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ger, let alone the security of India.

"The opinion expressed in an American paper that the fall of Imphal would be of little importance is erroneous. Our commanders have no intention that Imphal should fall into the enemy's hands."

A communique from Adm. Lord Louis Mountbatten's headquarters disclosed that one Japanese invasion column had broken through to the main highway running from Imphal to Kohima, 60 miles to the north, and had damaged a bridge before being driven back. Another enemy party was reported north of Kohima, striking toward the main allied supply system serving the Burma front. Japanese pressure also remained heavy near Palel, 24 miles southeast of Imphal.

A Japanese patrol, operating well ahead of the enemy force thrusting in from the southeast, was reported to have reached within a dozen miles of Imphal.

The Japanese-dominated Singapore radio claimed Japanese captured the Mashan road junction between Imphal and Kohima, "virtually isolating" the British-Indian fourth army.

The broadcast said the defending forces "face imminent destruction as a result of the change in Japanese strategy from destroying individual units to the general crushing of all enemy resistance."

The Tokyo radio reported Japanese also are slashing at British efforts to supply cut-off forces by air.

Cornett to Manage Cordon Campaign

PORTLAND, March 31—(P)—Marshall Cornett, Klamath Falls businessman and state senator from Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson, Klamath and Lake counties, will manage the campaign of US Sen. Guy Cordon, candidate for election to the four-year term in the nation's senate, Cordon announced here this week.

Cornett will forget his own campaign while he manages that of the man who was appointed early this month to succeed the late Sen. Charles L. McNary.

Henry Easterly Dies

PORTLAND, March 31—(P)—Henry M. Easterly, 70, former democratic committeeman from Oregon, and a Portland attorney since 1904, died here today.

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ON the HOME FRONT

By HAZEL CHILDS

They relaxed last night to the music of a good dance orchestra, and on their shoulders or coat lapels they wore white gardenias or scarlet carnations, celebrating the fact that they will soon be out of jobs.

Doesn't sound cheerful, but it was.

"They" are the employes of the United Producers cannery at Liberty.

And last night they were guests at the Liberty grange hall of R. C. Jory. What they were really celebrating is the approaching close of the longest food packing season the cannery has known during its 10 years of operation.

Wednesday it, and they, will complete a pack of carrots, "without a single grower losing a single carrot," Jory said Friday night.

The cannery has operated since the beginning of the spinach pack May 15. So, you see, although many of the boys and girls who trod the light fantastic last night will be out of work Wednesday, their vacations won't be very long, for they plan to repeat the performance in 1944-45.

Dewey Insists Name Be Off Oregon Ballot

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petition of 1000 registered voters of his party.

The Dewey petition movement was started here January 30. Dewey protested a month later but his backers declared they would go ahead.

The petition entering Dewey in the May primary had not been filed late today. Unless filed by 5 p.m. Tuesday the only republican presidential candidate on the ballot will be Wendell Willkie and Oregon's 15 delegates to the national convention will be pledged to vote for his nomination. Willkie previously filed as a candidate through the state central committee.

Petitions to put President Roosevelt's name on the Oregon democratic primary ballot will be completed before the Tuesday deadline, party leaders said today.

Benefit Dance Exceeds \$625

Outside ticket sale returns not yet complete, \$625 revenue from Red Cross benefit dances was in the hands of the sponsors Friday night.

Throngs of dancers who enjoyed the music of both Crystal Gardens and Trailblazer orchestras milled from the gardens to the armory and back again during the evening.

Contributions of 17-year-old Barbara Schulz, Portland coloratura soprano, and of Pat O'Hara, Independence, who regularly appears as an entertainer at Legion dances here, received enthusiastic applause at intermissions in the armory dance, sponsored by the Federated Patriotic Societies of the city.

The dance at Crystal Gardens was sponsored and the hall and orchestra donated by Otto Kllett.

Shipyards Said Still Short Labor

PORTLAND, March 31—(P)—Shipyards workers would be assured of jobs even if one shift was eliminated at yards here, L. C. Stoll, Oregon manpower director, said today.

The possibility of eliminating one shift is being studied, but this would not mean any manpower reduction, he said.

The labor supply is still short, he said, in urging workers not to leave their jobs.

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US Transport Plane Downed By Mistake

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a time when the war department was under criticism for long delays in reporting some unfavorable incidents of the war and was defending itself on grounds that useful information must be withheld from the enemy.

In a letter made public in Kansas City only today, Major General A. D. Surlis, director of army public relations, acknowledged that "general misunderstanding concerning the reasons for our reluctance to give our information is having a detrimental effect on the public's support of the war department and the army."

