

CHANCE VAN DYKE UNABLE TO SERVE IN LEGISLATURE

The war, that unsettling influence which is wrecking so many plans and programs these days, has projected itself into the Jackson county legislative set-up with the result that the county court will probably be called upon to name a representative to serve in the place of Frank J. Van Dyke, Ashland attorney, elected in November. Van Dyke is now in training at Camp Roberts, Cal., as a candidate for a commission in the army and, it is said, has written a friend in Ashland that he sees little chance for a furlough from his training to attend the legislature, which convenes January 11.

Although the electorate voted a slight increase in legislator's pay, the trip to Salem is still unattractive, what with restrictions and difficulties in travel and lack of accommodations in the capital city. However, it is known that at least one Medford man is in a receptive mood and political wisecracks of the county believe a man long prominent in county politics in the Ashland end of the area may seek consideration if, and when the time comes to appoint a successor to Van Dyke.

Under Oregon law, no action will be taken until Van Dyke notifies the secretary of state that he cannot or will not serve. It will then be up to the secretary to notify the county court, the latter body having the power of appointment.

The Jackson county delegation, all Republicans, includes, besides Van Dyke, Earl Newberry, senator, and William M. McAllister, representative, who is slated to be speaker of the house.

PAY RESERVATIONS FOR BONDS HEAVY

The fact that the soldiers of the U. S. army are giving money in addition to their lives for the successful conclusion of this war is indicated by the fact that men of the 91st division at Camp White have had pay reservations for the month of November totalling \$35,448 for the purchase of war stamps and bonds.

A total of \$54,448 for the month of November was expended by the 91st division men for war stamps and bonds, the \$19,000 being on a voluntary purchase plan, the \$35,448 on the pay reservation plan.

PORTLAND HONORS SON OF BUILDER

Portland, Ore., Dec. 12.—(U.P.) Edgar F. Kaiser, son of Master-builder Henry Kaiser and general manager of three shipyards in the Portland area, was named the "first citizen of Portland for 1942" today by the Portland Realty Board.

Citing Kaiser's contribution to the city and the war effort, a report issued by the secret nominating committee said Kaiser "could appropriately be called the year's first citizen of the Pacific northwest."

SOLDIER AND HIS BRIDE NEED ROOM

Wives, mothers and sweethearts of men at Camp White are flocking into Medford for a few days visit with their loved ones and Chamber of Commerce aides said Saturday they have many calls for help in finding accommodations, some of which border on the pathetic. One young soldier came into the chamber yesterday seeking aid in finding a room for his bride, due to arrive Monday from Chicago. He had tried all day to find something, he related in a choked voice, his liberty time from camp was drawing to a close and still he had been unable to make any arrangements for his wife.

Secretary Frank Hull said literally dozens of such touching appeals are listened to daily. The chamber has found some rooms but Secretary Hull reiterated his plea that Medford residents having a spare room call the chamber and list the address so that incoming visitors may find a place to lay their heads.

MAX PEIRCE NOW NAVY AIR FORCE

Max Peirce, Medford insurance man, will leave Wednesday night for Quonset Point, R. I., Naval Air Station to undergo training in the navy's air force. Mr. Peirce was sworn in last Thursday as a lieutenant senior grade at the navy's Portland bureau of officer procurement.

In business here for over thirteen years as the head of the insurance agency which bears his name, Mr. Peirce has taken a prominent part in the development of civilian aeronautics in this area over a long period.

During his absence in the service, Mrs. Peirce and their small son, Max, Jr., will continue to make their home here.

The Peirce insurance agency at 27 North Holly street will be conducted by Mrs. Jane Fitzgerald, present secretary.

THOMAS ELECTED LION CLUB HEAD

W. E. Thomas was elected president of the Lions club for the coming year at the club's regular meeting last week. Other officers chosen included Gene Ferrell, vice president; Jack Boyd, secretary-treasurer; directors, Jim Mack, Paul McDuffee, Ralph Furrer, A. O. Bauman, William Peck, Ernie DeVoe and Everett Trowbridge.

A Christmas meeting was planned for December 22 at which the Kiwanian Dames will be present.

Dr. Walter E. Hoppe was winner in a hilarious contest conducted by Charles Cox, program chairman.

See Mail Tribune Want ads.

COM. MCANDLESS WINS HIGH AWARD FOR BATTLE FEAT

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—(U.P.)—On the battle-scarred quarter-deck of the heroic cruiser San Francisco, Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the U. S. fleet, today presented the congressional medal of honor to Cmdr. Bruce McCandless for conspicuous gallantry in the great naval "battle of Guadalcanal" November 13.

The caprice of battle put McCandless, 31-year-old communications officer from Long Beach, Cal., in technical command of the heavy cruiser amidst an inferno of shellfire and shrapnel. Against overwhelming odds, McCandless directed his ship victoriously against a Japanese fleet.

