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No Case Made for Change

It is significant that the republican gubernatorial primary campaign is now at its finish, without an offer from his opponent or his opponent's supporters of a set of definite reasons for the rejection of Governor Charles A. Sprague as a candidate for his party's nomination.

Governor Sprague has now served one term, and seeks re-election. If he is to be rejected by his party, it would seem that it would be necessary not only to bring forth an able opponent, but to set forth formidable and convincing reasons why the man who has been on the job should not be retained.

The opponent has come forward, in the shape of Secretary of State Earl Snell. But what have we been told that is wrong about the manner in which Governor Sprague has conducted his office? Unless an outstanding and convincing case can be made against him, he deserves renomination and re-election. That case has not yet been made, and at this late date, any attempt to do so would smack of cowardice and fear of an answer—for it would be too late to answer.

If there were any serious questions to be raised concerning Governor Sprague's administration, they should have been raised early in this campaign, in order that they could have been thoroughly threshed out for the benefit of informed public opinion. They have not been raised, and the only fair conclusion to be drawn is that there are none.

There have been, of course, scattering shots. No man can hold a public office and do a decent job of it without incurring the displeasure of some one. His conscience and good sense may require that he veto a bill that is somebody's pet legislation. He has to make appointments to an office which is wanted by several people, and all those who do not get it are offended along with their relatives, friends and neighbors. It is impossible to please everybody, although some public officials try it and quite often make fools of themselves.

There has been some shallow criticism of Governor Sprague because he is too serious, because he doesn't "play around," because he doesn't take a drink, because he doesn't belong to certain organizations, because he is not spectacular, because he has not startled anybody with drastic upheavals in the state government. None of that deserves the consideration of conscientious voters.

But through four years in office, and now throughout a political campaign, Governor Sprague has not been subjected to frontal assault. Anybody familiar with practical politics knows that if there had been the slightest excuse for attack or for scandal, it would have been forthcoming.

It is not enough simply to bring forth an opposition candidate, even though he may be a good man. There must also be shown reason why the good man in office should not be retained after one term. Mr. Snell's campaign not only has failed to do that, but it has not offered an outstanding and definite alternative program.

In these things, the Snell campaign has failed to justify a rejection by the republicans of the governor they placed in office four years ago—a man who had the courage to run in the spring of 1938 when it appeared almost certain a democrat would again be named for the governorship. It is therefore our opinion that republicans should renominate Charles A. Sprague at Friday's primary.

Newest Model Army Pursuit Plane Expected to Outdo Best of Enemy's Aircraft

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 13 (UP)—A new model American pursuit plane capable of out-fighting any enemy aircraft roared through its paces for the first time in public here last week.

The plane, christened the Curtiss Warhawk (P-40F), is the successor to the Curtiss (P-40E) Tomahawk, which is credited

with bagging hundreds of enemy planes in action over every war front.

The Tomahawk's prowess has been particularly demonstrated by Brig. Gen. C. L. Chennault and his American volunteer group flying these planes in Burma. They have bagged more than 400 Japanese planes, with small loss to themselves.

The demonstration was conducted under army supervision by Curtiss-Wright test pilots, who took off from a ramp beside the factory where the planes already are in mass production. They have not as yet gone into battle.

After a quick takeoff, the trio of Warhawks on display streaked across the airport, zoomed upward in a near-vertical climb and disappeared into the murky sky in a matter of seconds.

Commenting on the demonstration later, Burdett S. Wright, Curtiss-Wright vice president, believed that "we have incorporated in the Warhawk the answer to development of planes by the enemy, particularly in speed, maneuverability and firepower."

Military secrecy bars publication of details of the new fighter's performance, but its designers described it as being faster and possessing a higher service ceiling than its predecessors—the Tomahawk and Kittyhawk types; to have an

unusually heavy striking power; and to possess equal standards of maneuverability and controllability with its predecessor types.

LADY WANTS TO SERVE

CAMDEN, Tenn., (AP)—Local selective service officials reported that a 43-year-old woman was registered in the April 27 registration. Her name was given as Mrs. Annie Myrtle Heathcott.

