

# House Okehs Payment for Six Jap Bomb Deaths in Oregon

WASHINGTON, March 1-(AP)—Over army objections, the house passed today a bill to pay \$20,000 damages to relatives of six persons killed near Bly, Ore., by a Japanese balloon bomb during the war. The deaths occurred on March 5, 1945, when members of a Sunday school class across the grounded balloon and its unexploded bomb while on a fishing trip. Five children and the wife of the minister died when they tugged at the contrivance.

War-time censorship banned any mention of the balloon-borne bombs at the time. The bill, which now goes to the senate, would provide \$5,000 for Frank J. Pitzke, Grand Forks, N. D., who lost a son and a daughter; \$5,000 to Archie Mitchell of Bly, the minister whose wife was killed; and \$2,000 each to J. L. Shoemaker, Einer Engen and N. L. Gifford of Bly, who lost sons. The house judiciary committee said the army objected to the bill on grounds the government had no legal responsibility for the deaths. The committee said the army should have cautioned the public about the bombs beforehand.

# Taft-Hartley Hearings Set; Morse Blasts

WASHINGTON, March 1-(AP)—The house labor committee voted today to begin early hearings on repeal of the Taft-Hartley act and re-enactment of the old Wagner act with revisions. Secretary of Labor Tobin, meanwhile, restated his opposition to any changes in the bill the Truman administration is backing. "I want the bill exactly as it is," he told reporters.

Rep. Lesinski (D-Mich.) said the house labor committee which he heads expects to pass a proposal to reinstate the Wagner act without change pending the writing of a new labor law. Senator Morse (R-Ore.) criticized his republican colleagues, meanwhile, for backing the Taft-Hartley act in the first place. Morse, a member of the committee, told the senate that the republicans must correct "faults" in the Taft-Hartley act. "My party will not win in 1952 unless it removes from itself the anti-labor label which now it has so justifiably pinned on it," Morse said.

He called on the senate to lay aside partisan politics in considering new labor legislation and to aim for a bill equally fair to labor, management and the general public. "The Taft-Hartley law," he said, "has had more to do with increasing union activity into politics than anything else I know of in the last 20 years."

Morse said further that the 1947 law "has been a great impediment to union organizational drives in this country."

# Two Teachers Given Leave

Leave of absence for the remainder of the school year was granted by the Salem district school board Tuesday night for Mrs. Eula Creech, Salem high school home economics teacher, and Mrs. Florence Kron, Parrish junior high teacher.

The board authorized assignment of substitutes Helen Cheryl to replace Mrs. Kron and Mrs. Dorothy Erickson to replace Mrs. Creech. Superintendent Frank B. Bennett announced that the district will plan its own summer session because Oregon College of Education cancelled its plans to operate a summer school at Monmouth which would include Salem students.

# Harold Dade TKO's Joshua

PORTLAND, Ore., March 1-(AP)—Harold Dade, 126 pounds, from Chicago, won by a technical knockout over Aaron Joshua, 127, Calcutta, India, tonight in the featured boxing bout here.

The two light fighters slugged four rounds of fast action in which Dade opened a cut over Joshua's left eye in the fourth. He failed to answer the bell for the fifth and Referee Packy McFarland, after conferring with the commission physician, awarded the bout to Dade.

# CHINA PLANES HELD SHANGHAI, Wednesday, Mar. 2

(AP)—A spokesman for China Air Transport said today — without cracking a smile — that service to communist areas is not contemplated soon because of "red tape."

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# House Group Favors Power On Metolius

The Oregon legislature's biennial fight over Columbia river fish opened Tuesday.

The house utilities committee voted 8 to 3 against a bill which would reserve waters of the Metolius and Deschutes rivers for fish.

If the legislature adopts the committee's action, it would make possible construction of a \$12,000,000 power dam on the Leeches by three private power companies. The dam is bitterly opposed by sports and commercial fishermen.

In the senate fishing industries committee, more than 200 persons jammed the room to discuss whether seines, setnets and fish traps should be allowed on the Columbia river for two more years.

The people voted to ban them last November, but operators of those devices asked for a two-year moratorium so they can liquidate their investments. Sports fishermen and gillnetters oppose the moratorium.

# Oregon Corporal Aboard Missing Plane in Texas

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 1 (AP)—Hoped wanted today for eight missing including one of the famed Doolittle fliers, who has been unreported for more than 30 hours.

It was feared ill luck befell them in the rugged hill country of southwest Texas on a scheduled flight in a C-47 transport from Hamilton Air Base, Calif., to San Antonio.

