

JOHN L. LEWIS FOR WHEELER

Montana Senator Gets Speech Bid

CIO Probably Lost to New Deal for 1940 Campaign

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Washington, Jan. 13 (UP)—John L. Lewis of the Congress of Industrial Organizations today is being counted out of the Roosevelt new deal army which he helped drill and feed in past campaigns.

And it appears now that Lewis has found a place to hang his political hat in the pre-convention campaign quarters of Sen. Burton K. Wheeler, D. Mont., who is conducting an un-announced campaign for the democratic presidential nomination.

That suspicion increased considerably yesterday when Wheeler's office announced that Lewis had invited the senator to address the 50th anniversary convention of the United Mine Workers in Columbus, O., Jan. 23. It was not one of those doubtful "come and show us that you've got invitations," but an enthusiastic bid which a candidate could exhibit with some pride. And Wheeler evidently felt just that way about it.

Lewis and Roosevelt have been pulling apart for some time but without an open break and more is suggested here. But it is a fact that the man who four years ago was actively organizing support for the president's re-election campaign and preparing to loan and give some \$500,000 to the cause is working the other side of the street today.

Roosevelt scarcely could hold against Wheeler the acceptance of support from a man who had a part in his own great political triumphs. But Lewis' support probably would have some disadvantages among the more conservative element of voters. For Wheeler it would be a significant addition to his pre-convention strength.

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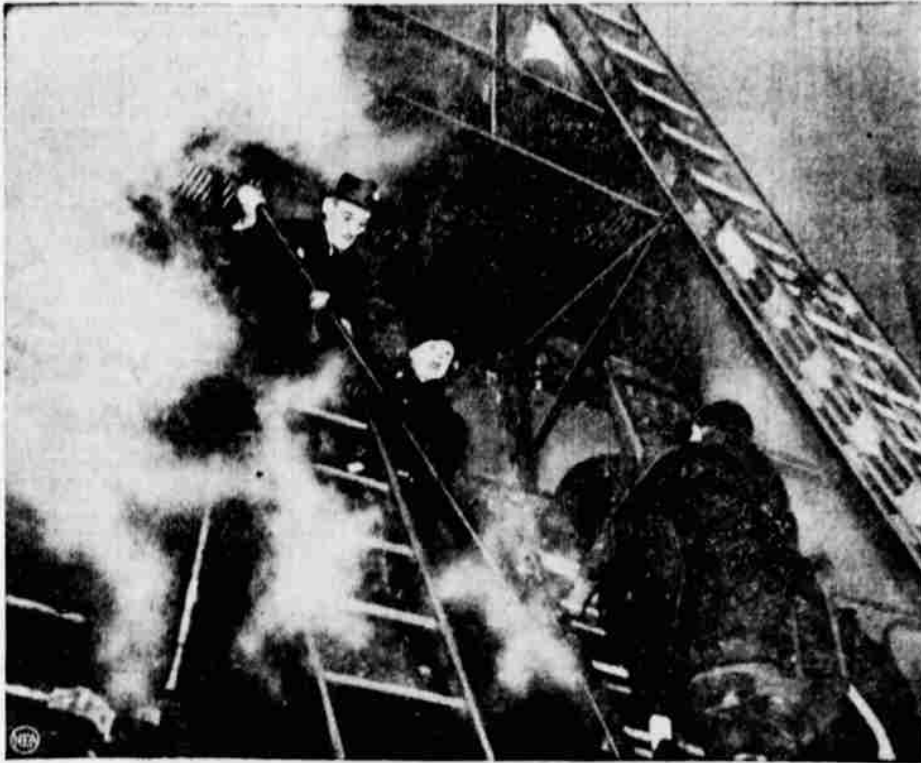
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Fire Destroys Omaha Hotel, Injures 15



Fire destroyed an eight-story hotel in Omaha, Neb. Firemen are shown rescuing some of 50 residents of structure, 15 of whom were injured.

Assistant Ochoco Supervisor Named

Prineville, Jan. 13 (Special)—Ochoco forest officials here today received word of the promotion of Norman J. Penick, member of the staff here, to the position of assistant supervisor. Penick has been a member of the supervisory staff here since 1937. He came to the Ochoco from the Rogue river forest in 1936 as district ranger.

Penick's promotion effective January 1, filled a position which had been vacant for some time. The duties of the office had been taken care of by the late Bernard Lee during most of the interim.

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NAVAL CHIEF MAY SEEK LARGE SHIPS

Treaty Restrictions Are Off, Says Stark

Washington, Jan. 13 (UP)—Admiral Harold R. Stark, chief of naval operations, told the house naval affairs committee today that the navy may ask authority next week to build cruisers larger than 10,000 tons.

Informed congressional sources said the navy is planning 20,000-ton battle cruisers.