Attached to the registration card was the registrar's explanation: "This lady insisted that we register her. . . . So I filled out a card to please her."

MILITARY SECRET, MAYBE

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—"Can you tell me where McLeod field is?" the city desk of a local newspaper was asked by telephone.

"We're not certain. Why don't you try the local air base? They'll know," was the reply. "This is the Portland air base calling," the city desk was informed.

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NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, May 12—Mr. Churchill could also have said, if the Nazis start gas warfare, they will find the reds better equipped than they to handle that vicious method of scattering death in all directions.

The Russians have been working on this unused phase of war for 15 years. That far back they organized a group known as the "Asoviakhim," consolidating their civilian chemical warfare division and a civilian aviation corps. They had 4,000,000 members in 1928, perhaps 20,000,000 today.

The primary duty of this organization was to popularize military methods among the people. Both offensive and defensive gas drills were regularly held. Parades of thousands of Asoviakhims were staged in Moscow streets regularly.

Furthermore, the Russians are well stocked, as is practically everyone else. Little metal is needed for manufacture of the gas. It can be, and has been stored for long periods.

WARNING

Churchill's warning will probably be effective on the Nazis, for the above reasons and others. Doubt is held that this crudest method of fighting will be taken up by any nation except as a last desperate—and no doubt useless, resort.

Gas is not generally recognized as an efficient military weapon. It is hard to handle. Troops at the front can use it only when conditions are ideal, when the wind is right and can be guaranteed to stay right. Advancing troops shun its use because it would be a hindrance to their forward movement. Retreating troops can use it effectively only in the form of mines, left behind after withdrawal. (The Russians are adept at mine warfare).

It can be dropped from airplanes, but it will be effective only when ground conditions (which the bombers can hardly know) are suitable.

All known types rise only 30 feet from the ground so all persons who can get above the second story of city buildings can count themselves secure. Furthermore, a gas mask is almost a complete defense.

LITTLE VOTE INTEREST

Popular tension over the war is strangely not extending into the primary elections. Involved congressmen here see signs of less than usual interest in politics back home this year.

One senator whose renomination primary is only three weeks off says he cannot tell whether he will win, because the prospect is for the lightest vote in years. Others say they find it hard to get people to listen to politics.

The South Dakota primary last week registered only about two-thirds of the normal vote, although sitting Senator Bulow was defeated. Two years ago in the gubernatorial race 159,000 votes were cast; this year only 107,000 (with a few precincts still missing).

A storm occurred in one of the districts which may have kept some people away from the polls, but sugar registration was held the same day throughout the state and was counted upon to get the people out for a record vote.

When voting is light and issues dim, it is easier for well-organized groups to win. This acknowledged condition has caused many an old antagonist of the administration to look more carefully to his fences.

Senator Wheeler, furthermore, is saying he detects a concerted effort by someone to destroy isolationists, either through politics or other means. He says he looks for mean campaigns where isolationists are involved.

FLEET VICTORY

The great fleet victory off Australia was too sparingly reported at first to cause authorities here to accept the popular deductions—such interpretations as one indicating the Japs were then bent on invasion of Australia or were moving down to the New Hebrides islands, New Caledonia or New Zealand to cut our lines of communications.

Most official sources decided to wait until details were available before reaching definite conclusions. What puzzled them most was the fact that only a few Jap transports were sunk. If an invasion movement anywhere had been broken up, they

SIDE GLANCES



"I'm taking Muriel to the prom—she's kinda plump and not such a hot dancer, but you ought to see the midnight lunches that girl sets out!"

figured there would have been more.

The Japs are already reported shying away from the Burma road as a line of advance into China. Its tortuous mountain winding way will enable the Chinese demolition squads to take heavy toll with dynamite and mines if the Jap drive toward Kunming is pursued in that direction.

A direct assault through Yunnan province from Indo-China will probably be started by the Japs instead. While there are no good roads in that area, the possibilities of concentrated Chinese defense are not as threatening.

Courthouse Records

TUESDAY

Marriage Application
VOWELL-WEBBER, Rex Joy Vowell, 24, box factory worker. Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Oregon. Eunice Evelyn Webber, 19, clerk. Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Oregon.

