# **RUSSIANS ADMIT OBTAINING SECRETS** SEEMS

### Landlords to Establish TOME Voluntary Rent Control By Charles, A. Stran

As another crop season approaches, farmers are becoming alarmed over the lack of fertilizer. During the war the War Production board allocated supplies and protected the requirements of agriculture. This control has been abandoned. Instead UNRRA has commandeered all nitrates for export to countries it is helping to get back on their fect. This leaves the American farmer holding an empty fertillizer bag.

Aware of the need of Oregon farmers for fertilizer for the production of numerous crops the state college extension service got busy some months ago and secured authorization from government agencies for the alumina plant here to manufacture 5000 tons of ammonium sulphate for local distribution. Of this some 1500 tons has been delivered. This was being manufacturer at a loss and the RFC which has been financing this plant protested, since this was not the primary purpose for which the plant was out to raise the price to \$49 a ton which will cover the production cost; but it requires the approval of numerous government ridge in testimony before the agencies before it becomes effective and the fear is that this approval may come too late.

The general public is little aware of the need and value of fertilizer in crop production, par- ences to the military branch: ticularly for specialty crops such as our growers make most of their money from. We grow large quanties of grass seeds for example, like ryegrass and fescue legislation through on a wave of grasses. Nitrogen-bearing fertiliz- postwar hysteria." er is required to bring the yield to a profitable level. Sugar beet in the mirror for 150 years. Its seed requires the use of 100 to "most prominent characteristic is 150 lbs, of nitrogen per acre. Pro- its medieval caste system which duction of vegetables for canning sets up unsurmountable barriers and freezing

(Continued on editorial page)

# **Dispute Halts** All Loading at Portland Docks "The army leadership is class conscious, ultra-conservative, ab-

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 20.-(AP) fers "an excellent breeding ground -A month old dispute between for totalitarianism." snipping cargo checkers and the

off federal rental control by establishing voluntary regulation of rentals a group of 25 owners of rental properties including apartments and houses, met at the Quelle cafe Wednesday and organized a Home and Property Owners' association. J. F. Ulrich, realtor and apartment house owner, was elected president and Ed Piasecki secretarytreasurer. Owners of 200 living units were represented at the meeting.

The procedure planned is to name an appraisal committee on which war veterans will be represented to appraise rental val-

With the purpose of heading ues in case of question of the rentals charged. Members of the association agree to abide by the decision of the committee. The membership list will be extended as rapidly as possible. action will curb any excessive charges? in Salem so that OPA

control will not be necessary," stated Ulrich. "We have asked Mayor Doughton not to call in the federals until we have a chance to get this organization set up. Our group will have a representative board of seven

**Fortas Fails to** 

**Recall Ickes**,

**Pauley Parley** 

directors besides the special appraisal committee and we hope to work out the problems that are arising over rentals."

# **Retired General Pictures Army** As Undemocratic, Feudalistic

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.-(AP)-A retired Brigadier general who was a West Point classmate of Gen. Mark Clark today built. Now a plan is being worked described the army as "undemocratic and unAmerican-a feudalistic organization carried over into the atomic age." The description, and others just as pithy, was applied by

former Brig. Gen. H. C. Hold-

house military committee. Criticizing the army's advocacy

of universal military training, the 53 year old retired Washington general made these other refer-

"It is always one or two wars behind in its thinking." It is "trying to railroad this

"Army has not looked at itself between the officer aristocracy and the enlisted man . . . It pro-

motes class consciousness and class cleavages." Its judicial system "is not a system of justice at all but a dent of the Farmers and Mersystem of military discipline and chants National Bank of Los Anpunishment carried over from the geles. days of Gustavus Adolphus by way of the British army."

solutist," and the army itself of-Ickes, against Pauley.

these developments:

Forrestal resigns.

withdraw his own name."

Materials, Men Already Gathering at Pacific

NINETY-FIFTH YEAR 14 PAGES "We hope that this voluntary tion will curb any excessive Delay Due In Phone Walkout **Mediator** Claims **Progress** in G.M. Strike Talk

> By the Associated Press Threat of a nationwide tieup of telephone service was delayed, at least temporarily, yesterday and a federal mediator reported "substantial" progress to-

> ward settling the 92-day-old General Motors strike. The head of the National Federation of Telephone Workers ap-

pealed to government officials to dispute with the industry, promising not to strike until "after we have talked with you."

