

THE WEATHER
Rain tonight with snow in mountains; Wednesday showers east portion with scattered snows in mountains.

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KENNEDY SAYS HE'S OPPOSED TO LEND-LEASE

Against Present Form Of Measure

REMARKS POINTED

Ex-Ambassador Witness At Committee Hearing

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)—Joseph P. Kennedy, testifying on the administration's British aid measure, said today that he was "against this bill in its present form."

That statement was made by Kennedy after he had been questioned for several hours at house foreign affairs committee hearings.

After a luncheon recess, Rep. Robert B. Chipfield, R., Ill., asked Kennedy to state whether he was for or against the bill in its present form.

"I'm against this bill in its present form," said Kennedy.

"Then have you any changes to suggest?" asked Chipfield.

"If I had I would be glad to state them," said Kennedy.

Asked If Powers Are Needed

"Do you feel that we can give the necessary aid to Great Britain without conferring vast powers on the president as in this bill?"

"I don't know," said Kennedy.

"I don't know what the production is today."

"What can be done that can't be done under present laws?"

"That's something I ought to ask you," said Kennedy.

"Do you know of any possibility of a negotiated peace at this time?"

"No," said Kennedy, reading Chipfield parts of his Saturday speech.

"Is the passage of this bill necessary at this time?"

"I think," said Kennedy, "that powers to speed up national defense are absolutely necessary."

Rep. Foster Stearns, R., N. H., discussed the war aims with the ambassador.

"Is it in the interest of the American people that Hitler should be prevented from dominating the world?" he asked.

"I think unquestionably it is," Kennedy said, "up to the point that we don't have to go to war to do it."

Hitler May Fall

Kennedy added that Hitler may wish to dominate the world, "but it doesn't necessarily follow that he is going to do it."

Earlier Kennedy had said that the world situation "every definitely" makes it necessary for congress to surrender some of its powers, but not to the extent proposed in the administration bill.

Rep. Pete Jarman, D., Ala., asked Kennedy:

"You believe that whatever it is necessary to spend for national defense, regardless of the taxes, is worth while?"

"Completely," said Kennedy.

Kennedy said he didn't "go along" with the idea that Roosevelt was trying to get the country into war. Anyone suggesting such a thing, he added, is "crazy."

Four Volunteers to Make Up Draft Quota

A change in the personnel of the group of men who will leave Bend this week for Portland, to fill Deschutes county's January military quota, was announced today from headquarters of the local draft board. Taking the place of Thomas A. Fields, of Redmond, who failed to meet the army's dental requirements, Russell Louis Melrose, of Bend, will be inducted into military service on January 24.

Like other members of Deschutes county's quota of four men called in January, Melrose is a volunteer. He is 19 years of age and is joining the military forces with his parents' consent.

The other three volunteers are Robert H. Steele, Redmond, and Daniel C. Sullivan and Elwood C. Tureman, Bend.

In announcing that Melrose had been accepted as an under-age volunteer, members of the draft board pointed out today that any youth between the ages of 18 and 21 can volunteer through the selective service board for a year's training.

The four Deschutes county men will leave for Portland by stage on Friday morning at 7:30 o'clock.

ON WELFARE COMMISSION

Salem, Jan. 21 (AP)—Gov. Charles A. Sprague today announced the appointment of Dr. Louis P. Gambee of Portland to the state public welfare commission. Dr. Gambee succeeds Dr. Robert L. Benson, also of Portland.

Missing Plane Pilot



(NEA Telephoto)
Lieutenant R. M. Krummes, Boise, Idaho, pilot of a twin-engine U. S. Army bomber missing with seven persons aboard on a flight from Tacoma to Southern California. The plane is believed crashed in mountainous country in Washington or Oregon.

Japanese Heads Hit U. S. Policy

Lack of Understanding Claimed

Tokyo, Jan. 21 (AP)—British and United States aid to China will not restrain Japan's program, Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye told the diet today after Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka, outlining Japan's foreign policy, spoke frankly of danger of war with the United States.

Matsuoka and Konoye emphasized Japan's unity with Germany and Italy. Matsuoka expressed hope for an Italian victory over Britain and Greece and made a bid for Russian friendship.

Konoye said that establishment of "a new order in East Asia" was the backbone of Japan's foreign policy but that Japan faced unprecedented difficulties and must redouble its efforts to cope with them.

