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IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

For want of a horseshoe nail "The kingdom was lost."

The fault lies with the office of the city recorder, Alfred Munde, whose duty it is to prepare city notices and have them published.

While there is no reason to believe that the voters will not reaffirm their readiness to make the purchase of the pasture tract for park purposes, still the proponents are forced to the work and expense of again presenting the case to the people and obtaining their favorable response.

The coming election of a congressman called for January 11th gives an opportunity for the city to hold a new special election at very little cost.

Union Asked to Let Parts Flow

DETROIT, Nov. 30 (AP)—The strike-idle General Motors Corp. proposed to the city's United Auto Workers tonight that work in GM's parts and accessories division be resumed for the benefit of other automobile manufacturers.

The proposal was made in a letter from President C. E. Wilson of General Motors to President R. J. Thomas of the striking union, which has tied up GM production since Nov. 21 in a strike affecting 225,000 workers.

Low Arens Heads Industrial Group

Low Arens, Salem, was elected president of the Interstate Association of Industrial Accident Commissioners in Winston-Salem, N. C., Friday, an election which means the convention will come to Oregon for its next session, his office here was notified.

Animal Crackers



Dam Fund Back On Flood Bill

Senate Votes to Keep Willamette Control Project

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—Big money for navigation and flood control went into a deficiency supply bill today in the face of stern opposition by the house appropriations committee.

Included were three major construction jobs in the Willamette valley (Ore.) project: The Cottage Grove reservoir, \$11,500; Detroit reservoir, \$2,000,000, and the Dorena reservoir, \$1,000,000. All were flood control projects.

4 More Fliers From Missing C-46 Located

COOS BAY, Ore., Nov. 30 (AP)—Woodsmen searching for three missing army fliers tonight moved toward the area where a scout plane spotted two parachutes in wild Oregon coast country.

Late today a navy PBV pilot spotted three other men wandering through rugged mountains near the fork of Bear creek and Lake creek. They answered via a walkie-talkie dropped from the craft that they were well.

Meanwhile, searchers concentrated on a second area near the one where the four were found. An army pilot reported seeing two parachutes there, but could find no signs of life.

DIRECTORS TO MEET A special meeting of the board of directors of Sicks Brewing Co. has been called in Salem today for presentation of the company's 1946 expansion program.

Probe Reveals Army Thought Canal, Hawaii Attacks Likely

By William T. Peacock WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—Maj. Gen. Sherman Miles said today the army high command always had considered attacks on Hawaii and the Panama canal about "equally likely" in case of war with Japan.

That was so "inherent in the situation," he declared, that he had never thought for a moment before Dec. 7, 1941, that Pearl Harbor's defenders were not fully on the alert.

School at Dallas Closed By Lack Of Dry Sawdust

DALLAS, Nov. 30 (Special)—The Dallas junior high school was closed by lack of useable fuel today and it was not known whether or not a re-opening could be effected by Monday.

The school plant uses sawdust. Fuel on hand was too wet, Superintendent Whitworth said. The elementary school and the high school, heated by wood, remained open.

Council to Be Asked to Stage Special Ballot

Salem city council will be asked Monday night to move rapidly, either suspending the minutes or going into special session a few days after the Monday meeting, to pass an ordinance calling a special city election in conjunction with the January 11 congressional election.

Thus, it was generally agreed Friday, can the council best help to rectify the mistake which nullified the June 22 decision of the city's voters to expend \$125,000 for purchase of 43 acres of Bush's pasture to complete a 100 acre park. At the same election, voters refused to grant a franchise to Salem Electric.

Possibility that the parking meter referendum ordered for the next general election might get on the special ballot was foreseen by merchant opponents of the meters.

Because the formal call for a special election June 22 was not published at any time between June 2 and June 12, the election was illegal and the affidavits required by the bonding company cannot be provided, it was discovered Thursday. The election, if legal, would have authorized the issuance and sale of \$125,000 worth of city park general fund bonds for purchase of the Bush property.

Dockmen Refuse Parley On Planned Walkout

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30 (AP)—A request by the Pacific Coast Waterfront Employers' association to arbitrate scheduled 24-hour work stoppage Monday on all vessels except troopships was rejected today by the CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union.

Largest Bond Sale Report In

The largest one-day's report on E-bond sales to come into Marion county Victory loan headquarters to date was received Friday, when \$61,462.50 worth were recorded.

A significant feature of the day's report was the fact that nearly half of the \$61,462.50 came from cities out in the county, most of which already are over their quotas in E bonds but go right on buying them. Listed from cities outside Salem were \$30,131.25 in E bonds.