But a group consisting of 17 of the 50 NFTW affiliates represented at a Memphis, Tenn., strategy **Japs** Complain meeting, pressed for more direct action, with its leader contending some delegates wanted an early Soviet Holding telephone strike date set. Best So Far'

In Detroit, Federal Mediator WASHINGTON, Feb. 20-(P)-James F. Dewey said yesterday's The senate naval committee's negotiations session between the hearing of Edwin W. Pauley's no-General Motors corporation and mination as undersecretary of striking CIO United Auto Workthe navy was recessed late today ers was "the best so far" and that until Tuesday to allow time for substantial progress had been arrival of additional California made toward reaching agreement. witnesses. T. S. Petersen, vice Dewey said the negotiators dispresident of the Standard Oil cussed "everything" at issue and company of California; H. D. Colthat another meeting had been lier, member of the board of that scheduled for 10 a.m. (EST) tocompany, and Vic Rosetti, presiday and would "probably continue straight through." **Detroit Sans Milk** 

Meanwhile some 400,000 fami-Abe Fortas supplied no defilies in Detroit were left without milk deliveries when an estimat- action is up to Washington. nite corroboration or denial today of the accusation leveled by ed 1300 employes of four large his former chief, Harold L. dairies quit work in a wage dispute. The CIO United Dairy and Tokyo newspapers said that

Fortas, then undersecretary of Workers are demanding 10 cents these "escaped." A virtually comthe interior, was third man at a an hour more wages, retroactive plete absence of information here to Sept. 1, 1945, and an additional about Japanese in Manchuria is conference of Ickes and Pauley in 1944 when, Fortas said, the two 10 cents hourly to be paid on topics of democratic campaign approval by the wage stabilizafunds and a government oil suit tion board, providing such apwere discussed. proval is forthcoming within 60 But Fortas told the senate nadays. val committee he could not re-Otherwise the labor picture remember whether Pauley linked mained without important change, the two "on a contingent basis" with some 970,000 idle in con--as Ickes has asserted and Pautinuing labor disputes.



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# **Cabbies Organize for Drive to Capitol**

intervene in the federation's wage WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.-Taxi-driving war veterans (shown above organizing in Chicago) bivouacked in Camp Simms, an unused army camp on the southeastern outskirts, tonight and mapped a cam- pressed "amazement" that the Ca paign for federal aid in getting back licenses from their city. They plan to parade around the capitol tomorrow in the 150 black and cream-colored taxicabs they drove here from Chicago in a three-day trip through snow and sleet.

# Jack Von, Salem Boxer, Dies After **Fight in Armory**

Jack Von, 180-pound Salem fighter, died last night in a local hospital from what is believed to have been injuries suffered in a boxing bout at the armory with Bobby Ford, 178 - pound Portland negro. Cause of death was not stated at the hospital and hospital attendants said an autopsy would be performed Thursday.

Von was rushed to the hospital immediately after he lost via technical knockout to Ford in the fifth round of their bout. He died 20 minutes after entering the hospital, attendants an from Korea and the Kuriles, said.

(Full details on sports page).

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### Moscow Radio **Declares** Data 'Insignificant'

LONDON, Feb. 20.-(AP)-Russia acknowledged tonight that Canadian citizens had given "insignificant secret data" to soviet representatives in Canada, but declared that the position taken by the Canadian government was not "compatible with friend- " ly relations between the two countries."

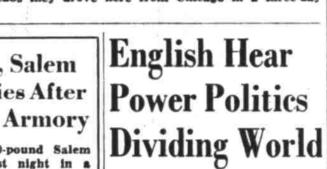
A Russian statement, broadcast by the Moscow radio and heard here by the Associated Press and the Soviet monitor, said the Soviet milltary attache in Ottawa had been recalled because of the "inadmissibility" of the actions of members of his staff. But it exnadian government had published its statement on the leakage of information last Feb. 15 instead of previously asking an explanation from the Soviet government "as is expected between countries maintaining normal relations." The radio said the statement was being handed to the Canadian

