

The Afternoon
Newspaper Leads
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Weather
Cloudy tonight with rain probable Thursday afternoon; gentle easterly wind. Yesterday, Max. 49. Min. 31. Rain 0. River 8.3 ft. North wind, and cloudy.

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Finns Repel Attacks on Both Ends of Line

Reds Bomb Swedish Village

Drager Remains On Job Despite Conviction

Jury Finds Treasurer Guilty of Larceny of \$2686 Public Funds

Following his conviction last night in a verdict which found him guilty of larceny of \$2686.38 in county funds, County Treasurer D. G. Drager this morning returned to his office on advice of his counsel Custer E. Ross who told him to continue with his duties.

While the county court was in executive session for some time this morning, court members said that while the treasurer's situation was briefly referred to, their discussions were along other lines that if there are any developments in regard to the treasurer's office they will be only on advice from the district attorney. The treasurer's bond remains at \$1,500 which has been posted for some time.

Appeal Likely
Defense counsel for the county treasurer said no decision had been made as to whether an appeal will be taken. With the huge transcript covering testimony of nearly two weeks an appeal would involve a large expense it was stated. Time for sentence was fixed for next Tuesday, February 27. Under the statutes the defense will have 10 days from that time in which to file a motion for a new trial and 60 days in which to take an appeal.

It was pointed out that the treasurer was not tried for malfeasance in office, the sentence for which provides forfeiture of office, and to force removal of the treasurer from office would require another trial, until after sentence at least. What the situation might be then was not touched on.

Out Seven Hours
A little over seven hours were required for jury deliberations which resulted in the verdict returned at 9:10 o'clock last night, the jury retiring at 1:50 o'clock in the afternoon.

The verdict was arrived at after Lelf Bergsvik, foreman, had requested the court for special instructions. He said for jury wanted to know how the jury would reach a conclusion as to the amount of money allegedly converted, whether it should cover the period between October 31, 1935 and October 31, 1938, or for the entire period of the shortage. The court advised the jury to start at May 15, 1936 and cover the period down to October 31, 1938. The indictment charged a shortage of \$25,500.41 but this was for a period of 21 or 22 years back to practically the first year the treasurer defrauded.

The treasurer was in the court room when the verdict was returned and emphatically reaffirmed his declarations of innocence which he has made from the time the shortage was discovered.

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Start First Work on Willamette Building

The first physical steps looking toward the construction of the new science building, authorized by the trustees of Willamette university early this week, were taken this afternoon when the foundation lines were laid out. Actual construction is not expected to be taken for some weeks and it may not be until commencement week that the first earth is turned. Delay in getting underway is due to the uncompleted status of the plans for the interior of the building, which will extend 150 feet in width facing State street and a depth of 100 feet. The building will be constructed to the west and in line with Waller hall, with its eastern wall coming close to University house, the president's residence. In order to get away from a serious drainage problem which exists on the campus, it is probable no basement will be included in the project. However, there will be two full floors which will be devoted to classrooms, laboratories and a small auditorium. The original plans called for a museum on the first floor but it is likely this will be eliminated in order that necessary classrooms and space for the university



Defend Fishing Rights—These Yakima Indians are shown in San Francisco as they prepared defense of their tribal fishing rights in Washington and Oregon. Left to right, Frank Totus, a sub chief; Alexander Saluskin and Chief Thomas K. Yallup, head of the delegation. — Associated Press Photo.

Indians Ask for Fishing Grounds

San Francisco, Feb. 21 (AP)—The U. S. circuit court of appeals was asked today to give Washington State fishing grounds back to the Indians. On hand to watch the proceedings were four Yakima Indians, who came here in tribal regalia and with their hair in braids. Involved in the hearing was the Indians' contention they should be allowed to fish in the Columbia river without state license, because they were granted that right by treaty 85 years ago.

Washington claims its police power has superseded the treaty, and as a result, the Yakimas were arrested by Sheriff C. R. House of Klickitat county for fishing in the river without licenses above The Dalles. State courts and the federal district court at Tacoma upheld the arrests, so the Yakimas appealed to the circuit court here.

