

HOOD RIVER MAN NEW COMMANDER AMERICAN LEGION

By J. E. Russell

Delegates returning yesterday from the American Legion convention at Portland were unanimous in their approval of the war-time streamlining of convention proceedings. A maximum amount of work was accomplished in the three days with adjournment early Saturday afternoon.

What looked like a tight race for state commander, with both sides claiming victory, proved to be a landslide for Penn Crum of Hood River Post No. 22. Long before the balloting was completed Vic Micelli of Roseburg Post No. 16, the opposing candidate, called for a unanimous vote in favor of Crum.

The same situation prevailed in the race for vice commander when Earl Goodwin of Willamette Heights Post No. 102, losing candidate, called for a unanimous vote for Neil Morfitt of Clatsop Post No. 12.

In district No. 4 which comprises of all southern Oregon, Jack Morris of Sutherlin Post was elected district commander with Carl Y. Tengwald of Medford Post No. 15 as vice commander.

Many resolutions affecting veteran legislation were passed as well as many affecting the state and national welfare, all of which will go to the national convention at Chicago at a later date for final approval.

The convention was visited by five northwest governors representing Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming. Due to Commander McDade's streamlining an order of no long speeches, each governor confined his remarks to less than five minutes.

The whole convention proceedings from Mayor Riley's address of welcome to Commander McDade's closing remarks moved with precision and regularity. All sessions of the convention were held in the Masonic Temple.

Delegates attending from Medford Post were Walter J. Reinking, J. E. Russell, Fred Schefel, Carl Y. Tengwald and Hugh McKenzie.

Lloyd Williamson and Gen. R. P. Cowgill attended as visitors.

FRENCH DIVISION GOES INTO ACTION

Supreme Headquarters, AEF, Aug. 14.—(U.P.)—The French second armored division, commanded by Brig. Gen. Jacques Leclerc, has gone into action on the American sector in France, it was announced today.

Leclerc's forces comprised the first full French division to join in the battle of France, although French paratroopers have been in the lines since D-day.

Leclerc is the colorful desert commander who led the famous march of free French troops from Lake Chad to Tunisia during the North African fighting last year.

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PURPLE HEART GYP BUSY HERE

Local businessmen were today warned that an unauthorized person has been soliciting donations in the name of the local chapter, The Military Order of the Purple Heart. Chapter officials state they have been informed the solicitor has approached various merchants requesting funds for the organization, the solicitor being entirely unknown to and unsanctioned by the chapter.

At designated periods during the year, funds are solicited for the group by members properly authorized by the local chapter and the national organization of the Purple Heart. Such authorized persons will bear identification signed by the local commander, Floyd K. Dover, and Adjutant Francis H. Walker, it was stated.

L. C. Taylor Adds M.M. Tractor Line And Full Service

L. C. Taylor Company, 112 South Riverside avenue, has added a complete line of M. M. tractors and farming equipment to the established dealership for Dodge and Plymouth cars, according to an announcement by L. C. Taylor. The Minneapolis-Moline line of tractors has been long and favorably known throughout the United States and, although most of the facilities of the manufacturers have been devoted in recent years to war production, a few M. M. tractors are available from time to time for vital war food production.

The Minneapolis-Moline company were the first producers of an army vehicle known as a "jeep," according to Mr. Taylor. The company was the first farm machinery producers and one of the few which has received the coveted Maritime "M" and the Army-Navy "E" for high quality production achievements.

Complete service for tractors has been added to the service department of L. C. Taylor company. Personnel of this department has made thorough study of tractor servicing problems and necessary equipment has been secured to assure quick and dependable tractor work.

Super Gasoline to Extend B-29 Range

Washington, Aug. 14.—(U.P.)—Production is expected to begin this fall on a super-gasoline which will enable American long range bombers to carry out attack on Japan on a "suburban service schedule," the petroleum industry war council reported today.

The gasoline will be designed especially for B-29 Superfortresses, which already have struck at Japanese war plants four times, and their running mates, the new B-32, now in production.

Daily Weather Report

Forecasts
Medford and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight with scattered thunder showers in Siskiyou. Tuesday fair and warmer.

Oregon: Partly cloudy tonight with scattered thunder storms over mountains near Idaho border. Tuesday, clear except morning overcast near coast and warmer in afternoon.

Local Data
Temperature a year ago today:
Highest, 96; lowest, 59.
Total monthly precipitation, 11 inch. Excess for the month, 68 inch.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1943, 16.64 inches. Deficiency for the season, 67 inch.
Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, 25%; 4:30 a. m. today, 70%.

Sunrise 6:19 a. m., sunset 6:12 p. m.
Past 24 hours: High Low Prec.
Boise 90 56 —
Boston 100 75 —
Chicago 98 71 —
Denver 93 60 —
Eureka 61 82 —
Havre 58 82 .31
Los Angeles 89 64 —
Medford 92 58 —
New York 94 73 —
Omaha 91 68 .03
Phoenix 102 82 —
Portland 75 55 —
Reno 98 68 —
Romeburg 85 86 —
Salt Lake 94 70 —
San Francisco 99 63 —
Seattle 66 55 .12
Spokane 72 81 .55
Washington, D. C. 92 76 —
Yakima 76 — —

"A" GAS RENEWAL DATE AND DETAILS TO BE GIVEN SOON

Renewal of basic "A" gasoline ration which expires September 21 will get under way the latter part of August, Frederic F. Janney, district OPA rationing executive, announced today. Exact date and method of filing applications for renewal will be announced shortly, but will be handled by local OPA boards, he indicated.