### charge d'affaires in Moscow. First Russian Word

The broadcast was the first word to come from Russia since Prime Minister MacKenzie King an nounced in Ottawa last Friday LONDON, Feb. 20-(P)-Har- that highly secret information had old MacMillan, former member been divulged to a foreign misof the Churchill war cabinet, de- sion, later authoritatively identi-

clared in parliament today that fied as the Soviet embassy. relations between the major pow-"It was ascertained," the Mosers are "alarmingly strained" and cow statement said, "that the data questioned whether Russia "has concerned such technical details made up its mind to dominate the as were not needed by the soviet order in view of the fact that in The conservative MacMillan, the U.S.S.R. higher technical

who served as resident minister achievements are in existence at allied headquarters in North and which may be found in pub-Africa and later as secretary for lications on radio-location and air, asserted in a foreign affairs similar subjects as well as in the debate that the wartime alliance well-known pamphlets of the of Russia, Great Britain and the American Smythe on atomic en-United States "is virtually, if not ergy. In view of this is would be formally, in abeyance." ridiculous to assert that the comwhether we like it or not," he munication of such insignificant added, "the world is being divid- secret data could create any dan-Cotton Garment added, "the world is being divid-ed into different political and ger whatsoever for the security economic interests. New groupof Canada." ings of minor satellite nations The Moscow statement said the around one or the other of the ambassador and other members big three have taken shape." of the soviet embassy in Canada "had no connection whatsoever



world."

in the second of a state for

Hawaiian-American Steam ship company threatened tonight to spread throughout the port of Portland within 24 hours and tieup all loading.

Waterfront Employers here, announced employers had set a Thursday 5:00 p. m. deadline for On Cold Trail members of the supercargo and checkers union, CIO, to work contract.

Ferguson said unless the work- new-born children. ers complied the employers would cancel the agreement. All ship- tipster for an English news agenping here would be affected if the cy telephoned the "scoop" to his agreement is broken off, union superiors without, apparently officials said.

Loading of two Victory ships has been halted since late last month in the dispute over the vinced that the reported birth of "out of common decency; to number of checkers to be employed.

## **Hirohito Sees** War Carnage

Hirohito, on the second day of his first post-war inspection of the area around Tokyo, Wednesday sieur, after all? viewed some of the human wreckage of his country's lost war.

At repatriation centers in Uraga and Kurihama he saw gaunt survivors of his shattered navy- troops were reported by the Giorthe wasted frames and pinched nale del Mattino to be moving torepratriates.

Those who were strong enough slavia. stood erect and bowed as the emperor passed, or knelt humbly on their beds. Many were too weak for any gesture of reverence.

p all loading. R. E. Ferguson, manager of the Puts Newsmen

ley has denied. PARIS, Feb. 20-(AP)-Reportships as directed or arbitrate ers of various nationalities combtheir grievance according to their ed the left bank of the Seine tonight for a woman with seven

The furor began soon after a

checking on its accuracy. Several hours and many questions later they returned, conseptuplets was another "duck," as

the French say for a phoney, but not until the residents of tiny Rue Galande had a glorious time Mediator Ends agitatedly denying knowledge of any such event. The patron in one bistro said Transit Strike

it was news to him, but if Cana-TOKYO, Thursday, Feb. 21.-(AP) da can do something like that so

### YUGOSLAVS MOVE TROOPS

ROME, Feb. 20.-(AP)-Yugoslav community of 60,000.

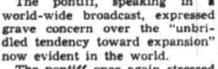
islands of the Pacific-the ragged, mission of experts prepared to in- Both union and company repre- tral and eastern parts of the state hungry hopelessness of civilian vestigate the situation in the area sentatives are to be commended Tuesday night, State Highway Board of Control to claimed by both Italy and Yugo- for the fine job they have done Engineer R. H. Baldock reported

**Pope Pius Hits** The controversy also brought 1. Secretary of the Navy For-

**At Imperialism** restal indicated there have been discussions of Pauley's succeeding to the secretaryship when

Pope Pius XII declared today that modern imperialism "carries in it Talks, Memoirs 2. Senator Stewart (D-Tenn) asserted the democratic party is germs which endanger the very "seriously split over the nominafoundations of human intertion" and called upon Pauley, course" and called upon the Roman Catholic church to take a militant leadership in preparing

a basis on which human society "can rest securely." The pontiff, speaking in a



The pontiff once again stressed LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 21.-(AP) the "supranationalism" of a uni-(P)John Murray, United States versal church as exemplified in labor department conciliator, anthe 22 nationalities now reprenounced early today that union sented in the college of cardinals, and management representatives and urged the world "which had reached an agreement to end everywhere hungers and thirsts the 16-day transit strike which for unity" to rally around it. had crippled this Pennsylvania

**ROAD CONDITIONS NORMAL** "The agreement will be sub-Most Oregon highways offered faces of men worn down by ma- ward the Morgan line in Venezia mitted to the union membership normal travel conditions Wednes- await his turn. laria and malnutrition on the lost Giulia today as an allied com- at 9 a. m. (EST) for ratification. day, despite light snowfall in cenin working out this agreement." Wednesday.

increasing anxiety among local relatives.

