

Rites Set for 3 Young Victims Of Amity Fire

McMINNVILLE, Jan. 15 — Private funeral services for the three Howard children, Dennis, Larry and Sandra, who lost their lives as the result of a fire which early Friday destroyed their home at Amity, will be held at Macy's chapel Tuesday at 2 p.m.

Services for the children's great grandmother, Mrs. William A. Spencer, 91, who died of natural causes the same day as the children, will be held Monday at 2 p.m. from Macy's.

Mrs. Spencer is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Delbert K. Howard of Amity, and Mrs. Mary E. Haskins of Exeter, Calif.; two sons, Weiden D. Spencer of McMinnville and Charles W. Spencer of Los Angeles.

Besides the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Armin Howard, the children are survived by three-day-old sister; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert K. Howard of Amity, and an aunt, Noranell Russell, who was also burned in the Friday fire.

FIRE IN HONG KONG

HONG KONG, Sunday, Jan. 16 —(AP)—An estimated 3,000 Chinese were homeless today as a result of a fire which destroyed five four-story tenements and more than 300 huts here Saturday night.

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Ski-Equipped Plane Supplies Ranchers In Eastern Oregon

ENTERPRISE, Ore., Jan. 15 —(AP)—A ski equipped airplane is supplying ranchers and small mountain communities isolated by deep snows in Wallawa county.

Ray Dunsmore reported he has been shuttling food, medicine and mail in a rancher and carrying out passengers and mail.

The airport manager said he circles isolated ranch houses in the valleys for signals to land. He makes a daily mail run into the ranch of Eugene Houk, near Zumwalt, and the ranchers in the area then make their way to the Houk ranch.

Support Grows For Spy Laws

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 —(AP)—Speaker Rayburn and House Republican Leader Martin (Mass.) threw bipartisan weight today behind the idea of hunting ways to tighten the laws against spying. They showed an inclination to swing along with Attorney General Clark on the general theme that congress should explore the possibility of giving the government greater peacetime powers to combat espionage.

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Morse Cool to Plan to Block T-H Act Repeal

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 —(AP)—Republican strategy to thwart blanket repeal of the Taft-Hartley law got a cool reception today from Senator Morse (R-Ore.).

The plan to block the democratic administration's drive to get rid of the law was hatched by Senator Ives (R-N.Y.). The New Yorker said Sen. Taft (R-Ohio) GOP senate policy leader, "raised no objection" to the idea.

President Truman wants the Taft-Hartley measure repealed and the old Wagner Act restored with certain improvements.

Ives' proposal is that the starting point in any new labor legislation should be in a bill which the senate labor committee approved 11 to 2 in 1947.

The ideas of Ives and Morse originally predominated in that bill.

Morse told a reporter he is perfectly willing to base any new law on the 1947 Ives-Morse bill. But he added:

"I would want to reserve the right to go beyond that bill in revising the labor laws. On the senate floor and in conference, that bill was changed by a series of unfortunate amendments.

"But in the senate committee, before that, the bill was the product of some compromises which I did not approve."

Hungary Calvinists Oppose Cardinal

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Jan. 15 (AP)—Calvinistic church leaders approved today the government's action in arresting Josef Cardinal Mindyenty of Hungary. The cardinal is charged with treason, black marketing and other crimes against the state.

The Calvinistic statement said Mindyenty "did not fight for religious freedom, a fight that would be unnecessary here, but for political aims. We request the good will of everyone to separate the church case from political experiments. This means reconciliation with the Hungarian republic."

COAL MINERS' AID CLIMBS
WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 —(AP)—A quarter million soft coal miners or their families have received welfare benefits of \$68,000,000 in 20 months, John L. Lewis reported today. Nearly a million separate checks have gone out.

3 Agencies To Help DPs Settle in State

Designation of three Oregon agencies, representing the principal religious faiths, to provide information and to further the program of settling European refugees in the state was announced Saturday by F. L. Ballard, Corvallis, chairman of the governor's committee on displaced persons.

The agencies are Catholic War Relief Services, 3910 S. E. 11th ave.; Jewish Community center, S. W. 13th and Mill st., and Church World Service, Oregon Council of Churches, 215 S. E. 9th ave., all in Portland.

Ballard said more than 300 applications have been received from within the state offering assistance to DPs and are in various stages of progress. All are under provisions of a congressional act in 1947.

Relatives or unknown refugees may be sponsored for immigration. For most persons abroad who qualify, just two assurances are necessary from sponsors—that a job and a home are available.

Ballard. Most persons eligible are now residents of the allied zones of Germany, Austria or Italy. First priority for immigrants is for persons with agricultural backgrounds and who will be employed here in agriculture.

Maugham to Write Essays

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 15 —(AP)—"I am from here on going to be an essayist," said novelist W. Somerset Maugham today.

The distinguished Briton asserted he was through with novels.

Maugham told newsmen, "most of my life, ever since I was 18, I've written for money; written what people want to read."

"Now I'm going to write what I please and it will undoubtedly amuse no one but myself. It will be a labor of love."

At Salem Schools

By James Cooke
Statesman School Correspondent

LESLIE JUNIOR HIGH

Thirty candidates for seven Leslie student body offices will make their campaign speeches during a school assembly Monday at 1 p. m. Primary voting will follow the assembly with the top two candidates for each office to be on the ticket for the final balloting January 21.

Candidates for student body president are Helen Booth, Wallace Carson, Jim Humphrey and Dorothy Swigart; vice president, Caroline Deckebach, Barbara Harms, David Rhoten, Caroline Seay and Clarine Woolery; secretary, Michael Deeney, Otis Grieve, Barbara Klunder and Greeta Ann Schreengost.

Treasurer, Shirley Bingenheimer, Nadine Gilman and Marjorie Little; sergeant-at-arms, Ray Cook, Don Davis and Vernon Rouse; yell king, Jerry Agnew; Donald Blackmere and Harold Grimm; song queen, Jan Folger; Catherine Frankum, Robert Graham, Otheleene Lee, Dollie O'Neil, Mary Jane Rudd, Donna Vogt and Barbara Wagness.

Recently crowned intramural badminton champs at Leslie were Scott Page, ninth grade; Tommy Hunt, eighth grade; and Wayne Erikson, seventh grade.

In the final games, Page beat Elmer Winegar, 15-3; Hunt over Bill Walker, 15-5; and Erikson topped Don Humphrey, 15-13.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL
About 30 members of the third grade, in charge of Mrs. Dorothy Merriam, made a trip Friday to the central fire station. There firemen explained and demonstrated how calls are received and answered, how equipment operates and how fires are controlled.

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Car Abandoned by Boys After Wreck

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Abel told police his car was parked in the 700 block of North Commercial street when it was struck by a Willys registered to J. Est. Clair, Beaverton. Witnesses said they saw the two boys walk away from the car after the accident.

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Bill Allows County, City Tavern Tax

Municipal corporations and counties would have power to tax establishments handling alcohol beverages under a bill to be introduced in the house here Monday.

The bill, authored by Senator Eugene Marsh, McMinnville, and Representative Giles French, Moro, would not conflict with the tax provisions of the Oregon Liquor Control law, they said.

Redemption of Savings Bonds Exceeds Sales

Sales of U. S. savings bonds in Oregon for December totaled \$3,711,382, less than redemptions by \$158,195, according to Sidney Stevens, Marion county savings bonds chairman.

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