

# OVERTIME PAY BRINGS ACTION BY GRAND JURY

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to the sheriff's office by her son-in-law, Walter Hannon, and his mother, Mrs. Ellen Hannon, as bondsmen. Bond was set at \$1500 on each count.

Mrs. Short was arraigned about 2:30 p. m. Wednesday before Judge Vandenberg. She appeared with Hannon and Mrs. Ellen Hannon who were approved as bondsmen for a total of \$4500.

Affidavits of prejudice against Judge Vandenberg were filed by Mrs. Short immediately. The courtroom session was quiet.

The county clerk made the following statement immediately after the arraignment:

"This is just the culmination of the vicious fight that has been made on me for the past seven years by those whom I have opposed in their efforts to plunder the county. I will let the people of Klamath county judge when all the facts are made public. I have the same confidence in the sound judgment of the people of this county they have manifested in their electing me county clerk."

The question of overtime pay to the county clerk made to the front recently when the county audit for the first half of 1942, made by the secretary of state's office, called attention to the two election payments made to Mrs. Short. The auditor called attention to the law which provides \$2400 a year as the Klamath county clerk's salary.

Mrs. Short at that time stated that at a recent meeting of county clerks in Portland, overtime pay was discussed and that several clerks said they received such compensation, one receiving as much as \$150 for election work.

Audit Cited by Judge When the grand jury met this week, Circuit Judge Vandenberg called attention to the recent audit and also read the section of the law giving the compensation for elective officers.

Later, the grand jury made a presentment of facts to the judge, giving substantially the facts recited in the indictments. The judge instructed the jury that if those facts were true, a crime had been committed.

The indictments show that Mrs. Short appeared voluntarily before the grand jury. Others endorsed as grand jury witnesses are T. D. Case and H. L. Kelles, former deputies in the county clerk's office, County Judge U. E. Reeder, Harold Hendrickson, former deputy county clerk in charge of circuit court clerk work, and Geneva Garland, deputy county clerk who is now doing circuit clerk work as deputy county clerk.

The grand jury, in addition to

# RUSS RETAKE VITAL HILL SOUTH OF CITY

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since early in the battle of Stalingrad and its heights had given him a clear view east to the Volga, a stronghold dominating part of the city and cover for troop movements inside.

Seven counterattacks were made by the nazis who threw as many as 70 tanks and two regiments of infantry into the struggle in a desperate effort to regain the hill, Red Star said.

The grinding offensive continued on the central front where the Russians pressed a second winter drive against positions which the Germans occupied a year ago in the Rzhev-Vyazma-Velike Luki area.

There having been called to the attention of this grand jury certain difficulties arising between two offices, and an examination having been made of those difficulties, it is the recommendation of this body that the county clerk appoint a deputy to have charge of all work pertaining to the circuit court; and, further, that the office of that deputy be moved to the room adjoining the circuit court room, together with the files pertaining thereto.

"We further recommend that the legislators from this district propose in the Oregon legislature at its next session a bill separating the office of clerk of the circuit court from the office of the county clerk, and to make the clerk of the circuit court elective or appointive, as in their opinion would be most appropriate under the circumstances.

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# RAYMOND FULLER SEES NORTH AFRICAN CAMPAIGN FROM TANK

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for us and the lead was flying thick and fast both ways. Van Oss had a hole in his gas tank that you could run your fist through and all the other four tanks were hit by lots of smaller fire. All of us came back alive and unhurt. How, I don't know.

There was one funny incident on the second day. The French found our range with their big guns and opened fire. I fell back about 200 yards and started firing back and so did the other tank in my section. Greathouse is the other tank commander's name in my section. When the smoke cleared away there was just the two tanks and two half-tracks left. All the rest had gone so far back they were out of sight. The colonel just strolled over and said, "Where has everybody gone?" in such a nonchalant manner that we had to laugh. Capt. Shapiro then went after the rest of them and brought them all back and that was when they decided that he had better try to get the guns at dusk.

Our platoon leader really did a good job in keeping the tanks in a co-ordinated attack, and they promoted him from a second lieutenant to a first lieutenant. Our captain was made a major for his work, but he is still going to be our company commander.

