

By Charles F. Sprague

The Coos Bay Times has advanced the suggestion that the state use its credit and borrow money in order to expedite completion of the highway reconstruction...

There are some sound arguments in favor of issuing bonds to speed up the work. Interest rates are now very low; the cost of the money to the state would run between one and two percent for a bond with maturity of 10 to 15 years.

Truman Offers French Part In Occupation

WASHINGTON, May 18-(P)—President Truman, reaffirming America's historic friendship with France, today expressed a desire to meet General Charles De Gaulle and offered the French a portion of the American occupation zone in Germany.

Canada Plans Pacific Force

EDMONTON, Alta., May 18-(P)—Canada will send about 30,000 soldiers, a naval force of 13,500 and an unspecified number of air force personnel into the war against Japan, Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced today.

7th Bond Sales Go To 20 Million Mark

PORTLAND, May 18-(P)—Seventh War Loan bond sales topped the \$20,000,000 mark today, aimed at a \$110,000,000 goal. Sale of E bonds totals \$12,500,000 of a \$5,000,000 quota.

Political Machinery Rolls for Selection of New Postmaster

Local democratic circles are springing to life with reports of an impending vacancy in the Salem postmaster's office, now held by Henry R. Crawford.

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Reds Will Not Budge On Poland

Stalin Tells Why 16 Pole Leaders Were Arrested

LONDON, Saturday, May 19-(P)—Premier Marshal Stalin declared today the Polish question could be solved by agreement between the allies only "if in reconstruction of the Polish provisional government the latter is recognized as the basic core of the future Polish government of national unity."

His statement, broadcast by the Moscow radio, said that the reorganization "must be in accord with the Crimea decisions," because no deviations from these decisions can be permitted.

Stalin laid down two additional conditions under which allied unity over Poland could be achieved. They were: Must Be Friendly

"If as a result of the reconstruction a government is created in Poland which will pursue a policy of friendship with the Soviet union and not a policy of 'cordon sanitaire' against the Soviet union."

Stalin's statement came in reply to a letter from Ralph Parker, Moscow correspondent of the London Times, asking for a statement from the head of the Soviet government on the arrest of 16 leaders in the Polish exile government.

Stalin said it was untrue that the Poles were invited for negotiations with Soviet authorities because "Soviet authorities do not and will not conduct negotiations with those who break the law dealing with the protection of the Red army rear."

Stalin declared the arrest of 16 Polish leaders "with the well-known diversionist general Okulski at their head" had not connection with the question of the reconstruction of the Polish provisional government.

Fritz Kuhn to Be Sent Back To Homeland

WASHINGTON, May 18-(P)—An order deporting Fritz Kuhn, former German-American bund leader, back to now-conquered Germany was announced today by the justice department.

For the 49-year-old Kuhn the order opened no prospect for renewing his activities. He has been under detention in this country as a "trouble maker" and officials said that on his arrival in Germany he will be dealt with as the U.S. army sees fit.

The ouster was ordered by the board of immigration appeals who classified him as an undesirable alien. It was the result of a series of legal proceedings involving his conviction in 1939 of larceny of bond funds and a denaturalization action taken by the government in 1942.

Sen. Morse, Host, Misses Oregon Salmon Dinner

WASHINGTON, May 18-(P)—Around 130 senators and newspapermen dined today on Oregon salmon, but one of the hosts missed his lunch entirely.

Senator Morse (R-Ore.), who issued the invitation for himself and Senator Cordon (R-Ore.), couldn't get through with a conference in time to participate.

War Criminal



Wilhelm Keitel Added to War Criminal Lists

LONDON, May 18-(P)—Czechoslovakia has added Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel, chief of the German high command, to its list of more than 500 war criminals, a source close to the Czech government said today.

Others on the list, the information said, included Walther Funk, Nazi minister of economics; SS Gen. Kurt Deluege, hangman Reinhard Heydrich's successor as "protector" of Bohemia; Karl Hermann Frank, who held the same position in Moravia, and Prof. Albert Speer, Nazi minister of production.

