

Counties Hear Scott Report on State Finances

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 10—(AP)—State Treasurer Leslie M. Scott said here today that Oregon finances are in fine condition but the demands of many groups for more public funds could drain the treasury rapidly. Scott told the 41st annual convention of the Association of Oregon Counties that future retrenchment was necessary by state departments to avoid deficit financing. He urged cities and counties to reappropriate their building programs in the light of tax sources. He told the county judges and commissioners there were only two state funds counties could tap. "If you draw from the highway fund, you cut down the work the state highway commission can do," he said, "and it must be remembered this might result in a loss of federal funds" matching the state appropriations on some projects. He said drawing additional money from the liquor fund would slash the work of the state welfare commission and the counties would then be saddled with additional welfare burdens.

Car Prices to Rise with Pay

CHICAGO, Dec. 10—(AP)—President C. E. Wilson of General Motors corporation said today automobile prices would rise 25 percent if wages were raised 25 percent as mentioned. He said, "Some union leaders. At a news conference prior to addressing the Illinois Manufacturers' association, Wilson said he did not think there would be an increase in 1947 car prices "except for minor adjustments, unless there is another wave of wage and price increases. Then car prices will go up."

Douglas McKay Makes Committee Appointment

PORTLAND, Dec. 10—Appointment of Laurence C. Rodgers of Portland as secretary of the sponsoring committee of the proposed Oregon chapter, National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, was announced today by Douglas McKay of Salem, committee chairman. Rodgers, an industrial relations counsel, attended Reed college and was the college's com. officer from 1936 to 1941 when he became associated with Commercial Iron Works as director of personnel and labor relations.

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U. S. Rocket Plane Flown, Held Down to 550 m.p.h.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 10—(AP)—The army air forces disclosed today a successful test flight of America's first rocket propelled plane, the Bell XS-1, designed for supersonic speed of 1700 miles an hour but which in its test hop at Muroc army air base yesterday was held down to a toping 550 miles an hour. The little plane, which measures only 31 feet in length and with a wingspan of 28 feet, was piloted by Chalmers (Slick) Goodlin, 23-year-old test pilot for Bell-former navy aviator who now lives in New Alexandria, Pa. Goodlin said at a press conference afterward that he had no doubt the plane will reach the 1,700 mph which the engineers' drawing board indicated it should attain. After cutting loose from an army B-29 at 25,000 feet, Goodlin took the plane up to 35,000 feet and held it in sustained flight for almost seven minutes, when his fuel became exhausted. He landed without power and said the plane handled admirably, came down as light as a feather. Air forces officers said it probably will be next summer before an attempt is made to vault the barrier of sonic speed. Translated into horsepower, Bell officials said, the thrust of the plane's four cylinders could be compared to 30,000 horsepower.

Lawyers Sign Truce Pending Lewis' Ruling

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10—(AP)—Attorneys for the government and John L. Lewis agreed tonight to a truce in district court moves in the coal strike case pending a hearing in the supreme court on union appeals from heavy contempt fines. The stipulation signed by Attorney General Clark and Welly K. Hopkins, attorney for Lewis, and other lawyers, provides: 1. A delay in a hearing and ruling on whether the coal contract between Lewis and Secretary of the Interior Krug permitted Lewis to reopen it. 2. A stay in any threat of a new contempt charge against Lewis and his mine union for violating a district court order directing Lewis to call off the strike. Lewis did not order the miners back to work until several days after being adjudged in contempt. The stipulation provides for no action in district court until 10 days after the supreme court hearing, set for January 14, of the appeal by Lewis and the union from the \$3,510,000 fines imposed by District Judge T. Alan Goldsborough.

Flour Wastes May Be Made Sugar

SEATTLE, Dec. 10—(AP)—The proposed opening February 1 of a chemical plant to turn low gluten wheat and waste starches from the Fisher Flouring mills into sugar was announced today by L. E. Karrer, chairman of the chamber of commerce industrial committee. He said it is an "entirely new type of industry" and will be financed by Los Angeles and Seattle capital and will be known as the Pacific Associated Products Co., with Berger-Krueger, Inc., as technical directors. R. A. Blanchard will be president of the enterprise.

Newby Withdraws From State Senate Race

PORTLAND, Dec. 10—(AP)—The election of Sen. Marshall Cornett, Klamath Falls, to presidency of the state senate became a virtual certainty today as Sen. Earl Newby, Ashland, withdrew from the race. Newby said he was releasing the ten votes pledged his hand would cast his own ballot for Cornett. Cornett already has 16 votes—enough to win. ARMY ORDERS 73 B-50s SEATTLE, Dec. 10—(AP)—Boeing Aircraft officials revealed today that the army air forces have ordered 73 additional Boeing B-50 Superfortresses, bringing to 133 the number of this type ordered. C. OF C. DIRECTORS TO MEET Directors of the Salem Chamber of Commerce will conduct their monthly business meeting at 8 o'clock this evening in the chamber offices. BODIES RECOVERED WHITEHAVEN, England, Dec. 10—(AP)—Rescue workers tonight had recovered the bodies of 14 men killed in a pitfall in an under-sea coal mine, local No. 10. The United Steel companies said hope had been abandoned for a 15th miner entombed.