Complaints Filed

First Federal Savings and Loan association of Klamath Falls versus Richard J. Robestelli and Soffina Robestelli, husband and wife, and Ralph Egger, Myra Egger and Iona Brown. Suit in foreclosure to collect \$3896.74, with interest and costs. William Ganong, attorney for plaintiff.

Ruby Butts versus Gayle Butts. Suit for divorce. Charge, cruel and inhuman treatment. Edward B. Ashurst, attorney for plaintiff.

Francis Henry Hayes versus Bernice Agnes Hayes. Suit for divorce. Charge, desertion. Wilson S. Wiley, attorney for plaintiff.

Electrical Products corporation of Oregon versus J. A. Carman and Verlee C. Carman, doing business as St. Francis Park service. Suit to collect \$210.52 with fees and costs. Gilley, Humphreys, and Sercombe, attorneys for plaintiff.

OBITUARY

IDA MAY RUTTECUTTER

Ida May Ruttecutter, a resident for seven and a half months of Klamath Falls, Ore., and of Grants Pass, Ore., for 35 years, passed away in this city on Tuesday, May 12, 1942, at 2:30 p. m. The deceased was a native of St. Marys, W. Va., and was aged 80 years, 2 months and 5 days, when called. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church for many years. She is survived by her husband, Abraham M., one son, Paul of Klamath Falls, Ore.; one brother, Paul Riggs of West Virginia; one sister, Nellie Barker, of St. Marys, W. Va., and six grandchildren and one great grandchild. The funeral service will take place on Thursday, May 14, at 2:30 p. m. from the Hall Funeral home. The commitment service and interment will follow in the Masonic cemetery. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. Ward's Klamath Funeral home in charge of the arrangements.

In 1926, one of her bumper years, France produced more than 82,100,000 gallons of wine.

Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must be more than 200 words in length, must be written on ONE SIDE of the paper only, and must be signed. Contributions following these rules, are warmly welcomed.

APPRECIATION

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor)—I should like to take this public means to thank the following doctors who gave so generously of their time to the work of the PTA pre-school clinics:

Dr. J. G. Patterson, Dr. Samuel D. Earhart, Dr. A. A. Soule, Dr. Harold M. Brown, Dr. L. D. Gass, Dr. George Merryman Jr., Dr. L. L. Truax, Dr. D. D. Havens, Dr. Hugh B. Curran, Dr. Peter H. Rozendal, Dr. Carl V. Reichman, and Dr. E. D. Dietsche.

I wish to thank also, the Public Health department, whose equipment was made available and the public health nurses under the leadership of Mrs. Dorothy W. Huffman.

Yours truly,
Mrs. Sid L. Petersen,
Chairman Klamath County Summer Round-Up.

WILD DRIVERS

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor)—In a recent issue of The Herald was a letter from Erma Bewley telling about a speeding car killing their cat "Smoky" and never slacking up. Also that the speeding was being done in a school zone. School or safety zones are all the same to the speed demon and the sad part of it all is, that there is little or nothing ever done about it. The whole town is a race-track for these speed demons who don't have a brain in their heads—and in most cases no place to go. Any five minutes of the day one may stand on a corner where stop signals are and see some "punk" dash up to the line and slide all his wheels stopping. They seem to think it makes them look important to dash madly up and down the streets.

At the end of the letter by the lady, there is an Editor's Note, which reads, "Suggest you take license number and report to police." I wonder if the editor will tell us just how she could have taken the license number of a car dashing past at that speed. Also would he tell us just what would happen if she HAD turned the number in. In the few VERY few, arrests being made for speeding what happens? The driver is given some insignificant fine and even this is often suspended. If the police wanted to enforce the speed limit, even in a half measure, they could fill the jail every few hours. But rigid enforcement of a law is the only thing that will cause it to be respected. Crack down HARD on these crazy drivers and see how soon they will sit up and take notice. But the different way it is now handled only encourages the contemptible practice of speeding. The rule applies to the stop streets. For instance, the writer has watched a car after car dash past a stop sign, never even slowing down to cross the intersection. Only a few days ago the writer was in front of the postoffice when a car dashed down Walnut driving at least 30 miles across the street which has four way stop signs. The same car never stopped when turning on to South sixth street which also has stop signs. If a traffic officer cares to stand on that corner for any five minutes of the day he can pick up from one to five drivers who never stop or even slow down. If the stop signs are not to be respected, then take them down and let every driver take his own risks. That's what he has to do now. But if the law will really make examples of a few violators the rest will begin to think it over. And while they're about it don't overlook the jay walkers who cross streets in middle of blocks where traffic signals are installed. Let's have these laws enforced or repealed. What is most needed is a law to require the officers to