The federal government itself brought the appeal "in behalf of its ward, Sampson Tulce," and U. S. Attorney Samuel Driver of Spokane will represent it in arguments. Tulce was one of the arrested Indians. The four observers paid their respects to federal officials in an eye-gathering parade through the post office building yesterday.

They were led by Chief Thomas K. Yallup of the Yakimas, clad in beaded vest and brilliant shirt and moving silently along in moccasined feet.

Mayor Carson Not Running Again

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—Joseph K. Carson, Jr., now ending his second term as mayor of Portland, announced before the city council today that he will not seek re-election.

There had been no indication previously that the mayor would not seek a third term and his announcement opened the lists to several who would not have run in opposition to Carson.

He will retire, he told the council, when his second term ends January 1.

herbarium may be provided. The exterior of the science hall will conform to the library, which is Georgian in character, reinforced concrete with brick facing, slate roof and a tower. It is possible the central space under the roof may be utilized. Reconditioning of the old science building is also included in the building project and it is expected the music department will be housed in this structure. Wrecking of old Kimball hall, a frame structure, will be undertaken after commencement in June. This will make possible the grading of a lawn, extending from State street to the library. Erection of a fence along 12th street to prevent pedestrians from making a path across the lawn, has already been started. The building program will make necessary the addition of a new boiler to the heating plant to care for the added load.

Russian Planes Set Buildings In Pajala Afire

Campaign to Aid Finns Stimulated by Rain of Bombs on Frontier

Stockholm, Feb. 21 (AP)—Seven Russian bombing planes today showered between 30 and 40 bombs on the Swedish frontier village of Pajala, setting many buildings afire but causing no casualties, dispatches from the border region reported.

Four buildings in Pajala, a village of 3,000 inhabitants five miles from the Finnish frontier, were destroyed and others set afire by the raiders, who descended to 3,000 feet before unloading their bomb cargo.

The Swedish minister to Moscow was directed to deliver a vigorous protest to the Soviet government. Although the bombing was generally regarded in Stockholm as accidental it added new complications to Sweden's difficulties over the matter of aid to Finland.

It was expected to bring a sharp protest to Moscow and further stimulate the Swedish "activist" campaign for direct military help to the embattled Finns.

The Stockholm newspaper Aftonbladet said half the town was burning. The terrified inhabitants had brief warning of the approaching planes from the village of Kengis, which is closer to the frontier. Thus most residents were able to find refuge. Many fled to the fields. Other crouched in their homes.

Several bombs fell within 100 feet of the Pajala church where some (Concluded on Page 9, Column 8)

Moscow Recalls Reds in Turkey

Istanbul, Feb. 21 (AP)—Hundreds of Russian technical experts employed in Turkish industry for many years under a Turkish-Russian agreement were ordered by the Moscow government today to return to Russia immediately.

The Russians are expected to embark on Russian ships with their families for Odessa, Russian Black Sea port.

The action follows the gradual liquidation by Russia of its commercial organizations in Turkey.

The Turkish press recently has discussed the possibility of war this spring in the near east, with Russia's Caucasus oil fields a possible center of activity.

German technical experts employed here in national defense industries recently were sent home by Turkey, and the German owned Krupp shipyard here was occupied by marines.

Turkey, a non-belligerent ally of Britain and France, has been cooperating with the British and French near eastern armies in planning a defense of this vital region, the "back door" to Europe.

Kennedy to Close Political Career

Boston, Feb. 21 (AP)—Joseph P. Kennedy said last night that he would bring his political career to a close upon completion of his duties as U. S. ambassador to Great Britain.

"When I leave London I'll be all finished as far as politics is concerned," he said on arrival here for a physical check-up at the Lahey clinic.

He declined to say when he planned to end his duties as ambassador.

He expects to return to New York by plane today and sail for London by way of Genoa on the S. S. Manhattan Saturday.