AFL Mill At Dallas To Open

Oregon Pulp's Lumber Division To Resume Work

PORTLAND, Nov. 30 (AP)—Members of the Dallas, Ore., local 2714, AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers, voted tonight to accept the 15-cent offer made in negotiations of the Willamette valley council with Willamette Valley Operators' association representatives, Ed Hayes, local secretary, reported.

Hayes said the Willamette Valley Lumber company would resume operations of some units Tuesday. The firm employs 330 men.

Approximately 120 men will resume work shortly at the Oregon Pulp and Paper company, after acceptance of the 15 cents per hour compromise wage increase was announced Friday by representatives of the lumber division of the company and local 3059, Sawmill and Timber Workers (AFL).

Some of the men, who are millwrights, will start work today. Full operation will not be in effect for some time because of needed repairs to the plant, E. A. Linden, lumber division manager, said Friday.

The increase accepted is the same as was accepted by the Willamette valley district council and the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's association at a meeting at Eugene Thursday. It provides for \$1.05 per hour base pay, George Surgeon, president of the local, stated Friday night.

U. S. Diplomats Study Tension In North Iran

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—The United States has sent a diplomatic mission to northern Iran to obtain an on-the-ground report on the Russian-Iran tension there, the state department disclosed today.

The department dispatched three attaches from its Tehran embassy by plane and jeep to the trouble spot, Tabriz, in Azerbaijan province.

This news, announced by Michael J. McDermott, special assistant to Secretary of State Byrnes, coincided with these other international developments: 1. Publication by the Iranian ambassador, Hussein Ala, of Moscow's note refusing passage of Iranian government troops to the northern Iranian area where a separatist movement is reported.

2. The United States is still awaiting a reply from Russia and Great Britain to its proposal that troops of all three countries be withdrawn from Iran by Jan. 1.

Weather

Table with columns for location, max, min, and rain. Locations include San Francisco, Salem, Eugene, Portland, and Seattle.

'Spec' Keene to Quit Coaching to Enter Business

Roy S. (Spec) Keene, head coach and director of athletics at Willamette university for 17 years before entering the navy as lieutenant commander in 1942, has resigned to go into private business, Dr. G. Herbert Smith, Willamette president, announced Friday.

Keene will form a partnership with Howard Maple, another former WU coach, in the latter's sporting goods store in Salem, Keene, who was reappointed to the state parole board a few days ago, returned from naval duties only last week. (Full details on today's sports page.)

Labor-Capitol Meet Ends in Disagreement

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—President Truman's labor-management conference adjourned at 6:25 p.m. eastern standard time tonight without setting up the hoped-for machinery to handle postwar labor disputes.

Toward the end, John L. Lewis arose to scold fellow labor leaders for inability to agree among themselves. He called on them to witness management's "precise and efficient functioning" at the conference and to put their "own house in order" by unifying their policies.

The conferees were in complete disagreement on such major issues as wages and collective bargaining, but leaders asserted the meeting attained "substantial advances toward industrial peace."

The closing session of the 25-day meeting called by Mr. Truman to devise ways and means of curbing industrial strife, flared in open attacks on management by ranking labor leaders and a vigorous exchange between the heads of the rival CIO and AFL unions.

Little business was transacted today other than the defeat, by voice vote, of each proposal submitted by either labor or management. Each side voted as a bloc.

Jean Wolcott Back in Lead In Queen Race

Back in the lead again for the Marion county queen contest of the Victory Loan is Jean Wolcott, Miller's store candidate, with \$65,300 worth of E bonds. She climbed from third place in Friday's count to the lead position, Saturday morning.

Only \$150 in E bonds boosted Miss Wolcott ahead of Beth Greenlee, statehouse candidate.

however, Miss Greenlee having \$65,130 in E bonds to her credit. Following closely behind the two leaders is Leona Tingstad, Hollywood Lions club candidate, with \$61,050. Faye Larkins, sponsored by Salem Lions club, is above the \$50,000 E bond total now, taking fourth place in the contest with \$50,325 of bonds to her credit.

The Salem Kiwanis club candidate, Betty Lou Kayser, has \$30,925 for fifth place, Beulah Lott of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, \$15,850 for the sixth position.

Oregon Roads Near Normal

Oregon highways were nearly normal Friday, following heavy rains of the past few days, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, announced.



Snapshot from an album kept by Eva Braun shows Adolf Hitler drowsing in an easy chair, while Eva watches. British intelligence says the two were married in the last days of the siege of Berlin.

Navy Plane Missing Over Cascade Area

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 30 (AP)—A navy Ventura plane with a crew of six men aboard disappeared today over the storm swept Cascades on a flight from Portland to Red Bluff, Calif., the Portland army air base reported.