Nippon Troops

TOKYO, Thursday, Feb. 21.-(AP)

Authoritative allied sources said

today that General MacArthur's

headquarters has forewarded to

Washington the latest of "several"

official Japanese government re-

quests for allied help in repatri-

ating Japanese from Russian-oc-

forwarding agency, these sources

said, pointing out that any future

Only a trickle has reached Jap-

Headquarters acted merely as a

cupied areas.

Newspaper interviews with "escaped persons" from the Kuriles have described relatively good living conditions, however, with ample food supplies and only limited internment.

So far as is known, these mark the first official Japanese govern-ment communications with Wash-a new program designed to in-for Congress the first official Japanese govern- The government tonight outlined ington on international matters.

# **Ickes Plagued by** VATICAN CITY, Feb. 20-(AP) Offers for Column.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.-(AP)-Even in a retirement, a curmudgeon is a busy, busy fellow. Drop in at Harold Ickes' Statler hotel office suite anytime for

proof. Racing frantically about the room is Miss Ellen Downes, long-

time Ickes' secretary. She relaxed long enough to ex- and industry representatives. plain what the trouble was. Seems people won't let Ickes alone.

"All sorts of offers," sighed Miss Downes. "Writing, radio, column, memoirs, everything." This line of conversation was stopped by a knock at the door. five to six cents. A well tailored gentleman stepped

You could almost hear his check Riley Recommends books rustle as he walked over to They're after Harold, all right.

Possibility of a readvertisement for bids for construction of a hospital farm was seen Wednes- margin for the area's needs. day by some state officials as they speculated on what action the

state board of control might take at its Thursday meeting to consider the low bid of \$511,940, which is 60 per cent over the

# be re-established in new homes Salem Woman \$1.4

neat paths outlined with spark-

**Plan Aimed to** 

**Aid Production** 

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20-(AP)crease production of inexpensive cotton gaments by fifty per cent.

An Oregon City democrat, Ru-It provides for incentive price fus E. Wood, filed Wednesday in increases to textile mills so as the state department for repreto boost output of the type of sentative to congress from the first Oregon district, at the demofabric needed for such scarce apparel as men's shirts, shorts and cratic primary election May 17. Other filings Wednesday: pajamas, women's dresses, and Jack W. Donin, Portland, demwork clothing.

The program also aims at reocrat, for state representative, 5th district, Multnomah county. stricting production of less essential but currently more profi-Oliver E. Smith, Portland, democrat, for state representatable fabrics.

The plan was outlined at a tive, 5th district, Multnomah news conference by officials of county. the OPA and the civilian produc-

tion administration after a day-Iong discussion by government Farmers Urged long discussion by government Officials could give no overall estimate of how much retail prices might be increased under

HILLSBORO, Feb. 20-(AP)-Herbert Peet, executive secretary of the new program, but said the the Columbia Valley Authority price of men's shirts, for examleague, today urged members of ple, might be boosted by from the Oregon Farmers' Union to support CVA as a means of en-

couraging "unified development of the Pacific northwest." The Seattle officer of the league **Release of Housing** organized by a score of Washington and Oregon groups declar-PORTLAND, Feb. 20.-(AP)-Re- ed opponents of the CVA plan

lease of 2000 more Vanport hous- "sought to cloud the merits of the ing units for use of veterans else- program" by claiming it threatwhere was recommended today ens local and states rights. Take Action on Bid by Mayor Earl Riley's emergency Peet said the CVA would opehousing committee.

rate on federal authority already ment." The committee said the Vanport possessed. He told the members project would retain 1230 vacant the Pacific northwest has 42 per patients' dormitory at the state units which it considered a safe cent of the hydro-electric power Harbor Probe potential of the U.S.

To Back CVA

**Richard Cutler Elected to Head** New World War II VFW Post

Richard C. Cutler was elected | The new post decided to restrict commander of a new post for membership to World war II vet-World war II veterans Wednes- erans for at least two years. Meetings will be held on the day night, when 38 ex-servicemen met in VFW hall to form first and third Tuesday nights Meadowlark post No. 6102. Vet- during March and April and, beginning in May, a permanent

The new post will be officially meeting schedule of the second instituted and its officers inand fourth Tuesdays will begin. Other officers elected last night VFW hall at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, were: Senior vice commander, R. March 3, with an Oregon City W. Chase; junior vice command- Weather VFW drill team officiating. A er, J. A. McCarthy; quartermasdelegation from Marion post No. ter, E. Paul Burgman; post ad-

661. Salem's long established vocate, Eugene Strickland; chapling white coral rock - but the told local police her davenport VFW post, also will take part in lain, G. R. Boltjes; surgeon, Carl Keuscher; trustees, G. McCarroll Last night's organization meet- (three years), S. E. Washburn ing was conducted by the district (two years) and B. G. Kelso (one

VFW commander, Virgil Bolton. year).

with the matter." **Democrat** Files **Press** Campaign The statement that called attention to what it said was a

campaign "hostile to the soviet union, which had started in the Canadian press and radio simultaneously" with the MacKenzie King statement last Friday.

