



Cheers for the Boss—Dallas E. Winslow (right center), president of the Mast-Foos Co., of Springfield, Ohio, gets cheers from some of the 22 employees to whom he presented new Ford cars with only requirement that they have worked with the company for a year or more. All of the above receiving cars are employed by the Ideal Power Lawn Mower company, of Springfield, Mass., a branch of the Ohio firm. Winslow, who says he plans to distribute 235 cars, says ownership of vehicles will remain with the company but employees can drive them as they please. Left to right: W. H. Fairman, C. W. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Babey, Winslow, Mrs. Evelyn R. Bulka and F. G. Bennett. AP Wirephoto)

French Battle on Commies Is South Pacific Fight All Over

Editor's Note: The French fight against the communist-led guerrillas in Indo-China in the South Pacific war all over again, with the same equipment, the same heat, the same green hell.

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With French Forces in the Mekong River Delta, Indo-China, March 16 (AP)—This battle in the Mekong River delta is the South Pacific war all over again, with the same equipment, the same heat, the same green hell.

I went along on a dawn amphibious attack against an estimated 300 Vietminh rebels holding an island in this great delta. American veterans of the Pacific would have recognized everything except the language, which was French.

This is the French fight against the communist-led guerrillas of Ho Chi-Minh.

The operation by French and native troops was a pincers movement, with attempted landings on opposite sides of the four-mile-wide Bassac island supported by aerial reconnaissance and naval fire.

Troops boarded the same landing craft and barges on which thousands of Americans made similar excursions. There was that familiar mugginess of the tropical dawn and throbbing of diesels as the barges moved down river.

Your LCI noses cautiously through three miles of jungle-bordered canal and you have the feeling that every move of the invasion flotilla is being watched. This is Vietminh territory, and their ambushes have blocked the canal, which the French are attempting to clear.

The LCI butts its bow into a slimy mudbank, the gang plank is lowered and the troops "hit the beach" just at sunrise.

The area apparently was a guerrilla bivouac. It is pitted with trenches and foxholes. Now it is deserted and the landings are unopposed.

You attach yourself to a squad of black-shirted Cambodian natives in short pants, commanded by tall, bereted Master Sergeant C. Chesnais of Boulogne. Chesnais forms a point, sends out barefooted scouts, and starts inland.

Within an hour the squad is dripping wet, partly from struggling through knee-deep swamps but mostly from the pressure-cooker heat that steams out of the ground as the sun gets higher.

Once you flop in the shade for

Oregon Hop Prices Firm

Portland, March 16 (AP)—Oregon hop markets were quiet during late February and early March, the U. S. department of agriculture reported today.

Prices, however, were firm to slightly higher than in the previous period. Few sales were reported, since not many hops were available for marketing.

Trade sources estimated that less than 1,000 bales of 1949 Oregon hops were unsold, and most of the prospective 1950 crop is already under contract.

A few contracts were written this month at 65 and 66 cents a pound covering 1950 seeded clusters.

Afflee Bows to Stork in Row

London, March 16 (AP)—Prime Minister Attlee took cognizance today of the stork and modified the hotly controversial order making Seretse Khama and his white bride exiles from their African tribal kingdom.

Attlee said the Negro king might live in his British-protected homeland until his English wife bears the child she expects late in June.

News of the government's modified position leaked out after a private caucus of Attlee and labor party members. Many of them had angrily criticized their leaders, saying they were pandering to the race prejudices of British commonwealth nations in Africa.

But both Attlee and Patrick Gordon-Walker, his minister for commonwealth relations, stressed the government's five-year banishment order would be invoked after Seretse's wife has her baby. Then all three of them will be called on to leave.

Seretse will be asked to promise not to stir up tribal antagonism. Whether he accepts remains to be seen.

Seretse said in an interview earlier this week he'd go back to the British Bechuanaland as soon as he got an okay from the British government.

He had accused Britain of "double crossing" him in inducing him to come to London for talks and then slapping down its banishment order.

House Passes Bill Tightening Security on Nation's Secrets

Washington, March 16 (AP)—The House Wednesday passed and sent to the Senate legislation tightening security clamps on the government's secrets and stiffening penalties for espionage.

In direct reaction to recent spy trials, the House gave the bill overwhelming approval by a 388 to 2 roll call vote.

The votes against the bill were cast by Reps. Vito Marcantonio, (AL-NY) and Adam Clayton Powell, (D-NY).

The bill was a slightly revised version of legislation prepared by the government's interdepartmental intelligence committee, a group representing the top agencies charged with guarding our atomic, military and other top secrets.

Main provision stricken out of the bill as written by the intelligence committee was one which legalized the use of evidence obtained by wire tapping. Chairman Emanuel Celler, (D-NY), said his judiciary committee voted to leave out that section.

Besides tightening present laws, the bill extends the statute of limitations from 3 to 10 years for certain types of prosecutions for theft of government secrets and hands the president extraordinary powers to invoke new regulations to protect military and other information.