Challenged Votes To Be Counted in Labor Board Poll

Fourteen labor election ballots challenged in the recent national labor relations board Weyerhaeuser woods election will be counted within the next four days, determining the final result, it was announced here Wednesday.

George Brown, chief district representative of the International Woodworkers of America (CIO), whose union is a certain victor in the March 12 poll, made the announcement.

The IWA's margin was sufficient to offset the final Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL) total whatever is the decision of the NLRB on the disputed votes.

It was presumed that NLRB certification of the IWA as bargaining agent for over 350 Weyerhaeuser woods workers would follow in the near future.

Coincident with the disclosure, the NLRB announced that a board hearing on representation of approximately 800 Weyerhaeuser millworkers would be held Monday, May 18, in the public library. Both the AFL and the CIO will be represented at the hearing.

Virtually every previous board representation hearing in the basin has resulted in a board-ordered election.

Klemme Speaks on Travel Experiences At Monday Meet

Observations on his recent world tour were given to a small group of local people by Marvin Klemme, candidate for the republican nomination for congress, in a talk at the circuit court room Monday evening. Klemme described political and economic conditions in Europe and Asia.

He stated that it is his opinion that the United States must exert world leadership for the good of all mankind. He said that throughout the world, people have a high regard for American people, and believe they are able to do anything. The great hope for a peaceful world after this war, he said, is in America.

Klemme said he classes himself as a "liberal republican."

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PINE TREE

TODAY AND TOMORROW

FIRST HIT

SHE WAS GONNA' BE A LADY...if it killed him!

A romantic scandal that made the bloods see red!



JOAN BLONDELL and JOHN WAYNE

Lady for a Night

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in

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SENATORS VOTE WOMEN'S ARMY

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP) Congress Tuesday passed and sent to the White House a bill creating a womens auxiliary army corps of 150,000 members to serve in non-combatant posts with the American army anywhere in the world.

The women soldiers would be subject to the same disciplinary measures and penalties applying in the army.

Last obstacle in the path of the controversial house approved measure was removed when the senate adopted it by a vote of 38 to 27 after defeating an amendment to restrict activities of the feminine army to continental United States.

Sen. Francis T. Maloney, (D-Conn.) sponsor of the amendment, declared the bill "casts a shadow on the amity of the home."

"Those patriotic women who wish to serve their country can render excellent service — as they did in the last war—in civil service position," he said. "No one has stated very clearly—at least to me—just what duties they would perform."

The measure permits the army to enroll up to 150,000 women between the ages of 21 and 43 for clerical and other non-combatant posts now filled by able-bodied fighting men. The WAAC would consist of first leaders, with annual pay of \$864; junior leaders, \$648; and auxiliaries, \$21 monthly for the first four months of service and \$30 thereafter. Additional pay would be granted for specialists.

Ultraviolet lamps developed by engineers have taken to the air to help make flying safe, lighting airplane instrument dials while keeping the pilot's cabin in near-darkness. Invisible radiation from these four-watt bulbs causes fluorescent coating on the dials to glow in the dark.

DIM-OUT ECONOMY WAVE

NEW YORK (AP)—Out of a welter of figures concerning certain effects of the army-ordered nightly dim-out for the east coast, Commissioner Patrick Quilty of the city department of water supply, gas and electricity emerged today, grinning.

The city, he declared, stands to save \$200,000 annually.

Even a 20-minute blackout would save the city \$300 on street, fire-alarm box and one-way arrow lights, Quilty said.

FOR GOVERNOR
Ed Earl Snell
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