



County Association Officials (P)—The Association of Oregon Counties has elected these officers for 1944, left to right: president, County Judge H. D. Kerkman of Washington county; secretary-treasurer, Fred Gibson, West Salem; vice-president, County Judge Nelson B. Higgs of Harney county; executive secretary, F. L. Phipps, The Dalles.

\$12,000 in Jewelry Stolen in Spokane

Spokane, Dec. 21 (P)—The George R. Dodson jewelry store advised police Monday a sneak thief had taken a box of precious stones, valued at \$12,000 and including 500 diamonds, and police headquarters reported it was the largest theft of its kind in the city's history.

An unobserved bandit made the haul last Thursday afternoon while clerks were busy with customers, the report said. The steel box containing the gems was in its usual hiding place behind a counter.

In addition to the diamonds, the chest held four opal doublets, a Mexican opal, 13 blue zircons, four white zircons, a Montana sapphire, three topaz stones and two amethysts. A \$100 reward was offered for capture of the thief and a "substantial reward" for recovery of the jewels.

Here is Soldiers' Christmas Dinner

Washington, Dec. 21 (P)—Here is what the army and navy plan for servicemen's Christmas dinners at stations at home and abroad:

Army—Cream of celery soup with croutons, roast turkey with sage dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce-orange relish, snowflake potatoes, baked squash, creamed corn, head of lettuce with Russian dressing (where possible), hot rolls and butter, mince pie, chocolate nut cake, assorted fruits, nuts and candy and coffee. Some 10,000,000 pounds of frozen turkey have been sent overseas by the army and will reach the men wherever possible.

Navy (for marines and coast guardsmen as well as sailors)—cream of tomato soup, cracker, stuffed olives, sweet pickles, hearts of celery, assorted fresh fruit, roast turkey, baked Virginia ham, candied sweet potatoes, sage dressing, buttered fresh corn, giblet gravy, vegetable salad, buttered frozen peas, fruit cake, mince pie, vegetable salad, buttered fresh frozen peas, fruit cake, mince pie, thousand island dressing, candy, ice cream sundae, nuts, applesauce, bread and butter, coffee and cigars or cigarettes.

The center of population in the United States in 1790 was 23 miles east of Baltimore, Md.

Two Army Men Cut Red Tape To Get Aid to Yugoslavs

By Daniel De Luce

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Dec. 20 (P)—Two energetic American army officers, slicing red tape at their own risk, started the allied supply line to the Yugoslav National Liberation army of Marshal Broz even before the partisan vs. Chetnik question had been discussed by the United States, Britain and Russia, it can now be disclosed.

Thanks to the initiative of these officers, the first shipment of American foodstuffs and medicines was loaded aboard a small partisan blockade runner in an Italian Adriatic port on October 10—one month after Broz established the equivalent of an allied bridgehead on the Dalmatian coast.

Soon dozens of little caiques and schooners were swarming into allied ports along the Italian east coast flying the red, white and blue flag of Croatia, with the red star in the center of the middle white stripe.

All were manned by naval personnel of Broz's forces. They were former merchant seamen and fishermen whose seafaring ancestry runs back for centuries. The amount of American supplies immediately available for the partisans was 250 tons. The partisan fleet quickly transported this across the Adriatic, distributing it to brigade commanders both on the mainland and on the Dalmatian islands.

Sleeps Near Enemy
An American major in charge of a supply mission went into Yugoslavia to verify that boxes of canned food, surgical dressings and medicines actually

reached the men who were fighting the Germans. He slept one night in a partisan home less than five miles from a strong German garrison. He and his partisan escort carried tommyguns at all times but they succeeded in avoiding contact with the enemy.

The second American officer, a lieutenant, worked a 24-hour shift, checking and guarding supplies at the main Adriatic port and supervising their correct delivery to partisan naval skippers.

As far as bolstering Broz's partisans was concerned, September was a lost month. By mid-October, however, the tiny American supply mission had made things hum.

On October 16, allied censorship permitted this correspondent to write that "the first trickle of allied supplies is now beginning to reach Drug Tito (Broz) and his army along the Adriatic coast." But the story behind this could not be told and even now some details must be withheld, including names of the two officers who did more than "carry a message to Garcia."

One hundred pounds of waste paper will make 115 boxes—each of which holds 10 20mm. shells.

ALBERS Corn Meal Recipe #19

PARKERHOUSE CORN ROLLS

1 1/4 cups sifted flour
1/2 cup Albers Corn Meal

1 tsp. salt
3 tbsps. shortening or bacon drippings
1 egg, beaten
1/2 cup milk

Sift dry ingredients into bowl. Cut or rub in shortening or bacon drippings until thoroughly mixed. Combine egg and milk and stir in to make a soft dough. Turn out on floured board, knead lightly 1 min. Roll 1/2" thick, cut with biscuit cutter, brush tops with milk, and fold over as for Parkerhouse rolls. Brush again with milk and bake in a hot oven (450° F.) about 15 min. Makes about 18 rolls.

Albers Corn Meal, both White and Yellow, is wholesome, fine-flavored, fine-textured—"just right" for perfect cooking results!



City Decides To Pay Tax

The question whether the city should pay taxes for the year 1935 on property owned by the city water department at Liberty and Trade streets, which has been in controversy for years, came to an end Monday night when the city council authorized payment of the principal amount of \$27,517.05 from water funds. Payment of principal is waived.

The action taken was according to a proposal made by the state tax commission and the county court and on recommendation of the ways and means

committee of the council. March 1 was made the deadline for a decision by the city as to what it would do.

A supreme court opinion held the taxes were assessable notwithstanding the fact the property was publicly owned when the claim was made in 1935.

The overtime labor situation in city employment still tantalizes the council, and several aldermen, led by Dan J. Fry, said City Recorder Alfred Mundt should clarify his request for clarification of the overtime question. Mundt says the ordinance recently passed by the council isn't consistent in limiting overtime. He wants to know how much overtime is permissible and when it starts. Mundt himself was not present

Monday night, due to illness, and his assistant Peter Cleary acted in his place.

City Engineer J. H. Davis and the street committee informed the council that the state highway department must approve all traffic signs in cities under 50,000 population, and Davis was instructed to list all Salem signs for the department's examination. This, it is assumed, will take care of the question brought up two weeks ago about stop signs at railway crossings, which were set up by the railroad companies.

Installation of a street light at Spruce and Laurel was approved. A report recommending no action to improve Howard street between 16th and 19th was adopted on grounds

that the street has never been dedicated and is private property.

On inquiry by Alderman C. F. French, chairman of the committee on sewers, Alderman Dan J. Fry, chairman of the post-war planning committee, said a sewage disposal plant will be one of the first projects considered. It is the only project, he

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