

South Lane Makes Record Polio Drive With \$2421 Contribution

COTTAGE GROVE—Grand total for south Lane county's contributions to the infantile paralysis fund was \$2,421.46, it is announced by N. J. Nelson, Jr., chairman of this area.

"The cooperation given by residents of this area is very gratifying, and I wish to thank again every one who contributed in any way to this very worthy cause," Nelson said, adding, "Cottage Grove and south Lane areas probably made the record contribution in the state on the basis of population and amount per mile. Nelson turned in his report Thursday to Marvin T. Warlick, Eugene, Lane county chairman for the polio drive.

The \$2,421.46 broken down showed \$565.87 from schools in Cottage Grove and adjacent communities; \$855.66 from many organizations cooperating; \$264.50 from business firms and corporations; \$405.50 from the theaters

Army To Require Young Inductees

WASHINGTON, March 15.—(AP)—The army's growing need for young infantrymen to replace combat losses will take practically all inductees under 21 for the next three months.

Beginning today, the army and navy announced jointly, the only exception to army assignments for men drafted in that age bracket, will be the comparative few who qualify for such specialized naval programs as radio technicians and combat aircrewmen.

Routine manpower needs of the navy will be met from the 21-to-38 age brackets during the three-month period of the agreement. The move is another step in the army's efforts to increase its sources of supply for infantrymen. In recent months the service has combed all its other branches.

Last night's announcement made no mention of, and presumably does not affect, the navy's policy of enlisting 17-year-olds. About 80,000 youths reach their 18th birthdays monthly, and the recent division has been approximately 55,000 to the army, and 25,000 to the navy.

BRITISH SUBS ACTIVE

LONDON, March 15.—(AP)—British submarines have sunk 74 enemy vessels and damaged 25 others in far eastern waters recently, the admiralty announced today. The vessels destroyed, a communique said, included a small tanker, a mine layer, an armed trawler, an anti-submarine trawler and a naval auxiliary. The rest were junks, landing craft, coastal vessels and motor lighters.

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COTTAGE GROVE—The Loyal Order of Moose of Cottage Grove recently turned over a sum of \$275 to the Cottage Grove recreation program committee. In the picture, left to right, are: Bob Bauder, chairman of the Lions den council in the recreation program; Robert Graham, director of the recreation program; N. J. Nelson, Jr., governor for the Loyal Order of Moose, presenting the \$275 check to Graham; and Fred Anderson, chairman of the committee for the benefit given recently by the Moose to raise the money.—(Wiltshire engraving.)

Salvage Group Talks Plans For Tin Drive

Plans for reaching Lane county's 1945 goal of 180 tons of scrap tin were outlined at a meeting of the Lane county salvage committee and guests at a dinner-meeting Wednesday night at the Eugene hotel.

"Detinning plants in the United States are running at only 50 per cent capacity at the present time," Roderick Finney, WPP state salvage chairman said in the keynote address. He pointed to the need for starting drives early and stressed the importance of every householder in the county-wide collection.

"Start saving tin now," said Chairman J. J. Kamerman of the Lane county salvage committee, as he announced the dates for the next drive. Scrap will be gathered on March 25, 27 and 28, with pickup from schools March 29.

Earlier in the evening Finney, pointing out that 90 per cent of the world's tin is still in Japanese hands, said that Lane county's quota amounted to two tin cans per person per month.

"These two tin cans provide enough tin for the syringe, a life-saving morphine hypodermic which relieves the pain of wounded men," he said.

Plans for collection have been discussed and will be announced in detail soon. In the meantime, all tin should be saved for the drive.

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guards and the guerillas. Some, including Marguerite and the boys, rode to the lake on the "alligator" amphibious tanks and across the lake where they landed and then were brought here by trucks. Many of us, men and those without children, walked to the lake shore and then were brought across on the alligators.

"We now are in the new Billbird prison compound and are being well fed for the first time in 2½ years. It is too wonderful to be fully realized as yet.

Food Nearly Gone

"We were using the last of our food. In fact, the last two days' issues of food were in the form of 'palay,' or unhusked rice, and we had no mill to husk it. Many had died of beri-beri already and many more were due to die any time.