Emphasis will be placed on efforts to "dispose of the China affair," Konoye said.

"Japan is firmly determined to achieve its program by destroying any parties, such as Chiang Kai-shek, who are resisting Japan, and by cooperating with those who sympathize with Japan," the premier said.

Matsuoka gave parliament a long outline of the government's foreign policy.

The United States, Matsuoka said, had shown no adequate understanding of the vital importance to Japan of its greater Asia "common prosperity sphere."

"She apparently entertains the idea that her own first line of defense lies along the mid-Atlantic to the east but that to the west it lies not only along the eastern Pacific but even as far as China and the South Seas. . . . I for one believe that such a position assumed on the part of the United States would not be calculated to contribute toward the promotion of world peace."

Babler Bros. Low on Cascade Lakes Work

Babler Bros., of Portland, submitted the low bid for the new work contemplated on the Cascade Lakes highway west of Bend this coming season, according to information in a United Press dispatch from Portland, where the bids were opened today. The bid was \$39,549.

Included in the Cascade Lakes highway job are 93 miles of grading, 6.85 miles of roadbed shaping, 6.85 miles of surfacing and 9.85 miles of oiling of the Bend-forest boundary section.

The work will extend westward from the present surfacing, near the western city limits of Bend.

Another bid received at the Portland meeting was for 12.66 miles of roadside improvement on the Klamath agency-Modoc point section of The Dalles-California highway. The low bid, \$10,625, was submitted by E. L. Gates, of Trail.

OFFICER IMPROVES

Redmond, Jan. 21—Jess Edgar, Redmond special police officer who was seriously injured Sunday when attacked by a youth whom he had arrested for stealing a car, was reported doing well today at Redmond hospital.

BRITISH START FINAL MOVE ON BESIEGED BASE

Italian Force Between 20,000 and 30,000

VICTORY FORESEEN

Fascists Continue Retreat From Sudan Border Into Eritrea

London, Jan. 21 (AP)—Military quarters tonight predicted the quick fall of Tobruk, Italian base in Libya, in the face of an attack launched today by Gen. Archibald Wavell's imperial army of the Nile.

The Middle East general headquarters at Cairo reported that the attack against Tobruk, besieged Italian garrison in Libya, began early today.

"Operations," said the high command, "are proceeding satisfactorily."

The high command's communique indicated that the British, having placed the Italian base under siege, were now moving in against the fascist garrison estimated to number between 20,000 and 30,000 troops.

Quick Victory Seen

Military experts said they believed a British victory would be won more quickly at Tobruk than at Bardia because Tobruk's defenses were not believed so strong as those of Bardia.

It was said here there were indications the Italians were preparing to make their main stand at Derna, 130 miles farther west along the Libyan coast.

British advance guards, it was understood, already have left out the defenses around Derna which has been bombed repeatedly by the royal air force.

Meanwhile, the Italian East African empire is threatened by steady advances into Italian Eritrea from the Sudan and toward the Ethiopian frontier from Kenya to the south.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill assured the house of commons today that the East African drive will be continued.

Penetrate Eritrea

An empire force has penetrated more than 15 miles into Eritrea, and threatens to make a successful stand by the retreating Italians impossible for the moment.

A second force including South Africans is advancing from Kenya toward the Lake Rudolf area of Ethiopia from the south.

The British in the north have advanced more than 30 miles from Kassala, the frontier town on the Sudan side of the frontier which the Italians occupied as soon as they entered the war. They are advancing steadily in two columns, with a force of between 5,000 and 8,000 Italians retreating in orderly manner ahead of them.

In the south, South African troops have captured the El Yibo area of Kenya, just below the Ethiopian frontier, and are pushing the Italians back.

It is reported at Cairo that British activity in East Africa has quickly fanned the smouldering hatred for the Italians of tribal chieftains and that the threat of revolt becomes stronger daily.

Skjersaa High Point Winner on State Team

Olaf Skjersaa, Skyliner and member of the state team that competed in the Jeffers cup races at Sun Valley, won more points than any other member of the Oregon team, Ralph E. Grimes, Skyliner president, told members of the Bend club of Lions today at a luncheon meeting in the Pine Tavern when reporting on the Sun Valley trip. Grimes and Herb Riley accompanied the Oregon team to the Idaho winter playground.