On the morning of the third day they decided to try to take the main city, which we did. The snipers damn near drove us crazy although the French had already taken over the German consulate and the people as a whole were pretty glad to see us. I was tired, dirty and worn out and a gash on my mouth that I got as we went over about a 6-foot bank on the way in, and yet I was so happy that I had to laugh or cry, so I laughed.

The men coming behind us did a good job too. They had to fight everything we had gone around. Several men in our company were wounded as five tanks were knocked out, but all but one are back, and he is shell-shocked. He was a good boy too—about 21. Our maintenance worked in darkness during the fighting and fixed three of the five that were knocked out, so we came out of the fight losing

nothing but a few tanks and one man less to us. We lived by the hour during those three days. No days or weeks or months or years. Just hours! And during attacks life was not considered worth thinking about.

Everyone was scared—including me—under fire. There's nothing else like it. During attacks no one has time to even think about anything else, so they're not afraid then.

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# TAVERN EMPLOYE ARRESTED AFTER SHOOTING MELEE

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Robert Hall and, after looking over the premises, left the place. At 2:22 a. m. a second call was received to come to the Sullivan apartment as "shooting was going on."

Hall said that Kelly had knocked at the apartment and was ordered to leave. He went out the front door and Hall followed him to lock the main entrance. Just then Kelly is said to have started shooting and Hall hid behind the banister. Police said Kelly fired six shots and that Hall returned two shots from his 25:35 rifle.

Two men are said to have run from the scene and a US army lieutenant, standing in front of the Elk hotel, gave police a description of the pair. One is said to be Seeland who was arrested at 6 a. m. and lodged in the city jail. Kelly, for whom a warrant has been issued, had not been apprehended at a late hour Wednesday afternoon.

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# JAP TROOP SHIPS HEAD FOR GUINEA

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ing furiously as they were forced back toward the beaches. The difficult terrain was proving as formidable an obstacle as the Japanese, it was reported.

Jap Semi-Circle The Japanese were said to have dug themselves in with great skill with their strongest positions at Gona, Sanananda Point, Buna and Buna Mission. These positions are not in great depth but front on marshy land and can be attacked only along narrow strips of fairly dry ground.

The enemy positions are arranged in a semi-circle with machine-gun positions on the outside and mortar batteries inside.

War Outlook Brightest in 3 Years, Says Knox

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# EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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They're undoubtedly beginning to realize it.

FOR some reason not clearly apparent, he announces Italy's war toll for the first 30 months—172 naval ships totalling 227,000 tons and army, navy and air corps casualties of 94,182 in DEAD ALONE and 232,700 prisoners.

A rather staggering loss. -And for what?

This is the brutal answer: To serve Italy's GERMAN master—the master whom Mussolini INVITED to set his heel on the Italian neck.

POOR old Duce. He is getting what the jackal always gets when it tries to hunt with the lion.

THE Japs are still trying to get reinforcements to the Buna-Gona area in New Guinea, where their land forces are penned in. Four of their destroyers, probably loaded with troops, are reported today to be moving toward the beach.

Their land forces are fighting stubbornly, in strong positions, with marshy ground in front of them crossed here and there by narrow strips of fairly dry ground. Over these narrow strips our men must advance in the face of massed Jap machine guns and mortars.

You can realize why progress is slow.

NAVY SECRETARY KNOX, in a speech to the National Association of Manufacturers, is more optimistic than he has yet been.

The war outlook, he says, is the brightest in THREE years. Our navy, he asserts, is now stronger than "on the day before Pearl Harbor or the day after Pearl Harbor."

Jap casualties, he adds, have been FIVE TIMES ours. Jap navy casualties have amounted to 10 per cent of their navy personnel, ours to only ONE per cent.

IF we can keep that up, there can be only one end to the Pacific war.

Grand Jury Indicts William W. Baker

William Wade Baker was indicted by the county grand jury late Tuesday on a charge of assault while armed with a dangerous weapon.

Baker is accused of assault on Elmer Walker, who received stab wounds at Keno last Saturday night, just outside a beer parlor.

# MAAS SCORES LACK OF CO-ORDINATION

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create a second front in Europe, to which Churchill will not agree, and the Chinese want us to shift the emphasis of the war to the Pacific. We compromise and go to Africa."

Maas added that he was "not belittling our efforts in Africa."

Ann Sothern Red Skelton "Maisie Gets Her Man"

REX HARRISON ("Bear of Night Train") in "MISSING 10 DAYS"

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