Stark, who previously had asserted that all tonnage restrictions are off because of the expiration of the naval arms limitation treaties, said that during the last few days some doubt had arisen in respect to the cruisers. Legal limitations, he said, make it appear that the navy could not lay down a 10,001-ton cruiser under present law. The navy is studying the situation, he said, and may submit an amendment to the pending 25 per cent naval increase bill.

Device Warns of Danger From Radium Exposure

Washington (UP)—The national bureau of standards has developed a device which flashes a warning to persons who are in danger of over-exposure to radium rays. When exposure to radium radiation reaches the limit deemed safe by the bureau's experts, the device flashes a red light and emits a buzzing sound. The bureau pointed out that in hospitals where large quantities of radium are handled it is important to protect the technicians from over-exposure.

Prineville Registers Two Degrees Sub-Zero

Prineville, Jan. 13 (Special)—The temperature dropped to two degrees below zero in Prineville this morning, the first sub-zero temperature in more than two years. The chilly weather followed the first deep snow of the winter, with four and a half inches measured here.

Snowfall was general in Central Oregon this week, with a much heavier fall west of Prineville than in the city. The snow was welcomed by farmers, since it blanketed fields and ranges which had been well soaked by December rains. The moisture content of the snow here was 45 of an inch, just 10 per cent of the depth of the snow.

Matanuska Valley Is Made a Cooperative

Palmer, Alaska, Jan. 13 (UP)—The federal government's controversial "new colony" in the Matanuska valley of 200 "dust bowl" farmers from the midwest, came under the control of a farmers' cooperative today.

The Alaska Rural Rehabilitation corporation transferred the colony's hospital and schoolhouse to the cooperative, concluding a gradual transition over several months. Farmers who have stuck it out through bad weather and alleged dictatorial administration since 1936, were hopeful the transfer would end disputes over its management, which began almost as soon as the transplanted middlewesterners arrived.

The administrative change brought the colony under supervision of the department of agriculture and the farm security administration, where in the past it had rested with the department of the interior.

One of the first moves under the new administration was a \$300,000 FSA loan to farmers whose hay crops were severely damaged by October snowstorms.

FLIER DIES IN MID-AIR CRASH

Oregon Boy in Plane Escapes

Downdraft Carries Ships Together in Practice Flight

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 13 (UP)—The 11th naval district announced today that one navy flier had been killed in a mid-air collision of two torpedo bombers and that the other five members of the two crews had been accounted for.

The planes collided in the air yesterday when they were struck by a strong downdraft, survivors said. The ships brushed each other and portions of the wings of both craft were sheared off.

The crash occurred about 20 miles east of Julian, in the mountainous desert northeast of San Diego.

The navy announced that James Addison Croswell, 24, of Mayville, Ala., second pilot, had been killed when his ship crashed.

A searching party found Croswell's ship strewn on the side of Mt. Pinon, just below Mt. Palomar. Croswell's body was mangled and burned beyond recognition.

The sheriff's office at El Centro reported the other plane had been located, but searchers had not yet reached it.

All others bailed out safely, and only one, Harold Funk, 25, of Ray, Colo., required hospital treatment. He badly wrenched a knee and was cut and bruised.

Funk was taken to a hospital at El Centro.

Others who escaped unscathed or with minor hurts were:

Charles Wesley Post, 24, of Troutdale, Ore.; Elmer Edwin Jackson, 22, of Hendersonville, N. C.; Paul Eugene Dickson, 26, of Springfield, O.; and Ensign Walter Glenn Barnes, Jr., 25, of Denver, Colo., pilot of one of the ships.

Funk, who was pilot of the second plane, was injured so seriously he was unable to walk. He and Dickson dropped from their parachutes at about the same spot. Dickson attempted to carry Funk to the highway through the rough terrain but was unable to make progress with his burden.

Near exhaustion Dickson abandoned Funk and trudged to the highway. He hailed a passing motorist, who gave him a ride 10 miles to Ocotillo. There he found a group of peace officers and volunteer searchers and directed them to his disabled companion.