The whole area has been cloaked in fog for two days. Last trace of the craft was over Wink, Tex., at 8:26 a.m. yesterday. It had taken off from Biggs Air Base, Paso, a short time before.

Four of its occupants were Maj. Lucian N. Youngblood, 30, of Houston, Tex.; Sgt. H. E. Jones, 35, Wallington, Colo.; Capt. George N. Pennington, 26, Chicago; and Cpl. Donald V. Nutt, Baker, Ore. Youngblood was one of the B-25 pilots who made the first bombing raid on Japan under Gen. Jimmy Doolittle. At present he is executive officer of the air rescue service at Hamilton Field.

Corporal Nutt was en route to duty at Keesler Field, Miss. His mother, Mrs. Daisy Nutt, lives at 1235 Fourth st., Baker.

# Crowds See Mardi Gras Capers In 'City That Care Forgot'

NEW ORLEANS, March 1-(AP)—The devil shook hands with a priest here today, assuring him there were "no hard feelings."

A plumber squatted on a car track and roasted hot dogs with a blow-torch. A band of Congo warriors, led by a gorilla, chased half a dozen screaming Indian maids down the street.

It was Mardi Gras, the biggest Mardi Gras New Orleans has ever had, and a hundred thousand buffoons were out cutting capers. How many hundreds of thousands of other people were out watching them, nobody knows. City Public Relations director Dave McGuire said it was the largest crowd ever in the streets here.

Police on horses and motorcycles cleared lanes through the mob for parades to pass. Rex, King of Carnival and Lord of Misrule, rode through at midday at the head of 20 mule-drawn floats.

His theme was "Louisiana, Utopia of the South," the floats depicted rice, cotton, sugar cane, and other products of the state.

Tonight the Krewe of Comus rode in the last parade of the carnival. Mardi Gras was officially over with the midnight meeting of the courts of Rex and Comus, following their respective balls at the Municipal Auditorium.

The carnival season began January 6. There were 60 balls at the auditorium and nearly a score of major street parades. The public masking and tomfoolery, however, was limited to this one day, Mardi Gras itself, the day before Lent begins.

# New Rocket



WHITE SANDS, N. M., March 1—A two-stage experimental rocket set off at the proving ground on February 24 rises skyward shortly after leaving the ground on its way to a record height of 250 miles above earth.

A small WAC Corporal rocket in the nose of a rebuilt German V-2 separated at about 20 miles up. (AP Wirephoto from U. S. Army).

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# Mrs. Voorhies Dies, Medford

MEDFORD, March 1-(AP)—Funeral services were held today for Mrs. Helen Burrell Voorhies, who died yesterday at her home near here.

She was the widow of Col. Gordon Voorhies, who was one of the first to plant orchards in the Rogue river valley on a commercial basis.

Long prominent in southern Oregon, she served on the state capitol building commission and the Knox commission.

Born in Portland in 1871, she was the daughter of Martin S. Burrell, an early-day merchant. Memorial services will be held in the Portland Unitarian church.

Surviving is a son, Charles H. Voorhies, Portland, two daughters and a sister.

# Russian Flier Flees to Japan

TOKYO, Wednesday, March 2 (AP)—A young Russian army flier has fled Siberia because—as he put it—communism and his conscience didn't mix.

The U.S. army disclosed this episode Tuesday. Then the airman, Sgt. Vladimir Barashkov, 23, talked to newsmen. He said Russian fliers are under the impression "the Soviets have the atomic bomb."

Barashkov said he landed his Russian plane in northern Japan late last year to seek refuge in the United States. The army said, without explanation, he would be "re-settled."

LIQUOR AIDE RESIGNS PORTLAND, March 1-(AP)—William P. Whitley, assistant administrator of the Oregon liquor control commission for the past year, has resigned to become secretary-manager of the Oregon Beer Distributors association.

# Highway Board Tells Groups Money Lacking

PORTLAND, March 1-(AP)—The state highway commission told three delegations today that there was not enough money available at present to make all the improvements they asked for.

A five-man delegation from Reedsport asked for improvement of route 38, from Scottsburg to Reedsport.

The commission said it would let bids before the end of May for improvements on another 1½-mile stretch of the road, making a total of five miles improved.

When the delegation complained that it had taken two years to get that much accomplished, and asked for a speed-up on the rest of the work, the commission replied there just was not enough money.

