

Capitol Hill Believes Rep. May Won't Appear for Probe; Next Step Up to Justice Department

WASHINGTON—On Capitol Hill odds are heavily against the chance of Rep. May (D-Ky.) appearing before the senate investigating committee to explain his part in a munitions combine's wartime operations.

The better prediction that he won't come voluntarily and that the committee won't attempt through legislative action to force him to testify under oath. The subpoena served on May on Friday is not expected to result in his appearance because enforcing it would involve too many legal complications.

West Salem Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cook of San Francisco were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cook, 166 Gerth ave. It was the first meeting of the brothers in 24 years.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Cecil Lynam are new arrivals here and have purchased a residence at 1049 Second st., built by Roy Stevens. Lymans formerly lived in Billings, Mont.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Luke have purchased the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Epperly, 721 Kingwood ave., and are engaged in redecorating the premises.

Clay Cochran, manager of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, has been surveying possible industrial sites in West Salem.

Directors of the West Salem Lions club will meet at the city hall Monday night at 8 p.m. to outline plans for the club program the coming year. Al Lamb is president of the club this year and club meetings are held twice a month.

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Valley Obituaries

Evangeline Beveridge
SILVERTON, July 20—Mrs. Evangeline Beveridge of Vancouver, Wash. died Saturday at Jackson, Wyo., while visiting her brother, Dr. Floyd Naegeli. Death was due to pneumonia.

Mrs. Beveridge was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Naegeli and made her home with them when they lived on West Hill.

Survivors are the widower, Baudette Beveridge, two small children, Bobby and Janet of Vancouver; two brothers, Mr. Harold Naegeli of Grafton, N.D. and Warren Naegeli of Rolla, N.D.; an aunt, Caroline Naegeli and an uncle, Herman Naegeli, both of Silvertown.

Foreign Items OTTAWA—Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King has announced he will attend the Paris peace conference.

PARIS—The constituent assembly has voted to recommend that France and her empire be called the "French Union." The homeland would be called the "Metropole" after ruling cities among ancient Greece's city states.

Constellation Crash WASHINGTON—Insiders say it doesn't look now as if the crash of TWA's Constellation on July 11 was caused by an engine fire, as it first appeared. The investigation has been centered on the possibility of the fire having started in the electrical system. Airlines are losing almost \$500,000 a day through the grounding of all Constellations as a result of the crash. For that reason the inquiry is being pressed with all possible speed.

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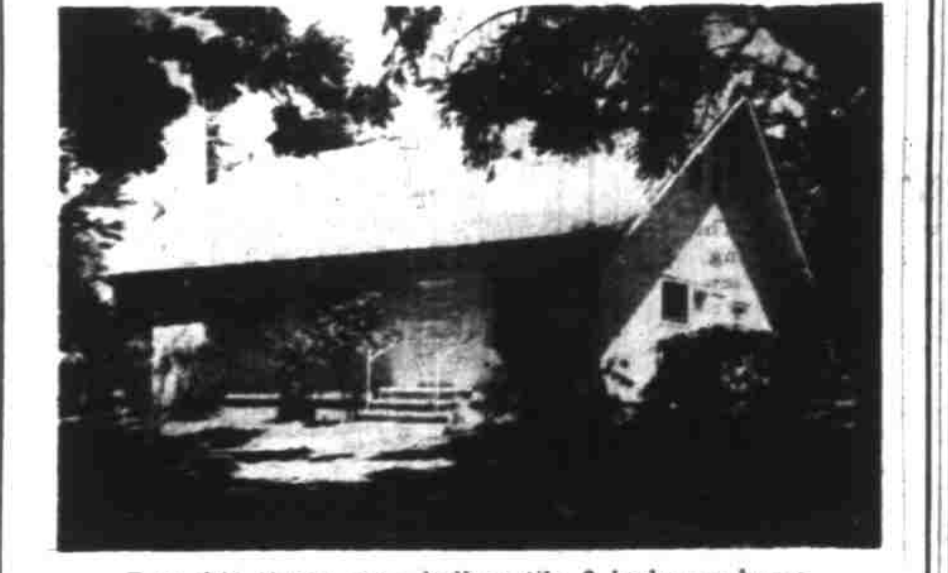


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Kimmell, Short Handed Major Share of Pearl Harbor Blame

(Story also on page 1)

WASHINGTON, July 20—(AP)—Both the majority and minority reports on the causes of the Pearl Harbor disaster, released today, agreed that Adm. Husband E. Kimmell and Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, navy and army commanders in Hawaii, had not measured up to the responsibilities given them.

