

# CHAMBER BACKS PLAN TO FIGHT RODENT PLAGUE

Opening of the canals and laterals of the United States reclamation service to trappers, in an effort to fight off the muskrat menace, was endorsed by directors of the chamber of commerce at their weekly meeting Wednesday.

The board agreed with a resolution recently adopted by the Klamath irrigation district on this subject. The KID resolution stated there have been several breaks in the canals in the 1942 season caused by muskrats burrowing in the canal walls.

Damage Suffered  
"Great damage has been done to growing crops of the farmers on the KID," the resolution stated. Opening of the Tule lake sump and all canals and laterals to trappers was urged.

It was reported at the meeting that one farmer had suffered \$10,000 in damage from muskrat activities.

The chamber directors were informed that the American Food Products corporation is still looking for a suitable location here for a potato dehydration plant. Some time ago the company announced plans for the plant, but could not make terms for a location in a building here that were satisfactory to the firm. It was reported.

Dinner Enjoyed  
The legislative committee asked that the public be informed the committee will draw up bills covering legislation of interest to the people of the 32nd congressional district, embracing Klamath county.

The chamber directors enjoyed a turkey dinner and several former presidents of the organization were present for the session. President Mitchell Tillotson carved the turkey.

# POLICE DEPT. HAS A NEW HEADACHE

Boy, oh boy! As if the police department hasn't enough to worry about. Now they have a brand new headache. Theft of gas rationing books.

O. H. Fields, 533 Shasta way, reported to officers that thieves looted the glove compartment and took his rationing book, absolutely unused, while the car was parked at that address.

A bright red wheel and spare tire were stolen from his car parked at Fourth and Main streets late Monday night, according to Thomas Wall of 1133 Kane street.

Roy Wells complained to police the theft of the telescope aerial from his car while parked at home, 48 Main street.

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# On Our Side



Former French premier Etienne Flaudin, top, and former Vichy interior minister Pierre Pucheu are reported in north Africa to aid in formation of a new French regime. Flaudin had been known as an appeaser since the Munich days.

# CANADIAN EMBARGO ON LOGS STANDS

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The West Coast Lumbermen's association, who asserted the negotiations had been "well and capably handled" by WPB Lumber Coordinator Ben Alexander.

Greeley warned that those not knowing the "full picture" of the Canadian negotiations would "do well" to restrain their comments on "these international matters."

He obviously referred to a telegram filed with the committee yesterday in which T. R. Robinson, plywood manufacturer of Everett, Wash., complained about the Canadian embargo and suggested replacement of Alexander by some one "friendly" to lumber and "not its chief competitor."

Alexander, who came to Washington from Chicago in February, was a former manufacturer of plastics.

Northwest Worried  
Senator Wallgren told Greeley the lumber interests in the Pacific northwest were in fear they might have to shut down unless negotiations to lift the embargo were speeded up.

"They feel Mr. Alexander is one of their competitors and has not been energetic enough in obtaining release of the Canadian logs," Wallgren declared.

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# OBITUARY

**WILLIAM DEVONS POST**  
William Devons Post, for the last 19 years a resident of Klamath Falls, Ore., passed away in this city on Tuesday, November 24, 1942, following a brief illness. He was a native of Marion county, Ill., and at the time of his death was aged 73 years 8 months and 5 days. The remains rest in the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth. Notice of funeral to be announced later.

**PLAYERS KEPT WARM**  
BUFFALO—It was so cold in the Buffalo stadium during the Cornell-Dartmouth game that the hands of the big clock froze.

To Salem—N. H. Jones, superintendent of the Oregon state highway department shops, will spend Thanksgiving with Mrs. Jones, who resides in Salem.

# TOWER



# HITLER HURLS AIR POWER IN BITTER BATTLE

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with enemy patrols in short but violent engagements and preparing for the final showdown with the axis in Africa.

Not Specified  
The assertion that Hitler probably was weakening his air forces in Russia to bolster those in the Mediterranean area came from an authority whose name can not be disclosed, but it was supported by a dispatch from Algiers, where an Australian correspondent, John Jarvie, telegraphed that he had learned that an axis squadron that raided north African towns yesterday was on the Stalingrad front three weeks ago.

Eden did not specify how or where the military situation in Tunisia was "critical," but London observers said developments must be expected to unfold slowly compared with the first phase, against the French, where surprise, long planning and allied undercover work combined to reduce resistance to a minimum almost everywhere.

Threefold Objective  
There was a dearth of news from North Africa today although the air war preliminary to the decisive ground battle continued hotly.

The enemy air objectives apparently were threefold—to rake advancing allied columns in Tunisia, to blast shipping and choke off supplies and reinforcements as far as possible and to fly in men and weapons across the Mediterranean narrows from Sardinia and Sicily.

Both axis communiques stressed blows particularly against allied shipping and allied-held ports in Algeria. These enemy claims, however, had no confirmation.

Axis Raids  
The sinking of four allied merchantmen, including a "transatlantic ship of 20,000 tons and a destroyer by Italian planes and submarines off the Algerian coast was reported by the Italians.

The German communique said Nazi night raiders had scattered fires on the shorefronts of Algiers, Bone and Philippeville and had destroyed a 2000-ton merchantman, set fire to another transport and damaged two destroyers in Algiers.

# 80-Man Nazi Transport Plane Shot Into Sea

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ing northward and unescorted, presumably returning to Sicily after having landed enemy reinforcements in Tunisia.

