

### Vandals Ransack Eugene Church; Big Knife Found

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Eugene, Ore., May 15 (UP)—Vandalism in a Jewish synagogue—including swastikas on the military honor roll and desecration of the American flag—was reported today by Chief of Police L. L. Pittenger of Eugene.

The Beth Israel temple on the University of Oregon campus was entered during last weekend but the mutilation was not discovered until late last night, Pittenger said.

Large figures of the swastika were cut in the wall paper and marked with crayon in four rooms, the chief reported. A swastika was scratched with a sharp object on the honor roll containing the names of 14 church men and women in military service.

**Flag Overturned**  
An American flag standard was overturned in one room and the eagle on the staff broken.

The velvet altar covering was torn in half.

"This entrance apparently was made by a person or persons for the purpose of desecration of this church and follows a pattern of religious persecution of the worst kind," Pittenger said.

Police recovered a carving knife, about 10 inches long, in the church and said it would be checked for fingerprints and identification. They believed it was the sharp instrument used in defacing the walls.

The Eugene city council, notified by the police chief of the vandalism, immediately passed a resolution strongly condemning the church mutilation.

**Reward Offered**

City manager Dean Seeger was instructed by the council to offer a \$100 reward for the arrest and conviction of the vandals, and to enlist the assistance of the state police.

Those in military service listed on the defaced honor roll came from the 24 families in the church, representing about 100 people.

The last church service was held Friday evening. A bolt on a side door had been forced to gain entrance through the two-story building, a former residence converted to church purposes. It is located only two blocks from the Eugene business district.

The church is the only Jewish temple in Lane county and does not have a resident Rabbi. Church services are not held regularly and no one entered the building until last night. Jack Nudelman discovered the defacing and notified the police department.

Chief Pittenger said the height of the marks on the wall indicated they were made by a person of mature stature.

During one season, an active bee colony, gathering about 65 pounds of pollen, will have visited and provided free pollination for roughly a half-billion flowers.

### Jap Oil Burns in Borneo



(NEA Radio-Telephoto)  
Elements of the 9th Australian Imperial Forces approach a flaming oil tank on Tarakan Island, Borneo, which was invaded by Allied forces. (Signal Corps Radio-telephoto from NEA.)

### Vidkun Quisling Gets Menial Task

By Charles Arnot  
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Oslo, Norway, May 15 (UP)—Vidkun Quisling, the world's most famous traitor, is cleaning the toilets of Oslo's biggest prison, the United Press learned exclusively today.

My informant, one of the only six men who have seen the arch-traitor since he surrendered six days ago, said Quisling has been given the most menial tasks at the prison at Mollergaten 19.

Nevertheless Quisling, 58 and fat, insists he is still the legal head of the Norwegian government. He complains constantly about his prison treatment.

Two tough guards with tommy-guns stand over the puppet premier while he goes to work with a brush and bucket of water.

**Case Kept Secret**

Quisling's case is being treated with the greatest secrecy because many of his estimated 40,000 followers still are at large. Norwegians rarely mention his name, but their hatred for him and the 12 cabinet members imprisoned with him is not hard to detect.

Since the liberation of Norway, 1,600 Quislings have been arrested in Oslo. The 400 cells of the big limestone prison at Mollergaten 19 are filled with them.

Norwegian authorities originally planned to take Quisling before a state investigation court for a preliminary hearing yesterday but there was a last-minute postponement. The hearing reportedly will be held sometime within the next two weeks, and later the high court will try Quisling formally as a traitor.

### Atrocities

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R. O. James W. Mott, R., Ore., and Dewey Short, R., Mo.

#### Report Read

Barkley, who read his report to the senate, charged that the camps constituted a "calculated and diabolical program of planned torture and extermination on the part of those who were in control of the German government."

He said the committee saw with its own eyes:

1. "The barracks, the work places, the physical facilities for torture, degradation and execution."

2. "The victims, both dead and alive, of the atrocities practiced at these camps."

3. "The progress of liquidation by starvation which was still going on."

4. "We saw the indescribable filth and smelled the nauseating stench before it was cleaned up, and we saw a number of victims of this liquidation process actually die."

Barkley said that at Buchenwald, "the first camp visited, the committee saw the 'little camp,' in which prisoners slept on triple-decked shelves. Each shelf was about 12 feet square with 16 prisoners on a shelf. The clearance height between the shelves was a little over two feet.

#### Camp Described

In the "little camp," he said, prisoners were given six weeks before being graduated to the "regular barracks."

During this time, he said, they were "expected" to lose about 40 per cent in weight. Rations were less than at the regular barracks and the death rate was very high, recently running about 50 per day.

"The regular barracks," he declared, had dormitory rooms ap-

proximately 42 by 23 feet and about 10 feet high in which, since the war, 250 persons were made to sleep with less than one blanket per person and no heat.

"The 'hospital' at Buchenwald, Barkley said, was a place "where moribund (dying) persons were sent to die." No medicines were available, hence there was no treatment. Typhus and tuberculosis were rampant and death rates ran from 5 to 20 persons a day.

The "medical experiment building" at Buchenwald was used by scientists from Berlin who came down to inoculate "guinea pigs" with deadly diseases. Prisoners were induced to "volunteer" for this by being promised better living quarters and more food.

