

DIPLOMATS SAY TROOPS LANDED AT GREEK PORT

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military preparations for days while dickered over German demands that she join the axis.

The first Yugoslav reaction to the reports was a stiffening of Yugoslavia's attitude toward Germany. Government sources indicated that an attempt would be made to forestall any further pressure "until the situation of Greece is clarified."

German sources at Sofia, the Bulgarian capital, said that even if five British divisions had disembarked in Greece, the German troops in Bulgaria and Rumania outnumbered them six to one. One German said the British would be fighting with their backs to the sea, making possible "another Dunkerque."

(Berlin professed to have no confirmation of the reports that the British had landed in force on Greek soil.)

Reports of the British expedition — a vast multiplication of the aid which the royal air force has been giving the Greeks — came from neutral diplomats.

German circles here in the Yugoslav capital declared that the Balkan crisis was "reaching a critical stage."

Concurrently DNB, official German news agency, reported from Sofia, Bulgaria, that Turkey at last had replied to Adolf Hitler's offer of March 4 to look after Turkey's "interests and well-being." The reply, over the signature of President Ismet Inonu, was still en route to Hitler and the contents still were undisclosed.

Reports of the British landings in Greece apparently marked the end of any hope Germany might have had of forcing Greece to sue for peace under the threat of German forces massed on Bulgaria's Greek and Turkish frontiers.

Yugoslavia, important in the Balkan lineup because she offers another avenue for any German attack on Greece, still shied from aligning herself with the axis. She was dickered for lighter terms than Bulgaria got.

The story of the British landings in Greece was brought to Belgrade at noon today by neutral diplomats arriving from Athens.

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North Bend In Fourth Place At Tournament

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30 to 20 at the half and 43 to 32 at the end of the third quarter.

SALEM, March 15 (AP)—Baker won fifth place in the annual state high school basketball tournament by downing Roseburg's tall Indians, 39 to 33, here today in the final round of consolation play.

A pair of sharp-shooting forwards, Reddick and Ellis, led Baker to the victory, sending them off to an early lead and a 26-to-20 advantage at half time. Roseburg trailed throughout.

It was a disappointed city of Klamath fans that learned Friday night of the Pelican defeat in the state basketball tournament, but no one could question local interest in the outcome.

Telephone calls flooded the offices of The Herald and News, exactly 417 telephone inquiries on the score being received during the evening.

The Pelicans play Oregon City at 7:20 tonight for third place in the tournament.

LABOR SPLITS ON MEDIATION PLAN

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tions—the AFL and CIO—today took opposite positions on President Roosevelt's plan for an 11-man super mediation board to handle defense labor disputes.

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, announced approval of the plan after a conference with the chief executive.

CIO Against
CIO President Philip Murray made public a memorandum submitted to the president recently in which he expressed opposition to creation of such a board.

CIO headquarters said the organization would cooperate if Mr. Roosevelt decides to go through with his plan.

It was indicated Mr. Roosevelt would create the super mediation board by executive order next week after further conferences with labor leaders, including a weekend meeting with Murray.

Green said the proposed board will consist of three representatives of the public, four of industry and four of labor. He said he understood the chairman would be one of the representatives of the public, but he had heard no mention of specific names.

Highly placed sources mentioned as chairmanship possibilities Bernard M. Baruch, head of the old World War industries board; Dean James M. Landis of the Harvard law school, or Dean Lloyd Garrison of the University of Wisconsin law school.

Willie Rumor
Names heard in other circles included 1940 Republican Presidential Nominee Wendell L. Willkie and Lloyd Stark, former Missouri governor.

Mr. Roosevelt himself refused to discuss reports he is considering Willie or Baruch. He insisted he has given no consideration to personnel problems in connection with the planned board.

He did indicate developments might be expected next week.

Mr. Roosevelt insisted after Murray submitted his memorandum there was no serious difference between his position and that of the CIO leader, and declared the situation seemed to be moving along satisfactorily.

The mediation board idea was decided upon yesterday when Mr. Roosevelt's three chief labor-defense advisers — Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins and OPM Directors Knudsen and Sidney Hillman — recommended immediate establishment of such an agency.

Hillman is an official of the CIO.

Prior to his conference with Green, the president met with Hillman, Madame Perkins and executives who make up the labor defense advisory committee.

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CIGARET TAX NEAR DEFEAT ON LAST DAY

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was believed clear as the 41st Oregon legislature met early today.

A senate-house conference committee paved the way for the session's end last night by agreeing on amendments to the unemployment compensation law.