Troops Move On Azerbaijan

TEHRAN, Dec. 10—(AP)—Four columns of government troops began an invasion of Azerbaijan today in what may prove to be a challenge to Russian influence, and unconfirmed reports said Mianeh, 80 miles from the Azerbaijan capital, had been captured in a swift advance. Reports received in official circles, but lacking confirmation at military headquarters, said the troops quickly repaired an 80-year-long bridge blown up by the Azerbaijan militia at the River of the Golden Swimmer and entered rugged Ghafankook pass, main gateway to the rebellious province on Iran's northwestern frontier. Mianeh is five miles beyond the pass and is the first city of any importance on the main highway and railway route to Tabriz, Azerbaijan capital. La Guardia Denies UNRRA Political WASHINGTON, Dec. 10—(AP)—Director General Fiorello H. La Guardia vigorously defended the expiring UNRRA's allocations of food tonight and said anyone who contended his organization played politics with food was "not telling the facts accurately." Speaking before the 48-nation UNRRA council in final session at the Shoreham hotel, La Guardia recalled that all UNRRA food shipments were decided by the nine national central committees on which the United States has a place. La Guardia's statement was in reply to previous accusations by Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson UNRRA is officially due to die Dec. 31.

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Extra Sugar In Prospect

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10—(AP)—OPA told consumers today they might expect some increase in sugar ratios next year, but the department of agriculture reported it was "unlikely" that any increase could take place before April 1. OPA announced that a new individual consumer stamp, one of the unused "spares" in the consumer's ration book, will be valid from January 1 to April 30, 1947. The present individual stamp also for five pounds, became valid on September 1, 1946, and will expire on December 31, 1946. Home canning sugar stamps 9 and 10, each good for 5 pounds additional, have been extended twice and will remain valid until December 31. OPA said that "it is anticipated" that the second consumer stamp for 1947 will be made good before the January 1 stamp expires, thus increasing the present consumer ration of five five pounds for each four months.

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Horticulturist Society Hears Crop Reports

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 10—(AP)—Horticulturists gathered here today for a session of the Oregon State Horticulturist society heard discussions on orchard, irrigation, insect life, and heard a report on the works of the plant industry, and expected officers. Arthur S. Kind, Oregon State college extension service man, told the growers that "experiments have shown decided value in orchard irrigation, and that specialized equipment has been developed to distribute water effectively among the trees." John Davis, field man with the state department of agriculture, reported on the department's comprehensive study of Oregon insect life. Tony Moore, Hood River, was elected president of the society. Other officers chosen include: Leonard Carpenter, Medford, first vice president; Leon Hawkins, Eugene, second vice president; J. Robert Nunemaker, Hood River, third vice president; Howard Meiering, Eugene, Ray Ketter, Medford, Lyle Meltschag, Hood River, trustees.

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Rumor Holds Chiang Kai-shek Ready to Join Catholic Church

By James D. White (Associated Press Staff Writer) SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10—(AP)—Ordinarily a man's religion is his personal affair, but it was world news nearly 20 years ago when China's Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek became a Methodist. Now there is talk in China that he may be approaching a second conversion—this time to the Catholic church. Thus far this has been mere speculation, but speculation increased greatly this week after the young, vigorous archbishop of Nanking, Paul Yu Pin, was asked at a Nanking press conference if the generalissimo was becoming interested in the Catholic religion. "I hope so," replied the archbishop. It is not at all clear whether Archbishop Yu is merely expressing a hope or speaks with foreknowledge of Chiang's intentions, says a special dispatch by Associated Press Correspondent Spencer Moosa in Shanghai. Important Figure The young archbishop is an important figure in China. At 45 he is next to Cardinal Thomas Tien in the Chinese Catholic hierarchy. He also is a delegate in the national assembly for the communist-held Manchurian province of Heilungkiang. Moosa recalls that for some years he has been on close terms with the generalissimo, and this relationship has been the generalissimo's personal relations with the communists have grown worse since V-J day. The rumors that Chiang might be interested in Catholicism as a personal faith began in Chungking in 1943, recalls Moosa. Since then the generalissimo has edited a new translation of the new testament psalms by a Chinese Catholic whose personal history lends color to the rumors. This man is the famous jurist, John C. H. Wu, who formerly was a Protestant but embraced Catholicism in 1937. Chiang recently named him Chinese minister to the Vatican. Lack of Unity In a book dealing with his conversion, Wu criticizes what he calls the appalling lack of unity and "certainty" in Protestant theology. Moosa says that it is not known whether Wu has influenced Chiang, and points out that Chiang became a Methodist only after extensive study of the life and teachings of Christ. CARS CRASH, NONE HURT Cars driven by John L. Chiles of 2065 Hazel ave. and Marland D. Bartell of 725 S. 18th st., collided in the 700 block of North High street yesterday, city police report. No one was injured and the cars were only slightly damaged. FOOLISH TO NEGLECT SNIFFLES, SNEEZES OF Head Colds A bottle of Vicks Vapo-rinol is mighty handy to have around the house because this double-duty nose drop. Quickly Relieves sneezy, sniffly, stuffy distress of head colds. Makes breathing easier. Helps Prevent many colds from developing if used at the first warning snuffle or sneeze. This Double-Duty Nose Drop should save you much misery. Works! Follow directions in the package. VICKS VA-TRO-NOL

Successor to Journalism Dean Resigns

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 10—(AP)—Resignation of Russell I. Thacker, dean elect of the University of Oregon school of journalism, was accepted today by the state board of higher education. Thacker, who was to succeed George W. Turnbull in an arrangement announced with Turnbull's appointment earlier this year, has accepted a position as executive secretary of the association of land grant colleges and universities at Washington, D.C. The resigned dean is currently dean of administration at Kansas State college. His position at UO was to be effective July, 1947.

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