All renewal applications must be accompanied by the back cover of the current "A" book, Janney emphasized. The applicant who has lost or thrown away the cover of his "A" book will have to prove to the board (1) that he has a car which entitles him to apply for an "A" ration; (2) that the car is currently registered and in use; and (3) that a new basic "A" ration has not been issued for it and no application for a renewal is pending at any board.

Janney said the new "A" book will provide the same monthly ration as the old—eight gallons or approximately 120 miles a month. However, coupons in the new "A" book will be worth four gallons instead of three, the value of the present coupons. Six of these four-gallon coupons will become valid every three months. At present eight three-gallon coupons are validated every three months.

A new form known as a mileage rationing record will be issued with every renewal of a basic "A" ration, replacing the tire inspection record.

Everett Cushman, Trail Resident Is Sergeant in M.P.'s

Fort Douglas, Utah.—Among recent promotions announced at Fort Douglas was that of Everett W. Cushman, 25, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cushman, reside at Trail, Oregon.

Cushman was promoted from corporal to sergeant.

He entered the army November 6, 1942. At present he is assigned to duty here with the Eastern Security District as a military policeman.

Before joining the armed services, he worked as a logger forest guard.

Mrs. Everett Cushman is at present living in Salt Lake City while her husband is stationed at Fort Douglas.

Mounted Patrol Agent Calls Here

Milo P. McIntyre, press representative of the white horse mounted patrol of Abu-Bekr temple of the Shrine, Sioux City, Iowa, is in Medford today contacting local organizations in connection with the possible appearance here of the famous patrol.

The patrol, which appears annually at national Shrine conventions and was at the Rose festival in 1940, is composed of 55 pure pink skin white Arabian horses and 22 colts. The mounted patrol is 28 years old and has appeared in cities and towns from coast to coast.

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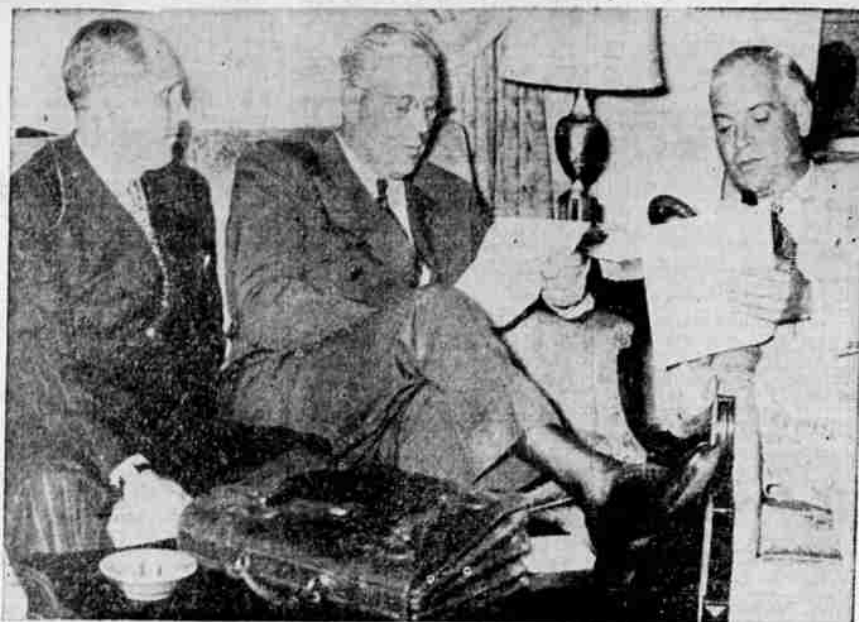
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Truman Welcomed Back to Capital



Senator Harry S. Truman (D., Mo.), Democratic vice presidential candidate, is greeted by fellow members of his War Investigating Committee as he returned to Washington from rest at his Independence, Mo., home to resign committee chairmanship. Left to right: Senators Homer Ferguson (R., Mich.), Harold H. Burton (R., O.), Truman, Tom Connally (D., Tex.) and Owen Brewster (R., Me.).

ELMHIRSTS SEEK 2000-ACRE RANCH NEAR MT. SHASTA

Negotiations are underway between Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Elmhirst and The Edward Stallcup and Sons corporation for the purchase by the former of the latter's entire ranch holdings in northern California, the home ranch of which consists of 2,000 acres at the foot of Mt. Shasta.

The Elmhirsts stated that the ranch will be devoted to the raising of Aberdeen Angus cattle. The old name of "American Aristocrats" will be retained, the herd name selected by the Elmhirsts when they operated the Elmhirst Rancho in Santa Barbara county, Calif., which they sold in 1937 to Dr. Frank F. Barham, publisher of the Los Angeles Herald-Express.