Their commands were acknowledged not to have been on an all-out alert when Japanese bombers hit Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941.

The majority reported, however, that "the errors made by the Hawaiian commands were errors of judgement and not derelictions of duty." Thus it rejected a finding of "dereliction of duty" made by a presidential commission, headed by then Supreme Court Justice Owen J. Roberts, which conducted an investigation in the weeks immediately after the disaster.

The majority, in its conclusions, named no names of military men in Washington who in their opinion fell short in performance. But the report criticized the intelligence and war plans divisions of both the army and navy.

The majority also made this general observation: "The war and navy departments were not sufficiently alerted on Dec. 6, and 7, 1941, in view of the imminence of war."

War Department Blamed

On the point of army and navy failures in Washington, the majority report said the war plans division of the war department "failed to discharge its direct responsibility" to advise Short that he had not properly alerted his command. Short had reported he "alerted against sabotage."

And it said the war plans and intelligence divisions of both war and navy departments failed to "give careful and thoughtful consideration" to decoded Japanese messages disclosing Tokyo interest in where American warships were berthed in their Pearl Harbor base.

Their report made these recommendations:

1. Immediate action to insure

CORVALLIS—The Rt. Rev. L. G. Ligutti, executive secretary of the National Catholic Rural Life conference, who will be one of the speakers at the institute for town and rural pastors to be held at Memorial Union hall on Oregon State college campus, July 22 to 27. Monsignor Ligutti is actively interested in cooperatives and will be one of those taking part in panel discussions on making use of state and community facilities for benefit of local congregations. William Schoenfeld, dean of the school of agriculture, will also be a speaker at the institute.

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Guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Hartley are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tuller and Mrs. Anthony J. Lanz of Sacramento. Mrs. Tuller and Mrs. Lanz are sisters and niece of Mrs. Hartley. Thursday the Hartleys and their guests were on a sight-seeing trip to Bonneville dam and Timberline lodge, and Friday on the coast.

Silvertown Women Accept New Jobs

SILVERTON, July 20—Elaine Hamre who finished Silvertown high school last June, will work in the Public Utilities office in Salem.

Yadis Dickerson has accepted a position with the Main Jewelry; she attended Oregon State college last year, but does not plan to return.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Peikus of Hubbard have moved here and bought a residence at 531 Liberty st.

Coolidge & McClaine bank opens Saturdays at 9 instead of 10 a.m., as a temporary summer service.

The Netherlands has only 30,000 vehicles today as compared with 100,000 before the war.

System Responsible

5. That the war and navy departments consider adopting 25 "supervisory, administrative, and organizational principles" which were set forth, indicating belief that organizational "deficiencies"—in effect the "system"—made Pearl Harbor possible, the majority said the changes were proposed "in the earnest hope that something constructive may be accomplished that will aid our national defense and preclude a repetition of the disaster."

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Meter Threat At Silverton Helps Parking

SILVERTON, July 20—The talk of parking meters has accomplished something, city police report.

Even before the appearance of the two-hour parking signs, business and professional men in the habit of parking cars in downtown business streets for the entire day were seen parking in the less congested and non-shopping districts two or three blocks from Main, Oak and Water between Lewis and High streets.

A check on shoppers Friday

Keefe (R-Wis) joined six democrats in signing the majority report. The democrats are Senators Barkley (Ky.), chairman, Lucas (Ill.) and George (Ga.) and Reps. Cooper (Tenn.), vice chairman, Clark (NC) and Murphy (Pa.).

However, Keefe filed a statement of additional views in which he said, "I cannot suppress the feeling that the committee report endeavors to throw as soft a light as possible on the Washington scene."

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showed that they felt this was "just fine so long as it lasts." Double parking has been eliminated largely with the exception of a short time at 5 p.m., police said.

Council members have stated that the only purpose of proposing parking meters was correction of a bad parking situation.

Efforts had been made to correct it with two-hour parking signs to no avail. Violators "crabbed" when it came to paying fines and tried to talk the police out of the tags, they said. This time, police officers say, most of the businessmen have been cooperating splendidly in trying to correct the parking situation.

Final action on installation of parking meters lies with the city council.

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