Admiral King arrived here from Washington, D. C., to represent President Roosevelt and congress in presenting the nation's highest award for heroism to McCandless.

Addressing the assembled crew, Admiral King said: "First, welcome home. Secondly, well done. It is men like you in ships like this who do a major part in winning this war. I am confident that when your ship puts out to sea again you will be determined to do even more than you already have done so well."

Admiral King then read the citation to Cmdr. McCandless, who has been raised in rank since the night of November 13 when the San Francisco fatally crippled a Japanese battleship, sank a cruiser and destroyer, and damaged several other enemy ships vainly trying to reinforce Guadalcanal.

"In the midst of a violent night engagement, the fire of a determined and desperate enemy seriously wounded Lieutenant Commander McCandless and rendered him unconscious, killed or wounded the admiral in command, his staff, the captain of the ship, the navigator and all other personnel on the navigating and signal bridges.

"Faced with the lack of superior command upon his recovery, and displaying superb initiative, he promptly assumed command of the ship and ordered her course and gun fire against an overwhelmingly powerful force.

Closing time for Classified ads 9 a. m.—To late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

ARMY TRANSPORT HITS MINE, SUNK SOLOMONS ISLES

Washington, Dec. 12.—(U.P.)—The United States has lost a 22,000-ton transport in the South Pacific but American forces in the Solomon Islands are still carrying the fight to the enemy with heavy bombing attacks on Japanese sea and air bases, the navy disclosed today.

U. S. bombers on Wednesday (Island time) blasted a new enemy airfield only 150 miles north-west of Guadalcanal. In another raid the same day, they destroyed six Japanese Zero fighters while scoring three hits on one tanker and "straddling" a second at Faisi harbor, 275 miles northwest of their home base.

The lost transport was the former American President liner President Coolidge, which was being operated by the War Shipping Administration for the army. Carrying 4000 troops with full equipment, it struck a mine—presumably enemy—and went down but rescue work was "prompt and efficient," the navy said, that only four men were lost.

The sinking—10th of an American transport in this war—occurred in recent weeks but the navy did not reveal the precise time or place.

The navy's report from the Solomon Islands confirmed recent indications that the Japanese were operating a new airfield at Munda on New Georgia Island, presumably in an effort to checkmate American fliers from Guadalcanal.

DEATH COMES TO DANIEL R. SMITH

Daniel R. Smith, a resident of Southern Oregon for many years, passed away at the family home on Ross Lane Friday afternoon. He formerly lived at Talent and also Grants Pass.

Mr. Smith was a building contractor, and built many fine residences here, the California-Pacific Utilities Co. building and most of the large Standard Oil Super-Stations.

A complete obituary will be published later. Perl Funeral Home is in charge.

PARACHUTE RAID HITS NAZI BASE

London, Dec. 12.—(U.P.)—An Exchange Telegraph correspondent reported from an advanced base in Eastern Tunisia today that British parachute troops dropped 25 miles southeast of Tunis a week ago had spread havoc until their explosives ran out and they marched 80 miles back to the British base.

As soon as they landed, the dispatch said, the parachutists started for the capital shooting up enemy transports along the way. The Germans sent out tanks, armored cars and truckloads of infantry in an effort to round up the parachutists but two of the tanks were knocked out and three lorries were destroyed in one skirmish Monday.

Under cover of darkness the parachutists raided the enemy airfield at Oudna, 10 miles from Tunis, Tuesday morning. They surprised the axis forces and destroyed a half dozen planes and set stores afire before they withdrew.

The Norfolk Southern Railway Company has offered locations on its right-of-way as scrap collection centers for all counties through which the road passes.

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If you suffer from rheumatic, arthritis or neuritis pain, try this simple inexpensive home recipe that thousands are using. Get a package of Ru-Ex Compound, a two-week supply. Today, mix it with a quart of water, add the juice of 4 lemons. It's easy. No trouble at all and pleasant. You need only 3 tablespoonsfuls two times a day. Often within 48 hours—sometimes overnight—splendid results are obtained. If the pains do not quickly leave and if you do not feel better, return the empty package and Ru-Ex will cost you nothing to try as it is sold by your druggist under an absolute money-back guarantee. Ru-Ex Compound is for sale and recommended by Western Tourist and drug store everywhere.

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SKIPPER
"Weather Warden"

The Skipper "Weather Warden" is a water proof poplin jacket. Very light in weight and designed to be worn over a sweater. Very good looking.

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CHILDREN'S CHENILLE ROBES

The Junior shop on the Second Floor calls your attention to these warm Chenille Robes for Misses and Children. Red, Aqua, and Tea Rose in sizes 1 to 8 1/2 at \$2.25 and 7 to 16 at \$2.98 and \$3.98

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