A Czech commission will leave for Germany shortly to help collect evidence for trials, but will return in time for the conference of 16 nations represented on the war crimes commission here on May 31.

In the British zone of occupation, complete sets of Gestapo files have been found which can be presented as evidence against the Nazis, who now are being successfully rounded up, a staff officer of the British military government at Luneburg reported.

Oversubscribe 7th War Loan, Urges Salem's Adm. Gatch

"We either completely win this war or we lose it," Rear Admiral Thomas L. Gatch, advocate general of the navy who spent his boyhood in Salem and was graduated from Willamette university, declared in a Seventh War Loan statement carried on the front pages of newspapers over the nation today.

"The enemy is hanging on the ropes; we must not pull our punches now," said Gatch. "For our children's sake the Seventh War Loan must be over-subscribed."

Former Salem Doctor Dies

ST. HELENS, Ore., May 18-(P)—Funeral services for Dr. Ernest C. Dalton, 73, retired physician who died at home Wednesday after a long illness, will be held here tomorrow.

A member of the state capitol reconstruction commission in 1935, Dr. Dalton was a World War I veteran and a member of the Willamette valley projects commission. He received his MD degree from Willamette university medical school in 1905 and took post-graduate work in New York, Chicago, Vienna, London and Berlin.

Before moving here in 1922 he practiced in Salem, Alaska, Europe, and Portland.

Juomintang OKs Politics

CHUNGKING, Saturday, May 19-(P)—China's government party approved today a resolution of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek calling for legalization of other political groups.

The sixth national Juomintang (party) congress also adopted Chiang-sponsored resolutions to abolish all party headquarters in the Chinese armies within three months and ban party branches in the schools.

May Rain Both Good And Bad

Labish Growers Moan; Moisture Saves Flax Crop

By Marguerite Gleason Valley News Editor

Rain which brought joy to the dairy farmers and has saved the flax crop, for the second time since 1926 today was threatening the Lake Labish onion crop and was making the hop growers unhappy.

No positive encouragement was given by the weatherman who predicted warmer weather this weekend.

How much damage will have been done to the onion, carrot, peas and sweet corn on Lake Labish depends upon how long the water remains upon the land, and whether conditions as it recedes. Growers were agreed upon this as they held themselves in readiness to replant the crops as soon as possible, if necessary.

Onions Larger

While water has covered the Labish onion lands as deep as it is now twice since 1926 the damaged onions have never been as large as they are now. This, too, is agreed upon by growers and workers long conversant with the district.

The amount of the damage to the crop, provided it is not necessary to replant, is a point of disagreement and the labor problem seems to be a great factor. Growers who have felt the pinch of labor shortages are concerned about the weed problem which will face them, if the water recedes with replanting unnecessary. Other large growers, who have kept a large crew on their payroll, consider it will only be a case of taking out more weeds at one time, rather than a few at two different times.

Hop growers have been hard hit by the nine-day rain for it has kept the workers out of the yards when the vines needed training. The rain did not affect the cane fruits but was hard on gooseberries which were affected by a worm, but berries in general were unaffected since they have not reached the blooming stage.

May Hurl Cherries

Cherries on lower ground have not "set well" but about those on higher ground, those who know state it is too soon to be sure about the "set."

Growers from both Polk and Marion counties complain a little about the aphids on the vetch and at least one grower from the valley claimed to have observed brown rot on the cherries. Others, perhaps more scientific and less pessimistic made light of the claim saying they did not believe it.

One man in touch with all parts of the valley gave it as his opinion that the rain "had been a bit excessive" for the needs of the farmer.

Music, Donuts Greet Pacific War Veterans

PORTLAND, May 18-(P)—Jive music and doughnuts greeted Pacific war veterans docked at the Portland port of embarkation today en route home on furloughs.

Several hundred soldiers, many of them back in "the states" after three years abroad, yelled, "Where are we?" "Portland, Oregon," they were told by a Red Cross girl.

