

Shumaker Directs Youth Council

Kenneth L. Shumaker was elected temporary chairman of the Eugene Youth Council, meeting at Frances Willard school Monday night. He replaces President Winfield Atkinson, who is leaving soon for army service. Shumaker was instructed to appoint a nominating committee which will choose a permanent slate of officers.

Atkinson outlined the work of the council in the past year, telling especially of its cooperation with authorities in getting youth to serve in the summer harvests, and of efforts made to get money for a county juvenile officer. It was suggested it might be well also to have a parallel "council of youths" to permit young folk to make their own suggestions.

All agencies represented in the council gave reports of current developments in their ranks, and Lawrence Bee urged a unified approach through the council to local programs. Kenneth Shumaker outlined plans suggested for the playground commission, and it was suggested the council might serve as a congress to advise the school board if it undertakes the playground plans. It was stressed that the council is wider in scope than any single problem, and that it should serve as a clearing house for all agencies dealing with individual problems.

Rev. Francis P. Leipzig reported findings of the governor's committee on juvenile delinquency, saying they were unanimous in criticism of parents and broken homes, and that religious as well as educational instruction was needed in homes to counteract war influences. Appreciation for the work of Atkinson in the presidency was voiced.



FERDINAND GUN—Edward C. Carter, president of Russian War Relief, inspects a German Ferdinand gun, part of an exhibit of captured trophies seized from the Germans.

Whiskey 'Hunters' Drain Town's Holiday Supply

CLARKSTON, Wash. — (AP) — Connoisseurs of fine whiskey made holiday planners of this town a bit gloomy recently when they broke into the state liquor store early in the morning and stole an estimated 20 cases of liquor from the shelves.

Store manager Tom Harvey said that prewar whiskey retailing at more than \$4 a pint, and every bottle of Scotch and bourbon in the store with the exception of two quarts, were stolen.

War Frauds Case Pair Sentenced

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 21 — (AP) — Federal Judge John C. Collet today assessed the maximum penalty against two defendants in a war frauds case which involved charges of conspiracy to defraud the government of \$1,000,000 in the handling of war contracts.

Dahne W. Winebrenner of Gallopaw, O., former sales manager of the Baker-Lockwood manufacturing company, and Cornelius G. Loose of Wright field, Dayton, O., were sentenced to two years in prison and fined \$10,000 each.

Winebrenner and Loose were indicted with the Baker-Lockwood company, its president, W.

L. Mellor, and Ben D. Christian, president of the Safeway Steel products company of Milwaukee.

A federal district court jury last Saturday returned a verdict of guilty against Winebrenner and Loose, and acquittal for the company, Mellor, and Christian.

The conspiracy indictments were returned by a federal grand jury here last Feb. 12. It was charged specifically that the defendants had conspired to defraud the government of \$1,000,000 in the handling of war contracts at Wright Field, Dayton, O.

The Baker-Lockwood company, a north Kansas City concern, manufactured canvas shelters used by the army air force. It closed its doors a few weeks after the indictments were returned.

Army Sleuths Watch Family Allowances

CAMP ADAIR, Ore., Dec. 21 — The first year of activity of the nationwide network of field investigating offices of the war department office of dependency benefits has successfully been completed. Brig. Gen. H. N. Gilbert, director of the ODB, an activity of the army service forces, announced today.

From coast to coast, in nine key cities, the field investigation branch offices—the watchdogs of the ODB—protect soldiers, soldiers' dependents, and the government from fraud in connection with family benefits.

The majority of all cases investigated by the ODB offices concern family allowances provided under the servicemen's dependents allowance act of 1942, as amended.

"Many parents, brothers, and sisters do not seem to understand that they must be dependent upon the soldier for at least a substantial portion of their support or more, to be eligible for family allowances," General Gilbert pointed out. "Furthermore, they must remain in that status throughout the period during which they receive payments."

During the year, over 7500 soldiers or dependents failed to notify the ODB promptly when they became ineligible for a family allowance and thus made themselves liable for prosecution.

An investigation of more than 125,000 family allowances also showed that many violations are the result of ignorance or misunderstanding of the law. Family allowances are being discontinued every day through ODB investigation.

Over 700 cases of suspected fraud were investigated during the year and prosecution prepared against those who willfully violated the provisions of the family allowance act. Military cases were referred to trial by military court while civilian cases were turned over to law enforcement agencies by the ODB field in-

vestigations branch.

Among the prosecutions for fraud were a number of cases of women who had married several soldiers for the purpose of collecting payment checks from more than one family allowance account.

Also prosecuted was the case of a civilian who charged a fee for assisting a soldier's dependent to apply for a family allowance. A fine of up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for a maximum of two years, or both, are provided by law for taking such fees.

