



WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan 20—
FOR the first time in 11 years the new deal has lost its majority in the lower house of congress. This has been brought about by death, by resignations and by appointments to federal jobs. Today there are 217 Democrats in the house, and a majority is 218. Nor have the Republicans a majority. The gradual extermination of Democrats of the new deal variety has been progressing from time to time, when there was a whopping Democratic majority, President Roosevelt would reward some faithful house member by appointing him to a federal judgeship or some political job, usually with a lifetime tenure. These appointments did not matter, because of the tremendous majority, until the last two years when the places of the 100-percenters were captured by Republicans. Oregon removed its one Democratic house member by electing a Republican and Washington Deputies made inroads on its solid Democratic delegation.

Whatever may be the outcome on the presidency, it is now freely predicted that the Republican party will be in control of the house following the November election. Of the 217 Democrats remaining not all are new dealers and in fact many of them are opposed to the political policies of the administration as are the most reactionary Republicans. Take the case of Representative Smith of Virginia, an old-line Democrat, who demands that the department of justice take proceedings against Philip Murray of CIO, contending that CIO is violating the law in collecting an \$800,000 campaign fund to be used for Mr. Roosevelt. Mr. Smith and Senator Tom Connally of Texas are sponsors of a bill prohibiting labor unions from contributing money to political campaigns. Members of the CIO in the northwest have been chipping in to the fund, as heretofore reported in this column.

THERE promises to be plenty of

work for the AMG (allied military government) in the liberated countries of Europe—work which will be far from agreeable and which will test the administrative ability of members to the utmost. A number of prominent Oregon and Washington men have been assigned to these duties, among them former Mayor Joseph K. Carson of Portland and former Multnomah county district Judge Donald F. Long. Some of the men from the Pacific northwest are already on duty in North Africa and Sicily and others will be given assignments as rapidly as territory is released from German bondage.

What in the beginning seemed to be a comparatively easy undertaking has been rendered vastly more difficult by the development of functional divisions in Poland, Italy, France, Greece, Yugoslavia and others of the smaller countries conquered by Hitler, each faction claiming to represent a majority of the people and each demanding recognition by the United Nations. In Italy, Greece and Yugoslavia these domestic differences have reached the stage of open hostilities, and a similar situation is rapidly developing in France. In Poland the government in exile is being discredited by its controversy with Russia over the boundary question, and even Norway is not free from domestic turmoil.

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STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT MOVED TO HIS HOME

Howard Pettyjohn arrived in Heppner Sunday after a week in The Dalles hospital. He is convalescing at his home under the care of Dr. McMurdo.

STUDENTS' PEP UPPED

Following a short practice assembly in the study hall at the beginning of seventh period last Friday, the member of the Heppner high school student body, under the leadership of Yell Duchess, Midge Provo had a rally on Main street. After the rally the students went through town selling tickets for the Heppner-Arlington game.

MUSTANGS BAG HONKERS

The Mustangs proved their playing ability wasn't just luck by just gaining a hard earned triumph over the Arlington Honkers, final score reading 38-29. The game was fought on even terms during the first half which ended 16-14, Arlington leading; but early in the fourth quarter, the Mustangs started galloping to establish a ten point lead which was never overcome.

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