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REQUEST FOR NATIONAL SERVICE

Once again President Roosevelt is out with a request, which is virtually a demand, for a national service law, one, that is, which would provide for total mobilization of manpower and womanpower in the prosecution of the war.

A national service law could probably have been enacted in the days which immediately followed the attack on Pearl Harbor, in the days when the nation, with only the beginning of armed strength, its production facilities as yet only slightly converted to the service of war, enraged at the ruthlessness of a treacherous enemy and fearful of an equally ruthless invasion of the homeland, was ready to embark upon any program, to accept any plan that would promise salvation.

Nothing was done about it then, however, and in the meantime war preparations and war support were begun on a different basis. Voluntary service, not forced service, was the keynote of this beginning. It was so in civilian participation and it was so in military preparation.

In the meantime conversion of industry to war production went on. The building of an army and the building and manning of a navy were speeded. Presently victories were being reported. Enemy opportunity for invasion was reduced, then virtually eliminated.

When a national service law was finally proposed, organized labor sprang to arms. It saw in such a measure the substitution of government authority for that of its own organization.

The same opposition is already indicated to the president's new request. Fresh from active participation in a national election, its strength newly proved, organized labor will present a more formidable political front even than before.

It may be believed that the president is well aware of this and it is as easy to believe that his request for selective service law amendment to provide for the drafting of four million men of 4-F classification is the enactment for which he really hopes. Again, compulsion by indirectness—the choice between military service and war industry employment. As to a national service law, the time when it might have been enacted is in the past.

Bend's Yesterdays

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO (Jan. 11, 1930)

Announcement is made that the Oregon Wool growers association will meet at The Dalles, with Blaine Devers of Bend scheduled to speak.

City Manager C. G. Reiter tells of plans to build a shelter in Drake park for the pet swans.

J. S. Innes, county commissioner, completes plans for the purchase of four acres of land at the intersection of The Dalles-Columbia and the Bend-Sisters road for a right-of-way.

The Oregon Motorist appears with an article, "Winter Sports in Central Oregon," written by Paul Hosmer, president of the Sky-liners.

The largest shipment of cattle—16 cars—to be sent from Bend to the south, leaves here Sunday. The stock is from the Gateway and Prineville country.

Police Chief Thomas announces that he will confiscate 11 cars found trailing behind automobiles.

Frank H. May reports that snow has been cleared away, and that the Butler road is now open to travel.

William Baer and Dan Chickering of the Shevlin Camp, come to Bend to attend a meeting of the local camp of Veterans of Foreign Wars. Ralph Francisco attends the gathering from Lapine.

Grange Hall

Grange Hall, Jan. 11 (Special)—Mrs. Lenna Finnell and son, Gordon, visited Mrs. Finnell's cousin, Mrs. Geo. Hamilton, last Saturday on their way to their home at Brightwood, Oregon, after visiting relatives at Madras.

Twenty-one persons of the community who have been in regular attendance at the Community Chapel, have recently moved away. Rev. Dan Hager is holding services each Sunday at 3:30 and would welcome any persons

Lt. M. C. Jewel Now in Illinois

Chanute Field, Ill., Jan. 11—First Lt. Marion C. Jewel, son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Jewel, Rt. 2, Bend, Oregon, currently is assigned to this station of the AAF Training command as a student in the officers' communications course.

Prior to this assignment, Lt. Jewel was stationed at Hobbs Field, New Mex., as a four-engine instructor. The communications course here is five months period of intensive training in all phases of communications. Students retain their flying status and upon completion of the course, become qualified communications officers.

Lt. Jewel attended Oregon State college for two years. He was commissioned in April, 1942.

Global Problems Get New Study

Washington, Jan. 11 (UP)—An eight-man, bi-partisan delegation from the senate foreign relations committee today spent an hour and a half exchanging views on international problems with President Roosevelt in anticipation of the forthcoming "big three" conference.

Committee Chairman Tom Connally, D. Tex., told reporters later that "in anticipation of the president's departure" for the conference, several of the senators "made known their views" on international problems and the president in turn "made known to them his views."

Situation Delicate "Until the meeting of the president, Stalin, and Churchill," Connally said, "I hope there will be no resolution pressed in the senate or general discussion which would disturb the delicate international situation."

Coming only one day after the first full-dress foreign policy senate debate this year, the lengthy meeting—held in the residential quarters of the executive mansion—served to emphasize anew the delicacy of this country's troubled relations with its allies.

Official Records

Municipal Court Asserted violations of the city's traffic ordinance today had resulted in citations being issued to three persons, police reports revealed today. Henry Kovell, of Lapine, posted a \$2.50 bond for alleged failure to make a boulevard stop at the intersection of Wall street and Oregon avenue. C. K. Gladen of Bend, posted a \$1.00 bond for allegedly blocking an alley in the rear of the Pilot Butte inn with his car.

Circuit Court Power of attorney: Roy Martin Benson to Martin Hugo Benson. Marriage license: James B. May, Sulligent, Ala., and Mary Lee Smith, Gilchrist. Both legal age.

Portland Names Its 1st Citizen

Portland, Ore., Jan. 11 (UP)—A silver plaque presented to Mrs. C. S. Jackson, founder of the George A. White servicemen's center in Portland, designates her as Portland's first citizen of 1944.

"This is the most wonderful thing that has ever happened to me," declared Mrs. Jackson on being handed the prized award by Henry N. Andresen, retiring president of the realty board, at the 19th annual dinner of the board yesterday. Governor Earl Snell of Oregon, and leading figures of the city's civic and business life attended.

Portland Awaits Decision by OPA

Portland, Ore., Jan. 11 (UP)—A decision will be announced in the OPA's case against 14 Portland food stores in about 30 days, Robert M. Dulin, commissioner of the San Francisco office of the OPA, said today.