One Brooklynite was told the Dodgers won 11 straight games. "The hell they did!" he shouted. "The men will be processed at Vancouver barracks before leaving for home."

Hitler Made Last Desperate Big Effort to Split Allies

By A. I. Goldberg

300 B-29s Hit Hamamatsu; Progress On Okinawa Slow

Japanese Resisting Fiercely

By Leif Erickson

GUAM, Saturday, May 19-(P)—American troops penetrated sectors of the fiercely-contested southern Okinawa front, Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz reported today, but failed to make appreciable progress toward either Naha or Shuri, their prime objectives.

Nimitz's communique surprisingly reported on ground action only through Thursday. Normally, his reports are only several hours behind the fighting. Illustrating intensity of battling which won small local gains, he cited these instances:

A regiment of the 77th infantry division captured one hill position three times but was driven off each time, finally yielding to strong Japanese artillery and mortar fire.

Elements of the Sixth marine division assaulted Sugar Loaf hill nine times in one week before securing it. The last three assaults carried them to the crest, but they were forced to yield the crest twice under fanatical counterattacks.

There is evidence that some Japanese commanders realize their eventual defeat is certain and that they characteristically are preparing for a ceremonious death.

Maj. Gen. Pedro A. Del Valle's First division marines found Japanese officers dressed in ceremonial white in a command post they captured. Presumably, the white uniforms were formal mourning dress, worn under Japanese military custom.

Del Valle's leathernecks overran the command post, broke up the ceremony and meted out the death of the white uniformed Japanese officers were expecting.

George King To Head OPA In This Area

George King, chief clerk of the Salem war price and rationing board since last October, will succeed Paul Hale as OPA area supervisor for Salem, Stayton, Independence, Lebanon and Albany, it was announced Friday.

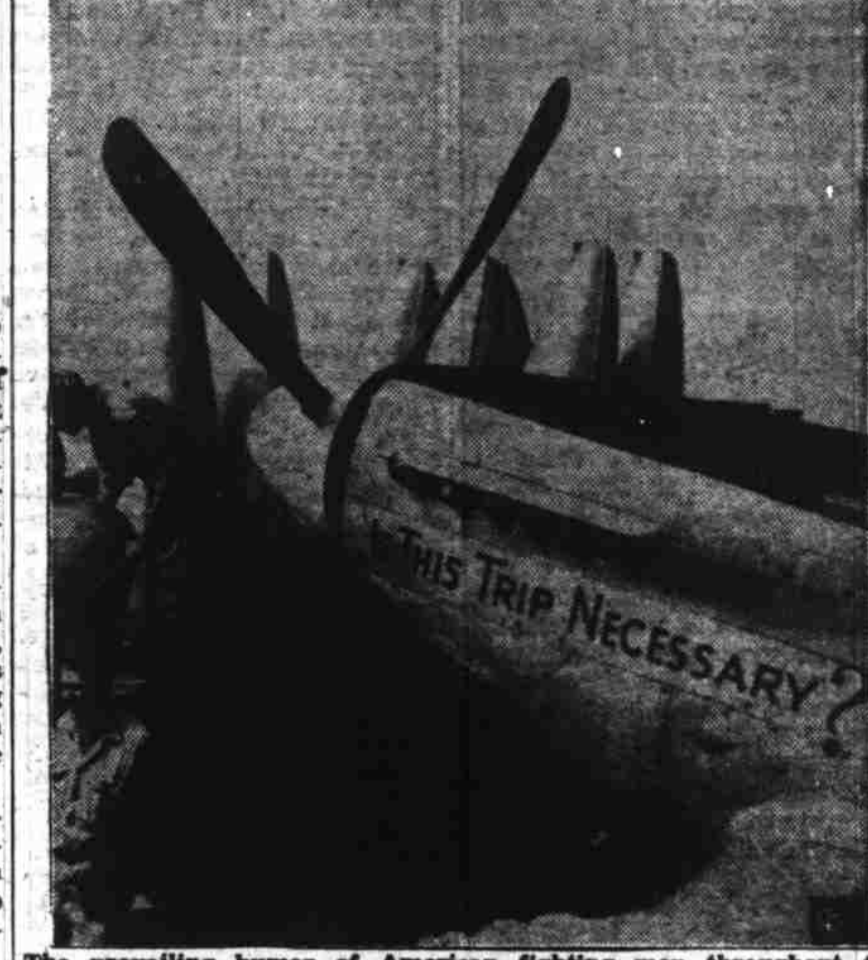
Hale previously announced his resignation, effective May 31, to establish a business service year, after being with the OPA for nearly two and a half years.