The missing plane is the second to disappear over Oregon since Monday when an army C-46 exhausted its fuel over the Oregon coast and 12 army airmen parachuted from the craft. Nine of the army airmen have been rescued and the search continues for three still missing in the rugged wilderness near Coos Bay.

The navy plane was last heard from at 1:20 p.m. when the pilot reported he was returning to Portland to land after running into storms on the radio range beam, the air base here reported. An air search was begun late today as far south as weather would permit, but no trace of the plane was sighted.

Prep Tourny Slated Here For March '46

Willamette university, host to the state high school basketball tournament annually since 1917, will entertain prep hoops here in the A portion of the tourny and their guests again the third week in March, 1946.

In the face of other bidders, the university was handed the biggest high school sports event in the state at Friday's meeting of the Oregon High School Activities association in Portland.

Salem Chamber of Commerce, state fair officials and representatives of the university have conferred here twice this week on plans which might make the pavilion at the state fairgrounds available and suitable for tournament play. More than 7000 persons could be seated there, while the university gym seats 2000, it was pointed out. (Further details on sports page.)

New Precincts Due on Jan. 15

Precinct changes recently approved by the Marion county court will not go into effect until January 15, three days after the special congressional election.

"It would have been physically impossible to complete all the details necessary for establishment of new precincts by the time of the January election, and we are fortunate that the order, although drawn, had not been formally signed and filed when the governor announced the date," County Judge Grant Murphy declared Friday.

So the order was re-drawn and the date changed to permit voters of the county to cast their ballots at the old, familiar 82 precincts.

Salem Wrings Out Wettest November on Record Since '37

"Stormy Weather" could well have been November's theme song. Rain fell on all but five days, resulting in a total amount of 10.73 inches, 3.10 during the 30-hour period from shortly after midnight on the 26th until 6 a.m. on the 27th. This was the wettest November since 1937 when 11.13 inches were recorded. Two and forty-seven one hundredth inches were measured on the 26th to give it the distinction of the wettest day. Comparatively high water resulted in the Willamette and many of its tributaries, with local flooding near Jefferson on the Santiam and Harrisburg on the Willamette, but no great material damage was done.

Ready To Face Charges

Keitel Accused Of Plot to Murder French Leaders

By Wes Gallagher

NUERNBERG, Nov. 30 (AP)—Rudolf Hess sardonically told the international military tribunal today that he had faked amnesia, fooling allied medical experts and his own attorney, but that now he was prepared to stand trial and "bear full responsibility for anything I have done."

The gaunt, crafty former deputy to Adolf Hitler leaped to his feet and read a short, astonishing speech into a microphone when British Lord Justice Geoffrey Lawrence declared, at a special hearing on Hess' sanity, that the tribunal would like to hear from the defendant himself.

Hess told the court "my memory is again in order," and that he simulated amnesia for "tactical" reasons. Afterward he remarked that "I feel unburdened, I feel better." His German attorney was flabbergasted; a British attorney said Hess either "is off his rocker, or is completely recovered."

The court adjourned without announcing any decision, but the line of questioning by Lawrence and other justices indicated they were inclined to believe Hess is in condition to be tried.

Hess' statement followed a regular court session at which a German counter intelligence chief accused Field Marshal Gen. Wilhelm Keitel, Hitler's fashion plate chief of the German supreme command, with being the instigator of a plot to assassinate French Military Leaders Gen. Maxime Weygand and Gen. Henri Giraud.

Hurley Agrees To Testify at 3 Hearings

By William R. Spear WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP) Maj. Gen. Patrick J. Hurley readily agreed to take on all comers today as three congressional committees invited him to shoot.

The senate foreign relations committee, which put in its bid first, appeared to have the inside track. Chairman Connally (D-Tex) called a hearing for Wednesday and Hurley told reporters he preferred to testify there first but he sought a public and not a private session, as Connally had planned.

Two house committees, on military affairs and un-American activities, also want to hear more about the charges Hurley made against certain career diplomats and the state department in a press release Tuesday which announced his resignation as ambassador to China.

Russia-Bound Nazis Suicide

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 30 (AP)—About 600 German military internees, including 100 who attempted suicide, were hospitalized tonight after a day of violence as the Swedish government started extradition of 2700 former wehrmacht soldiers to soviet territory.

Swedish authorities said that two succeeded in taking their own lives in wild struggles with Swedish military forces and police who had the task of transporting the internees to a waiting Russian ship at Trelleborg. Many attempted self-mutilation.

About 500 were hospitalized because of weakness from a hunger strike begun a week ago in protest against an order turning them over to the Russians.

Advertisement for '20' shopping days before Christmas, featuring a cartoon character and text about shopping days.