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Step-Down Unlikely

WHETHER Adolf Hitler might step down from his place of supreme power in Germany, handing the reins of the reich to Goering or someone else with whom the Allies might deal, is a matter of widespread speculation and is probably the only basis of any hope for such a peace as Summer Welles may be attempting to bring about in Europe.

DeWitt McKenzie, the Associated Press foreign expert, points out that the Allies have indicated that their purpose is to crush Hitlerism—not the German people—and that the chances for peace would be immeasurably increased if Hitler were not sitting on the reich's pinnacle.

Hitler is an egomaniac. Undoubtedly he believes it is his destiny to lead Germany to the glittering mountain tops of power—and as long as he believes that, he won't do anything to thwart destiny. Nothing has happened thus far which would seem likely to change his mind about himself. He has been singularly successful.

Hitler is also fanatically patriotic, if we are to believe what we read about him. If there should be some turn of events which would convince him it would be best for Germany that he step down, he might do it.

That belongs in the realm of wishful thinking. But there is no law in this strife-weary world against wishful thinking. A lot of people, many of them within the reich, would like to see Herr Hitler make the sacrifice.

Danger in Unlikely Places

OREGON motorists are off to a fair start in 1940, having affected a reduction in every phase of traffic accidents in January. Deaths, according to Secretary of State Earl Snell, who keeps track of such things, were down 10 per cent and injuries were cut 8 per cent when compared with January, 1939.

This is cause for good cheer—but not too much good cheer. Good accident records can be ruined in the twinkling of an eye, and we have seen it happen too many times right here in Klamath county.

The most trustworthy places are the pitfalls which catch the confident motorist. By far the great majority of fatal accidents in Oregon in January occurred on straightaways.

Motorists who are fearful of what may happen in the most unlikely places are most likely to get through the year safely.

Democratic Worries

DEMOCRATS of Oregon have been told the past few days that their party is at the crossroads. Former Governor Os West started it when he appeared at a Young Democrats meeting in Eugene and warned his hearers that the "communist gentlemen known as the Commonwealth Federation" are moving in to take charge of the party at Portland. The Commonwealth Federation has taken over the third term movement in this state, and its say-so apparently was the major influence in the appointment of higher-ups in the census business—at least the regular party officials were given some sound rebuffs on that score.

It has been quite obvious that Oregon people are not sold on the kind of thing the democratic party has done in this state. Normally republican, the state did have a democratic swing beginning in 1932. But when the Left-Wingers began to take over, a reaction set in that returned the legislature to the republicans, gave them back the governorship, eliminated a democratic congresswoman, and shifted registration trends back in the republican direction.

If, in the forthcoming primary, the republicans nominate sound and able candidates, and the democrats continue to go wild, the current trend will probably continue.

Courthouse Records

(TUESDAY)

Marriage Applications
 DARBY-KRUGER. Raymond H. Darby, 29, laborer, resident of Klamath Falls, native of Washington. Dorothy Marie Kruger, 19, clerk, resident of Beatty, native of Oregon. Three-day requirement waived.

GUISINGER - GUSTIN. Marvin Ray Guisinger, 29, millworker, resident of Klamath Falls, native of Oklahoma. Helen Mae Gustin, 25, housewife, resident of Klamath Falls, native of Maine.

Divorce Decrees Granted
 Dibbon Cook versus Anita Cook. Decree by default. Plaintiff decreed ownership of certain property.

Messe A. Simmons versus Christine Dalzell Simmons. By default. Defendant given custody of three-months-old child. Separation agreement made on March 23, 1937, ratified.

Justice Court
 Wendell Anthony Smith. No operator's license. Fine of \$5.50 paid.

INTRODUCING THE RICKENS

MT. VERNON, Ind. (AP)—Charles Rickens, retired farmer who died at 90, left 106 descendants.

SONS PRESIDENT LEAVES FOR EAST

ASHLAND—Dr. Walter Redford, president of the Southern Oregon College of Education, left recently for St. Louis, Missouri, where he will attend the meetings of both the American Association of School Administrators, and the American Association of Teachers Colleges. President Redford plans to return to the campus about February 29.

LAST DAY * "WINTER CARNIVAL"

TOMORROW
 Shirley TEMPLE
 LITTLE MISS BROADWAY
 A 20th Century-Fox Musical with GEORGE MURPHY, JIMMY DURAN, PHYLLIS BROOKS, EDNA MAE OLIVER
RAINBOW

PTA Notes

RIVERSIDE

Members of the Riverside PTA met in the school auditorium Tuesday afternoon, February 20. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. C. S. Elliot. A short play in honor of Founder's day was given by the Riverside girls under the direction of Ruth Houser. Also the Riverside Blue Birds entertained the members with a group of songs and dances. This group is sponsored by the PTA.

