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## Head Allied Armies Hurling Nazis Back

# **Oregon Purchase Of Distilleries Under Cross Fire**

Salem, Ore., March 2 (IP)-Ore-gon's legislative liquor investigating committee today contrasted conflicting testimony on the Washington · Oregon purchase of two Kentucky distilleries, includ-ing State Treasurer Leslie Scott's flat charge of "manipulation of accounts." Scott said he always had been

Scott said he always had been suspicious of the legality of the 1943 liquor purchase and contend-ed the liquor commissions of the two states "showed lack of acu-men" in dealing with Harry E. Collin of Toledo, O., who held op-tions on the distilleries. "It looks suspiciously like there

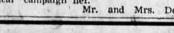
has been a mysterious shrinkage of credits and what I consider a manipulation of accounts," Scott said. And referring to the investi-gations, he said the two legisla-tures should have worked in con-cert rather than separately in get-

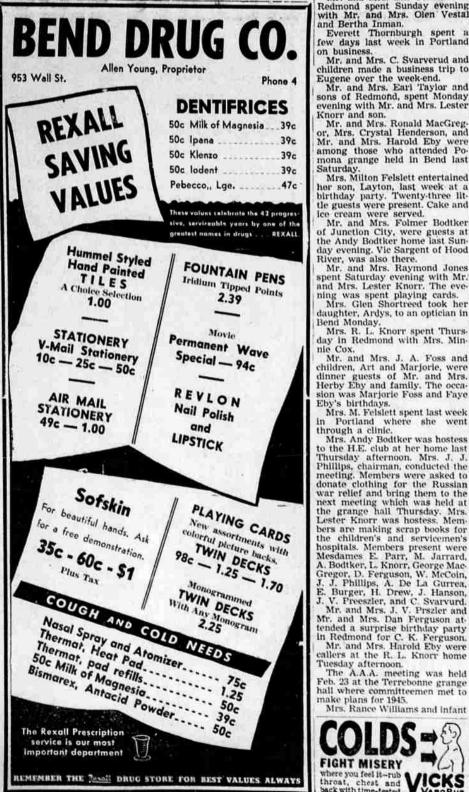
cert rather than separately in get-ting all the facts. Issue Cleared Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr., also a member of the Oregon state board of control au-thorizing the purchases with Scott, said the attorney general had cleared legality of the purchase and he knew of no irregularities. Scott said he based his charges on two audits made of the Water-fill & Frazier and Shawhan distil-leries purchase, one by S. E. Rat-

on two audits made of the Waler-fill & Frazier and Shawhan distil-leries purchase, one by S. E. Rat-liff, chief examiner of the division of departmental audits of Wash-ington, the other by the Ray H. Lesher company of Portland. He said both reports showed disap-p e a r an c e of certain credits a mounting to \$30,000 and in-about \$150,000.

a m o u n t i n g to \$30,000 and in creased liability amounting to about \$150,000. The commissions bought the two distilleries in December, 1943, After 10,000 barrels were repur-chased by Collin, the remaining chased by Collin, the remaining the work done by the degree team at Powell Butte last Friday eve-ning. S7 per cent to Washington because that state handled the liquidation amounting to 29,577 barrels for \$3,225,000. Members of the Oregon liquor

amounting to 29,577 barrels for \$3,225,000. Members of the Oregon liquor commission testified the gross profit will be about \$4,500,000. Chairman Paul Patterson of the committee, for m ed on recom-mendation of Gov. Earl Snell, said reputations of Gov. Snell's ap-pointees to the liquor commission had been impugned during the last year. Borden Beck was in charge of the program which consisted of the F.F.A. boys conducing "par-liamentary procedure." Th o se taking part were Art Foss, Fay Scoggins, Gerald Eby, Richard HE club chairman Mrs. J. J. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Cyrus



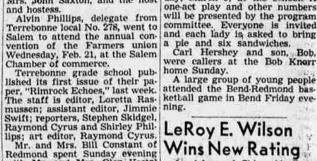




(NEA Radio-Telephoto) The commanders of parts of the present major offensive ripping through Germany's western defense, confer tomewhere on the front. Left to right: Gen. H. D. G. Crerar, commander First Canadian Army; Lt. Gen. Sir Miles G. Dempsey, commander Second British Army; Field Marshal Bernard L. Montgomery, commander 21st Army Group; Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson, commander American Ninth Army; Air Marshal Sir Arthur Con-ingham, commander RAF Second Tactical Air Force supporting 21st Army Group drive. British official photo radioed from London.

### Terrebonne

Terrebonne, March 2 (Special) -Terrebonne grange held its reg-



served supper to the group. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith of Forest Grove spent the week-end with their son-in-law and daugh-ter, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Thorn-burgh and family. Mrs. R. L. Knorr received word from her brother, Roy Halley of Gresham, stating that their son, Roy Halley, Jr., a paratrooper in Belgium, was not missing in ac tion, after receiving word from the war department that he had been. John Saxton was honored at a

LeRoy E. Wilson Wins New Rating

Mir. and Mrs. Bill Constant of Redmond spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Olen Vestal and Bertha Inman. Everett Thornburgh spent a few days last week in Portland on business. Mr. and Mrs. C. Svarverud and children made a business trip to Mr. and Mrs. C. Svarverud and announced by a troop carrier children made a business trip to squadron of the 14th air force in

children made a business trip to Eugene over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Taylor and sons of Redmond, spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Knorr and son. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald MacGreg or, Mrs. Crystal Henderson, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Eby were among those who attended Po-mona grange held in Bend last Saturday.

