

LEGION CHIEFTAIN CONFIDENT BONUS WILL BECOME LAW

Belgrano Refuses to Discuss Personal Attacks—Proud of Achieving National Defense Program

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 17.—(AP)—Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., national commander of the American Legion, said today there is "still every reason to have confidence" that legislation for payment of adjusted service certificates (soldiers' bonus) "will become the law of the land."

Speaking at a Legion rally, he reviewed the Legion's fight for payment of the certificates and said: "When our government adopted the policy of spending its way back to prosperity the Legion declared that the time had arrived to discharge this debt."

Ignores Personal Abuse

Belgrano said he would not "go into the malicious attacks which were made against the national commander of the American Legion."

"I am not concerned with these personal attacks upon me," he said, "but I am concerned vitally with attacks on the organization I represent and its honest endeavor to have legislation passed which will effectively pay the adjusted service certificates."

He said the Legion executive committee believed the "only (bonus) bill which is reasonably assured of final passage is one which includes no other question than the immediate payment of the adjusted service certificates" and that he and the Legion's legislative committee would "pursue such a course as should ultimately effect passage of this type of bill at this session of congress," in accordance with instructions of the Legion's executive committee.

Defense Program Adopted

Belgrano said he was "happy to report to you that our program for an adequate national defense has now been adopted by the congress one hundred per cent plus."

"An adequate national defense does not mean war," he said. "It means that we are taking the best insurance obtainable for maintaining peace. If we are to hold the gains thus made we must educate the public to this honest understanding of the question."

SUMPTER VALLEY DREDGE LAUNCHED

BAKER, April 17.—(AP)—Sumpter Valley No. 1, big 1200-ton gold dredge of the Sumpter Valley Dredging company, slid down the ways into the pond prepared for it near Sumpter today in the presence of a crowd of more than 500 persons.

A crew of about 50 men has been working on the boat since last November, but two more months will be required for installation of a machinery. The launching lasted a few seconds. Mrs. W. H. Cullers of Portland, wife of the president of the company, broke the traditional bottle of champagne to the cheers of the big crowd that braved a brief but furious driving snow storm during the launching.

The dredge is 120 feet long and 52 feet wide. It will handle 70,000 cubic yards of gravel each 24 hours. Nine years operation is planned.

DETROIT, April 17.—(AP)—Walter Huston, stage and screen actor, has signed a contract with British-Gaumont Pictures to appear in a film version of the Life of Cecil Rhodes.

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Coat Of Snakeskin



Mrs. Phil Rosen of Hollywood, Calif., displays the coat she designed and made from the skins of nine pythons. (Associated Press Photo)

MEDFORD BABIES TO BE AWARDED PRIZES AT SHOW

The "royal" members of Medford households will be the center of interest on the part of parents and public alike when the Pythian Sisters of Tallahassee, Fla., No. 40, stage their prize baby show and baby welfare program, in which all babies under five years may be entered to receive physical tests and compete for health, beauty and royalty honors.

Registrations in the event will commence Thursday at 309 East Main street, Medford, and will be free to all parents residing in or near Medford. Three events will feature the program, first of which will be a health clinic. Perfect baby blue ribbon and health diplomas will be awarded to all normally developed babies.

Second on the program will be a baby beauty show and bathing suit parade at the Knights of Pythias hall, corner of N. Grape and Fifth streets, Friday, May 10, at 2:30 p. m. Judging will be done by a group of prominent women.

A coronation pageant will conclude the program when all the babies who receive honors gather together for their awards. Babies scoring highest in all-around points will receive the titles of "Baby King" and "Baby Queen" and will be presented with silver cups.

Health information will be given parents who enter their babies, and corrective suggestions will be made by examining physicians.

Details of the contest have been gone into very carefully, and mothers will secure photograph appointment cards at time of registration.

ZION LUTHERAN PLANS THURSDAY, FRIDAY RITES

Maundy Thursday will be observed at Zion Lutheran church with a candlelight communion service beginning at 7:45 p. m. The three-hour Good Friday union service will be held in this same church under auspices of Medford Ministers' Association, beginning at 12 noon sharp and ending at 3:00 p. m.

The general public is invited to these services.