A short business meeting followed. Mrs. B. H. Trippett was elected vice president. Mrs. R. Morse reviewed the Founder's day program of the county council.

The next meeting of the PTA will be Parent's night and a program is being arranged to interest all members of the family. The exact date has not been decided on as yet.

The Study club showed an increase in attendance and it was decided to hold the next Study club at the home of Mrs. H. P. Bosworth, 544 Conger avenue at 2:30 p. m. March 5.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served including the Founder's day birthday cake. The fourth and fifth grade mothers were hostesses.

MILLS

The regular meeting of the Mills PTA was held February 14 in the school auditorium, starting at 7:45 p. m. with David Bridge chairman of the evening. Mrs. Irma Badger, teacher of music in Mills school, directed an orchestra which consisted of girls and boys of Mills school. Mrs. Winnifred Gillen gave a short talk on home economics. Dr. Peter H. Rosendal spoke on minor diseases.

"Spec" Murray, recreation officer, gave an interesting talk during the evening. A group of boys performed a boxing match by balloon busting and a sock contest. A real magician also did his sleight-of-hand tricks, and kept the audience wondering. At last we had the Gay 90's orchestra, who are so well known and were the center of attraction. Mrs. Burt Hawkins, who was president of the first PTA in Klamath Falls, gave an interesting talk on the first school in Mills addition, and the first PTA. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Fannie Goddard and her committee.

The executive board of the Mills PTA met February 7 at 2 p. m. in the teachers' room. Business for the month was taken care of. All plans for the regular meeting of Wednesday, February 14, celebration of Father's night and Founder's day were made.

COUNTY COUNCIL

The Klamath county council of PTA will hold its regular meeting Monday, March 4, at 2 p. m. at Fremont school with a very interesting business session. All members of the county council are urged to be present.

MODOC POINT

The Modoc Point PTA is sponsoring a card party to be held in the community hall, Friday, March 1, at 7:30 p. m.

The proceeds will go to the Art Center fund of Klamath Falls.

Everyone is urged to attend. Bridge, pinocle and Chinese checkers will be played with prizes for all.

Refreshments will be served at the close of the evening's play.

JOSEPH CONGER

Joseph Conger PTA observed Founder's day on Wednesday afternoon, February 21.

Mrs. Robert Odell and Mrs. Warren Bennet opened the program with a very interesting discussion on, "Legal Status of Women in Oregon."

After a short business session, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Virgil Rexford, Founder's day chairman.

It was indeed a great pleasure for Mrs. Rexford to introduce the Mothersingers. Their two selections, "Sylvia," and

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SIDE GLANCES



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Turkish Cabinet Calls All Ships From Abroad

"Now the Day Is Over," were enthusiastically received.

Mrs. R. E. Thompson, county PTA president, gave a short talk and presided over the candle lighting ceremony.

Mrs. Bu-t Hawkins, honor guest, spoke next. She told of the difficulties encountered in establishing the first PTA in the county.

Mrs. H. A. Dresie, local historian, gave an interesting account of the work done at Joseph Conger by the PTA.

Mrs. Robert Ross and Mrs. O. B. Larson, past presidents, presided over the tea table and cut the beautiful blue and gold cake. The members voted it a most interesting program, and wish to thank all those participating.

Mrs. Fred Mead was appointed publication chairman to succeed Mrs. A. Carstensen, who resigned.

The Radio-Study club met at the home of Mrs. J. A. Overton, 2134 Oregon avenue on Tuesday afternoon, February 27. The next regular meeting will be held March 20.

Members don't forget March 15 is Father's night.

PELICAN

Members of Pelican PTA enjoyed a very pleasant evening, February 21, when they met in the school auditorium to celebrate Founder's day. A large Founder's day cake was used in the candle lighting ceremony. Past presidents of the Pelican PTA were honored with lighted candles as well as Mrs. Burney, founder of the PTA organization.

A gift for the room count was presented to the eighth grade. Mr. Anderson received the guest prize.

Rumor has it that a group of fathers are "casting about" for a good play or skit to present at the next PTA meeting. The March meeting will be turned over to the dads.

FUNERALS

SARAH GERTRUDE CONNERS

The funeral service for the late Sarah Gertrude Connors, who passed away in this city on Monday, February 26, will take place from the Sacred Heart Catholic church, 8th and High, on Thursday, February 29, at 9 a. m. where a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of her soul. The Rev. Father T. P. Casey will officiate. Commitment service and interment will be in Mt. Calvary Memorial park. There will be a recitation of the Rosary at 8 p. m. on Wednesday, February 28, in the chapel of Ward's Klamath Funeral home, 925 High street, followed by the little office of the dead, by the members of the Third Order of St. Francis. Friends are respectfully invited to attend the services.