Straight Posture Best In 1940 Dancing Style

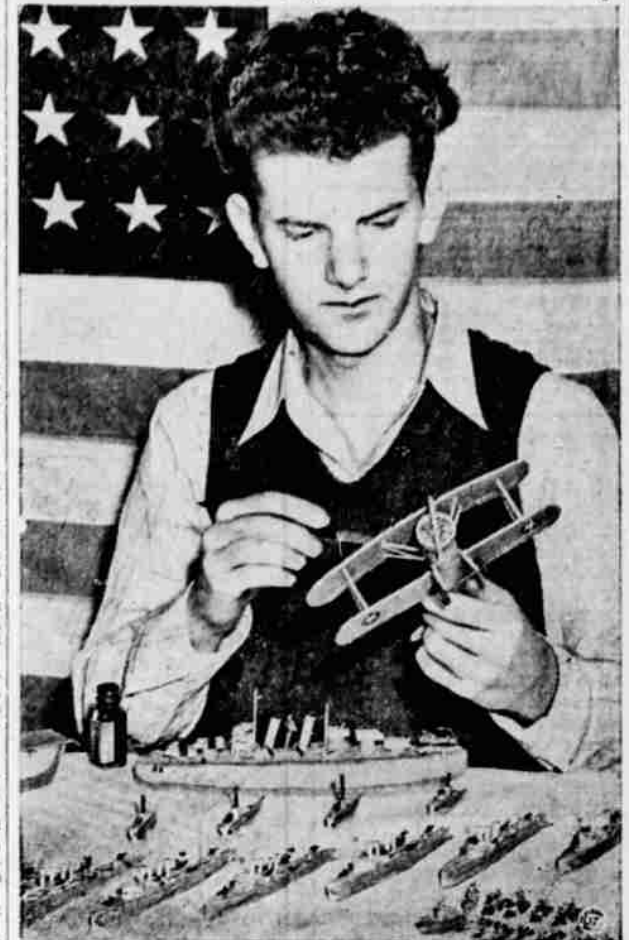
Boston (UP)—Straight posture and bodies rather close together is the 1940 style of dancing, students at Boston university's college of physical education are told.

"There are no more awkward bumps and angles in a couple dancing the modern style," Miss Anne A. Cameron, dance instructor, says. "Men no longer dance bent backward and women dented in the middle."

Miss Cameron warns the girls never to drag on a man's shoulder and says a "gentleman should never push a lady around and a lady should never have to be pushed."

TOWN MODERATOR IS 82
Hancock, N. H. (UP)—George W. Goodhue, 82, has served as moderator at town meetings here for the past 25 years and has no intention of retiring.

Dimes, Not \$\$\$, Built This Navy



With a dime's worth of wood and plenty of painstaking care, Tony Gerhard Jr., San Diego, Cal., high school junior, built this entire model navy complete from submarines to airplanes.

Railroads Must Cut Costs Asserts Bean

Salem, Ore., Jan. 13 (UP)—While predicting an increase in Oregon railroad traffic for 1940, Public Utilities Commissioner Ormond R. Bean today said the solution of the railroad problem lies in the reduction of operating costs.

"The sole route to the salvation of Oregon's railroads lies in consolidation, coordination and other projects to reduce expenses," Bean said. However, he added, the railroads must improve service whenever possible.

"The tendency of traffic is on the upturn and I look for a heavy increase in the transportation business of Oregon in 1940," the commissioner said. "I feel that the railroads operating in this state are anxious and willing to meet with the demands of public and business interests to further the cause of increased transportation."

Bean said he is in hearty accord with the interstate commerce commission's report to congress suggesting similar solution for the national railroad problem.

HOLBEIN BELIEVED FOUND

London (UP)—Discovery of a Holbein portrait of Queen Elizabeth as a girl is claimed by George Frupp, an antique dealer. Frupp is certain that the picture is one for which generations of art experts have searched in vain. It is the portrait which Elizabeth sent to her brother Edward in 1551.

STATE REVENUE IS AT ALL-TIME HIGH

73 Million Taken in by State Treasurer

Salem, Jan. 13 (UP)—State revenue reached an all-time high during 1939, according to a report compiled by State Treasurer Walter E. Pearson.

He said the total from all sources was \$73,439,602, compared with \$71,880,270 for 1938. Nearly all items increased over the preceding year; the report showed. Notable exceptions were income, inheritance and gift taxes.

Major totals were liquor revenue, \$13,241,937; gasoline taxes \$12,090,385; income taxes, \$4,615,000; motor vehicle registration and license fees, \$3,473,019; inheritance and gift taxes \$333,702; fees paid by motor carriers (trucks and buses), \$1,246,020; state insurance fees \$857,668; corporation fees \$314,445; game commission fees and fines, \$645,313.

Agriculture Secretary Fears New Tariff Grab

Washington, Jan. 13 (UP)—Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace, defending the administration's reciprocal trade program, declared today its opponents are "preparing for another tariff grab like those of 1922 and 1930."

Wallace followed Secretary of State Cordell Hull before the house ways and means committee as a witness in favor of the embattled trade program. Authority to negotiate reciprocal trade agreements will expire June 12 unless congress renews it.

Hull met a barrage of questions from republican committeemen, who contended the program has not brought prosperity back to farmers. He replied that the farmers are better off than they were a few years ago and that if the trade program expires, "we will walk off in a dark corner and sit down utterly helpless to solve our economic problems."

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