

Race Winds Up In New Jersey

Hackensack, N. J., Jan. 23 (AP)—Republican and democratic candidates wound up their campaigns today for tomorrow's special election to fill the seat of former Rep. J. Farnell Thomas.

Thomas resigned January 3, just before his imprisonment for accepting salary kickbacks from congressional employees.

On the republican side, State Labor Commissioner Harry C. Harper, a former ball player, had the support of the regular GOP organization. His opponents included George V. McDavitt of Karsville, N. J., and William B. Windall, Saddle River, N. J.

McDavitt once was chief investigator for the house committee on un-American activities and served under Thomas, while Windall an attorney, entered politics during the Wendell Wilkie campaign.

Thomas' seventh congressional district normally is republican. In 1948, Thomas whipped his democratic opponent by a vote of 27,950 to 22,493.

Harper is expected to have the support of many baseball fans. He was a popular pitcher in the early 1920s, having hurled for the Washington Senators, Boston Red Sox and the New York Yankees.

Running in the democratic primary are two former mayors of East Paterson, N.J.—George T. English and Arthur C. Hillman. English bucked the Frank Hague organization while in office. Hillman is a vegetable farm operator, who was mayor for 10 years.

Thomas, who was sentenced to a term of six to 18 months in the federal house of correction at Danbury Conn., had another year of his congressional term to serve when he resigned.

Williamina—W. W. Van Oosten, has named Williamina agent for the Sheridan Laundrette.



Allen Hale

Alan Hale, Actor, Passes

Hollywood, Jan. 23 (AP)—Death has taken jovial Alan Hale, 57, a veteran of 39 years as a motion picture actor and director.

Hale, one of the last members of the film colony who had been active in pictures since its earliest days, died last night in Hollywood Presbyterian hospital of a virus infection, complicated by a liver ailment.

He became ill last Thursday, three days after returning from Helena, Mont., where he attended a premiere of the film, "Montana," in which he appeared. He contracted a cold there. He entered the hospital Saturday.

At his bedside when death came were his widow, Mrs. Gretchen Hale, his leading lady in silent days, and their daughters, Karen and Jeanne.

Hale, a 222-pound giant, had appeared as "heavy" and hero in some 200 films. He played the role of Little John in both the silent Douglas Fairbanks and the later talkie Errol Flynn version of "Robin Hood."

Police School Opening Here

Jack H. Bearss, assistant director, crime laboratory, department of state police, and Captain Walter L. Lansing, department of state police, will be in Salem on January 25 and February 3 respectively, as two of the instructors who are presently conducting a new series of regional police training schools throughout the state of Oregon.

The classes in Salem open on Wednesday. Mr. Bearss is instructing the law enforcement officers in the use of laboratory aids in criminal investigation, while Captain Lansing discusses the subject of traffic enforcement.

Other classes and instructors scheduled for the Salem school include the following:

January 27—Interviews—Instructor: Special Agent Kelly D. Deaderick, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

February 1—Patrol Techniques—Instructor: Sgt. Myron Warren, Portland police bureau.

February 14, 16, 21, 23, and 28—Practical Problem of Burglary—The crime scene, investigation, interrogation, and moot court—Instructors: Sgt. Avon F. Mayfield, department of state police, and Special Agent Max E. Taylor, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Maritime Officials Confer in Portland

Portland, Ore., Jan. 23 (AP)—Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, chairman of the U.S. maritime commission, conferred with Portland and Astoria maritime officials today following his delayed arrival by train from San Francisco.

Fleming and Joseph K. Carson, Jr., west coast commission member and former mayor of Portland, were among hundreds of passengers reaching here last night aboard the Southern Pacific's Cascade. The train was slowed by the collision of a freight train with a large rock north of Klamath Falls.

The commissioners plan to inspect Oregon maritime installations.

Coe U Economist To Come to U of O

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Jan. 23 (AP)—Dr. C. Ward Macy, professor of economics at Coe college, has resigned to become chairman of the economics department at the University of Oregon.

He has been dean of the faculty and chairman of the division of social studies at Coe. He said Sunday he planned to assume his duties at Eugene about September 1.

Dr. Macy came to Coe in 1923 and became head of the department in 1939. He has been a commissioner of the midwest athletic conference since 1944.



Captain Walter L. Lansing, left, and Jack H. Bearss, both of Oregon State police, who will be instructors in regional police training school opening in Salem Wednesday.



Blast Wrecks Cafe Building

Arlington, Ore., Jan. 23 (AP)—The one story Oregon Trail cafe building was wrecked yesterday by an explosion that shattered windows in two blocks of commercial buildings.

About 100 small window panes of the public school, on a bluff overlooking the blast area, were broken by the shock.

Firemen were not able to determine cause of the explosion until the debris was cleared. The owner, Olin B. Spaulding and his wife, had left the building a few minutes earlier.

