



Navy Planes for Western Europe—Navy fighters and bombers are shown being loaded aboard the French aircraft carrier Dixmunde (background) at Norfolk, Va., as the first shipment of a \$1,000,000,000 program to rearm Western Europe under the Atlantic pact. Fifty planes were included in the shipment. (Acme Telephoto)

Annual Talent Show Offered By Students on Thursday

By DAVID BLACKMER

Salem high school's annual ASB talent show was presented Thursday before the student body, under the direction of Senior Mary Campbell, ASB first vice president.

Resident of Scio Honored at Shower

Mt. Angel—Mrs. William Lulay, Jr., of Scio, was honored with a shower at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clement Butsch, Canasta was in play during the afternoon. Hostesses were Mrs. Walter Smith, Mrs. George Volz, Mrs. Ernest Walker, Mrs. Joseph Walker, Mrs. Don Equall and Mrs. Clem Butsch.

Guests were: Miss Laura Schwab, Miss Mary Lou Weisenfels, Miss Marian Unger, Miss Joan Berning, Miss Dolores Hockett, Miss Marguerite Schaefer, Miss Arlene Zuber, Miss Caroline Zuber, Miss Mary Diehl, Miss Margaret Lulay and Joann Lulay. Mrs. Wm. Lulay Sr., Mrs. Anne Walker, Mrs. Don Lulay, Mrs. Leonard Neal, Mrs. Leo Grosjeanes, Mrs. Ray Equall, Mrs. Ralph Stenier, Mrs. Alcuin Beyer, Mrs. Harold Gehlen, Mrs. Joseph Beyer, Mrs. Charles Prinslow, Mrs. Ralph Hockett, Mrs. Anthony Duda, Mrs. Francis Walker, Cyril Walker, Mrs. Vincent Smith and Mrs. George Sherman.

Afternoon Card Club Is Guest at Lyons

Lyons—Mrs. Walter Bevier was hostess for the Afternoon card club with the party held at her home in Fox Valley. A dessert luncheon preceded several tables of "500" which were in play, with high score going to Mrs. Earl Helemin and low to Mrs. George Huffman. Present were Mesdames Earl Allen, Floyd Bassett, Bert Lyons, Roy Heineck, Oscar Naue, Kenneth Helemin, George Huffman, Albert Bass, Herman Free, Bob Free, Earl Helemin, Vern Nydegger, Sam Bridges, Percy Hiatt, Orville Downing and the hostess, Mrs. Bevier.

Although Samuel Morse gave his first public demonstration of the telegraph in 1838 it was not until 1843 that the first experimental line was set up between Washington and Baltimore.



Actor Hurt in Freak Mishap—Police Officer G. E. Foster stands beside Actor Edmund MacDonald and holds an iron lamp standard on which MacDonald became impaled at the Hollywood (Calif.) Athletic club. The actor stumbled on a stairway, fell over the railing and onto the sharp spear-like ornament atop the lamp. It pierced his thigh, extending 18 inches through his leg. (AP Wirephoto)

Cat Survives 900 Degrees For 36 Hours

Minerva, O., March 9 (AP)—An ordinary calico cat which emerged singed, thirsty but alive after 36 hours in a fiery kiln was an object of scientific interest today.

Dr. William Orr, the veterinarian in this Stark-Carroll county village, exclaimed, "It's a strange case that wouldn't happen again in 100 years. The animal's (foot) pads were burned off, the top of its skull was scorched, the end of its nose was charred and its body was burned as dry as a cracker when it was brought to me."

Dr. Orr pumped food into the baked puss's veins after putting the cat under sedatives. Today it was jumping into his lap to be fed.

The cat was sealed accidentally in a kiln at the Metropolitan Brick Co. plant here Friday night. Temperature in the oven reached up to 900 degrees Fahrenheit. When the kiln was opened Sunday, the durable feline tottered out before the astonished eyes of workers.

The veterinarian said he investigated the case carefully yesterday with plant superintendent Joe Bucola and both agreed that any other explanation was out of the question—the animal had stood the heat for a day and a half and had survived.

Bucola said no part of the kiln could have had a temperature of less than 400 degrees. Workmen doubted if the cat could have found a place cooler than 800 degrees.

"It's fantastic but true," Dr. Orr declared, "I intend to write to the American Veterinary Medical association to find out if there are any records of similar occurrences."

Entertaining Food Extension Unit Topic

Lyons—The home extension unit held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Floyd Bassett, with Mrs. Bassett and Alice Huber demonstrating "Food for Entertaining," after which a luncheon was served.

Present for the demonstration were Lee Hiatt, Lola Lambert, Evelyn Julian, Margaret Kunkle, Helen Salchenberger, Gertrude Weidman, Helen Johnston, Alta Bodker, Betty Johnson, Virgeen Scott, Vivian Walworth and Mabel Downing.

Those taking the rug-making met at the community club house with Evelyn Julian project leader.