Cargo Ship Seized By British Navy
Alexandria, Egypt, Feb. 21 (AP)—British naval authorities today seized a cargo ship flying a neutral flag but declared by British authorities to be German. The name of the vessel and other details of the seizure were withheld.

Swedes Vote Confidence in Government

Refusal of Military Aid To Finland Upheld by Parliament

Stockholm, Feb. 21 (U.P.)—All political parties in the Swedish parliament voted confidence today in the government, and its policy regarding military aid for Finland.

The vote was taken after parliament had heard sharp criticism of Premier Per Albin Hansson for his method of informing the public that Sweden would not grant military aid to Finland. Conservative members of parliament said that when Hansson last week announced Sweden's inability to furnish military aid to Finland he "caused misunderstanding regarding the government's policy which resulted in sharp criticism in public discussion of the premier and his government."

Air Battle Reported
Bergen, Norway, Feb. 21 (U.P.)—Norwegian coastal reports today said that both British and German ships were standing off the coast and that a British squadron was cruising off north Norway, near the Finnish Arctic coast.

A severe air battle was reported in dispatches from the town of Kirkenes, on the Norwegian-Finnish frontier, but the nationality of the planes—said to be battling over the Petsamo region—was uncertain.

Coastal reports concerning naval activity off Norway were fragmentary and did not immediately clarify developments, but there was nothing to indicate a naval conflict. Nor was it known definitely whether the German ships were warships or merchant ships.

Tighten Control

Paris, Feb. 21 (AP)—Allied naval control around Scandinavian neutral nations was tightened today, with closer surveillance of German merchant and naval shipping through the waters off the Norwegian coast.

Allied fleets, it was reported by reliable quarters were watching not only German maritime movements up and down the Norwegian coast but they were operating around the northern tip of Norway and in Arctic waters as far as Petsamo, Finland's far northern port.

Warplane Raid On Helgoland

Berlin, Feb. 21 (AP)—An early morning foray of "several enemy planes" over Helgoland Bight was reported today by the high command communiqué, which, however, did not give the results of the flight.

The communiqué also reported that one German submarine, "returning from a distant voyage, reported the sinking of 27,795 gross register tons" of shipping.

Repeating claims made last night by the official news agency, DNB, the communiqué reported the sinking of two minelayers and destruction of an "armed commercial vessel" in yesterday's wide-ranging raids by German warplanes along the coasts of England and Scotland.

From these raids, which extended as far north as the Shetland Islands, all German planes returned safely, the communiqué said.

London, Feb. 21 (AP)—The air ministry announced today British warplanes carried out a successful reconnaissance flight over Helgoland Bight, off Germany's northwest coast, last night.

"Last night a reconnaissance of Helgoland Bight was carried out successfully by several R.A.F. aircraft," said the air ministry's announcement.



Bluff Surrender, Quits Union Post—Willie Bluff (right), Hollywood movie labor leader, is shown with his attorney, Abe Marovitz, in Chicago reading over his resignation as chairman of the conference of studio unions just before he entered Bridewell prison to complete a six months sentence for pandering imposed in 1922. "Society must have its pound of flesh," said Bluff, entering prison. He was later released on a writ of habeas corpus under \$5000 bond. — Associated Press Photo.

British Rushing Aid to Finland

London, Feb. 21 (AP)—Authoritative sources said tonight the British government had released large quantities of military supplies to Finland, including 144 planes, both bombers and fighting planes. These informants said Britain was sending Finland 150 anti-tank rifles, 10,000 anti-tank mines, 50,000 hand grenades, 25 howitzers, 100 machine gun, 24 anti-aircraft guns, 30 field guns, four six-ton tanks, 12 six-inch guns, 10 three-inch mortars, with ammunition for the artillery.

Long Defeated In Louisiana

New Orleans, Feb. 21 (AP)—The Huey P. Long political dynasty, born of 12 years of dictatorial violence, died peacefully by ballot yesterday after one of the longest and bitterest election campaigns in Louisiana's history.

Voters in the democratic gubernatorial run-off primary swept to defeat Governor Earl K. Long, brother of the "Kingfish" and titular leader of the machine, and nominated Attorney Sam Jones of Lake Charles to the office.

