

Patton Says Farmers Union For Subsidies

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Woodburn local won the first three positions in the oratorical contest in which juniors took part. Janet Nims, Ray Arney and Donna Dean were first, second, and third. Howard Mader and Leonard Perlich, both of Bethel, finished in fourth and fifth place. Cleo Schroeder and Naomi Schudski and Marilyn McLaughlin entered in the oratory contest. Judges were Cornelia Marvin Pierce, Agnes Booth and Rev. Willard B. Hall of Salem.

Curtis Lamb of Polk county, junior president, presided at the convention meeting. Marion Beutler, Marion county, was secretary in charge. Bethel local placed first in the contest for presentation of skits and Woodburn's skit was second.

Vernon Johnson of Marion county welcomed the delegates and Sammy Barker of Polk county made the response. County reports were given by Mrs. Percy Lamb for Polk county, Josephine Sommers for Linn county, and Vernon Johnson for Marion county.

The junior Woodburn local was awarded the Jessie Williams achievement cup at the banquet Wednesday night. The presentation was made by Mrs. Williams. The cup given by Mr. and Mrs. Harley Libby was presented to the Polk county junior unit and Jordan local in Linn county won the Herman E. Lafky cup awarded annually. The Williams and Libby cups are continuing awards and remain in the possession of the winner until won by another group.

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Salem Grangers Plan Canning Contest, Learn Committees

Announcement of standing committees for the year and explanation of the rules and prizes for the annual canning contest were chief items of business to come before members of Salem grange No. 17 at a meeting Wednesday night in the Woman's club house.

US Carrier Force Bombs Marianas

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north of Guam, American island captured by the Japanese in December, 1941. As in the strike at Truk, detailed information was lacking, due to the necessity of imposing radio silence for protection of the vessels in the striking force.

The communique said the task force "struck Saipan and Tinian" islands, indicating the attack lasted but one day, or a portion of it. In announcing the slash at Truk Nimitz said it had "commenced," giving the distinct impression that it was still in progress at the time of the announcement. Subsequent information made it clear that Truk was attacked for two days, February 16 and 17.

There was nothing to indicate whether the carrier based planes had caught enemy warships in Tanpang harbor, on the western (or China) side of Saipan. It seemed probable, however, that some units of the Japanese fleet, as well as merchant vessels, may have been there as Saipan is an important link in the chain of enemy naval bases and is not far from Tokyo.

When Japan took over the Mariana islands under a League of Nations mandate, following World war I, it was stipulated that she was not to fortify them. However, some few travelers who visited Saipan before the outbreak of the present war reported feverish activity on the island. There were indications that a submarine base had been built, although Japan denied this.

Tinian is a naval air base and, with Saipan, was believed to have good airfields. Both bases probably were used as staging fields for warplanes to be sent to island outposts in the Carolines and Marshalls and into the south and southwest Pacific.

A fleet spokesman said 28 or more Nipponese were taken prisoner on Eniwetok and Engebi islands, on Eniwetok atoll. It was estimated that there were 3000 Japanese on Eniwetok atoll when it was invaded last Thursday, about equally divided on the three principal islands—Eniwetok, Engebi and Parry.

With capture of Parry yesterday evening, the conquest of Eniwetok atoll was thus completed in six days.

Pius Apprehensive

LONDON, Feb. 23. — (AP) — Pope Pius XII told parish priests of Rome today that "a growing menace approaches," but expressed the opinion the Eternal city could be saved by good will in the camps of both belligerents, the Vatican radio said tonight.

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A movie of sugar making at the beet sugar plant in Nyssa preceded the contest announcement. Three hundred and twenty eight prizes will be awarded in the three divisions, women's, men's and youth's. Theodore G. Nelson, Salem grange master, revealed, with \$100 war bonds being first prize in each division, \$50 bonds second prize and \$25 bonds for third prizes. Over 700 pounds of sugar will be distributed for lesser awards.

The grange voted favorably upon applications for membership from Judge and Mrs. James T. Brand, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Harms, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Larkin and Mrs. John Carlin. Mrs. L. R. M. Pierce reported that \$9.10 had been collected for the infantile paralysis fund. Members decided to designate the last meeting in each calendar quarter, the next being March 22, as a social meeting. The social affairs committee will be in charge.