The amendments provide for payroll tax rates of 2.7 to 4 per cent when the unemployment fund is less than \$7,000,000, 1 to 4 per cent when the fund is between \$7,000,000 and \$14,000,000, and 1 to 2.7 per cent when the fund is more than \$14,000,000. This amendment is the same as that written by the senate, except that the \$7,000,000 figure was \$9,000,000 in the senate bill. The fund now totals \$11,000,000.

Seasonality Law
The house conferees accepted the senate seasonality amendment, giving benefits to most seasonal workers at any time during the year, rather than only during the seasons in which their industries operate.

The senate committee members accepted the house amendment increasing the minimum benefits from \$7 to \$10 a week, or six per cent of the highest quarter's earnings; and reducing the waiting period for benefits from three to two weeks.

School Bill Dies
The senate voted 17 to 12 to return the administration bill to equalize school taxes on a state-wide basis to the assessment and taxation committee, which means the measure probably is killed.

The measure will automatically die if the legislature adjourns as expected. Twenty votes would be required to place it back on the calendar, and only 12 senators voted not to return it to committee.

Sen. Rex Ellis (R-Umatilla) presented the motion to refer the bill back to committee in an effort to kill it. Eastern Oregon counties under the measure would pay more school taxes than they would receive.

Bills passed by the senate and sent to the governor yesterday would permit sale of natural fruit or berry wines over the bar, and allow supreme and circuit court judges to retire on \$200 monthly pensions after serving 17 years and reaching the age of 70.

Man Takes Own Life With Gun At Mortuary

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High street, Weyerhaeuser employees, who were returning home at 2:15 a. m. following their night shift at the mill.

The men said they noticed a person sprawled on the steps of the funeral home and notified officers immediately. A .32 revolver was found close to Hem-

bling's hand. A bullet had pierced his brain. Officers moved him immediately to the hospital where he died an hour later.

A note was found addressed to Mrs. A. A. Ward which was signed by Hembling and advised her of the whereabouts of his insurance.

Hembling and Edna Nordstrom of Bly, restaurant operator, were married in Reno recently, police said, and had returned here but 10 days ago. Mrs. Hembling could give no reason for her husband's act. A note written to her at 1:20 a. m. Saturday was found after Chief of Police Frank Hamm had advised the woman of her husband's death.

Hembling is survived by his aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Hembling, who live in St. Helens, Ore. It is understood he was an employee of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company and has resided in this city for seven years.

ITALIANS LAUNCH HEAVY AIR RAIDS

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warned his generals they must "do something" before he left.

ATHENS, March 15 (AP)—The Greek lines in Albania were reported still unbroken today after six days of violent Italian attacks apparently aimed at smashing the long stalemate in the Tepelenti sector.

DEBATE TO BEGIN ON AID TUESDAY

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stances would the American navy be placed in an unbalanced state.

The prediction also was made that he would call for speed and more speed in ship production and make a new appeal for a united nation behind the defense program. Some mention might be made about strikes in defense industries, it was reported.

Mr. Roosevelt will speak at 6:30 p. m. (PST) while attending the annual banquet of the White House Correspondents' association.

SITE FOR CITY'S SWIM POOL EYED

Tentative selection of a site for the municipal swimming pool in the Modoc field area was made at a meeting of the city recreation committee Friday night.

The proposed site adjoins the high school tennis courts on the west, lying between the courts and the reclamation canal.

There was a discussion of the question of softball playing on the industrial addition field, where games were played last year. Objections of nearby residents were heard. No final action was taken.

Ski Weather

By The Associated Press—U. S. Weather Bureau

Snow is not expected in north-west winter sports areas this weekend. Fair or partly cloudy weather will prevail with temperatures slightly lower. Daytime thawing will continue.

Timberline Lodge, Ore.—Road clear. Normal pack snow, total depth 76 inches. Skiing. Chair lift and ground tow lift operating.

Government Camp, Ore.—Highway clear. Few patches of snow.

Anthony Lakes, Ore.—Chains advised. Two inches granular crust, total depth 53 inches. Skiing. Tow lift operating.

Tollgate, Ore.—Chains advised. Unbreakable common granular crust, total depth 41

inches. Skiing. Lift operating. Santiam Pass, Ore.—Highway open. Unbreakable crust, total depth 44 inches. Skiing. Ground tow lift operating.

Skyliners, Ore.—Tumalo road muddy and rutty. Granular crust, total depth 28 inches. Skiing.