The letter, released by the war department, was written to Roy A. Roberts, managing editor of the Kansas City Star and president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors. Roberts had written the war department saying there was growing uneasiness in the nation that the army was not always withholding information for security reasons alone.

Reds Get Back Jap Coal, Oil

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with the changing fortunes of war in favor of the allies.

A high-ranking diplomat called the agreement "a great contribution" to the allied cause and said that Russia's agreement to furnish Japan oil after the war would probably meet with no objection from the United States or Britain because these two countries expect to win against Japan.

One diplomat said the new protocol was "the next best thing to giving us bases."

Cordon to Get Snell Support

Support of Gov. Earl Snell will go to Guy Cordon in the US senatorial campaign in the primaries, the governor declared here Friday.

Cordon's "decision to become a candidate was his own," Snell said, having pointed out that the "appointment was made without any strings attached or recommendations made." He added, "The announcement of his candidacy to fill out the term of the late Sen. McNary will afford the republican voters of Oregon an opportunity to make a selection from men well qualified."

"I appointed Mr. Cordon as United States senator because I was confident he would do an outstanding job at Washington. I haven't changed my mind. He will, of course, receive my support."

Both Cordon and Charles A. Sprague, Statesman publisher and former governor, have announced they would be candidates for the republican nomination to succeed the late Sen. Charles L. McNary in the US senate.

Oaks Polish Angels

ANAHEIM, Calif., March 31—(P)—Oakland combed Southpaw Boyd Tepler's offerings at will today and shellacked Los Angeles by a 12 to 1 count.

Johnny Marshall, Oakland pitcher, handcuffed the Angels with three scattered blows while Manager Dolph Camilli and Jake Caulfield of the Oaks each slam-

In Sheriff Race



Denver Young, whose resignation as chief deputy sheriff of Marion county became effective last night, has announced that he plans to file today as a republican candidate for the sheriff's office now held by A. C. Burk, democrat.

Young to Run For Sheriff

Denver Young, deputy in the office of Sheriff A. C. Burk the past two years, will seek the republican nomination for sheriff, he announced last night as he retired from the chief deputyship.

Young, who resigned his position in the sheriff's office early in March, said he had decided to run after he had been approached by substantial citizens "representing no interest except the welfare of the county" from various sections of Marion county.

Upon his experience as a businessman with a knowledge of taxation and as an officer with an interest in studying and practicing best methods of law enforcement, he said he would base his campaign.

Cooperation with other law enforcement agencies, and with the juvenile court, Young declared, would be one of the planks of his platform.

Prior to entering the sheriff's office, Young operated his own tile business here. He is an active member of the Salem Lions and Toastmasters clubs.

Soviets Close In on Odessa

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island in the southeastern corner of old Poland, 70 miles northwest of Czernowitz, Bucovina capital taken Thursday.

At Czernowitz the Russians said today their troops killed more than 1500 Germans, captured 900, and also destroyed or captured 40 enemy transport planes before the craft could take off.

Teachers Ask More State Funds

PORTLAND, March 31—(P)—The Oregon State Teachers association will ask for an additional \$5,000,000 in state funds for public school districts at the November elections, association officials said today.

The representative council of the association voted today to submit to voters by initiative petition a proposed constitutional amendment to provide the money.

The amendment would raise state participation in school district costs to about \$12,722,000 annually—including the \$5,000,000 annually from excess earnings of the state income tax.

Loneragan Held Guilty, Murder In 2nd Degree

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fixed April 17 for sentencing.

The cold, stolid poise with which Lonergan had conducted himself since the beginning of the trial remained with him as the decision of the jury was read.

The only visible traces of emotion were that he stood with his head slightly bowed, bit his lips and blinked as the verdict was read.

The trial turned the spotlight on high life in cafe society, with smartly clad witnesses describing events before and after the crime, but the prosecution based its case chiefly on Lonergan's purported confession.

In it he was quoted as saying that he battered and choked his wife to death as she lay unclothed on her massive mahogany and bronze bed Sunday morning, October 24, after both had been on gay rounds of night clubs—but not together.

He declared in the statement that he and his wife quarreled violently, accusing one another of unfaithfulness, and that he struck her with an antique candle holder when she said she never would permit him to see their baby son again.

The prosecution contended, however, in its summing up that Lonergan killed her with premeditation in resentment at being cut off from her money after they became estranged.

The defense directed its chief attack at the purported confession, with Defense Attorney Edward V. Broderick contending it was obtained under duress.

Nazi Prisoners Go on Strike In Colorado

TRINIDAD, Colo., March 31—(P)—Lt. Col. Lambert B. Cain, commander of the German prisoner of war camp nearby, disclosed today that the prisoners went on strike last Saturday and Sunday after the camp was searched for three guns stolen from an escort guard's quarters last week and which are still missing.