#### Capacity Given

The crematory at Buchenwald, Barkley said, had a maximum capacity of about 400 bodies per 10-hour day. It was enclosed by a high board fence and manned by SS guards.

Roll call at Buchenwald was held every evening and a truck collected the bodies of all who had died during the way as well as live prisoners who were to be executed for political reasons.

The dead were taken directly to the crematorium. The living were forced down a 13-foot shaft, strangled and hung on hooks by SS men and then fed to the ovens.

There were two batteries of three brick ovens each. Total capacity was 18 bodies. It took 15 to 20 minutes to dispose of an ovenful.

Lack of fuel in March prior to the arrival of the Americans interrupted the cremations, Barkley said. He said the committee saw a truckload of 60 bodies, with about 25 additional bodies near it, standing near the crematorium.

The first air express shipment in the United States was a package containing five bolts of silk, valued at \$1,000, which was carried on the knees of the pilot and the single passenger in an open cockpit plane while traveling from Dayton to Columbus, O., in 1900, according to the air division of the Railway Express Agency.

Nearly half the domestic ducks raised in the United States are hatched and grown in New York state.

### Earns Commission



Marine 2nd Lt. George E. Chambers, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Chambers, Bend, recently received his commission after completing officers training at Quantico, Va. A former OSC student, and member of Theta Xi and Thanes there, he entered the Marine corps in June, 1943. He is awaiting assignment.

Warmer Wednesday and Thursday.

### Redmond Grange Plans for Choir

S.W. Redmond, May 15 (Special)—Redmond grange discussed organizing a choir at the May 11 meeting. Three officers were elected to fill vacancies—Henry Truax as assistant steward, Margaret Truax, lady assistant, and Bruce Johnson, gatekeeper. A social evening is planned for Sat., May 26, when a dance and basket social will be held for grange members and friends. A relief committee, including Mrs. James Lamb and B. L. Fleck, was announced to assist Mrs. Frank Armstrong, chaplain.

A program consisting of readings by Mrs. B. L. Fleck and Mrs. Vern Lentz, and dancing of the Virginia reel by those in attendance was supervised by the past masters of the grange.

August Anderson was elected first master after the organization of Redmond subordinate in 1933, followed in order by A. B. Davenport, Howard Mayfield, James Underwood, Owen Brown, Mrs. J. J. Brown, Mildred Wallenburg, Vern Lantz, Floyd Holt, B. L. Fleck, and Frank Armstrong.

Refreshments were served by the committee in charge.

### Bend Lieutenant In Rhine Action

With the 89th Infantry Division in Germany, May 15—It took the third platoon of Co. E, 354th infantry regiment, an hour and 20 minutes of living hell to make the Rhine river crossing, but the platoon succeeded and wrote another chapter in the 89th infantry division's heroic crossing of the most famous river in Germany.

With the river lighted by houses burning on the shore in St. Goar, Lieutenant Elmer Johnson of Bend, Ore., and his men paddled out into a hail of fire from 20 mm machine guns. Half way across the Germans zeroed in on their boat with casualties resulting.

Paddles were shattered by the bullets. The riddled craft started going in circles and sinking. All of the men except Lt. Johnson and three others jumped into the water and tried to pull the boat as they swam. Lt. Johnson took out his shovel but it was never designed for use as a paddle. Finally they ran into an overturned boat near the shore and waded into enemy territory as the Germans continued shooting at their boat.

They had been in the water one hour and 20 minutes. They crawled along the rivers edge in water for protection. A hundred yards upstream they met a boat from another company, joined forces, stormed a hill and took a 20 mm gun position, capturing six prisoners.

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### Heber J. Grant, LDS Head, Dead

Salt Lake City, May 15 (UP)—Heber Jedediah Grant, first native of Utah to become president of the Latter Day Saints (Mormon) church, died last night. He was 88 years old.

Although he had long been in poor health, few of Grant's followers were aware of the seriousness of his illness until a few hours before his death when it was announced he had suffered a relapse.

Grant's wife, eight daughters and their husbands and two church concillors, J. Reuben Clark, former U. S. ambassador to Mexico, and David O. McKay, were at his bedside.

#### Served Long Period

Grant assumed the presidency Nov. 23, 1918, and in the following 26 years guided the church through the most crucial period of its development in this nation and abroad.

A pacifist, he died in the midst of the strife he hated and at a period when his church was combating nationwide prejudice in connection with the practice of polygamy.

### Five Day Forecast

Five-day forecast ending Saturday night:

Oregon and Washington west of Cascades: Clearing Wednesday, light rain Thursday and Friday, clearing Saturday. Rising temperatures except on coast Wednesday and Thursday. Cooler Friday.

Idaho, Oregon and Washington east of Cascades: little or no rain, a few showers latter part of week.

### Good Evening:—

I would like to introduce Mr. George Tyler, our new parts manager, who takes Les Bridges' place. Les is now logging on his own.

George is an ex-service man having recently gotten his discharge from the navy. He is a local boy and we are certainly glad to welcome him into our organization. Those parts bins are still a little strange to him after the navy, so be a little patient.

If we get many more navy vets we are either going to have to have a sail rigging or put in a propeller assembly to make the place seem familiar to them.

Incidentally, Jess (or Danny) Thompson says he wants to see if it will pay to keep open evenings, so he will be open (service station only) Monday, Wednesday and Friday until 10 p. m. Maybe he is checking up on the "owls."

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