Bend's second member of the Oregon team, Cliff Blann, has a top place practically won in the downhill race when he fell, only 20 yards from the finish, Grimes reported. In that race, Blann was competing against high ranking skiers of the western states.

Grimes told of the trip to Idaho and made mention of the fine hospitality extended to the visiting skiers. Weather at Sun Valley was ideal for the competition, won by California, the Skyliner president reported.

Theo G. Nettleton, local accountant, was guest speaker at the club luncheon. He touched on recent changes in the federal income tax laws and answered numerous questions of the clubmen relative to income payments and exemptions.

Dr. M. B. McKenney presided at the luncheon meeting. Paul Storr was initiated as a member of the New Fathers' club of the service organization. Mr. and Mrs. Storr are the parents of a daughter, born this morning.

People in the News

(By United Press)

James G. Stahlman, publisher of the Nashville, Tenn., Banner and former president of the American Newspaper Publishers association, has been notified that he has been called to active duty as a lieutenant commander in the U. S. navy. He has held a reserve commission since 1924.

Mose Engel, 94, who came to California around the Horn in 1876 to die of tuberculosis but who instead lived to enjoy a half century's association with the theatrical world, died at San Francisco. He toured western mining camps with a minstrel show in the early days and later became advance agent for Ringling Bros. and the Barnum & Bailey circuses. He spent his declining years taking tickets at theaters and talking of the old days in hotel lobbies.

Winant May Get Post in Britain

Choice of Ambassador To Be Made Soon

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)—John Gilbert Winant, liberal republican and former governor of New Hampshire, will be President Roosevelt's choice as ambassador to Great Britain, an excellent authority disclosed today.

The White House would not confirm the report.

Winant, here for the inauguration, said early today he had seen stories referring to him as the next likely ambassador to Britain "but I don't want to make any statement on them."

Roosevelt has announced plans to send to the senate soon his nomination of a successor for Joseph P. Kennedy, retiring ambassador, who presented his resignation immediately after Roosevelt's election to a third term. The president told a press conference about a week ago that he had picked Kennedy's successor.

Winant, governor of New Hampshire in 1925 and 1926 and from 1931 to 1934, long has had an interest in labor problems and social legislation. He was first chairman of the social security board, head of the textile labor board of 1934, and since 1939 has been director of the international labor office, which serves the United States and member nations of the League of Nations.

VANDALS DAMAGE POLICE RADIO SET

Station Entered; Power Switch Turned on

Vandals entered the Bend police station between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning, apparently by crawling through the office window and over the counter, turned on the power switch on short wave radio station KQIN and burned out the transmitter, Police Chief Everett Rambo reported.

Damage to the station equipment cannot be determined until the transmitter is overhauled, and it is feared that the shortwave station will be out of commission for some time.

The station was entered after the night man left the office at 3 a. m., locking the outside door. However, for the convenience of the public, the door facing Louisiana is left open. This part of the building is separated from the office by a grating and locked door. Tracks reveal that the early morning visitors crawled through the small office window.

It is evident, Chief Rambo declared, that an attempt was made to broadcast over the station, in violation of a federal law which permits operation of the radio plant only by a licensed operator.

Chief Rambo said that a preliminary investigation has yielded some definite clues, especially in reference to a car that was parked outside the office shortly after 3 a. m.

"We will give the suspects 12 hours in which to contact us relative to the repair of the transmitter," Rambo said. "If no contact is made we will have some arrests to report tomorrow."

Red Cross First Aid Training Plans Made

American Red Cross first aid training will be discussed Wednesday night at 7:30 in the county courtroom on the second floor of the new courthouse, by those interested in attending the classes, which will be held twice a week for five weeks.

Miss Jane Yergen will be the first aid instructor, and each class will last for two hours. Times and places for the course will be decided at the meeting.

Hitler Looks Toward England



"Somewhere in France," Adolf Hitler stands on the shores of the English channel and gazes toward the beaten England. Behind him, in this radiophoto from Berlin, is a heavy camouflaged gun, reported to have been brought up from the Maginot line.

Stassen Suggests Council To Administer Lend-LEASE

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)—Gov. Harold E. Stassen, of Minnesota, proposed today that the powers and authority of the proposed British aid bill be vested in a supreme defense council instead of in the president. He suggested such a council be composed of the president and the majority and minority leaders of the senate and house.