Standing committees announced by Mr. Nelson include: agriculture, Freeman P. Phipps, chairman, A. A. Geer, W. W. Chadwick, R. T. Wicklander and J. F. Svinth; auditing, Alice Mathew, chairman, Fred Klaus and Cora P. Geer; cooperation, S. P. Laughlin, chairman, John Carlin and Fred Klaus; industrial relations, Max Gehlar, chairman, Ray Yocum and William Bliven.

Legislative, Otto Paulus, chairman, David O'Hara and J. E. Smith; membership, S. B. Laughlin, chairman, Minnie Wicklander, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dorf and Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Weir; postwar, George H. Swift, George Rossman and H. R. Crawford; public power, L. R. M. Pierce, Roy Hewitt and O. A. Olson; social affairs (to be in charge of the March 22 meeting), Maude P. Stegner, chairman, M. B. Stegner, Anna Pierce and Lena Hewitt; youth, F. E. Neer and Leonard E. Judson; welfare, M. B. Stegner, Andrew C. Burke, Alfred Mundt, L. E. Barrick and A. M. Dalrymple.

The executive committee, a standing group elected by grange membership includes Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Minnie Wicklander, E. E. Buckles, F. P. Phipps and F. H. Weir. Its duties are to oversee grange affairs between meetings and to report periodically to the grange.

Women members have formed a Home Economics club to promote interest in modern homemaking, decorate the hall for meetings and assist in financing community and charity projects. Florence E. Buckles, 1943 chairman, has called a meeting at the home of Mrs. M. B. Stegner, Cottage and Marion streets at 2 p. m. Tuesday to organize for 1944.

Police Find Pinball Machine in Creek

A pinball machine of the "Ace High" variety taken into Salem city police station Tuesday was picked up without raid or arrest, officers said. The brightly-colored paper covering of the wooden device was almost unmarred by the creek water from which it was taken but back boards were badly warped. The game, illegal in commercial establishments, was found in Mill creek near the intersection of Center and 14th streets.

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Barkley Offers Resignation In Protest

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Barkley called a caucus of democratic senators for 10:30 a. m. (EWT) tomorrow, when the question of electing his successor will arise. Several colleagues predicted Barkley's reelection would be virtually unanimous and from the house side Rep. McCormack of Massachusetts, majority leader there, said "I hope he's reelected. It would be a fine thing."

An hour and a half after the caucus the house will take up the question of overriding the president's veto and enacting the revenue bill into law despite the chief executive's disapproval. With Rep. Doughton conducting a vigorous campaign for the measure, there were strong prospects the veto would be overridden.

In fact administration supporters contended late in the day that the veto would be overridden in the house. One of the president's closest friends told newspapermen, after a survey of the membership, that probably no more than 100 of the 429 house members would vote to sustain the president—"certainly no more than 110." The spokesman asked that his name not be used.

Barkley—the president's "Dear Alben" of past contests at the capital and on the political hustings—gave the senate one of its memorable dramas of many years in announcing his resignation.

Emotionally wrought, his voice frequently breaking, he told his colleagues, with reference to the veto message, that it was "the first time during my long service, which I had thought was honorable, that I have been accused of voting for a bill that would extend relief to the greedy and impoverish the needy."

"Other members may do as they please," he said. "I do not propose to take this unjustifiable assault lying down."

Concluding, he shouted: "If the congress of the United States has any self respect left it will override this veto and enact this tax bill into law."

Although senate rules forbid there was a roar of applause when Barkley finished. From both republican and democratic sides, senators hurried to shake his hand. Only a few remained seated.

Vice President Wallace was in the presiding officer's chair when Barkley took the floor, but he surrendered the gavel to Sen. Murdock (D-Utah) and left the chamber.

As Wallace left, scores of house members dribbled in to stand in the rear of the chamber, for word has spread throughout the capitol that the democratic leader was about to break with the president.

Barkley's term as senator expires next January and it has been expected that he will be a candidate for re-election. When he met with reporters after his senate address one of them mentioned that fact.

The Kentuckian remarked that he was "utterly indifferent as to what the political consequences may be to me."

"You want that 'off the record'?" asked an aide.

"No," Barkley said. "On the record."

The president had asked for \$10,000,000,000 in new revenue, and in his veto message had remarked that some persons thought even this figure was far too low. This was an obvious reference to Wendell Willkie, and Barkley seized upon it for some of his most biting words.

