

LAKE COUNTY HIGHWAY BID THROWN OUT

PORTLAND, Nov. 13 (AP)—The first contract on the \$10,000,000 project of straightening the Pacific highway between Eugene and Grants Pass was awarded by the state highway commission yesterday.

The \$236,300 contract for 1.91 miles of grading on a new route in the Sexton mountain section of the Pacific highway was given to McNutt Brothers of Eugene. A step toward completion of the Coast highway was made when the commission awarded Rogers Construction company, Dayton, Wash., a \$110,107 contract for paving the Hug Point-Manzanita section of the highway around Neah-Kah-Nie mountain.

A request that the McKenzie highway be kept open to the McKenzie bridge winter sports center was made by the Eugene chamber of commerce. The road was kept open last year when snow conditions were mild.

The commission awarded six contracts totaling \$395,496, rejected all bids on three projects and referred one bid to the state engineer with power to award the contract to the low bidder.

Among the projects on which all bids were rejected was the Lake county job of grading, surfacing and oiling 4.3 miles and constructing two trestle bridges on the Forest Boundary-Cottonwood Creek section of the Klamath Falls-Lakeview highway. Low bid was \$127,173, submitted by Jacobsen-Jensen company, Portland.

KLAMATH TO SUPPLY TEN VOLUNTEERS

SALEM, Nov. 13 (AP)—Five counties will supply 40 volunteers who will report in Portland November 18 to be inducted into the army for a year's training. Lieutenant Colonel Elmer V. Wooten, state director of selective service, said Tuesday.

An additional 43 men, also volunteers from counties which have not yet been announced, will report to Portland two days later. All Oregon men will be taken from Portland to Fort Lewis, where they will receive their army assignments.

The 83 men are the first installment of Oregon's quota of 2806 men to be inducted within the next year. However, since 300 registrants in the state have volunteered, there will be no drafting for some time.

The 40 men in the group to report 18 were taken from counties which reported first with the largest number of volunteers.

The following local draft boards will contribute five volunteers each: Benton county, Klamath county No. 1, Klamath county No. 2, Lane county No. 1, Lane county No. 3, Linn county, and Multnomah county No. 2.

Multnomah county board No. 4 will provide three men, and Lane county board No. 2 will contribute TWP.

Each board contributing volunteers will receive credit toward its quota for the next year. The quotas will be assigned soon by Colonel Wooten.

It is axiomatic to say that in the current struggle of forces to sway the destiny of South America Brazil holds the key.—Walter R. Sharp in the Inter-American Quarterly.

Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews, scientist, predicts future man will have no little toe. Oh, well, that's the one that never fits into a new shoe.

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Zero Weather and Terrific Gales Kill 24 in Midwest



(NEA Telephoto) Typical of furious, sub-zero weather which has caused death and extensive property damage through a wide-spread area in the Middle West is this blustering scene in St. Paul, Minn., where eight inches of snow fell. Winds up to 70 miles per hour were recorded in some districts.

Air Power Again May Be Deciding Factor As Greeks Fight to Repel Fascists

By DEVON FRANCIS Associated Press Aviation Editor

NEW YORK, Nov. 13—Once again in a period of fourteen months air power stands a good chance of spelling victory or defeat in one theatre of operations of Europe's war, this time in the eastern Mediterranean.

Ever since 1935, with the start of the Ethiopian campaign, fascist Italy has boasted of her air force as a factor offsetting its lack of a big navy.

Premier Mussolini's venture into Greece promises to evoke the first severe test to which his air forces have been put.

But the Greek campaign, undertaken in part to make Great Britain's position in the Near East untenable, exposes Italy to two hazards. The British Mediterranean fleet continues to function and is buttressed, now, by a refurbished royal air force.

British air power, numerically inferior to Italy's, but day by day it is growing strong in the Near East. On the ebb and flow of the air war may well depend the ultimate outcome of the campaign.

First, let's look at the role air power has played up to date. It contributed mightily to the German conquests of Poland, the Netherlands, Belgium and France. The British admitted the striking power of the German air force was the decisive factor in the conquest of Norway.

"Local" air superiority enabled the British to save their withdrawing armies at Dunkerque.

The German failure to reduce the British Isles from the air has been a tribute to air power—a successful defensive by the RAF.

frustrate Premier Mussolini's designs in the Near East.

Britain as yet has insufficient planes in the Near East for a major blow. Against that fact can be weighed disadvantages besetting Italy—a lack of construction materials due to the blockade, the meager flying experience of her pilots and the questionable effectiveness of an air force pitted against a navy.

The Willkies don't weep.—Mrs. Wendell Willkie on receiving the election returns.

Now let's look at the situation in the Mediterranean. To succeed in its conquest of the eastern inland sea, Italy must establish and maintain definite air superiority in the absence of sea superiority; Greece must be subdued and Marshal Graziani's armies must be supplied in Africa during their attempted march on Egypt.

As long as the British Mediterranean fleet is operative, Italy's communication line to Africa is in constant danger of being cut.

Intensification of Italy's attacks on that fleet naturally follows.

Air attacks on warships have been no novelty in this war. British submarines and destroyers have been sunk from the air, and German and Italian submarines have succumbed to British air attacks. Last year German air forces sank the British aircraft carrier *Glorious*.

Torpedo-plane attacks are being mentioned with increased frequency in the communiques of both sides.

Britain's ability to cope with the Italian air force in support of the Greeks and in defense of her own fleet will constitute a large measure of her ability to

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PORTLAND GROUP DEMANDS REPEAL OF DRAFT LAW

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 13 (U.P.)—A mass meeting of approximately 125 persons Tuesday adopted a motion favoring repeal of the peacetime conscription act.

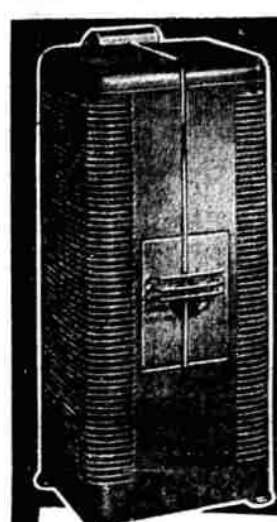
Oliver Haskell, organizer for the American Peace Mobilization group, addressed the meeting.

He condemned the "war group" and said that even if pacifists took 300 years to accomplish lasting peace, their way, it would be more than the "war mongers" have accomplished in thousands of years.

North American militarism will be the most grandiose of all history. It will begin by inheriting the British empire.—The late Leon Trotsky in the last press interview before his murder.

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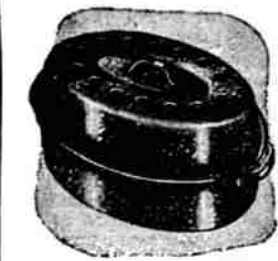


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