Stassen, president of the council of state governments which began a three-day session today, said in a speech to the delegates that under this plan the responsibility of the legislative and executive branches of the government could be maintained.

Stassen outlined a three-point program which he said was the responsibility of the state governments to foster and execute, it called for:

1. United support to the established foreign policy of the federal government by all states, regardless of geographic location or partisanship.

2. Every possible cooperative contribution to the effective and rapid building and production of the means of national defense.

3. Maintenance of strong and efficient state governments as "one of the safeguards of the future liberty of our people in the face of the inevitable great concentration of federal executive power necessitated by the emergency."

Gov. Herbert H. Lehman of New York told the council that the states need authoritative direction from a single centralized agency in the interests of greater cooperation for the defense program.

"It seems to me it is important that Washington should let the country know more specifically just what is needed for defense," he said.

BOY'S CONFESSION ENDS CAR THEFTS

Stealing of Four Autos Is Told by CCC Youth

Several car thefts in the Redmond district apparently were solved yesterday, with the confession of Stanley L. Boyce, 18-year-old CCC enrollee, who is in the county jail, charged with assaulting Jess Edgar, Redmond special officer, with a dangerous weapon Sunday.

Boyce was arrested at Camp Redmond Sunday afternoon along with Willard E. Meadows, who faces the same charge. Yesterday Boyce signed a confession that he had stolen three privately-owned automobiles and a CCC truck in the past three months.

The first theft admitted by Boyce occurred three months ago at Camp Wickip, when Boyce drove off with a 1½-ton truck, which he later abandoned on the road.

Six weeks ago Boyce stated he stole a car belonging to Owen Brown of Redmond. A month ago he took one which was the property of Ed Marmon in Redmond, and three weeks ago he took a coupe in Prineville, and drove it until it caught fire.

All the cars, when not being used by Boyce, were hidden in the juniper forest a half mile from the CCC camp.

Both youths signed waivers of indictment yesterday.

Iron Guardists Die In Rumanian Fights

Budapest, Jan. 21 (AP)—Reports from Bucharest tonight said that street fighting has broken out between iron guardists and troops loyal to General Ion Antonescu.

It was reported here that the troops had opened fire on the iron guardists and that two iron guardists had been killed.

Telephone communications with Bucharest were interrupted.

It was reported that the iron guardists had erected a bier for their slain comrades in one of the main squares of Bucharest.

SHEEPMEN MEETING

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 21 (AP)—Sheepmen from the Texas Panhandle to the ranges of northern Montana convened today for the 76th annual convention of the National Woolgrowers association.

House Approves First Naval Bill

Money Passed for Anti-Aircraft Defenses

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)—The house today passed unanimously and sent to the senate a bill authorizing the navy to spend \$300,000,000 to strengthen the anti-aircraft defenses of the fleet.

The house acted on the first measure in a \$1,209,000,000 naval expansion program after Chairman Carl Vinson of the naval affairs committee disclosed that President Roosevelt shortly will ask congress for another supplemental defense appropriation to cover this program and probably increased army expenditures.

It will take up consideration tomorrow of the remaining two measures which would:

1. Authorize the expenditure of \$135,000,000 to increase the nation's shipyard facilities.

2. Authorize expenditure of \$194,000,000 for new guns and armor factories.

3. Permit the navy to build 400 additional auxiliaries at a cost of \$400,000,000.

4. Increase the number of midshipmen at the Annapolis naval academy, immediately, by authorizing each member of congress to appoint five instead of four, the president to appoint 25 instead of 15, and the navy to select 100 instead of 50 from its reserve.

The anti-aircraft defense measure was the first bill passed by either house this session. There was brief debate involving the relationship of this program and the aid-to-Britain bill now in hearings before the foreign affairs committee but no opposition was expressed to the naval bills.

Fire Department Is Called to Hospital

Bend fire department members at 11:30 a. m. today answered a general alarm from the St. Charles hospital, where a fire was burning in a refuse chute leading down to the furnace quarters in the basement. Fire extinguisher "bombs," of the type automatically released by heat, kept the blaze under control until firemen arrived. There was no damage to the hospital, and comparatively little smoke escaped from the chute.

Firemen emerged from the building with tear dimmed eyes, result of the fumes generated by the fire control chemicals.