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# Naval Reservists To Take Training And Cruise Duty

Several members of Salem's naval reserve unit will attend training courses at San Diego and Seattle or take a cruise aboard the USS Duxbury Bay this month, it was announced Tuesday.

Sailing aboard the Duxbury Bay from March 12 to 25 are Leonard Van Kleec, Thomas D. Stuart, Walter Quiring, Stanley Pelster, Clifford W. Page, Calvin E. Pear-sall, Dave E. Metzler, David D. Madsen, Adam S. Mack, Marvin H. Lerud, Jack O. Knedler, George M. Hopper, Ernest D. Hicks, Jack J. Harris, Ralph N. Gell, Eugene L. Fulmer, Byron C. Fry, Milford R. Archibald, jr., John E. Renkert, and Lyle E. Weatherbee.

Jack D. Bartlett, Charles W. Dunn and Bernard K. Wodzowoda will attend the instructors training course at San Diego commencing March 6. Oscar P. Bollinger will attend the machinery repairman school at San Diego beginning March 6, and Rollin R. Zajic will attend classification school at Seattle beginning March 14.

# Bearcat Cagers Real 'Smarties'

Most people will agree, after seeing them perform, that there were some clever boys on this year's Northwest conference championship basketball squad at Willamette university. Coach John Lewis would agree and clinches this opinion with a run-down of the recently released grades of his 13 men squad.

The starting five, Bob, Jim and Ted Johnson, Tom Warren and Ted Loder, had a group average of 3.24 (B plus), which is the highest group average other than the scholastic honorary average. The squad average is 2.81 or almost a "B." The 13 man squad earned 196 hours of A, 249 hours of B and 74 hours of C.

STARS SPARKLE SAN FERNANDO, Calif., March 1-(AP)—Bill Lillie's three sizzling singles and Gene Handley's triple highlighted action in the Hollywood Star's six inning intrasquad game today.

Your Chef is William Wong when you dine at 99 Cafe Chinese - American Dishes 1/2 mile S. on 99E

# Portland Symphony Completes Series Here on Lively Note

By Maxine Buren Music Editor, The Statesman

Werner Janssen and the Portland Symphony orchestra opened their final Salem concert Tuesday night with a lively group, varied in musical flavor. The beautiful overture from "The Royal Fireworks" (Water Music Suite) by Handel was followed by Moon Over Taos by Bornschein, played by harp, muted strings and with a particularly lovely flute solo by Arthur Hobermann.

A Chassidic Tale, from David Tamkin's "The Dybbuk," one of those very modern things with dissonant tones and lots of life, was played with the same fine spirit the orchestra showed in the world premiere of the opera in Portland earlier this winter.

The legend of Tars Saitana by Rimsky-Korsakov was the final number in the group with its rich melodies and brilliant orchestration.

Pieces de resistance of the evening was Sibelius' Symphony No. 1 in E Minor, which Werner Janssen interpreted so beautifully. It was a great number, perfectly done, as an audience can depend upon Sibelius being played under Werner Janssen's direction.

Fitting to complete the evening's pleasure were the two encores, Traumerlied by Schumann and Rimsky-Korsakov's Capriccio Espagnole, the latter of which caused no end of speculation as to its identity.

I thought it the nicest of the three concerts given here this year by the Portland orchestra; some thought it tied with the first. Nevertheless, last night's performance left Salem listeners in a fine mood to which "to look forward to another winter series of concerts here next year."

# Pair Confess 'Lonely Hearts' Slaying of 3

BYRON CENTER, Mich., March 1-(AP)—A balding, mail-order ro-mance and 200-pound divorcee were held by police tonight after admitting they slew three persons while operating a deadly "lonely hearts" racket.

Bodies of two of the victims were dug out of cement-filled graves here today and that of the third was found in the cellar of a New York home tonight.

Prosecutor Roger C. McMahon said the suspects — 29-year-old Martha Beck and Raymond Martinez, Fernandez, 34 — would be charged with first degree murder tomorrow.

Michigan authorities will prosecute them for the brutal slayings of Mrs. Delphine Downing, 28, and her 20-month-old daughter, Rainelle. Their bodies were dug up from the basement of the Downing home here today.

The body of the third victim was dug up from the cellar of a home in South Ozone Park, Queens, N. Y., tonight on information given police by Fernandez.

He identified the third victim as Mrs. Janet Fay and said she was slain January 4.

New York authorities held up positive identification of the dead woman until they had checked her fingerprints and gotten confirmations from relatives.

McMahon tonight ordered a search for a "third suspect" in the slayings, but declined to say whether the wanted person was male or female.