A large portion of the Stallcup home ranch is under irrigation, water being supplied by lakes, natural springs and artesian wells, and is known as one of the most productive and picturesque ranches in the west, the Elmhirsts said.

HUNT KIDNAPERS

Denver, Colo., Aug. 14.—(U.P.)—Denver police and agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation today were seeking two men whom a 70-year-old truck driver said had kidnaped him in Utah and forced him to drive them to Denver. The truck driver, Frank Nicholson, who was working out of Draper, Utah, said that the kidnapers also robbed him of \$97 and his gasoline ration book.

ALMOST PARADES

Salina, Kas.—(U.P.)—Pvt. G. T. Adams of the Smoky Hill army air field guard detachment here nearly inaugurated a new style for military dress for a parade recently. Adams stepped into the parade formation complete with helmet, leggings, clean khakis, shoe shine—and cornob pipe. The private managed a hasty retreat!

TANKS SCRAPPED

Youngstown, Ohio.—(U.P.)—Many of the tanks knocked out by the enemy in North Africa and other battle fronts wind up in the yards of the Consolidated Steel Co. here, which rips them apart, cuts them into scrap and remelts them for reshaping in the form of other weapons.

Phair Purchases Old Valley School

Richard Phair of 39 Glen Oak Court, today announced his purchase of the Valley School property located at Groveland Ave. and Oak Ridge, the property being purchased from A.S.V. Carpenter. The building, used as a kindergarten for the past several years, will be remodelled as soon as possible, Phair states, and used as a residence.

HOW THEY STAND

Pacific Coast	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	74	56	.569
Hollywood	68	62	.523
Portland	66	63	.512
San Francisco	65	64	.504
Oakland	64	66	.492
Seattle	62	59	.473
Sacramento	61	69	.469
San Diego	60	71	.458

BACK IN POW CAMP

Santa Barbara, Cal., Aug. 14.—(U.P.)—Two German prisoners of war who cut their way out of the wire-enclosed stockade at Camp Cooke were back in custody today, their flight to Germany via Mexico halted by traffic officers. Ferdinand Hofbauer 21, was arrested yesterday afternoon more than 60 miles from Camp Cooke. A few hours later police recaptured Mappaia Becker, also 21.

HONEYMOON AGAIN

Hollywood, Aug. 14.—(U.P.)—Aileen Pringle, silent screen star and James M. Cain, author of "The Postman Always Rings Twice," were honeymooning today following their wedding yesterday. It was the third marriage for the 52-year old author and the second for Miss Pringle, who gave her age as 43.

JOHN CROCKER AT HEADQUARTERS OF PACIFIC FORCES

With U.S. Army Forces in the South Pacific—You can't tell the players without a scorecard, a fact of civilian life, has an army application only a general staff, in throes of planning a campaign, is able to appreciate.

At South Pacific headquarters, where an extensive accounting system is set up by the machine records unit of the machine general's office, each soldier can be identified as to position, availability and other characteristics in a fraction of a minute.

Cards in the huge index files are the individual scorecards showing the Yank roster. A soldier's army history is compressed into a biographical capsule. The system is foolproof and of universal army use.

Clerks in the operations, control and locator sections of the unit have overlapping duties and in most cases have been selected because of previous acquaintance with personnel accounting systems of the American business world.

Among those assigned to the office is Sgt. John C. Crocker, Route 4, Box 23, Medford, Ore. Sgt. Crocker, a graduate of Hillsboro, Ore., high school in 1922 and a student of the University of Oregon for the next two years, was employed as a letter carrier in Medford, Ore., prior to induction April 9, 1942. He began overseas duty September 2 of that year and is entitled to wear the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon and the Good Conduct medal. His son, William, is 10 years old and lives in Medford.

Chiropractors in Monthly Meeting Select Officers

The regular monthly meeting of the Southern Oregon Society of Chiropractic Physicians was held in the Ashland Park Saturday evening. It was a joint picnic and business session, the

WEATHER

Northern California—Clear with scattered thunderstorms in northern mountains and interior, and local fogs south coast today. Clear and cooler in the interior tonight and Tuesday.

SPREADS U. S. CULTURE

West Plains, Mo.—(U.P.)—A Missouri soldier, home on furlough after a year in active service, grinningly admitted to having helped spread American culture in the south Pacific. Cpl. William H. Castner said that teaching the natives' children of south Pacific islands to sing "Pistol Packin' Mama" and "Mairzy Doats" helped the men of the U. S. army signal corps to forget their homesickness.

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doctors and their families gathering for the pot-luck dinner at 6:30, following which the regular business was taken up. Annual election of officers gave re-election of Dr. Harold Campbell, of Grants Pass, as president of the local group; Dr. J. P. Bray, of Medford, chaplain and vice-president, and Dr. E. N. Terrill of Ashland was elected secretary-treasurer. Members of the society attending were: Drs. Campbell and family; Dr. Winnie Phillips and Dr. A. J. Stephens, all of Grants Pass; Drs. A. R. and Louise Hedges and J. P. Bray and family, of Medford; Dr. E. N. Terrill, of Ashland.

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