Warren Frank Honor Guest on Birthday

Falls City—Warren Frank celebrated his 86th birthday in Portland with a dinner at the home of a great granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald. The invited guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fruik and daughter of Dayton, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Plankington of Wacanda Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Fruik of Bridgeport, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hix and daughter of Corvallis, Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Parsons of Falls City, Mrs. Adams of Newberg and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald and family of Portland.

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AIR-LINES HEARING

Post Office Favors Salem Service by West Coast, UAL

Washington, March 9 (AP)—A postoffice department attorney said Tuesday the department feels that mail service by the West Coast Airlines company north from Seattle is "useless."

He said the department also sees no need for West Coast service to Klamath Falls, Ore.

Louis J. Doyle, attorney in the solicitor's office of the department, said the department will take that position in civil aeronautics board hearings, to be resumed here March 27.

The hearings are on West Coast's application for permanent authority to serve Pacific coast points and the application of United Air Lines to serve some of the same points.

Doyle said the department wants UAL to continue air mail service to Salem, Ore., and has no objection to West Coast also serving Oregon's capital. At present, West Coast does not serve Salem.

He said the department considers the southern portion of West Coast's routes—from Seattle south into Oregon—is "fairly useful" to the department.

But, Doyle said, the department feels that UAL service at Bellingham, Wash., north of Seattle, is sufficient and that West Coast service to intermediate points as well is not needed.

Santiam Grangers Initiate Thirteen

Lyons—Santiam Valley grange met at the hall with Tony Moravec master and Matt Bievers overseer presiding over the meeting. The business of the evening was conferring of the first and second degree upon a class of 13 candidates, Mr. and Mrs. George Nydegger, Mr. and Mrs. William Prichard, Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Downer, Mr. and Mrs. Chet Blum, Mrs. Alice Huber, Mrs. Clyde Bressler, Cecil Bassett, Durwood Dark and Drury Lane Dark.

West Stayton Club At Von Wagoner's

West Stayton—The Birthday club met at the home of Mrs. Loran Wagoner. The president, Mrs. Grace Keirse, presided at the meeting. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Josephine Lucas March 22.

Hopewell Community Club Given Program

Hopewell—The Hopewell community club held the March meeting with a local talent program. Mrs. Melvin Applebury and Mrs. Horace Edwards had charge of the program. A skit, "Shopping for Mama," was given by Mrs. Chas. Van Dorn and Loyd Luckenbill; a monologue, "A Chat with Maize," by Mrs. Horace Edwards; whistling solos by Mrs. Jamie Ediger, accompanied by Mrs. Fred Withe, Jr., who also gave a piano solo, and sang. Stephen Reed and Bobby Wright sang a group of popular songs, accompanied by Stephen on his guitar. Refreshments were served.

Sir Beecham Improves

London, March 9 (AP)—Sir Thomas Beecham, 70, who collapsed last night while conducting the royal Philharmonic orchestra, is feeling "a little better" today, a spokesman said.

Beecham was found to be running a temperature from influenza when he collapsed at the concert in Cheam, Surrey.

Oleo Bill on Truman's Desk

Washington, March 9 (AP)—Only President Truman's approval is needed now to repeal all federal taxes on oleomargarine, effective July 1.

Lawmakers generally predicted that Mr. Truman will sign the repeal bill which congress sent to the White house late yesterday.

The senate approved the measure then by a 59 to 20 vote. It passed the house Tuesday, 262 to 106.

Provisions put into the bill by dairy state lawmakers who want to prevent oleomargarine from being passed off as butter call for:

1. The serving of oleomargarine in triangular patties in public eating places—or, signs identifying the product as margarine.
 2. In the case of retail sales, distinct labelling of the outer carton and inner wrapper as containing oleomargarine.
- Senator Wiley (R-Wis) waged a last ditch fight against passage of the bill, just as some house members from dairy states did Tuesday.

Bureau Region Meeting Here

Plans are underway for the first meeting of Region 9 of the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation. The meeting is scheduled for March 18 at the Marion hotel in Salem, announces Eddie Ahrens, Region 9 director.

The Marion County Farm Bureau will be host to Yamhill, Polk, and Benton County Farm Bureaus, for the all day meeting.

Parents of Central School to Organize

Monmouth—The Parent Teacher association of Monmouth and Independence will sponsor a joint meeting at the Independence high school auditorium Monday March 13 at 8 o'clock. The purpose of the joint meeting is the forming of a Parent Teachers organization for the Central high school.

Principal speakers will be Wayne Jordan, new principal of Central high and George Corwin, supt. of Monmouth-Independence schools. Following the

"Leadership Training" will be the primary subject on the program prepared by Ahrens' committee. The committee was appointed March 1 at a meeting held in the new Oregon Farm Bureau Federation office, 444 Marion street, Salem.

Committee members are: Tom DeArmand and Bob Miller of Woodburn, Warren Sybrandt and Manton Carl of Hubbard, H. D. Broadrick of Polk county, Arnold Selnes of Turner and Alma Schroeder of the state office in Salem.

speakers plans are being made for group discussion. Mrs. Fern Fratzke is general chairman of this meeting.

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