Navy Reduces Building Plans

WASHINGTON, March 27—(AP)—The navy today slashed from 84 warships to 12 a program of new construction announced March 6.

Instead of a big new fleet of warships of all categories, including battleships and cruisers, and aggregating 636,860 tons, the navy said only 12 escort carriers of 150,000 tons will be constructed.

In making the announcement, the navy said the original program was conceived as "insurance" to meet the possibility of additional losses as the temper of the Pacific war increased and the battle line approached closer to Japan.

When the program was initiated it was estimated that, if the progress of the war made it evident that the additional ships would not be needed, the program could then be abandoned.

It was learned that a decision by the joint chiefs of staff trimmed the $1,000,000,000 investment in fighting craft.

Simultaneously it was reported that the maritime commission is being questioned before the joint chiefs of staff on the need for building about 40 new tankers now planned for delivery this year and next.

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Danebo Decides Not To Vote On Merger

Danebo has decided not to ask an election on merging with the consolidated Eugene school district. The decision was reached Monday night at a meeting in the Danebo school presided over by H. D. Berntzen, school board chairman. The vote was 26 to 15 against calling an election.

Dr. C. L. Huffaker of the University of Oregon appeared at the invitation of the board to explain again the results of a school housing survey in the Eugene area. He said the Danebo school had 34 students in 1934 and at the time of the survey last October there were 56. While the school is not overcrowded now, it is just about up to its capacity, he said.

The possibility of adding to the Danebo school was mentioned in the general discussion.

Transportation Problem

The problem of transporting seventh and eighth graders to junior high school in Eugene, under consolidation, was one of the features of the discussion. Transportation cannot be provided by bus now, Dr. Huffaker said, but the Eugene board has said it will be supplied to all parts of the consolidated district as soon as busses can be obtained.

Dr. Huffaker said Danebo is due for population growth and subsequent speakers stressed this point, one of them predicting there will be a very large high school in Danebo within the next five years.

Compulsory Attendance

Dr. Huffaker commented on the fact that the state has raised the compulsory attendance age and said the result of this will be that more pupils of high school age will be required to attend school. The French bill, designed to induce consolidation of rural districts, also was explained. This will be voted on by the people and Dr. Huffaker said it has a good chance to pass.

Speakers who opposed consolidation stressed the difficulty of transporting junior high school pupils and indicated a belief that Danebo should add to its present plant or erect a new building later if necessary.

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Aussies Need Timber

SEATTLE, March 27—(AP)—Australia, a serious competitor for industrial activity in adjacent countries, nevertheless will provide the United States with a large timber market, Wilson C. Flake, American consul at Sydney, declared yesterday.

Flake reported that timber is one of Australia's most critical shortages.

Whad We Tell Yuh? Route F Does SO Have Maple Syrup

Well, well, so they do not have maple syrup out Route F way, eh?

Young Ernest Edwards from Linslaw way came in Monday with a bottle of the syrup for proof, just to show they have maple syrup as well as all other wonders out that way. This year the family had only two quarts, the run not being as good as last year from the soft maple trees from which the syrup is obtained.

Patton Defends Yankee Tanks

WASHINGTON, March 27—(AP)—Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., has fired a high-velocity volley of words and figures at "certain misguided or perhaps deliberately mendacious individuals" who criticize American tanks.

The war department made public today a letter from the 3rd army commander to Lt. Gen. Thomas T. Handy, deputy chief of staff, in which Patton said "it has been stated at home" that American tanks are not comparable with the German panther or tiger tanks. This, said Patton, "is wholly incorrect for several reasons."

One he cited is that since the 3rd army started fighting the Germans last August, German tank losses have been virtually double those of the 3rd—2,287 to 1,136.

"These figures of themselves refute any inferiority of our tanks," Patton wrote, "but let me add that the 3rd army has always attacked, and therefore better than 70 per cent of our tank casualties have occurred from dug-in- anti-tank guns and not enemy tanks, whereas a majority of the enemy tanks put out have been put out by our tanks."

Patton conceded that if an American Sherman medium tank were to engage in a fixed-place duel with a tiger the medium "would not last." But he insisted the purpose of the American tank is not to engage in a slugging match but to attack from the rear.

Nurse Draft Bill Gains Approval

WASHINGTON, March 27—(AP)—The senate military committee today approved a house-passed nurse draft bill after amending the measure to make married nurses subject to induction.

The committee's action, which Chairman Thomas (D.-Utah) said was without a dissent, came during a closed meeting at which the committee also approved another house-passed measure extending the selective service act a year from May 15.

The nurse draft bill, as it left the house, called for the induction of unmarried nurses, age 20 to 45, and provided that they be offered army or navy commissions when accepted.

House Passes Work Law

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(AP)—The house passed and sent to the senate today a compromise manpower bill giving War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes broad control over the nation's employes and employers.

Passage was on a roll call vote of 167 to 160.

The measure represented a merger of views of the senate and house as expressed in separate bills passed earlier. Brief but sharp debate preceded the vote.

The bill authorizes Byrnes, or any agency designated by him, to impose employment ceilings on any activity, to freeze workers in their jobs, and to regulate the hiring and rehiring of all employes, male and female, regardless of age.

Violations of his orders would subject an employe or an employer to maximum punishment of one year in jail and a $10,000 fine.

Opponents of the legislation assailed it as "an outright anti-strike measure."