A number of soldiers were also tried by military court for having more than one wife. Many cases of bigamy were discovered by the ODB field investigations branch when two or more family allowance applications for "a wife," naming the same soldier, were received by the ODB.

From a personal nucleus of five, the ODB field investigation branch has grown to more than a hundred.

The committee also cut proposed taxes on cosmetics from 25 to 20 per cent, lopping an estimated \$17,100,000 from the bill's new revenue yield.

As it stands now, the bill will yield about \$2,275,000,000, the committee said.

Repricing was reinstated in the bill in a new title which provides that whenever a departmental head—secretary of war or navy, or the administrator of the maritime commission or the war ship-

ping administration—determines that the price under a war contract is unfair to the contractor he may require the contractor to renegotiate and fix a "fair" price. If the contractor refuses to agree to a new "fair" price, then the departmental head may fix a price by order.

Conover "cover girls" are being trained to act as announcers and demonstrators for postwar television, according to Radio News.

Repricing Clause Back in Tax Bill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 — (AP) — The senate finance committee, in a last-minute change, today reinstated in the new tax bill repricing under war contracts as a means of recouping high war profits.

The committee, which last week eliminated repricing entirely from the bill, reversed itself as it read the final draft of the bill today.

Troops Guard-

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serve company, a government-financed organization, for a new five-year tin contract were suspended.

Enrique Lozada, now in Washington, has been named confidential agent to the United States for the new government, it was announced.

In the only reports which the new government has released regarding the fate of former officials, it was said that former Foreign Minister Carlos Salinas had taken refuge in the Chilean embassy and former Minister of Agriculture Julio Céspedes Anes was at the Paraguayan embassy.

(Passengers arriving at Lima, Peru, by air from La Paz meanwhile, described the coup as bloody and added that army planes had flown from Santa Cruz, Bolivia, to La Paz to aid the revolution.

Groups Annihilated

The travelers said that groups which remained loyal to Penaranda in two towns had virtually annihilated by artillery fire when they refused to support the coup.)

(Dispatches from Buenos Aires said the NMR had often been accused of affiliation with Germanic elements in Bolivia and that one of its chief programs is "geographic reconstruction," — a phrase meaning an aggressive demand for an outlet to the sea, possibly at the expense of Chile or Peru.)

Paz Estensoro was accused in 1941 of being implicated in a plot to establish a Bolivian bridgehead for the nazis. He denied the charges and was absolved when they could not be proved.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 21 — (AP) — Gen. Enrique Penaranda, Bolivian president who was overthrown yesterday by a revolution, arrived in Arica in northern Chile today.

The deposed president was accompanied by his eldest brother, Eliseo. They came from La Paz by railroad.

BIRD SCARCITY

LONDON — Christmas turkeys are strictly a gamble this season in Britain. Because of the scarcity many dealers are conducting lotteries to determine who gets the privilege of buying the birds.

QUITS RACING

WILMINGTON, Del. — Conforming with baseball rules, Robert Rulph Morgan Carpenter, new major stockholder of the Phillies, tendered his resignation to the Delaware Steeplechase and Race Association.

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Suspect Indicted In Threat to FDR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 — (AP) — A 38-year-old Pontiac, Mich., man who has been adjudged of unsound mind by a commission, was indicted by a federal grand jury today on a charge of threatening to take a "pot shot" at President Roosevelt.

The man, Walter W. Best, was charged in the indictment with having written his wife from Washington that he had hung around the White House "hoping for a pot shot at Roosevelt but no soup."

Assistant U. S. attorney Sylvan Schwartz said a .38 caliber revolver was found on Best when he was arrested Nov. 1 for jaywalking. Best was sent to St. Elizabeth's hospital and on Nov. 23 was adjudged of unsound mind by the commission on mental health, Schwartz said.

Ban on Press-

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Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. chief of staff, or Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme Mediterranean commander, would take over the command of invasion forces.

American authorities here were understood to have complained to British censors about the publication in Britain of stories of vast troop convoys, but the British replied that the stories had originated in the United States and had been passed by the American censorship.

As a result of the American complaint the British stopped correspondents here from cabling similar stories of troop movements and other second front preparations to the United States. Censorship Asked

American authorities asked British censors yesterday to censor all speculation and news regarding second front preparations originating in either the United States or Britain and the British in turn asked the Americans to tighten their censorship so that newspapers in both countries would operate under equal restrictions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 — (AP) — Byron Price, director of censorship, said today that he had had no discussions with the British on the subject of banning second front speculation.

"It is all completely news to me," Price said in connection with the reports emanating in London. The war department said it was unaware of any military requests here for suppression of second front speculation.

President Roosevelt also professed ignorance of the reported ban. He said at his news conference that dispatches about it must have been just a London story.

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