"One must recognize," statement said, "that the abovementioned unbridled anti-soviet campaign was part of the plan of the Canadian government, and is aimed at inflicting political harm to the soviet union."

**Canadians Lash Back** At Moscow Motives

OTTAWA, Feb. 20-(AP)-An official government spokesman who declined to permit further identification declared tonight that the Russians were making "political capital" out of the Canadian espionage case.

Shortly after receipt of a Moscow broadcast charging that Canada in handling its "spy" investigation was encouraging an antisoviet campaign, the spokesman declared:

"The soviet statement started out as an admission of guilt sufficient to cause the withdrawal of its military attache and then proceeded to minimize the whole matter and sought to make political capital by imputing motives to the Canadian govern-

# **Ends Hearings**

WASHINGTON, Feb 20.-(P)-The Pearl Harbor investigating committee wound up today three months of open hearings preliminary to an attempt to fx corponsibility for the success of Japan's Dec. 7, 1941 attack.

The 10-member senste - house group has until June 1 to assess the evidence it has received and prepare a report on what circumstances enabled Japanese air raiders to catch Hawaii's defenders napping and knock out 18 ships of the Pacific fleet.

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today, occasional light rain, temperature today 36 degrees rain, highest

Animal Crackers Outposts in Preparation for Coming Atom Tests By WARREN GOODRICH By Don Whitehead supply the atomic bomb test fleet | when it moves in. KWAJALEIN, Feb. 20. -(AP)-There is a strange story unfolding today in the sunwashed remoteness of the Marshall islands as a what will happen when the new navy ships will begin moving what action is contemplated.

ws Chicago Sun Syndicate 2-21

"Things are beginning to look all right ... the world must be in an awful mess!"

joint army-navy task force prepares for "operation crossroads" -the atomic bomb tests against atoll 230 miles to the northwest. seapower.

Kwajalein no longer is merely a lonely Pacific outpost or a waystation on the aerial routes link. of Harlan, Ky, ing Asia and America. It is a busy, vital, exciting place where every- will be evacuated, because, even one present knows he will have though it is 180 miles from Bikini,

a ringside seat at one of the winds might strew it with radio greatest experiments of all times. active particles. No one can fore-"Crossroads" is a magic word tell what will happen, so no one here. Preparations are being rush- is taking any chances.

ed and No. 1 priorities are com-The islanders know that the monplace. More and more officers atomic bomb is to be dropped. Of- island's 4000 Americans can't for- lodger had disappeared, and so the program. and men are arriving daily to help ficers have explained to them get that battle. The U.S. ceme- had \$14 from a purse left at home with the spadework. Arrange- carefully, in simple terms, what tery's row of crosses are still too when Mrs. Prescott went out ments are being made to help is planned.

The Bikini folk are preparing to leave, perhaps never to return. Already, men gather each night They accepted philosophically under bright stars and surf-sil- the selection of their coral islands state engineers' estimate of cost. vering moonlight to speculate for the tests, and on March 1 Board members were silent as to

atomic bomb explodes over the them and their household belongtarget fleet in the waters of Bikini ings to the island of Rongerik, 135 Friendly Act Costs miles to the east. There they will "A guy can't help but wonder, provided by the Americans. even if he isn't scared," said tow-

Kwajalein bears no resemheaded young George L. Michael which the U.S. seventh infantry old story to police. Eniwetok, as well as Bikini, division charged on Feb. 1, 1944. holed up in pillboxes, foxholes woman who said she could not

ments. Lawns have been sodded and port.

new and too white.

Sometimes hospitality doesn't

Mrs. L. G. Prescott, 245 S. 15th

and concrete and steel emplace- find lodgings anywhere in Salem, by letting her sleep on a daven-

shopping.

blance to the shambles across pay, and when it doesn't it's an erans of Foreign Wars.

to storm the Japanese garrison st., Sunday befriended a strange stalled at a public meeting in

On Wednesday Mrs. Prescott