New Red and Blue Stamps Due April 1

Five new red stamps, worth 10 points each for a total of 50 red points, have been validated for the April rationing period, Frederic F. Janney, district OPA rationing executive, announced. The new red stamps are K2, L2, M2, N2, and P2. They are good from April 1 through July 31.

The five new blue stamps each worth 10 points for a total of 50 blue points, are T2, U2, V2, W2, and X2. They are good from April 1 through July 31.

Four sets of the red and blue stamps may be used during each rationing period. Each set is good for about four months, the first set going out of use when the fifth becomes good.

Sugar stamp 35 is the only one that is now good. It may be used through June 2. Another sugar stamp will become good on May 1, providing an overlap of one month.

Diphtheria Hits Second City; Milk Defended

PORTLAND, March 27.—(AP)—Diphtheria struck another part of Oregon today, while dairymen at stricken Molalla attacked the state board of health for blaming a raw milk dairy for the epidemic.

A one-year-old Vernonia boy, Wayne Meyer, died in a hospital here from diphtheria. His mother, Mrs. Lillian Meyer, 25, and his two-year-old brother were confined in the same hospital. The three were brought here by the logger father. An older daughter of the same family recently recovered from the same disease.

Health officials said the family was the only one in Vernonia known to be affected by the disease, and that all exposed persons there had been immunized.

At Molalla, where schools remained closed, diphtheria cases rose to 53. The owner of the raw milk dairy blamed by the state board of health for the epidemic charged that his cows had not been tested by health officials nor any sample of his milk analyzed.

Mrs. Marlin M. Fox, another dairy owner in the Molalla area, asserted that "this charge of raw milk being responsible for the diphtheria epidemic is unfair. They're just trying to ram compulsory pasteurization down the people's throats."

Council–

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according to Chairman G. D. MacLaren.

These records also show the voters' contribution of $6000 and the subscriptions obtained by the chamber committee, $4500 in cash, with $1206.20 in lumber donations. The books also list WPA materials at $954.98, and WPA materials and labor at $15,800.82, and WPA work on the football field at $5000.

These figures are in addition to the $61,847 listed as actual cost to the school district.

Closing Stipulated

In addition to the high school building site, which has been acquired by the school board, adjacent land owned by the University of Oregon has been pledged to the school district on condition that the streets through the entire site, excepting Pearl street, are closed. The board recently acquired 11 acres more south of its property.

The school board is interested in getting as many years of use as possible out of the stadium, and for this reason the date of possible state highway construction, with which Pearl street would connect, is expected to enter Tuesday night's discussion. The council is expected to show a willingness to cooperate with the school board provided it can preserve the outlet to the projected highway for a hookup when the latter materializes.

Time Is Short For Salvaging Tin Cans

Residents of Lane county still have a few hours left to take their tin cans to local schools for collection Thursday in the county's first salvage drive of the year.

Tin cans should be prepared by washing them thoroughly, cutting off both ends and flattening the centers.

It has been emphasized by Chairman J. J. Kamerman of the Lane county salvage committee that no tin cans will be accepted after Wednesday night, because truck pickups in some areas will be made early Thursday morning.

PLANES AID CHINESE

CHUNGKING, Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—Fighters and bombers of the U.S. 14th air force flew mission after mission again today in support of Chinese ground troops attempting to stem the Japanese drive toward the air base town of Laohokow in northwest Hupeh province.

NAVY LOSES ALBACORE

WASHINGTON, March 27—(AP)—The submarine Albacore is overdue from patrol and presumed lost, the navy announced today. The next of kin of the approximately 65 officers and men aboard have been notified.

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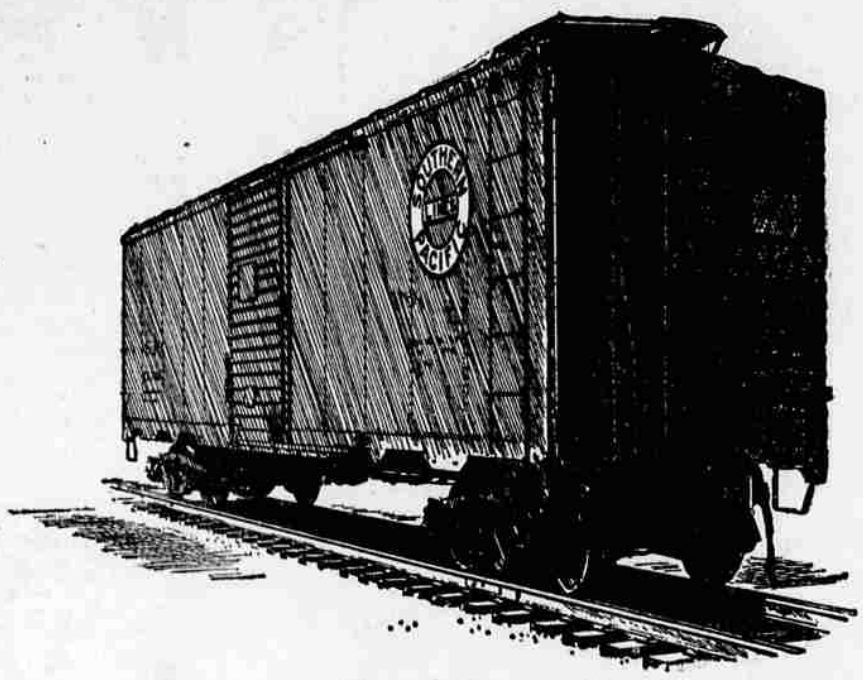
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