On successor to King as chief clerk has been selected. Hale, in making known King's appointment, highly commended his "very satisfactory work" in the OPA office, as did Herman Jochimsen, Salem board chairman.

King, a native of Iowa, came to Salem with his parents shortly after serving in World War I, in which he was a lieutenant, and has lived in this area at times for the last 25 years. He resided in Seattle for a time, was a sergeant in World War II, and came to Salem again last October from Portland, where he was with the bureau of internal revenue. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon and a well-known fullback of its teams of 1920-21-22.

The King family resides at 290 W. Lefelle.

Yank Humor in Pacific



The prevailing humor of American fighting men throughout the world is evident in the name of this Seventh fighter command Mustang which makes the "Sunday excursion" to Tokyo and other Jap mainland cities from Two Jima. Auxiliary wing tanks are being unloaded and fitted by ground crews. (International)

Cuban Accuses Big Nations Of Wanting to Establish A 'Collective Dictatorship'

By DOUGLAS E. CORNELL

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18-(P)—Delegates reported tonight that a fiery Cuban, speaking in a United Nations conference committee, had accused big nations of wanting to set up a "collective dictatorship" over the world.

In the most violent dispute yet witnessed by the conference, delegates said Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) called for other nations to entrust the great powers with "the same confidence and faith" in peace that they have in war.

It was another flare-up of controversies that have been sputtering between big and small nations at this conference called to build an organization to insure peace.

Delegates said Francisco Aguirre of Cuba touched off the fireworks in a committee considering powers of a proposed all-nation general assembly.

How Scrap Started

This is how the scrap developed, as reported by delegates who attended the closed door meeting: Aguirre asserted that the big four countries sponsoring the conference—China, Britain, the United States and Russia—want "collective dictatorship" that the same totalitarian doctrine most of the world has been fighting seems to be the inspiration behind a new world league. "Then he added: 'They want to put free countries under a new system of tutelage.'"

"We have won the war and should build the peace along the same ideals," delegates quoted Aguirre as saying.

Senator Steps In

Then, according to other delegates present, Vandenberg stepped in. The Michigan senator said he agreed "entirely with my able friend—that we have won the war and that means the United Nations."

But, Vandenberg continued, "the contribution by big powers was more than just words. It was substantial and cannot be forgotten."

He remarked that the large nations had the faith and confidence of the rest of the world when they were winning battles. "Why is it now that we are trying to win the peace that they don't have the same confidence and faith?" Vandenberg asked.

Weather table with columns for Max, Min, Rain and locations like San Francisco, Eugene, Salem, Portland, Willamette river.

FORECAST: (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem) Clear to partly cloudy with warmer temperatures today. Maximum temperature near 75 degrees.

Fighters Escort Big Forts

GUAM, Saturday, May 10-(P)—More than 300 Superfortresses, escorted by an unidentified number of fighters, plastered Hamamatsu, important Japanese industrial city on Honshu, the main island, with high explosive bombs at midday today (8 p.m. Friday, Pacific War Time).

Hamamatsu is about 80 miles southeast of Nagoya, which has been hit heavily by 500-plane Superfort fleets in the past week.

Bombs today were dropped through a heavy overcast by precision instruments. Results were not observed. The raid was carried out at medium altitude.