BRITISH LABORITE TWITS TREASURER ON AMERICAN DEBT

Advocacy 'Financial Purity' in World Affairs Inconsistent While Obligation to United States Unpaid

By ALBERT W. WILSON Associated Press Foreign Staff

LONDON, April 17.—(AP)—Morgan Jones, labor party member of parliament, told the House of Commons today that Great Britain's advocacy of "financial purity" in world affairs was inconsistent with her receding in the question of war debts owed the United States.

During a debate on the government budget, presented to the house yesterday, Jones stated he had noticed Neville Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, had failed to mention the debts question.

"I understand," said Jones, "that this government is against unilateral action regarding international agreements, but here is unilateral action, and unilateral action if not changed, subsequently does amount to repudiation."

Pointing out the attention that Great Britain pays to its national interests in South America, the laborite said, "that is all right, but you can't repudiate our obligations to America and ask that other people should not be excused from theirs."

Jones explained he personally preferred cancellation of the war debts by agreement, but he twitted the government benches with this final remark:

"I put a proposition to the supporters opposite that if they reiterate the cry that Great Britain now is on the road to recovery, they should not overlook the fact that the cry may re-echo in America, and an answering cry may come back, 'What about the debt you owe to us?'"

Opposition leaders charged the government was balancing its budget through failure to pay the war debt owed the United States.

K. F. THEATER GUILD WILL PRESENT PLAY AT SONS APRIL 20

The Little Theatre guild of Klamath Falls, having enjoyed unprecedented success during the current season in that city will cross the mountains for a production of "A Murder Has Been Arranged," in Ashland April 20.

Arrangements for the play have made by the Southern Oregon Normal school through Angus L. Bowmer, drama director. The play will first be given Tuesday night in Klamath Falls and will then be brought to Ashland for the Saturday performance. A rehearsal will be held in the afternoon on the stage of the Southern Oregon Normal and the players will be ready for a Jackson county audience when the curtain rises at 8:30.

In exchange, about the middle of May, the cast of "The Merchant of Venice" from the drama department of SONS, together with stage crew, prop crew, business crew and Director Bowmer, will present the great Shakespearean drama at a Klamath Falls downtown theatre.

The plot of "A Murder Has Been Arranged," as the name implies, is filled with thrills, terror and apprehension. There are many comedy scenes, however, and a budding love affair draws sympathetic interest in a perfectly rounded drama of original and ingenious construction.

Cast of the play has been chosen with great care from among the outstanding talent of the Little Theatre Guild, several of whom starred at some time in the SONS drama department. All of them have had many years experience in amateur acting and are classed on a par with professionals by the theatre-going public of Klamath Falls.

Oregon Weather

Fair tonight and Thursday but becoming unsettled with rain west portion; slightly warmer tonight but with frost Thursday morning south and east portions; fresh southerly wind off the coast increasing Thursday.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF P. T. A. HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

County P. T. A. council met April 13 with the Central Point unit as hostess. Mrs. W. J. Joung, president, presided.

There were about 50 women present from the 17 units in the county. This being the last meeting of the school year, many interesting annual reports were given. Most of the schools reported on their hot lunches which have proven so successful and

worth while. Actual school health records show a decided gain in the children given hot lunches.

A number of units this year have sponsored sending a girl or boy scout to summer camp. All units have joined in the campaign against "reckless driving."

Membership report shows an increase in Jackson county this year. Two units reported more than 40 per cent gain.

The summer roundup will be resumed again this spring by many units. It is of great benefit to the pre-school child.

At noon a covered dish luncheon was served in the domestic science room of the high school. The tables were very attractive with Easter decorations.

The afternoon was devoted to election and installation of officers and an interesting program was given.

Officers installed were Mrs. W. H. Young, Eagle Point, president; Mrs.

P. C. Forsythe, Ashland, vice-president; Mrs. H. E. Young, Central Point, secretary and Mrs. N. B. Ashcraft, Talent, treasurer.

Central Point Girls' Glee club, under direction of their music teacher, Miss Schreiber, sang three numbers, after which Prof. Loren Messenger of Southern Oregon Normal spoke on "Hobbies." His talk was very much enjoyed.

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