

Justice Department Nabs Alleged Nazi

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The justice department has announced the indictment of a former minister who, the department said, had been instructed to establish himself in this country as a contact for German spies.

The indictments, returned at Newark, N. J., charged Carl Emil Ludwig Krepper, of Newark, with violating the sabotage, censorship and foreign agents statutes.

The justice department said the indictments were returned December 15, but were impounded until today upon orders of the court.

The action climaxes more than two years of investigation by the federal bureau of investigation originating, the announcement stated, from a clue supplied by one of the eight German saboteurs who landed on the Atlantic coast from submarines in June, 1942.

One indictment alleges Krepper conspired with Walter Kappe, identified by the FBI as a director of the nazi sabotage school in Berlin, and with his wife, Bertha Krepper, "to injure, interfere with and obstruct the national defense of the United States," and "to use a code and other devices" to circumvent censorship.

Land-Based Bomber Flies Alaska-Hawaii

ALASKAN DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, Anchorage, Alaska — (AP) — Lt. Gen. Delos Emmons, Alaskan department commander, disclosed here that the first land-based overwater flight from the Aleutian islands to Hawaii was made recently by an army Liberator with Maj. Gen. Davenport Johnson, 11th airforce commander, as pilot.

The plane bore other high ranking officers who attended a Pacific strategy conference with Adm. Chester Nimitz.

The plane took off from Adak in the Aleutians and made the trip in 13 hours.

Meanest Man Steals Christmas Trees

SEATTLE — (AP) — Ad meanest man department: Sixteen Christmas trees were delivered to the entrance of the Georgetown county hospital, ready to be set up to brighten the Christmas of ill and aged persons. They were stolen during the night.



WOUNDED—Pvt. Thomas Lester Gunson, 25, was wounded in action in Germany, Nov. 21. His wife, Mrs. Frances Gunson, and their son, live at Lone Pine.

Oregon Hotel Sale Here Announced

The Oregon hotel here has been sold by W. W. Chadwick of the Chadwick hotel chain to W. Alton and Gertrude Cummings of Salem, Chadwick announced at Salem today, according to the United Press.

Recent personnel changes in the hotel chain are:

Cedric T. Reanty, will take over management of the Senator hotel at Salem. He was former manager of the Jackson hotel in Medford, where he is replaced by Machlin and Ethel Robinson who were in charge at the Redwoods hotel in Grants Pass, recently sold by Chadwick to William and Mildred Saunders of Tillamook and San Francisco.

Winter Just Starting; Eugeneans Puzzled

Announcement that winter officially was scheduled to start at 4:15 p. m. Thursday caused Eugeneans to wonder "what's the score?"

After all, the lowest temperatures of the year came better than a week ago, and winter's first day was milder than for some time, although it brought cold fog that turned to drizzle now and then, and a minimum of 36 degrees.

Scotland is planning a seaweed products industry.

Allied Setback Brings Production Crisis

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 — (AP) — The allied setback in Europe "will hit us between the eyes" with new war production problems, WPB Vice Chairman Samuel W. Anderson said today.

He added that the powerful German counter-offensive makes it impossible to predict an end of the civilian production freeze.

Present urgent demands for more shells, guns, trucks and other vital material "certainly" will be followed by armament problems "as difficult as the news we have now," Anderson told a news conference.

"I feel sure the present military situation in Europe will come back and hit us between the eyes in various ways, at present unknown," said the vice chairman who signed the recent order freezing future civilian goods production programs at present levels.

"The purpose of the freeze is to see that rising civilian production does not interfere with urgent munitions output," he asserted.

"I haven't any idea how long it will last, or how long we will have critical shortages in war materials."

Uni High Quintet Will Meet Albany Friday

The University high quintet will meet the Albany Bulldogs Friday night in a game at the Igloo which promises to be a thriller from the eight o'clock starting time to the finish.

In their first meeting the Tigers dropped the Albany team 25-17, so there promises to be plenty of fast action Friday night.

After last Wednesday's game with Redmond, fans find it hard to guess who Coach Davis will start but they are counting on seeing plenty of action from both Doc Sargent and forward Chuck Gillanders.

Hitler-Approved Actress Becomes Citizen Of U.S.