Colonel Cain disclosed also that a quantity of home-made liquor—fermented raisins and other fruit—was found in the prisoners' compound in the search for the missing weapons.

Also found in the prisoners' compound, said the colonel, were "a quantity" of crude knives made from razor blades and pieces of wood.

He said there was no violence during the prisoners' strike, which he described as "a sit-down strike," and that he induced the prisoners to return to work by giving orders that their food be withheld from them.

The colonel said he was at a loss to determine exactly how or by whom the three guns—two revolvers and an army carbine—were stolen.

"Now it might have been that someone in the camp other than a prisoner took the guns," he said.

Colonel Cain said that it required every officer stationed at the camp to search the prisoners' compound after it was discovered that the guns were missing.

"I was in Omaha at the time," he said. "When advised of the situation, I gave orders that food be withheld from the prisoners until they agreed to go back to work. Upon my return from Omaha Monday, I called in a German colonel and succeeding in getting the men back at work."

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing



Pvt. Lloyd E. Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wright, Salem, is at present attending engineering school in Ireland, according to his wife, who recently was taken to a Salem hospital for treatment of an injury received at a Toledo mill. Pvt. Wright has been overseas since October, 1943.

Homer Whiting Plunkett, 1825 North 22nd street; William Clarence Lippert, route 4, and Donald Ely Stinnette, 261 North 20th street, left Portland March 28 for marine "boot camp" at San Diego.

UNIONVALE — Lt. Dean W. Tate, US army air corps bombardier, has returned to his base in England, according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Tate of Newberg. They were notified more than a month ago that he was missing in action over Europe and the fact of his return was made known to them in a cablegram. Then two letters were received by his parents March 29. The letters were written March 20. He expects to be home on furlough.

Reunion of four Salem boys in the south Pacific with the Marine Raiders, is reported in a letter received by Mrs. W. D. Peary, Salem, from her son, Leon D. Peary. Young Peary states that he and a companion, Ian Thompson, Salem, ran onto two other home town boys, Frank Ness and Robert Kroepelin.

Qualification as sharpshooter with the 30 calibre rifle has been attained by Pvt. Darius Z. Morgall, son of Ralph J. Morgall, 1460 North 19th street, his qualifying score being 168 out of a possible 195. Pvt. Morgall is stationed at Camp Kohler, Calif.

Lt. John Lindbeck is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lindbeck, 575 Rose street, until Monday, being on leave from sea duty in the north Pacific. Lt. Lindbeck spent the early portion of his leave with his wife at Wilmington, Del. He formerly was an amateur magician of prominence in this vicinity.

On the way back to his San Diego base is William W. Ames, marine, following a furlough spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ames, route 6. The Ames have two other sons in the service, Earl, overseas with the marines, and serving overseas.

EL SINORE
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TIM RYAN

Latest News—Color Cartoon
"Early Worm Gets the Bird"

Widow Given Swatzberg's Silver Star

CAMP ADAIR, Ore., March 31 (Special)—Presentation of the decoration for the posthumous award of the silver star to 2nd Lt. Gerald H. Swatzberg was made Wednesday to his widow, Mrs. Gerald Swatzberg of Salem, by Col. S. D. Hays, post commander of Camp Adair. The award, by direction of the president, was given for Lt. Swatzberg's extraordinary heroism in action in Sicily last August.

"During the morning of August 7, 1943, near San Fratello, Sicily," the citation reads, "Lieutenant Swatzberg was leading his rifle platoon in an attack on an enemy position when his platoon was suddenly met by rifle and machine-gun fire. Lt. Swatzberg immediately ordered his platoon to take firing positions and open fire. He then took an automatic rifle team and placed them on the right of his platoon to fire on the enemy's flank so that the rest of his men could continue to advance. He returned and found the fire was heavier and heavy mortar shells had injured three of his riflemen. He then ordered his men to withdraw to better positions. Because the fire was so heavy several members did not receive the order. Lt. Swatzberg personally crawled to these members and ordered them to move. Making sure that all members of his platoon were safe, the lieutenant started to withdraw when he was hit with a machine-gun burst. Although mortally wounded, and concerned only with the safety of his men, he refused their help and ordered them to take cover."

Lt. Swatzberg was the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Swatzberg of Santa Barbara, Calif. Mrs. Gerald Swatzberg, widow of Lt. Swatzberg, was formerly Miss Bertha Klorfein, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Klorfein, 1415 South Liberty street, Salem.

Memorial Services Sunday for Lt. Little

Memorial services for Lt. Ernest Little, killed after an airplane accident near St. Augustine, Florida, will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Newberg Nazarene church.

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