The stores were charged with violations of the sudden Christmas day changes of rationing regulations. Dulin has left for San Francisco, and will announce his decision from there, he said.

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Patronage Lost, Say Ward Firms

Chicago, Jan. 11 (UP)—Thirty-two new counter-affidavits, charging that government operation has been inefficient, that employee moral has suffered and that some customers have discontinued patronage since the army seized Montgomery Ward properties in seven cities were on file today in federal court.

The affidavits, filed yesterday with Federal Judge Phillip L. Sullivan, brought to 84 the number submitted by the mail order firm in its fight to disprove legality of the Dec. 28 seizure.

The affidavits were filed in reply to government documents requesting a temporary injunction to restrain company officials from interfering with army operation of the 16 seized properties.

Meanwhile in Washington, Donald Montgomery, a representative of the United Automobile Workers (CIO), disclosed that he had filed complaints with the office of price administration charging Wards with violating ceiling prices at its Chicago mail order house.

Montgomery, a member of the CIO consumers' council and the OPA's labor advisory committee, said that price increases amounting to as much as 10 per cent or more had been realized when the company shifted orders from its Chicago customers to Kansas City, St. Paul Minn., and Fort Worth, Tex., plants. In addition, he said, Kansas City customers were transferred to the Fort Worth plant.

Nippon Swimmers Attack Armada

Aboard Admiral Kinkaid's flagship Off Luzon, Jan. 11 (UP)—Japanese swimmers and tiny boats carrying a variety of explosive devices attacked small American shipping in Lingayen gulf early Wednesday morning in desperate and frequently suicidal attempts to harass a portion of our invasion armada.

The men from Nippon opened a new bag of tricks. But damage to our ships was light, and most of the attackers were killed. The enemy's Lingayen gulf branch might be called the "human torpedo," although nothing as destructive as a torpedo was used.

The Japanese put a number of small boats into Lingayen gulf before dawn Wednesday. These boats were what Vice Admiral Thomas C. Kinkaid called "a lot of homemade apparatus" for damaging our vessels.

Several kinds of explosives, ranging from small mines to hand grenades, were loaded onto the boats. When the boats put out from Lingayen shore, the Japanese tried to maneuver them alongside the hulls of our ships, or to hurl explosives at the targets.

In some cases the Japanese swam to our ships and tried to set off explosives. One boat made a suicide charge against an American vessel.

Some of the Japanese were seen swimming under or beside boxes, trying to hide from view amidst the American invasion fleet.

Farnham, Padden Meet in South

Two men who were well acquainted in Bend met by chance recently in California, when Ross Farnham, who with Mrs. Farnham, is spending the winter in Holtville, stepped off the train in Los Angeles only to meet J. W. Padden, formerly stationed here with the Union Pacific. Padden, Farnham reports, has just been transferred from Salt Lake City, Utah, to Los Angeles.

Farnham in a letter to Rev. B. H. Prentice, Bend, reported that he is getting along nicely, and is walking two miles a day. Mr. and Mrs. Farnham's daughter, Janet, now on a Marshallfield paper, made the trip by airplane to California to spend the holidays with her parents.

The potato forms the source of most of the starch used in Europe. Carrots have a skin-sensitizing principle which is irritating to some persons who come in contact with this vegetable in raw, dried, or heated state.

Bend Furniture's 1945 Showing Quality Bedroom Suites. Features illustrations of furniture sets and prices: 5 Piece Bleached Burl Walnut \$223.50, 5 Piece Birdseye Maple Suite \$142.50, Four-Piece Bedroom Suites priced from \$69.50. BEND FURNITURE CO. Phone 271, Central Oregon's Home Furnishers, Easy Terms.

Othman Told Reading Clerk Finds Water Best for Work

By Frederick C. Othman (United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, Jan. 11 (UP)—President Roosevelt kindly will go easy for a while on messages to congress, George J. Maurer will appreciate it. He's the man who has to read 'em and his tonsils are raw.

He read Roosevelt's message on the state of the union in a mellifluous voice (and without a preliminary drink of water) and wound up 8,000 words later, he said, spitting cotton. Then came the president's budget message. Maurer took a swig on that, gripped the reading desk and plowed through all \$80,000,000,000 of it, with never a stumble, no matter how big the figures, nor small the type.

So it was that I got reading clerk Maurer off in a corner of the house of representatives for a chat on how to read aloud to congress and can report that cough drops are no help. He has tried 'em.

One celebrated brand has a tendency to paralyze the vocal cords. That's no good. Another brand causes a concentration of saliva in the mouth.

"And what are you going to do when you're standing up there in front of 400 congressmen with your mouth full of dampness?" Maurer asked. "You're going to choke."

That's no good either. If you must have a cough drop, suck it 10 minutes ahead of time, wash it

tongue at all times) and he can skip thereby any sentence that looks unnecessary to him. Don't be getting the idea that Maurer censors presidential messages.

"Every congressman has a copy of each message on his desk," he said, "and I have learned that they prefer to study these documents at their leisure. All they want from me is the general idea."

Others Say...

GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES (Commerce) Easily among the most valuable source books ever written on the subject of Oregon as a state, the new edition of "Oregon Geographic Names," by Lewis A. McArthur, has reached the stands. Its 581 pages are brimming with useful information about every city and hamlet in the state and reflect the careful research of its author, who is president of the Oregon Historical society. The new edition, like its prede-

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Comic strip panels showing characters discussing school grades and freckles. Panels include dialogue like "LET'S FORGET JUNIOR FOR THE MOMENT AND GO ON TO OTHER THINGS" and "YOU MEAN I'M NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE ON THE HOCKEY TEAM, COACH? WHY IS THIS MUTINY?"