Produce War Goods

Hamamatsu, in peacetime an important textile manufacturing point, has been turning out many diversified war products including aircraft propellers.

The urban industrial center was the chief target. The city has been subjected to small previous raids, the last one April 30, but this was the first B-29 attack in force.

The raid gave new evidence of stepped-up activities by the huge Marianas-based Superforts. On Monday and Thursday great fleets of 500 and more Superfortresses rained 3,500 tons of incendiary bombs in raids on Nagoya, which has been nearly one-fourth destroyed by air attack.

5.9 Miles Burned

New areas burned out or damaged in two B-29 Superfortress fire-bomb raids Monday and Thursday total 5.9 square miles, complete photo reconnaissance study disclosed.

In this week's raids by more than 1000 B-29s dropping 2,000-3,000 six-pound incendiaries, three important Nagoya plants were virtually destroyed.

These were Mizuho branch of Aichi Aircraft Works, Osaka Machinery Works and Nagoya No. 3 plant of Tokai Electrode Co.

Chinese Again In Foochow

CHUNGKING, May 19-(P)—Unofficial sources reported today that Chinese troops had completely recaptured the coastal city of Foochow, just across the strait from the northern tip of Formosa.

There were persistent reports here last night that the Japanese are preparing to evacuate several pockets along the China coast between Hangchow bay and Hongkong, all of which might become death traps if any sizeable American forces landed nearby.

The points reported affected included Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and possibly Wenchow.

Suit Filed Against Salem Rent Control

Attacking the constitutionality of Salem's rent control ordinance, suit was filed in the circuit court here Friday by R. F. Polanski.

The suit followed a complaint of Robert H. Hamilton and Twilla L. Hamilton that rentals charged by Polanski were in violation of the ordinance.

Salem to Have Full New Fleet Of City Buses

A complete new fleet of city buses for Salem by early autumn was a probability today. R. W. Lemen, president of Oregon Motor Stages, operators of the capital city's bus system, announced Friday that General Motors had given his company assurance that a series of orders for \$160,000 worth of vehicles dating back to last September would be filled shortly.

Six of the new Yellow Coach models, carrying capacity 36 passengers, diesel-propelled, will be delivered "as soon as possible," Lemen has been notified. Another six are promised in October but may be here before that time, he said. The buses, costing approximately \$11,000 apiece, will be painted in the company's colors, blue and white, before they are put into operation here.

In October also, eight gasoline-propelled coaches, costing about \$10,000 each, are promised, while another eight diesel coaches have been ordered but may not arrive before 1946.

The company's Salem fleet is now comprised of 14 coaches. All of the new vehicles will be put on Salem streets at the same time if their delivery dates permit, Lemen indicated.

Expanded operations of the company here may precede or accompany the arrival of the new fleet.

State Employees Purchase 46% Of Seventh War Loan Goal

State employees provided impetus for the fifth day of the Seventh War Loan campaign by announcing sales of \$185,450 or 46 percent of the \$450,000 quota. Reports from 51 of the 54 state departments have been made, according to Chairman Roy Mills.

In addition to the five departments already "over the top," seven others have joined the charmed circle. They are public utilities commission, state engineer's office, school for the deaf, school for the blind, governor's office, penitentiary and state printer's office.

Totals for Marion county crept slowly upward Friday but still were considerably short of the first week's goal. Only \$565,000 in purchases had been reported last night, Chairman Douglas Yeater said, but weekend subscriptions were expected to double the figure.

Seneca Fouts Dies Friday

PORTLAND, May 18-(P)—Seneca Fouts, 68, former state legislator active in Oregon road improvement for many years, died today in the veterans' hospital.

Fouts was graduated from the University of Oregon law school in 1905 and first practiced at Hood River, moving later to Portland. He toured Oregon with other state legislators, mapping the state's highway system in 1911. He also was a Spanish-American war veteran.

A park commemorating his work was accepted by the state highway commission last year. It will be known as the Seneca Fouts memorial park. A Columbia valley view tract of 100 acres, it is near Mitchell Point.