"Our camp was caught between two Japanese armies, one of which, to the north of us, was being driven southward by our forces and they would have retreated right through our camp. Our forces feared that we would have been in dire danger so sent this 'rescue' down to us and pulled us out between the two Jap armies.

"They were given five hours to get us out, which they did. The whole rescue was well planned and perfectly carried out. Not an internnee nor soldier was killed. You will read in the papers and magazines all about it, as war correspondents photographed and reported it all.

"We thank and praise an all-mighty Providence who answered our prayers and delivered us from starvation and the dangers of warfare. We are well and in good health considering everything we have been through.

"We do not know as yet whether we will be leaving soon for the States or if we will stay here. More later. Love to all—please forward this hasty note."

"James and Marguerite."

British Soldiers Need More Credit—Campbell

PORTLAND, March 15.—(AP)—British fighting men are doing much more to win the war than they are given credit for in American newspapers, Sir Gerald Campbell, British minister to Washington, said.

Sir Gerald complained that one reason for the dearth of publicity about Britain's far-flung troops is the great freedom of movement allowed to American correspondents.

In Portland for a visit Wednesday, the British minister said empire forces constitute at least 90 per cent of all soldiers engaged in Burma. British troops are also in the majority in Italy, holding 15 German divisions, he stated.

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FBI Special Agent Is Forum Speaker

J. E. Thornton, special agent for the federal bureau of investigation at Portland, will be guest speaker at the chamber of commerce forum luncheon at the Eugene hotel Friday noon.

Thornton has worked with the FBI in six eastern cities, in San Francisco, Honolulu and Portland, and has been with the department of justice for 11 years. He is a graduate of Nebraska state teachers college and received an LLB degree from National University, Washington, D. C.

The agent will relate some of the behind-the-scenes stories of the agency headed by J. Edgar Hoover, and explain how the FBI operates to protect the country in war-time.

The luncheon is open to the public. Selective Service physical examinations have placed more than 4,000,000 men in 4-F as unqualified for military duty.



RODERICK OLZENDAM—public relations director of Weyerhaeuser Timber company since 1937, has been appointed to the editorial staff of Reader's Digest.

BEST-DRESSED HOLLYWOOD, March 14.—Five style experts today selected Gene Tierney as the best dressed film actress in Hollywood. Second place honors went to Rita Montez.

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Unionists Convicted

NEW YORK, March 15.—(AP)—Joseph S. Fay and James Bove, AFL officials described by their trial justice as two of the nation's most powerful labor leaders, were convicted early today on one count of extortion and another of conspiracy to extort money from contractors on New York City's \$300,000,000 Delaware water project.

They face possible prison terms of up to three years on the conspiracy count and of seven and one-half to 15 years on the extortion conviction. They were held for sentencing April 5.

Fay, 51, is vice president of the International Union of Operating Engineers and Bove, 44, former vice president of the International Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers union, is secretary-treasurer of local 60 of that union.

Plane Crash Takes Seven Lives, Hurts 16

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—(AP)—Seven persons were killed and 16 were injured when a twin-engine naval transport plane crashed on a ridge near San Carlos, Calif., last night, 28 minutes after circling the Oakland airport, the 12th naval district announced today.

The plane, a Douglas transport bound from San Pedro, Calif., to Oakland crashed on a spur of the Coast range three miles west of San Carlos at 8:12 p.m. The big transport was carrying 20 passengers and a crew of three, all believed to be service personnel. Casualties were taken to the army's Dibble general hospital near Palo Alto, Calif. Names of the dead and injured were withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Bridges Appeals From 1942 Order

WASHINGTON, March 15.—(AP)—Harry Bridges, west coast CIO labor leader, told the supreme court today he cannot be deported for "thought, speech or conduct" because their freedom is protected by the constitution's bill of rights.

He made the assertion in a brief filed in support of his appeal to escape deportation to his native Australia. Bridges, head of the longshoremen's and warehousemen's union, has appealed from California federal court rulings denying his bid for freedom on a writ of habeas corpus.

Bridges applied for the writ after he was ordered deported by Attorney General Francis Biddle, in May, 1942. Biddle's order was based on a finding that Bridges belonged to the communist party which taught "violent overthrow

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