

INDICT MUNITION PLANT OFFICIALS FOR FRAUD PLOT

Fort Wayne, Ind., May 24.—(U.P.)—A federal grand jury indictment on file here today charged the Durham Manufacturing Corp. and 12 of its officials and employees with conspiracy to conceal defects in shells, rocket bombs and propeller shafts for the navy.

The indictment, citing the case as one of the "worst examples of war frauds since the beginning of the war," accused the defendants of using "schemes, tricks and devices to avoid meeting and complying with navy specifications."

U. S. District Attorney Alexander M. Campbell said it was impossible to estimate the amount of defective equipment actually delivered. He pointed out, however, that in the 18-month period between Jan. 1, 1943, and May 15, 1944, the plant sold \$14,069,796 worth of war material to the navy.

The indictment against the firm and three individual defendants against various company officials were returned late yesterday before Federal Judge Luther M. Swygert.

The indictment charged that faulty 6, 8, 14 and 16-inch shells were sent past naval inspectors after workmen had blocked over-sized trends so that inspectors would fail to detect the error.

Prospect

Prospect, May 24—(Special)—The eighth grade graduation exercises were held at the school gymnasium, May 18, beginning at 8 p. m. The following pro-

gram was presented: Processional, Mrs. Elizabeth Flannery; salutatory, Monte Kay Middlebush; duet, Dorothy Force and Barbara Frey; vaudeville, Roberta Roberts; duet, Monte Middlebush and Delores Saari; address, Mr. C. R. Bowman; presentation of class, George Jaros; presentation of diplomas, Chas. B. Broomfield; farewell song, graduating class; recessional, Mrs. Flannery. The class roll included: Audrey Bok, Bruce Jaros, Barbara Frey, Billy Grieve, Stanley Snook, Dorothy Force, Delores Saari, Leonard Swinth, Perry Skeeters, Lee Roy Draper, Lavina Chapman, Roberta Roberts, Kenneth Atchison, Delbert Campbell, and Monte Kay Middlebush.

Missionary meeting was at the Nazarene parsonage May 17, with a good attendance. Mrs. Fendall was in charge of the devotionals, and Mrs. Glenn Dole led the missionary study.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross were their son-in-law and daughter, Lt. and Mrs. Bill Burt. Lt. Burt finished his training and received his commission at Laredo, Texas, shortly before his visit here. After visiting relatives in the bay region this week Lt. Burt will report for duty at Savannah, Ga.

David Vestal, TM2/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vestal of Reese Creek, is spending part of his 22-day leave at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis L. Jantzer. Vestal, who has been near Okinawa before returning here, has served in the Pacific theater of war for over two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gray and son Donald were guests over the week-end of Mrs. Gray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur F. Goode.

Miss Dorothy Irene Clemens, who has been employed at Los Angeles for the past 10 months, returned to her home here Saturday, and will visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clemens for a few weeks. Billy Grieve, oldest son of

Mr. and Mrs. James Heston Grieve, accompanied his grandmother, Mrs. William Caulter, to Los Angeles, May 18, where he will visit at the Caulter home until August 1.

The purple heart that was awarded posthumously to Victor Hertager, was sent to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiene Hertager, here recently. Victor, of the U. S. marine corps, was killed in an air battle over Rabaul harbor over a year ago.

FOUR DIVISIONS GET JUNE LEAVES

Paris, May 24—(U.P.)—Four Infantry Divisions—the 86th, 97th, 95th and 104th—will be sent to the United States next month on their way to the Pacific, Supreme Headquarters disclosed today.

Troops of the divisions will be given furloughs in the states and probably additional training.

Personnel Changes At Weather Bureau

Lloyd N. DeVol arrived Saturday from Tatoosh Island, Wash., to become first assistant at the weather bureau office here. R. D. Church, official in charge of the federal station, said today. He replaces L. F. Ball who has been transferred to KallsPELL, Mont. DeVol's wife and son, Lloyd, Jr., are with him here.

George R. Rudolph, who has been an assistant here for the past five years, has been transferred to the regional Seattle office as a hydroclimatic inspector and will tour Washington, Oregon, Montana and Idaho in connection with his new duties. His place at the local office was taken by John Beima.

President Andrew Jackson, on June 15, 1836, signed the Act of Congress which admitted Arkansas to the Union.

SCOUTS RECEIVE STAR AWARDS AT COURT OF HONOR

Boy Scout Troop 2 held a star court of honor at the Medford armory Tuesday night. The troop was guests of the Disabled American Veterans, Medford Post. The court was presided over by Scoutmaster C. D. Griffiths, who was assisted by Junior Assistant Scoutmaster Dick Hake.

Five star awards were made to Fritz Ruch, Ray Glass, Don Long, Billy Dalley and Ernest Nelson. The awards were presented by Troop Committeeman K. J. Knutson. The scouts presented miniature stars to their mothers.

Merit badges were awarded to Bill Dalley, art; Ray Glass, basketry, cement work, dog care and masonry; Don Long, pathfinding; Fritz Ruch, pathfinding, public health, rabbit raising and reading; Richard Simonson, home repairs; and Charles Wagner, farm home and planning.

Two selections were played by the Troop Drum and Bugle corps, under supervision of Bliss Heine.

The court and guests were served refreshments by the DAV auxiliary following the meeting.

Lt. Don Applegate To be Home Soon

First Lt. Donald Applegate, prisoner of war of the Germans for about 13 months, expects to be home soon according to a cablegram received Monday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Applegate, 516 Palm street, from the officer. Lt. Applegate, air corps pilot, was a prisoner at Stalag Luft 3 until being moved recently as the allied armies advanced on Germany.

Foots Creek

Foots Creek, May 24—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Carter came from Los Angeles last week to make their home here on the former Gutzloff place which they recently bought.

Ralph Fitzgerald came from Camp Roberts May 17 to visit his wife here, and his parents in Evans Creek.

Mrs. Clara Taylor returned to her home at Redding May 17 after a week's visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McLallen.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Lunbeck of Grants Pass called on friends here Sunday, May 20. Mrs. Lunbeck will be principal of the Dimmick school, near Grants Pass this coming school year.

Mr. H. Bennett of Kelson,

Granted Divorce



(Acme Telephoto) Gloria Vanderbilt Di Cicco, 21-year-old heiress, walks to Reno, Nev., court where she was granted divorce from Pat Di Cicco, Hollywood actor's agent, on grounds of mental cruelty.

Wash., spent the past week with his family at the Foots Creek store. He was accompanied back to Kelson by his son Douglas, who plans to spend the summer there.

Mrs. Hazel Burton of San Francisco spent several days here last week with friends and to attend the graduating exercise

of the Rogue River high school as her son Robert was one of the graduates. He accompanied his mother back to San Francisco and will enter the service.

First Pacific Coast In Cabinet, 12 Years

Washington, May 24.—(U.P.)—When Lewis B. Schwollenbach becomes secretary of labor he will be the first Pacific coast representative in the cabinet in 12 years.

Ray Lyman Wilbur, formerly president and now chancellor of Stanford university, served in Herbert Hoover's cabinet as secretary of the interior. When he left in 1933 his place was filled by Harold L. Ickes and the Pacific coast states were not represented in any of the other cabinet posts during the Roosevelt administration.

A 90-MM. gun, made at the Watervliet, N. Y., Arsenal, is credited with achieving great success in mauling Royal Tiger

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