in aerial flight supplying front line Chinese troops with food and ammunition. Sergeant Wilson g r a d u a t e d from Redmond high school and formerly was employed by R. G. Raymond, Prineville, when he was inducted into the air forces in August 1942. He came overseas in January 1944 and saw service in North Africa and India prior to coming to China. Saturday. Mrs. Milton Felslett entertained her son, Layton, last week at a birthday party. Twenty-three lit-tle guests were present. Cake and le guests were present. Cake and lee cream were served. Mr. and Mrs. Folmer Bodtker of Junction City, were guests at the Andy Bodtker home last Sun-day evening. Vie Sargent of Hood River, was also there. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jones spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Knorr. The eve-ning was spent playing cards. Mrs. Glen Shortreed took her daughter, Ardys, to an optician in Bend Monday.



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# **Opposition Faced** By State P.U.D. Bill

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Salem, Ore., March 2 (IP-The going began to look rougher to-day for the "P. U. D." bill, (SB 62) which would prevent people's utility districts from acquiring utility facilities outside of their own area, after a public hearing by the house utilities committee last night.

Strong objections to the bill, and to its emergency clause, were presented by PUD representatives and the Oregon grange. The bill resulted from an at-

In the bill resulted from an at-tempted bond issue in Hood River in 1943, in which a contemplated purchase of a number of north-western utilities was defeated narrowly by a vote of the people.

Clatsop county representatives, Sen. Merle R. Chessman, father of the bill, Rep. Fred Hellberg, and Dr. Orval Eaton, mayor of Astoria, appeared for the bill. One amendment suggested by Eaton would prevent discrimination regainst one city in a PIID system against one citv in a PUD system and would allow municipalities to vote on an issue separately.

vote on an issue separately. Tompkins Speaker Morton Tompkins, state grange master, said that if "the bill is to curb promotional deals" such as the one at Hood River (where evi-dence showed Promoter Guy Mey-ers due to gain more than a mil-lion dollars), "then make it do that—but don't cripple the PUDS." Tunis Wyers, Hood River PUD attorney, said that he was famil-iar with the deal of which the bill is a result, and that "it's nothing

attorney, said that ne was tained iar with the deal of which the bill is a result, and that "it's nothing to be afraid of." The bill is "clearly unconstitu-tional," he said, and pointed out two attorney generals' opinions to that effect. He also stated that the bill as drawn would "force a series of small PUDs, where one inte-grated system would serve all most efficiently." Another main objection to the bill agents and engineers fees must be paid for by ad valorem taxes. This would work a hardship on oper-ating PUDs, opponents said, be-cause they cannot levy taxes when

the war department that he had been. John Saxton was honored at a dinner Saturday on his 71st birth-day, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Thornburgh. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith of Forest Grove; Mrs. and Mrs. Eldon Mc-Coin, Miss Becky Saxton, Mr. and Mrs. John Saxton, and the host and hostess. Alvin Phillips, delegate from Terrebonne local No. 278, went to Salem to attend the annual con-vention of the Farmers union Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the Salem Chamber of commerce. Terrebonne grade school pub-

(By United Press) Western Front-Germans with-drawing across Rhine ahead of re-lamines or more, in all rooming houses where 10 or more persons reside and in all apartment houses, hotels and public places. The provisions of the bill are

ported American break-through in mendation brought in by the cor-Muenchen-Gladbach sector, Eastern Front — Germans rush reserves in attempt to halt red Jury Adds Note

**Eastern Front** — Germans rush reserves in attempt to halt red army drive to Baltic. **Pacific** — B-29's blast Japanese naval base at Singapore; U. S marines drive through main Japa-nese defenses to within 1,200 yards of north coast of Iwo; American occupation of Palawan in Philippines cuts Japan's stolen empire in two. **Air War** — Allied air armadas blast Cologne and eastern front targets in support of American and red armies. **Italy**—Action remains confined to patrolling. **QUITE A CARD** Fort Wayne, Ind. <sup>(IP</sup>—When J. G. Birkmier was suspended of his

satisfaction over the jury's re-commendation, he said he was disappointed that none of the 22 witnesses could shed light on the origin of the fire.

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Mr. and Mirs. J. A. Foss and children, Art and Marjorie, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herby Eby and family. The occa-sion was Marjorie Foss and Faye Eby's birthdays. Mrs. M. Felslett spent last week in Bordland where she went Portland where she went

Mrs. M. Felslett spent last week in Portland where she went through a clinic. Mrs. Andy Bodtker was hostess to the H.E. club at her home last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. J. J. Phillips, chairman, conducted the meeting. Members were asked to donate clothing for the Russian war relief and bring them to the next meeting which was held at the grange hall Thursday. Mrs. Lester Knorr was hostess. Mem-bers are making scrap books for the children's and servicemen's hospitals. Members present were Mesdames E. Parr, M. Jarrard, A. Bodtker, L. Knorr, George Mae-Gregor, D. Ferguson, W. McCoin, J. J. Phillips, A. De La Gurrea, E. Burger, H. Drew, J. Hanson, J. V. Preeszler, and C. Svarvurd. Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Prszler and Mr. and Mrs. Jon Ferguson at tended a surprise birthday party in Redmond for C. K. Ferguson. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Eby were callers at the R. L. Knorr home Tuesday afternoon. The A.A. meeting was held Feb. 23 at the Terrebonne grange hall where committeemen met to make plans for 1945.





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