Jones, a newcomer to politics, pledged himself to restore democracy to Louisiana, regain much of the millions of dollars he said administration office holders stole from the state, and jail those found guilty of graft and corruption.

The machine rout appeared complete with Jones' slate of secondary state officers, engaged in the run-off, going in without a break, together with a new anti-machine legislature, and possibly an anti-machine state central committee.

Unofficial returns from 1,508 of the state's 1,763 precincts gave Jones 258,816 votes and Long 238,892, a lead of 20,124 votes for Jones. Nomination in overwhelmingly democratic Louisiana is tantamount to election. Jones will take office May 14.

Dull Day Reported On Western Front

Paris, Feb. 21 (AP)—Desultory exchanges of fire, apparently designed to break up labor squads in the Vosges mountain region, marked a dull day on the western front today as fog and a thaw halted other activities.

The French high command's morning communiqué: "Infantry and artillery firm at various points of the front, notably in the Vosges mountains and along the Rhine."

Old-Time Saloons Minister Favors

Salt Lake City, Feb. 21 (AP)—Delegates to the inter-mountain conference of Evangelical churches pondered today the statement of one of their principal speakers that he favored the return of the old time saloons.

Soviet Tries to Crash Across Entire Isthmus

Battle Still Critical for Finland—Swirling Blizzard Aids Defense

Helsinki, Feb. 21 (AP)—Simultaneous Russian attacks on both ends of the Mannerheim line, throwing two red army divisions against one sector alone, were repulsed in fighting that lasted far into the night, Finland reported today.

The red army smashed at the western end of the Isthmus defense line and at Taipale, the eastern sector where the two divisions launched their attack.

The twin offensives meant the Russians were trying to break through across nearly the entire width of a swirling blizzard which the battle still was most critical for Finland.

Swirling Blizzard
Finnish hopes were raised by the onset of a swirling blizzard which was expected to balk the Russian drive and further strengthen the defense.

Official Russian claims that the coastal fortress of Kloivisto, western anchor of the Mannerheim line, had been captured, were denied by the semi-official Finnish news agency.

The Finnish command's communiqué reported 17 Russian planes shot down in yesterday's widespread aerial fighting.

Soviet land attacks, centered on Finland's Mannerheim line of defenses across the Isthmus, continued as Russian warplanes returning for the second successive day caused two air raid alarms in Helsinki. No bombings were reported.

2 Divisions Used
An attack by two Russian divisions, "strongly supported by artillery and aircraft," was said to have been repelled at Taipale on the eastern sector of the Isthmus front as was continued hammering at the front's western end.

A Finnish announcement said also (Concluded on Page 10, Column 4)

Reds Seek to Finish War

Moscow, Feb. 21 (AP)—The Soviet press today displayed an official news agency dispatch declaring that the red army had "now decided to break the Mannerheim line" in a drive that "presages the end of the Finnish war."

The dispatch, carried by the Tass agency, was dated Kovno and quoted objective military experts as saying that the Mannerheim line was as strong as the German Siegfried line or the French Maginot line and that its destruction was "a most difficult task from the military standpoint."

The most important battle of the war was believed imminent in the Viipuri sector of Finland. Information available here indicated that the red army expected a quick showdown at Viipuri, which for centuries has been a military gateway to the east, as a result of the Russian mopping up operations against the Gulf of Finland end of the main Finnish defenses (the Mannerheim line).

The Russians claimed occupation of Kolvisto fortress, on the Gulf of Finland coast, which had been the main anchor point at that end of the Finnish line. (Denied by Finnish reports.)

Nazi Women Told to Beget War Babies

Berlin, Feb. 21 (AP)—Every German woman should bear a child, Schwarz Korps, weekly organ of the Blackshirt elite guard, declared today, because the reich needs more sons to populate annexed Polish territory and the "colonies which we are wresting from the British moneybags."

"Greater Germany has become larger," the paper observed. "In the east, wide spaces are waiting to be filled with German life."