

Scout Membership Soars Over 3000

Looking forward to reaching a total membership in the Oregon Trail council, Boy Scouts of America, of an even 3000, council officials were surprised today to find that the membership figure as of Oct. 31 reached 3091.

Although the 3000 mark was not expected until mid-November at the earliest, registration of several new units and membership increases in troops and packs in the council boosted the figure to nearly 400 more than the goal set for the end of this year, J. R. Bruckart, council president, said.

Former high membership figure was 2550 reached in October, 1941. Membership at the first of the year was 2051, and the new figure represents an increase of 51 per cent since the first-of-the-year mark.

The Oregon Trail council serves Lane, Benton, Lincoln, Douglas, Coos, and Curry counties.



OUR WAVES—The fleet of trim naval craft shown above are none other than the local platoon of WAVES who were feted here last week, prior to their departure for training at Hunter college, New York. Above, the girls assembled for a farewell photograph before leaving. WAVES Recruiter Jane Jamison is at the center of the front row. Chief Specialist W. E. Bell at the left, Walter F. Patrie, specialist 1-c, at right. (Wiltshire engraving)

FDR Ready—

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that might be of some help. And that, the President said, was the last he heard of it until a gentleman from Chicago—Frank J. Lewis, president of the "Thousand Dollar Club"—saw him sometime later and gave him a certificate of membership.

The President said he hadn't thought he was eligible but he had made his regular campaign contribution of \$1,000 to the democratic party and got in turn the certificate of membership worth, as the President put it, about half a cent.

Elsewhere on the fourth term front, Secretary of Commerce Jesse H. Jones said in a radio speech last night that the "best interest of the United States and the world call for the continuance in office of Franklin D. Roosevelt at this time."

He stressed that no one could say or promise definitely now as to the day of full peacetime reconversion, what tax rates will have to be, or when all government controls can be removed. "We do know," he added, "that President Roosevelt has said that the controls will be released at the earliest possible moment."

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Governor Warren Back In Hospital

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The return of California's Governor Earl Warren to the hospital for a checkup on a kidney infection makes unlikely his further campaigning for Governor Thomas E. Dewey in the shortening presidential race, said Vern Seoggin, press secretary to the governor.

Warren returned to Sutter hospital a second time yesterday after being treated last week. His physicians described his condition as "quite satisfactory" and said the infection, at one time "virulent" now is not serious.

Great Post-War—

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federal government to build these great dams and develop these great water resources of this region," said Dr. Raver. "No other agency is great enough for this. It is also necessary for federal government to build the great transmission lines which carry power to all parts of the region so that people can get the benefit. Politicians Corrupted

"Some politicians are shouting that we should sell this power at the bus bar" and some of them do not even know what a bus bar is. It would be utterly impractical for each community or each industry to build its own line to tap the bus bar at the dams and generating plants. "Our transmission lines are like the main canals which carry water out to the farms. We carry this power to the point where you can use it. We do not go into the actual distributing business, as some of the politicians claim. "We make the power available to the distributing agency of each community, the local power company, the REA, and we see that the people get the benefit of low rates."

Question period brought out considerable discussion of the economic problems of the northwest, its relatively high freight rates, its handicap in competing with the established skills and techniques of older industry in the east, the difficulty of little business in competing with huge business. Dr. Raver sees Bonneville-Grand Coulee, with their 1,300,000 kilowatts of available power, as a powerful tool to unlock the resources of the west and lift it from "colonial" to competitive status.

Truman On—

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Truman asserted voters should ask themselves which candidates have demonstrated their devotion "to the ideal of fair play for all races, all faiths and all conditions of men." He said President Roosevelt's championship of democracy had brought him "a venomous and undying hatred" from "the forces of racial and religious intolerance" and "the exponents of bigotry and prejudice."

Truman's special car was en route today to Parkersburg, West Va., where he speaks tonight. He will wind up his eastern campaign at Pittsburgh tomorrow night before going back to Independence, Mo., to speak Saturday, and to vote next Tuesday.

Speaking of the military and post-war phases of the presidency, Truman told last night's crowd the people "will not be deceived" by



AT THE RACES—Two small residents of Paris look comfortable in fur coats made from rabbit skin as they attend horse races near the newly liberated capital of France.



VET'S GREETING—Cpl. Paul R. Comeau of Cambridge, Mass., first World War II veteran to be discharged at separation center at Fort Devens, Mass., greets Pvt. John C. Douglas (left) of Cranston, R. I., newly inducted soldier.

what he called the effort of Thomas E. Dewey, republican presidential nominee, "to cut the commander-in-chief's job to prospector's size."