Willkie, the senator said, is "the up-to-date Halley's comet darting across the heavens higher and yon in an array of figures that normal people cannot understand."

"I cannot imagine," he added, "whether this celestial nomad has frightened the president into using a figure quite as fantastic, although not as large."

Hannegan Says GOP Aspirants Untested

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 23. — (AP) — Chairman Robert E. Hannegan of the democratic national committee has referred to republican presidential aspirants as "untested pretenders" to national leadership on which the electorate could not afford to "take chances" in these critical times.

"What could hearten Hitler, or the Japanese war lords, more than tidings that America has repudiated the administration of Franklin Roosevelt?"

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Army Takes On Water, Power Operation

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ploye of the department and possibly some additional men will be required to make vital repairs to the city power system. He made public a memorandum from Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell giving him authority to call upon any branch of the army for needed personnel.

A spokesman for Col. Putnam said that if necessary, soldiers will be detailed from technical commands to perform actual work in restoring service to war plants, and that additional civilian help will be employed without regard to city civil service status.

It was stated that first attention would be given to war plants and hospitals and that repairs would follow on lines to business and residential consumers.

The municipal property seized included, in addition to that in California, the city-operated power plants at Boulder dam and transmission lines in Nevada.

Yank Planes Blast Steyr Plane Plants

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the most aggressive yet met. They dropped "flaming bolts of fire" at the bombers. These were believed to be time-fused bombs intended to break up formations. Flak was moderate.

The announcement from strategic air force headquarters left no doubt of immense progress in the campaign to destroy German fighter plants and planes.

Listing 310 German fighters as shot from the sky Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, the statement said, "before the precision bombers began their concentrated attacks upon the German aircraft industry months ago, heavy losses inflicted on the Luftwaffe in the air caused little reduction in its net strength. Losses were replaced quickly by new planes."

"Now, however, fighter production capacity has been so reduced that each existing plane knocked down is a vital contribution."

"If these defenses are destroyed, our casualties in the invasion will be reduced greatly and war industries and communications throughout Germany will be left open to bombing without interference from fighter planes."

Stockholm Protest But Russians Deny

By EDWIN SHANKE STOCKHOLM, Feb. 23. — (AP) Sweden will protest to Moscow Thursday in regard to the bombs which were dropped on Stockholm Tuesday night, the foreign office said tonight.

It was officially stated that not more than three foreign aircraft were over Stockholm at the time the explosions fell.

Russian markings were found on bomb fragments at Straengnaes, 40 miles west of Stockholm, the official Swedish telegraph agency said today.

However, the Russian communique denied that soviet planes were in the Stockholm area.

Richelieu Working With Allied Fleet

LONDON, Feb. 23. — (AP) — Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told the house of commons today that the 35,000-ton French battleship Richelieu, damaged by the British at Dakar in 1940, "at this moment is working with the allied fleet."

The Richelieu, still uncompleted, reached Dakar in June, 1940, after leaving Brest a few hours before the German army entered the city. A few hours after her arrival British forces sent a torpedo into her starboard side, smashing a propeller shaft, bending the keel and knocking a hole in the hull.

Foglight Stolen

Theft of a foglight from his car as it stood parked in the driveway of his home was reported by Dean Goodman, 1520 State street, to city police Wednesday.

Snell to Speak

FOREST GROVE, Feb. 23. — (AP) — Gov. Earl Snell will speak at the 14th anniversary of the opening of the American Legion hall here Thursday night.

Nazis Mass For New Blow At Beachhead

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relieved at least temporarily of the necessity of helping defend the beachhead, resumed their long-distance campaign against Germany with a destructive attack on the Messerschmitt plane works at Regensburg, but light and fighter-bombers of the 12th tactical force maintained the assault on Kesselring's ground forces.

Allied heavy bombers also pounded an enemy air field at Zagreb and harbors at Zara and Sibenik in Yugoslavia. In all, allied planes of the Mediterranean force flew about 1600 sorties yesterday, while nazis activity over the beachhead amounted to 130 sorties.

Patrol activity and artillery duels supplied the only action reported from the main Fifth and Eighth army fronts. Allied artillery discouraged an enemy attempt to infiltrate around Fifth army outposts on two peaks northwest of Cassino.