Crater Lake, Ore.—Highway road beds largely bare with scattered packed ice. Snow at headquarters 105 inches, at ski bowl 112 inches. Ice pack in early mornings and late afternoons. Medium wet during day.

Spirit Lake, Wash.—Road open to lake. Normal pack with granular crust, 36 inches snow. Skiing good.

Paradise Inn, Wash.—Roads good. Spring snow totals 83 inches. Skiing good.

Mission Ends With Friday Meeting Here

By VIOLETTE UHLIG

The National Christian Mission in Klamath Falls came to a close at a meeting presided over by E. V. Haynes of the Congregational church of this city. J. C. Orr of the Baptist church conducted the devotions.

The Mission has reached more than 5000 people in the past few days with its message of "Christianity Has the Answer."

Dr. Norman K. Tully of Eugene spoke to the mass meeting for a few moments on the subject, "What Christ Is to Me." He stated that he needed to know Christ because he must be tender without being weak, strong without being arrogant. We need to know that love is more effective than violence and we need to be led.

Miss Lyon Speaks
Dr. Tully urged that we take Christ as our Teacher, follow Him as our Leader, and accept Him as our Savior. Miss Catherine Lyon, senior at Albany college, spoke of her appreciation of the privilege of coming to Klamath Falls with the Mission team.

The address of the evening was again given by Dr. Ray S. Dunn, of Portland. His subject, "The World's Biggest Business," was taken from the text in Luke 2: 49: "And he said unto them, how is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my father's business?"

Man's part of the business propositions, continued Dr. Dunn, is to naturalize the supernatural. God's business is to Christianize the natural. "What can't be Christian, must go," he stated. Education, he declared, must be Christianized. He identified much of the so-called modern education as sophistication. Sophistication, he said, is knowledge without wisdom; education is knowledge plus wisdom. Industry, too, must be Christianized. Dr. Dunn made the startling statement that if each person in the world were to give just one minute a day to God, it would amount to something over 376 years.

Religion too, he said, must be

BOY CLAIMS NEW FLYING RECORD

A new state record for model airplanes powered with rubber bands was believed Saturday to have been set by George McMahon, 14-year-old Altamont school boy, who Thursday flew his 44-inch-wing-span model for 43 minutes.

Young George said the accepted state mark is 17 minutes and the world record 48 minutes for rubber band powered planes.

George set his plane off from the Altamont school last Thursday afternoon in the face of a slight northwest wind. Following in an automobile he saw it land near Olene 43 minutes later. The plane hit three "thermals"—updrafts in lay parlances during the course of its flight.

His plane is a duplicate of the Cordia model which holds the world record, George said. The young model builder is a member of Francis Savage's airplane class at the Altamont school. His address is route 3, box 40.

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GERMANS POUR EXPLOSIVES ON GLASGOW AREA

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of London last night. The Liverpool area also had a fairly long raid and a number of persons were injured in one district.

Britain's defenders claimed four more Nazi night raiders brought down during attacks a communiqué said were "on a considerable scale and spread over most of the country."

The admiralty announced last night the appointment of Admiral Sir Percy Noble, recently commander-in-chief of the important China station, as commander-in-chief of the western approaches to Britain—making him virtually the leader of Britain's "battle of the Atlantic."

The air ministry, reporting on the night's British offensive, said that the Ruhr valley industrial district as well as Düsseldorf, Rhine port and manufacturing center, were hit in a "large scale attack."

The RAF also raided shipping, airdromes and docks from Norway to Brest, on the German-occupied French coast, the ministry's communiqué said.

RAF fighter planes at the same time patrolled German bomber bases to hamper attacks on Britain.

"The Ruhr was the scene of the bomber command's main effort last night," the communiqué related, "and, while conditions were not so favorable as on recent nights, excellent results were observed."

"A heavy and successful attack was made on the great hydro (electric) generation plant at Gelsenkirchen, where oil is produced from coal."

The slushiest part of snow is some of the poetry it inspires

Sophomores Hold Basket Social

MERRILL—The sophomore class of Merrill high school sponsored an oldtime "basket social" Friday evening, March 14, in the high school gym. A small but enthusiastic audience cheered the four skits on the program. First place, and a prize of \$3.50 went to the Ladies Aid for their presentation of "The Waiting Room in the Doctor's Office." Second place went to the senior class skit, "Grandpa Returns." Following the program, R. G. Christner auctioned off the boxes with the assistance of Frank Calise. \$17.55 was realized by the sophomore class on the sale of boxes. Coffee and sandwiches were also served to those who did not bring boxes.

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