Roosevelt Ignores Constitution—Carr

SALEM, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The Roosevelt administration has consistently ignored the constitution by issuing executive orders to cir-

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World Aviation Conference Opens

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The United Nations and neutral countries were called together in the International Civil Aviation conference today to work on a plan for world air transport, with the hope that commercial flying can be put to work immediately toward reconstruction of the world.

Today's meeting, expected to occupy representatives of more than 50 countries for at least three weeks, involves the issue of economic control of a vast and growing industry.

That issue—what extent should a proposed international air authority govern a nation's right to commercial flying outside its borders—is the biggest one on an agenda which has three other major topics:

Immediate operation of air routes on a provisional basis. Technical standards and procedures.

An interim council to serve until a permanent body had been established.

Several points are at issue, but one which is likely to get the most attention is the matter of economic control. The United States wants only enough of such control to assure freedom from cut-throat competition and un-economic practices.

Bricker Busy With Closing Schedule

By CHARLES B. DEGGES, United Press Staff Correspondent

ABOARD BRICKER CAMPAIGN TRAIN EN ROUTE TO TOLEDO, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Gov. John W. Bricker of Ohio was on the road again today carrying his campaign for republican votes through this state before swinging east in an attempt to assure capture of New York and Pennsylvania electoral votes for his party.

Tonight he delivers a speech in Toledo's public auditorium.

Tomorrow he makes two night speeches at Paterson, N. J., and at Queens, N. Y. Bricker ends his campaign at Cleveland next Saturday with a major speech, nationally broadcast over the blue network in the music hall at 8:30 P. M. EWT.

In speaking of the farm belt states going republican, Bricker said that "Missouri is in that belt. There's no doubt about Missouri. Missouri is the home state of Sen. Harry S. Truman, his democratic rival.

Bricker said that California still was "doubtful," but that there was a "good chance" of carrying Oklahoma.

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BRITISH HEROES—British fighting men awarded the Victoria Cross are (left to right) William Sidney, honored for action at Anzio; C. S. M. Stanley Hollis, for action on Normandy beach; and Brig. Lorne Campbell, for attack on Wadi Akarit, N. Africa.

Dalton Through Switchin' Box Cars; Swung Lantern 40 Years

Charles L. Dalton is through switchin' freight cars. He's been doing it for 40 years, 21 of them on the Southern Pacific, but now he has reached the railroad man's retiring age, 65, and he is thinking only of his new home on Walnut drive, out across the Ferry street bridge.

Walnut drive is a little stretch of road about two blocks long, where a few homes hide in a grove of large black walnut trees. Charles Dalton would much rather talk about his newly-planted lawn, but railroading is still in his blood, and he has some pretty definite ideas on that subject, too.

He feels that improvements to the rolling stock such as greater power, larger boxcars, will be the key to continued prosperity of the railroads after the war. He is one of the veterans who date back to the "link-and-pin" days when all equipment was much lighter and smaller and many technical problems had yet to be solved.

He thinks the railroads can go forward after the war and make as much or more progress in the next 10 years as they made in the whole 40 years of his experience, and he will be a very interested observer—strictly from the sidelines.

Dalton started railroading Feb. 14, 1900, with the Burlington at Newcastle, Wyo., as a switchman. In 1905 he found himself in Butte, Mont., working for the old Northern Pacific. He went brief-



SWITCHMAN—Charles M. Dalton of the Southern Pacific is now Suburbanite Dalton, retired, of Walnut drive. (Wiltshire engraving).

ly to the Union Pacific out of Pocatello, Idaho, then back to the N. P. as a brakeman, switchman, and then as general yardmaster. The year 1918 saw him accept a job with the Milwaukee out of Miles City, Mont., but 1923 made a significant change—he

came to the Willamette and immediately, like other railroad men, through wandering at the moment. The Dalton family tied in Roseburg and terminal point of the Pacific vision was moved to here. And that, he says, is the end of the story.

Mrs. Dalton is his sweetheart from Iowa, who were married in 1911. They two sons, one with the Rubber Company in Portland and the other an army aviator, a member of the British Railway Trainees.

British Keep Warm on U. S. Campaign
LONDON, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The American presidential campaign nearing its climax, newspapers are devoting increasing amount of space to betting odds as reported by Washington and New York pundits.

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