PEACE EFFORTS HELD HOPELESS

By the United Press

The dove of peace, which harassed neutral nations have been seeking to discover in the silk hat of President Roosevelt's personal observer of the European scene, Summer Welles, appeared today to have retreated beyond the eye of man.

Talk of peace—a peace which would end the Russo-Finnish conflict as a preliminary to a negotiated settlement of the full dress allied-German war—continued, but it seemed to be talk and nothing more.

The worst blow to the "peace offensive," which many Europeans have seen in the Welles mission and the simultaneous accrediting of Myron C. Taylor as President Roosevelt's special envoy to the Vatican, was a scathing address Tuesday by Britain's cholerical first lord of the admiralty, Winston Churchill, who again warned Europe's hard-pressed neutrals that they should support the Allies, threatened Germany with a vastly strengthened British navy, and again indicated Britain's determination to see through the war to a knockout victory.

French informants, who have been suspicious of the Welles mission ever since it was announced, echoed the Churchill sentiments and again recalled the Saturday speech of British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain announcing the Allies' determination to win a clear-cut victory.

The Churchill speech presumably was timed to carry a new warning to the world and Germany in advance of Welles' arrival in Berlin Friday for conversations with Adolf Hitler and Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop.

ROME, Feb. 28 (UP)—Italy will enter the war if it spreads to the Balkans, Virginia Gayda, the editor who sometimes speaks for Premier Benito Mussolini and the Italian foreign office through the Giornale D'Italia, told the United Press last night in an exclusive interview.

The reason, he said, is that the Danubian waters, as well as the Mediterranean, are the key to Italian security.

"War in the Balkans would make it impossible for Italy to stay out, much as she desires peace," Gayda said.

He stressed throughout the interview that this was only his personal opinion, but each morning he rushes to the office of Foreign Minister Galeazzo Ciano to consult with Italian officials before writing his daily editorial, which is devoured eagerly by embassies for a clue to Italian policy.

Hitler and Mussolini are reported to have had a telephone conversation shortly after President Roosevelt appointed his envoy to survey European war capitals. It is believed the dictators were not just exchanging recipes.

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The Family Doctor

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN

Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygeia, the Health Magazine

THE term, "cataract," refers to a condition in which the lens of the eye becomes clouded.

The lens is a crystalline substance, is used to focus light on the back of the eye. A cataract is not a film growing across the eye. It is a physical change in the tissue which is like the frosting of a clear windowglass.

In surgical treatment of cataract, the lens is removed. It becomes necessary, therefore, to wear eyeglasses which help to focus the light properly on the retina at the back of the eye, after an operation.

For many years all sorts of so-called medical treatments for cataract have been promoted to the public. Today, people do not fear operations as much as they used to, but nowadays medicine advances so rapidly and there are so many remarkable discoveries that people are inclined to be even more credulous than they used to be.

Dr. Allen Greenwood has pointed out that about 40 years ago, electricity and various kinds of shocks were being used to make people with cataracts think they were seeing better. Some charlatans drop drugs into the eye to dilate the pupil. Then the patient sees around the cataract and thinks that his vision is improving. But, of course, the dilation wears off, and the patient realizes that he has been victimized.

Today it can be said with certainty that no one is able to cure a cataract with drops or with medicaments applied to the eye.

Usually, the person who is treated in this manner is given some good medical advice about his diet and living, which tends to make him feel better.

Frequently the eyeglasses can be changed to advantage during the time when the patient is making up his mind to have an operative procedure. There is an advantage in having the patient come regularly for inspection so that the progress of the cataract can be determined. It is not desirable, however, for a patient with a cataract to wait until he has become completely blind before having an operation.

There is no evidence that any of the vitamins now known is specific in stopping the growth and development of a cataract or in curing one.

The rate at which the cloudiness increases varies with every patient. Sometimes there may be a little cloudiness which will remain static for years before it becomes sufficient to cause real distress.

SWEET REWARD

MARSHALL, Minn. (AP)—It was a lot of annoyance but the buzzing bees did in her home last summer wasn't without its reward, Mrs. Christine DeSutter found out this winter. She had two men clean the cornice out. They had to tear out part of the house frame but inside they found enough honey combs to fill a bushel basket.

Two police horses of New York rebelled at rooming in a half-hour Greenwich Village the other day. After 30 minutes of the Village, they didn't object to going back to civilization.

LAST DAY * "SHOP AROUND THE CORNER" JAMES STEWART MARGARET SULLAVAN

TOMORROW!
 IT'S THE LAFF-TIME OF YOUR LIFE-TIME
CARY ROSALIND GRANT-RUSSELL
 TO HER...he was the "Big Chief" every day in the week...TO HIM she was only "His Girl Friday"
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