No one was seen to escape as the plane crashed into the water. Later, when fighter planes from Malta shot down a Ju-52 German transport plane in the same area, troops were seen struggling in the water. The Ju-52 also was unescorted.

A Dornier 24, escorted by three ME-109's was intercepted between Tunisia and Sicily and damaged.

# FUNERAL

**GEORGE CURRIER**  
Funeral services for the late George Currier, who passed away in this city Monday, November 16, 1942, following an extended illness were held in the chapel of the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth, on Wednesday, November 25, 1942, at 2 p. m. Commitment services and interment following in Keno, Ore.

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# EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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rapid progress. German sources today tell of repulse of allied attacks and our side remains more or less silent.

This doesn't mean we aren't going to take northern Tunisia. It DOES mean that we are encountering stubborn resistance.

**THE** German radio says today the British First Army has suffered a severe setback in its attack on Bizerte and Tunis.

Don't believe this report. Don't disbelieve it. Just keep your fingers crossed and wait. There have been big gains by our side in Africa, at relatively little cost.

Remember that there MUST be some hard fighting in order to gain an objective of such importance.

**THE** De Gaulle-Darlan ruckus flares up in the British house of commons.

De Gaulle was to have made a radio speech from London on Saturday. It was CANCELLED by Eden, with Churchill's backing. Debate follows. The debate indicates dissatisfaction in some British quarters with the American deal with Darlan.

Eden, referring to the fact that the African expedition is under American command, says: "This is not the time to discuss arrangements made in Africa between General Eisenhower and local French authorities. The battle is in an EXTREMELY CRITICAL phase and it will be time to go into all these measures when it is won."

He adds that nothing should be done to give the Americans cause for complaint.

**WHAT** seems to have happened is that WE made the dicker with Darlan and De Gaulle's friends in Britain don't like it.

From this distance, it looks as if the dicker brought good results. Let's not criticize it until we KNOW ALL THE FACTS and can judge ALL THE RESULTS.

The ancient rule of war is that ALMOST ANYTHING is justified IF IT WORKS.

**NEWS** from the Pacific today is relatively unimportant.

MacArthur is still pushing the Japs hard on the Papuan peninsula. Without air or sea support, they are still tasting what we got in Bataan.

Our airmen are hammering hard at important Jap air bases in far southern China, apparently intent on hampering the impending Jap drive into Yunnan province.

**DON'T** get the idea, because of the present lull in spectacular news, that the war in the Pacific has been won.

It HASN'T. It is probably nearer the truth to say that it is just getting well started.

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# AXIS' ESCAPE LANE WHITTLED TO 30 MILES

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had knifed 85 miles into the invaders' lines.

**Trap Closing**  
Dispatches said the jaws of the soviet trap were closing steadily.

Simultaneously, the Germans acknowledged that the Russians had succeeded in "temporarily penetrating" Nazi defenses on the Rzhev front, 130 miles northwest of Moscow.

A Berlin broadcast said the Russians smashed through after three assaults on the German lines.

**Hemmed In**  
It was not immediately clear whether this was a full-scale soviet offensive synchronized with the great counter-drive from Stalingrad, but it was the second time in 24 hours that Berlin had admitted serious breaks in the German lines.

Dispatches from Moscow pictured the German siege armies, estimated at 300,000 troops, as hemmed into a narrow passage-way extending 120 miles westward from Stalingrad, with the Russians attacking furiously from both sides.

In addition to the nearly 100,000 nazis killed or captured, unofficial reports said about 120,000 had been wounded.

# Choice of New GOP Chairman Held Narrowed to Three

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 (AP)—Choice of a successor to Rep. Martin (R-Mass.) as chairman of the republican national committee was reported unofficially today to be narrowing down to three "leading" candidates, although there was no disposition to dismiss the chances of a "darkhorse" aspirant.

Influential leaders of the congressional republican forces, declining use of their names, said that "at present" Alf Landon, republican presidential nominee in 1936; former Rep. John Baker Hollister of Ohio, and Harrison E. Spangler of Iowa were the center of most of the discussion for the post.

Martin has announced that he would resign at a meeting of the committee at St. Louis December 7 in order to devote his full time to his duties as house minority leader. His successor will be elected then.

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**WOULD REPLAY GAME**  
NEW YORK—Brooklyn college's football team was so satisfied with its 7-7 tie with City college of New York that it applied to both faculties to have the game replayed for the Red Cross.

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# Miss Army



Helen Garty of Washington models new light-blue uniform of hostesses and librarians cheering the soldiers in Army canteens.

**Further Slash Expected in Oil Ration for East**  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 (AP)—A high official of the office of price administration said today that the already lean rations of fuel oil for heating homes, particularly in the east, definitely will be cut further.

The official, who asked that his name not be used, said the decision on the cut already had been made, but he was not sure yet of the amount or the method by which it would be applied.

Spokesmen for Leon Henderson, head of OPA, declined either to confirm or deny the statement but said an announcement regarding petroleum could be expected in a few days.

**Gas Sign-Up Put Off Until Dec. 3; Many Unregistered**  
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program starts. In particular, motorists who have failed to register should have enough gas to carry them to the registration period December 3.

Effie Garcelon, clerk of the board, said that people who have applied for ODT certificates for farm and similar trucks can be assured that they will be taken care of with emergency gas rations if they fail to get their certificates by December 1.