As additional details continued to come in of the fighting that took place on the beachhead from Wednesday through Saturday of last week it became ever more apparent that the Germans suffered much their heaviest casualties of the Italian campaign in their desperate effort to reach the sea. One American battalion alone counted 500 German dead in front of its positions southeast of Carroceto, most of them slaughtered by American artillery fires.

Reds Press Into Dno, Gain 44 Miles

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ern front our detaching movements southwest and west of Lake Ilmen were continued according to plan."

In the advance on Dno more than 150 populated places, including five railway stations, were taken by the Russians as they reached the northern and eastern outskirts of the town. The Russians are "engaged in street fighting" here, the communique said. Dno is half way between Staraya Russa, captured last week, and Pskov.

Other forces driving down the railway from Leningrad and Luga took 30 more towns and hamlets.

Soviet troops northwest of Pskov were last reported nearest this city where four railroads and two highways join. These troops, about 25 miles away, were fighting in difficult marsh and forest country where Moscow has reported no gains in recent days.

To the south in the Ukraine the big Black sea ports of Nikolayev and Kherson were brought under pressure by the red army following the reoccupation of Krivoriog.

Paasikivi Leaves For Helsinki

By JOHN H. COLBURN STOCKHOLM, Feb. 23. — (AP) Giving the impression of a man whose mission had been none too successful, Finland's special peace emissary, Juhani K. Paasikivi, left Stockholm for Helsinki today, refusing to discuss negotiations for getting his country out of the war.

As the former Finnish cabinet minister and Mrs. Paasikivi boarded the Helsinki-bound plane, ending their 10-day stay here, all indications pointed to a lack of any substantial progress towards Finland's withdrawal from the conflict with Russia.

Obituary

Genre Roy Constant Genre, at the family residence on route 4. Survived by his wife, Mrs. Letty Genre of route 4; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Owen and Mrs. Celia Richards, both of Ridgway, Mont.; one brother, Horace Genre of Barton, ND. Announcements to be made later by the Walker-Howell Funeral home.

ON the HOME FRONT

By EABEL CHILDS

A drive which brought its contributors in Marion county approximately \$3000 yesterday a day brought to them also the congratulations of State Salvage Chairman Claude I. Sersanous and the state salvage committee.

A total of approximately 400,000 pounds of waste paper was gathered in Marion county, largely by school children, churches and civic organizations. Bush school collected the largest amount and received therefor \$211.24, while the junior chamber of commerce, which worked much of the downtown area was paid \$187.61.

In Marion county, Gardner Knapp, salvage chairman points out, there has been no burning of the books. Much of the paper collected was in form of textbooks dated from 1910 to 1925, which by educators may be deemed as important an accomplishment as the aid in war production. If geographies are as voluminous as they were when we went to school just think what a waste paper campaign can be carried on at the close of the war!

Mayor Names Crossland

Pat Crossland, president of the Salem junior chamber of commerce, which organization has already expressed its interest in seeking a new form of government for Salem, was Wednesday named chairman of the special committee which is to study types of municipal governments and recommend change or retention of the present mayor-council form.

Mayor I. M. Doughton appointed to serve on the committee Dan Fry, who urged a change at the time of his recent resignation from the city council; Chris Kowitz, Aldermen Elmer Berg and Kenneth Perry.

At the same time he announced appointment of Howard Maple to the city's postwar planning committee to take the place among the aldermen members left vacant by resignation of Fry from the council. Fry was left as chairman of the committee, which includes private citizens as well as councilmen.

Marines, Army Join to Clean New Britain

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there was an important airbase, were heavily pounded with hundreds of tons of bombs.

The marines captured the airbase four days after landing at Cape Gloucester, and then started their push eastward, after overcoming stiff resistance by the enemy's veterans of fighting on Bataan, at Hill 660.

The army meanwhile consolidated its position at Arawo on the south coast and then pushed westward and to the north in the move to meet the marines.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique also announced that medium and heavy bombers sank three freighters and a small enemy warship off New Ireland and north of New Guinea.

Officials claimed that 1000 enemy barges, craft which the Japanese have used almost exclusively for the supply of their beleaguered garrisons in the south and southwest Pacific, have been sunk in the New Guinea and New Britain areas in the last seven months.

Allied bombers again hit Rabaul, the enemy base in northeastern New Britain, this time with 130 tons of bombs. As in the last previous reported raid, there was no interference from Japanese aircraft.

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