The legislation also:

1. Doubles the penalty for conspiracy to reveal national secrets to \$10,000 fine or 10 years in prison.

2. Makes failure to register as a foreign agent a continuing offense, and thus postpone any statute of limitations on that offense.

3. Requires registration of everyone who might "have knowledge of or have received instruction in" spying or sabotage from a foreign country or political party. Exceptions were made for those trained for government purposes.

4. Gives the president and defense secretary power to make their own special regulations in peacetime to protect military stations and materiel. The president also is given power to extend those regulations to any area he desires in time of war or national emergency.

Grand Ronde—The Grand Ronde Pinochle club met at the home of Mrs. Edna Wertz. High prize was won by Mrs. Lee Perkins and second by Mrs. Rommel Best, and Mrs. Alice God-

Eastern Stars Invite Guests

Woodburn — There was a large attendance of members and several visitors at the regular meeting of Evergreen chapter No. 41, Order of the Eastern Star at the Masonic temple with Mrs. Mabel Harper worthy matron, and Earl C. Housewart, worthy patron, presiding.

Two petitioners were elected to membership and will be initiated at the next meeting, March 27.

Invitations were issued to Victoria chapter of Turner, Chadwick chapter and Salem chapter of Salem to be guests of Evergreen chapter for "friendship night," March 27.

Appointed as the refreshments committee for that evening were Mr. and Mrs. Ora Morris, Mrs. Evelyn Paulson, Mrs. Marian Anderson, Mrs. Wilma Seely and Max Simmons.

An invitation was read to attend the institution of a new chapter at Salem March 26 at 2 p.m. to be known as "Trinity chapter." Invitations were also read to receptions for grand officers from Martha Washington chapter at Portland March 27; from Hood River chapter, April 15, at Hood River, and Prosperity chapter, April 22, at Malin, Ore.

Announcement was made of the visit of the chest X-ray to Woodburn April 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 and a call for six workers from the chapter was made for that event. A meeting for workers will be held March 22.

Mrs. Tom DeArmond, mother advisor of Rainbow, announced the reception to be held Sunday afternoon, March 19, by the Rainbow honoring Miss Hazel Engle, grand worthy advisor, and Miss Patricia Housewart, grand drill leader, at 2:30 o'clock in the Masonic temple to which the public is invited.

Mrs. Clarence Ahrens announced a food sale by the Mothers' circle of DeMolay Saturday, March 18, at the Scarborough hardware store and members were asked to contribute food for the sale.

Members having birthday anniversaries in March were honored.

Under "good of the order" Mrs. Pearl Lansden, who recently spent two months in Hawaii, gave highlights on her visit there and told of attending an Eastern Star chapter at Honolulu. A number of other members spoke briefly.

The secretary was instructed to write a letter of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Blaine McCord for the use of their piano in the dining room for the past ten years.

Refreshments were served after the meeting by Mr. and Mrs. Percy H. Seely, Mr. and Mrs. Harlow C. Dixon, Mrs. Nettie Johnson and Mrs. Mildred Odgers.

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Cemetery Makes New Set Rules

Independence — Arrangements for the improvement of the Hill-Top cemetery district were made at a meeting of the board of directors.

The board, composed of Gail Alexander, president; George Stapleton, secretary, and John Kosanke, drew up the following rules and regulations which are now in effect for the operation and use of the cemetery.

1. Only concrete boxes or metal vaults (and no wooden boxes) may be used for burials in this cemetery.

2. It shall not be permissible to conduct funerals in this cemetery on Sundays.

3. It shall not be permissible for anyone to construct a curb or grave on or around any lot or grave space within the cemetery.

4. No burial space, nor any space within any of the cemetery lots, shall be covered with solid concrete or cement.

5. It shall not be permissible hereafter for anyone to place or erect within said cemetery any tombstone or grave markers above the level of the contour on the ground surface.

6. There shall be no planting of rose bushes, trees or other ornamental shrubbery in or at any grave space or lot within said cemetery.

Work for improving the cemetery has started.

Ashfords Dinner Hosts
Lincoln—Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Ashford were hosts at a dinner with their guest list including their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harry Ashford and Sarah Ann, who are visiting here from Seaside, Mrs. Franklin Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Dye and Linda and Ward, Mrs. Sarah Feller and Frank Ashford.



Are You There?—For the ninth time, Claude D. Noble, Detroit amateur magician, tries to communicate with the spirit of Clarence Darrow at the spot where the famed criminal lawyer's ashes were scattered in Chicago in 1938. He got a ninth consecutive no answer. Actually, Noble expected none; a pact with Darrow was made in 1938 calling for repeated attempts at contact in an effort to debunk spiritualists who claim they can communicate with the spirit world. (Acme Telephoto.)

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3. In each greased muffin cup place 1/4 tsp. melted butter, 1 tsp. brown sugar, 1 piece fruit, cut side down.

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