Moisture Content of Snow Blanket Heavy

Snow now blanketing the southern Cascades holds a comparatively heavy moisture content, A. W. Work, associate irrigation engineer for the soil conservation service division of irrigation, reported when in Bend today, en route to Baker from his Medford headquarters. Work was accompanied by James C. Marr, irrigation engineer in charge of the Boise district.

Marr and Work came here from Crater lake, where they measured 110 inches of snow at comparatively low levels. This snow held 33 inches of water.

Definite data relative to the moisture content of snow in the Deschutes watershed will be obtained in the near future, Work reported. Preliminary information indicates that the comparatively small amount of snow covering the mountains immediately west of Bend has a high water content. This was ascertained by A. E. Perry, Deschutes watermaster.

WIDE VARIETY OF BILLS UP IN LEGISLATURE

Mahoney Would Make Gambling a Felony

CONSIDER PENSION

Limiting Salary of Any State Office to \$7500 Asked

Salem, Jan. 21 (AP)—Sen. Thomas R. Mahoney, D., Portland, introduced a measure today which would make the operation of a gambling game a felony, punishable by a penitentiary sentence.

At the present time gambling is considered only a misdemeanor. Mahoney also introduced a bill which would allow any person who lost money in a gambling game to sue for recovery against the owner of the premises or his rental agent. The measures were apparently aimed at Chinese gambling houses in Portland.

In the house the revision of laws committee, of which Rep. William McAllister, R., Medford, is chairman, introduced 10 bills designed to make corrections in the laws of evidence at trials, and minor changes in other laws.

Asks Pension Change

Sen. Lew Wallace, D., Portland, introduced a bill to insure the present \$30 pension to all those in need. It would take from welfare workers the right to decide what is actual need, and would merely deduct any income the pensioner might have from the \$30 maximum, so that a person with an income of \$10 a month automatically would get \$20 from the state if in need.

A joint senate and house committee on medicine introduced a bill in the senate stepping up the requirements for optometry, and requiring four instead of two years of training in a school of optometry.

Rep. Richard Neuberger, Dem., Portland, put in a house bill which would prohibit any state employee from getting more salary than the governor (who gets \$7500 a year). The measure was similar to one brought in yesterday. Only state employee getting more than \$7500 now is Chancellor Frederick M. Hunter of the state system of higher education, who gets more than \$11,000.

Passage of Some Expected

It was expected today that, in the house at least, several bills might be up for third reading and final passage tomorrow.

Meanwhile, a sub-committee appointed late yesterday is studying a plan for a \$60-old-age insurance plan, preparatory to submitting it to the legislature.

Sen. Rex Ellis, R., Pendleton, who will introduce the bill after it is prepared, appointed Senators Wallace and Thomas A. Mahoney, D., Multnomah, and Reps. Phil Brady, D., Multnomah, and H. R. Jones, Marion, on the sub-committee.

The measures would levy a 1 per cent tax on the salaries of all workers between the ages of 21 and 60, collections not to exceed \$15 a year. The \$60 payments would begin at the age of 60 years, and only those who have lived 10 years in Oregon would be eligible.

Wallace also will introduce today a measure to reapportion representation in the house and senate.

20-30 Members Hear Talks on Lumbering

Joe O. Lamm, U. S. forest service ranger, spoke on the sustained yield timber program of Central Oregon, and Del Hale told about lumbering as a business, and what it means to Bend, before the 20-30 club in the Pine Tavern last night.

Committees for the first six months of 1941 were named by the president, Don Hampson. They are: attendance, Earl Thatcher, Ray LeBlanc, Ben Christensen; membership, Bill Scott, E. Sims Wilson, Jack Bennett, Jim Montgomery; program, Del Hale, Harold Grove, Joe Lamm; publicity, Bob Ryan; music, Earl Thatcher; fellowship, Del Hale.

Two new members, Grant Perry and Jim Montgomery, were presented, and Jim Brinton was a visitor.

CHILD DIES

Barbara Pearl Alley, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Alley, of route two, died in Doernbecher hospital in Portland yesterday. It was learned here today. The child was born in April, 1939. Surviving members of the family are a sister, Virginia, and a brother, Thomas. No funeral arrangements have been announced. Mrs. Alley was in Portland at the time of her daughter's death.