The cafe has been under repairs for two months and closed. Spaulding said he had turned off a gas heating stove as he left the cafe. It was being used to speed the drying of newly painted fixtures.

He estimated damage to the cafe at \$16,000.

Legion Post Members Make Plans for Blood Donor Day

Members of Capital Post, No. 9, American Legion, are making plans for their "blood donor day," January 30, the group to sponsor the Portland regional blood center's mobile unit in a visitation to Salem that day. The unit will set up its equipment in the American Legion hall, 2650 South Commercial, between 2 and 6 p.m., January 30.

The blood program has the support of the Legion department of Oregon as well as of the national officers of the organization, assistance to the program being one of the community service projects of the Legion in Oregon. Veterans hospitals from time to time have called on the blood program for needed blood.

Since February 21, when the regional blood center started, 376 pints of blood have been given to Barnes hospital at Vancouver, and 939 pints of blood to the veterans hospital in Portland.

Although sponsored by the members of Capital Post, the visitation January 30 is not confined to Legion members only. Other Legion posts and auxiliaries as well as the interested public are invited to donate that day. Already, several members from Post No. 136 have indicated their intention of giving blood that date.

W. R. Habernicht is chairman of arrangements from the Legion post for the January 30 visitation. Mrs. Austin H. Wilson, Sr., of the Legion auxiliary is in charge of nurses' aides for that day and Mrs. Donald Madison, also of the auxiliary, is chairman for the canteen.

Persons wishing to sign up as donors for the visit are asked to call the Red Cross office. Originally, Fred Thompson of Portland, chairman of the Legion's department blood program committee, had intended to be here to help in contacting donors. Due to last week's storms the meeting for Mr. Thompson to attend was cancelled and now it is necessary to schedule donors by telephone and personal solicitation.

New Minister Opens Campaign

Independence, Jan. 23—Rev. Jesse Powers of El Segundo, California, arrived Sunday night to begin a revival campaign of two weeks at the First Baptist church, ending February 5.

He was scheduled to begin meetings Sunday morning but was delayed by the train derailment at Klamath Falls.

Rev. Powers comes from the Fuller Evangelistic Foundation, which is headed by Rev. Charles E. Fuller of the Old Fashioned Revival Hour, a widely-known radio program.

Meetings will be held nightly except Saturday at 7:30, preceded by a prayer service at 7:10. On Sundays he will preach at

all services of the day, 11:00 in the morning, the Baptist Youth Fellowship at 6:30, and the evening service at 7:30.

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Premiere of John Payne's Epic Barred From Actor's Theatre

Washington, Jan. 23 (AP)—The Payne family owns the Park theater in Roanoke, Va.

So what picture house does John Payne, a movie star, have to use to show his home-town premier of "Captain China?" The American theater, because the Park can't handle Paramount pictures.

I had an interview with John Payne at breakfast yesterday. He is the only "former newspaperman" who needs a haircut worse than I do. John studied Journalism at Columbia university but never got around to the serious business of getting printer's ink and carbon on his fingers.

At Columbia, John said, he managed to get his room and board plus three dollars a week for running the switchboard at a dormitory. He said he might have been able to study a lot were it not for the fact that he had too much time to sleep on the job.

Payne said that he planned to visit some 17 towns in order to promote the picture he stars in. "Maybe I shouldn't be saying this," he said, "but in the picture business we have to travel now to promote. I have been so busy since I left Hollywood that I haven't had a chance to get a hair cut. You look like you could use a trim, too."

John showed me his luggage. He is not the neatest traveler in the world. There was one of his biggest bags, a three-suitcase made of canvas. The zipper wouldn't work. The bag was tied together with rope.

In "Captain China," Payne performs with Lon Chaney, who is a pretty rugged character in his own right. In the picture the two have a fight. The sequence lasts something like five minutes, but it took six days to record it.

According to John: "We had to get pretty violent. I cracked a couple of Lon's ribs. In so doing, I wound up with a broken finger and a chipped elbow. We didn't have doubles, and the fight was real. Sometimes this movie business gets a little rough."

John said he tried to keep in shape and looks up a gymnasium every time he hits a new town.

But there are compensations. Making love to Betty Grable, June Haver, Maureen O'Hara and other lovelies of the screen is fine work.

But to the folks in his home town of Roanoke he's the same little Johnny he always was.

Six bands will greet him today when he comes home for his triumph. Mom will be there and all of the people who claim they went to school with him, which amounts to most of the folks in the place anywhere near his age.

The Paramount people aren't missing any bets for the premiere. They're going to have our boy all dressed up in overalls, sitting in the cabin of the train as it wheels up.

Verne McKinney Weds Hillsboro, Jan. 23 (AP)—W. Verne McKinney, editor and co-publisher of the Hillsboro Argus, and Mrs. Marion Gorman of Hillsboro were honeymooning on the coast today. They were married here at the bride's home Saturday.

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