The prosecutor said the pair told him of traveling through the east on her identity fraud confirmations through letters addressed to Lonely Hearts clubs. They traveled, McMahon said, as brother and sister. When successful in finding a victim, they bilked her of all the money they could and then disappeared.

Only three times, according to the prosecutor, plans went awry. Then the killings took place.

# Planes Collide In Maneuvers; No One Hurt

WITH THE ATLANTIC FLEET ON CARIBBEAN MANEUVERS, March 1-(AP)—A near tragedy was averted today when a jet Phantom fighter plane and a Grumman fighter collided in mid-air.

The accident occurred at an altitude of about 6,000 feet off Puerto Rico.

Two feet of a wing of the jet plane were sheared off in the collision but the pilot, Lt. William C. May of Daytona Beach, Fla., managed to nurse the crippled aircraft to a landing at Roosevelt Roads, 30 miles away on Puerto Rico.

# Five Europeans Sentenced for German Spying

MUNICH, Germany, March 1-(AP)—Five Europeans, headed by a Pole who said he worked for Poland's secret service, were convicted of espionage and sentenced to prison by a U. S. military commission today. The terms ranged from 12 to 30 years.

The stock ringleader, Theodor Szendzielorz, 33, grinned when the sentences were read. He drew 30 years for spying on behalf of a "foreign power." No foreign power besides Poland was mentioned in the trial.

Little emotion was shown by the others.

Roman Knopp, 36, a German railway worker, 30 years.

Rudolf Badura, 31, a Pole, 12 years.

Georg Kolodziez, 39, a German, 12 years.

Helmut Schoftock, 22, a German, 12 years.

The trial was one of a series for 20 persons rounded up by the American army last fall.

The third trial, with eight defendants, is scheduled to open tomorrow. The eight include three women.

# Jeff, Teddies Share Gonfalon

PORTLAND, March 1-(AP)—Jefferson and Roosevelt high schools shared the city basketball championship tonight. They finished the season today by posting final victories, Jefferson edging Franklin, 39 to 37, and Roosevelt swamping Washington, 65 to 45.

A playoff for the state "A" district 15 upper bracket berth is tentatively scheduled for Friday. The loser will take the lower bracket district 16 berth.

# Church Youth Form Council, Plan Program

Officers of the new Salem United Christian Youth movement were elected and program plans considered at a meeting Sunday of delegates from five churches.

All churches in the city were invited to participate in the movement.

Elected were Catherine Persons, First Presbyterian, president; Joyce Kirby, Jason Lee Methodist, vice president; Joyce Rautenkranz, First Christian, secretary-treasurer. Acting as chairman was David Poindexter, Willamette university student who is vice president of the Oregon Christian Youth movement.

An Easter youth breakfast was discussed, and a committee named to draw up a constitution. The executive committee will meet Thursday afternoon at First Christian church, and the entire council again on March 13.

# King Knights 58 in England

LONDON, March 1-(AP)—King George VI seated in a red and gilt chair to read his ailing legs conferred new year's honors on 300 men and women today.

The king conferred knighthood on 58, including Sir William Lawther, president of the National Union of Mine Workers.

# H. Berkowitz, Rabbi, Passes In Portland

(Picture on page 1)

PORTLAND, Ore., March 1-(AP)—Rabbi Henry J. Berkowitz, 54, prominent Portland Jewish leader, died at his home here today after a long illness.

Long prominent in the movement for religious and racial tolerance, he had appeared on speaking platforms throughout the country. He also was the author of numerous magazine articles and several books. The most recent book, published last fall, was "Boot Camp," based on his experience as a navy chaplain.

He was rabbi of the Beth Israel congregation here for 21 years. Prior to that he had pulpits in Kansas City and Detroit.

He was born in Philadelphia Nov. 27, 1894, and was a graduate of Hebrew Union college of Cincinnati. He was a member for several terms of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

Oregon State college conferred the degree of LL.D. on him in 1932.

Surviving are the widow, Flora, and a son Jack of Portland; his mother, Clara, of Philadelphia; and three brothers.

Funeral services will be held at Beth Israel synagogue Thursday at 2 p. m. Burial will be in Beth Israel cemetery.

# DAM AREA BIDS OPENED

PORTLAND, March 1-(AP)—Arthur A. Irwin and Lloyd Denlow, Eugene, were low of seven bidders on a job to construct a project laboratory and utilities for army engineers at Lowell, Ore. The bid was \$15,952. The laboratory would be used in connection with the Lookout Point dam.

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