NEW YORK — (AP) — German-born actress Ellen Schwanneke, who turned down gold-embossed invitations from Adolf Hitler after he had proclaimed her as "100 per cent aryan," has become a citizen of the United States.

Miss Schwanneke at 15 was widely acclaimed an actress in Germany for her role in the film "Maedchen in Uniform" and she won a reputation on Broadway when she appeared in "A Case of Youth" in 1940. She is now 29.

Residents Of Lane Get E-Bond Plea

Merle Nash, chairman of the sixth war loan drive in Lane county, Thursday asked county residents to make an additional effort to put Lane over the top of its E-bond quota this week, so that "We all can enjoy Christmas just a little bit more."

E-bonds were \$44,000 short of the goal Wednesday night. The over-all total Wednesday was \$4,569,127, well over the \$4,100,000 goal.

In many tool steels tungsten may be replaced by molybdenum.

Only Real Estate Men Can Get Commissions, State Court Decides

SALEM — (AP) — No person can get a commission for selling real property unless he is licensed by the state as a real estate broker, the state supreme court held unanimously here in a decision written by Justice Arthur D. Hay.

The decision reversed Circuit Judge R. J. Green in an appeal from Deschutes county.

J. N. Hunter, acting as agent for the late Mrs. Emily F. Gilchrist Wells, claimed \$29,062 in commissions for finding a buyer for \$590,000 worth of her timber. The lower court granted him his commission, but the supreme court held against him.

Annexation—

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sults, Mayor Elisha Large said "I am greatly pleased that the citizens of Chambers-Westmoreland voted affirmatively on annexation. It will solve a number of serious problems which have been confronting both communities. I hope other suburban communities will follow the lead of Chambers-Westmoreland and come into Eugene."

Mayor-elect Earl McNitt said, "I think it is a forward step and I think the new arrangement will be of great mutual benefit, both to the city and to the residents of the newly-added district."

Officials in the county assessor's offices said Thursday that the new district will be added to the city's tax rolls for 1945 if annexation is official by Jan. 1. When tax assessments and levies are fixed for a year, they include only the property listed in the city limits as of the first day. The procedure, it was explained, will be simple, and will consist merely of adding the city and school taxes to those already assessed against residents of the area.

Report from the county clerk's office indicated that the county court will handle the arrangement of the district into voting precincts when the matter comes up officially in July, 1945. This may or may not involve some redistricting and renumbering in the city.

The primary reason given by proponents of the annexation for the action has been the problem of sewage disposal in the area. City officials report that Eugene already has about \$110,000 in its fund for a new sewage disposal plant, construction of which has been planned at a cost of about \$250,000.

It is believed that the building of the new plant will not be started until after the war, when all materials are available. The disposal system also will depend somewhat on the state board of health and other cities along the Willamette river, which is used considerably for sewage disposal, it is understood.

The area annexed lies between Oregon Electric track on Fifth avenue west on north side to the foot of the hills south of the old Eugene airport and west approximately one-half mile from the line of Chambers street, and the old airport. (The old airport is included in the annexation.) These boundaries are approximate.

The largest export market for Canadian seed potatoes is the United States.

Judge Howell Attempts To Retain Position

PORTLAND — (AP) — Judge Franklin C. Howell's attempt to retain his seat on the circuit court bench is in the hands of Circuit Judge Charles H. Combs of Lakeview.

Combs, called here to hear the case yesterday, will announce later his decision on Howell's contention that his victorious opponent, James H. Bain, was not legally elected to the bench.

Howell's attorney told the court that nomination by petition—the method by which all candidates were named this year—is not permitted by the non-partisan judiciary law.

Bain's attorney urged that the voters' choice be given consideration, pointing out that the attorney-general ruled that candidates could be nominated by assembly or petition.

Howell was appointed interim judge last May after the death of

Judge Robert Tucker. It was too late for candidates to file in the primary—the nominating method provided by law.

Lincoln Classes Have Christmas Programs

A program emphasizing individual participation is the Christmas offering of Lincoln school Thursday and Friday. Each room is having a party for its members while a few are presenting programs of songs, musical numbers

and plays to which the parents have been invited. There also will be a Christmas gathering of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, during which will be sung and a transaction of Dickens "Christmas Carol" be played. Friday morning the sixth grade is scheduled to go caroling through Eugene.

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