ga) predicted Saturday night that the house naval committee would approve a measure to curb absenteeism among war workers next week "beyond a shadow of a doubt" and said he would fight any move to tack a "dry" rider to the bill.

His statement came amid efforts by prohibition advocates to restrict or eliminate altogether the sale of liquor in industrial areas for the duration of the war in connection with the drive against absenteeism.

Although there has been no effort yet to organize the anti-liquor advocates, some of them are considering offering the "dry" rider to the absenteeism bill to "cure Monday morning hangovers," as Rep. Rees (R-Kans) put it.

Kaiser Buys Plane Plant

NEW YORK, March 6–(AP)–Henry J. Kaiser, west coast shipbuilder, announced Saturday that the Kaiser company, as such, has acquired its first aircraft plant, and that his goal will be "more and more production."

His statement disclosed that arrangements have been made for the Kaiser company to purchase all stock of Fleetwings, Inc., now manufacturing aircraft for the United States army air corps.

The aircraft company, which has two plants at Bristol, Pa., and another plant approaching completion near that city, has been engaged in development and manufacture of original aircraft for the past 15 years.

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Session Puts Sanction on 35 Big Acts

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12. Passed constructive commercial fish legislation.

13. Increased old age assistance.

14. Referred to the voters a plan for aiding veterans of the present war.

15. Instituted a judges' retirement plan.

16. Legalized civilian defense.

17. Passed innumerable bills providing for cooperation in the war effort.

18. Removed women's optional exemption from jury service.

19. Tightened the laws which bring in revenue to the irreducible school fund.

20. Raised teachers' minimum salaries.

21. Provided for education of handicapped children.

22. Legalized "for the duration" the operation of long trucks.

23. Abolished the World war veterans' state aid commission.

24. Raised the salaries of nearly all county officers in Oregon.

25. Raised many state employes' salaries.

26. Provided much more adequately for operation of the state hospital.

27. Passed legislation designed to prevent poisoning tragedies such as occurred at the state hospital.

28. Paid off all inter-fund state debts.

29. Amended the insurance code, requiring qualification of solicitors by examination.

30. Improved the forestry code.

31. Enacted a statute of limitations applying to claims for back overtime pay.

32. Authorized taxation of the dairy industry for advertising dairy products.

33. Permitted counties, cities and school districts to create reserve funds for post-war use.

34. Corrected the state code of laws.

35. Balanced the budget.

Getting back to the fortified wine issue, after Gov. Snell signed the Burke bill there were immediate reports of a referendum movement, and this put rather a different light on the bill now reposing in the senate alcoholic traffic committee, regulating hours of fortified wine sale and requiring permits. For one thing, if the Burke bill is referred, enactment of the other bill would involve no question of the Burke bill's "repeal by inference." For another, it would afford some regulation until the referendum could be decided.

The legislature may on Monday face a big new issue: that of providing alternative sources of funds for old age assistance if liquor revenues are halted or drastically reduced. A warning in this connection was voiced by Fred Paulus, deputy state treasurer, at a meeting of the joint ways and means committee Saturday.

At the same meeting it was announced that general fund appropriations are $202,031.31 within the budget. There was a cushion of $688,000 in the budget prepared by Gov. Charles A. Sprague and Budget Officer Aiken, but some additional necessary items were pointed out later. Appropriations approved by the committee aggregate $22,718,059.18, as compared to recommendations of $21,621,441.61.

Berlin Admits More Killed

STOCKHOLM, March 6 –(AP)–Communications from Berlin Saturday said the victims in the British raid on Berlin March 1 now totaled 487 killed and 377 seriously injured.

The need for windowglass is impossible to fill in the near future, these advices said, and shops will get only ordinary glass for their windows until the war's end.

Only those bombed out and hospitals will be permitted to buy light bulbs, and other persons were ordered to put all bulbs not absolutely necessary in reserve.

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Roosevelt Lauds Negroes, Press

NEW YORK, March 6 –(AP) President Roosevelt, in a letter Saturday to the Negro Newspaper Publishers Association of America, celebrating National Negro Newspaper week, said the observance has "particular significance this year."

Freedom of the press, the president said, was one of the things for which the nation is fighting.

The president's letter was read over the Columbia Broadcasting system's network Saturday on a program which ended the fifth annual observance of National Newspaper week and the 116th anniversary of the American Negro press.

Icebreaker Ahead Of River Schedule

ST. LOUIS, March 6 –(AP)–Although confronted by ice packs ten feet high at Clarksville, Mo., the precedent - breaking coast guard drive to smash all Mississippi river ice northward to Minneapolis and St. Paul was still ahead of schedule Saturday.

The Del Commune, US engineers' vessel plans to reach Hannibal, Mo., by Monday, and Rock Island, Ill., by March 15.

Ice up to 24 inches thick was expected north of Dubuque, Iowa.

Farmer Draft Calls Delayed

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cal form boards greater influence.

Meanwhile a house appropriations subcommittee slashed by more than 50 per cent the funds sought by the agriculture department to recruit farm labor. The action was aimed not at the recruiting program itself but was designed to bring the administration's program more in line with congressional views.

The manpower commission issued this memorandum to draft boards:

"Having made its decision that an individual registrant is necessary to and regularly engaged in an agricultural occupation or endeavor essential to the war effort, the local board has no further discretion and must defer the registrant.

"No desire to meet calls for manpower should in any manner influence the local board's decision. Calls which cannot be met without taking registrants considered necessary to and regularly engaged in agriculture occupations or endeavors essential to the war effort should be left unfilled."

The selective service system said nearly 500,000 farm workers had been placed in 2-C and 3-C in recent weeks. About 171,000 were transferred to those classes in January alone.

It estimated that more than 3,-000,000 farm workers will have received agricultural deferment by the end of the year. Some 6500 farm workers are being reclassified daily into deferred status.

Reorganization Aspects Shown

PORTLAND, March 6 –(AP) Technical aspects of reorganization plans for the Portland Electric Power company were presented in a brief security and exchange commission hearing Saturday.

Attorneys questioned Thomas W. Delzell, independent trustee, on the trustees' plan.

Two editorials from The Oregon Statesman, dealing with a telephone conversation between Paul J. Raver, Bonneville administrator, and Ormond Bean, state public utilities commissioner, on a proposed Portland General Electric rate reduction, were excluded from the record as hearsay evidence.

The editorials said Raver opposed the rate reduction. Raver in earlier testimony denied this.

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