

# BUREAUCRACY DENOUNGED IN GOP SPEECHES

By The Associated Press  
A call for a coalition of republicans and "real democrats," coupled with an attack on "arrogant bureaucracy" and criticism of the administration's conduct of the war, highlighted the traditional Lincoln day gatherings of republicans last (Friday) night.

Alf M. Landon, the party's 1936 presidential candidate; Governor John W. Bricker of Ohio, mentioned as a republican presidential possibility for 1944, and Rep. Joseph Martin of Massachusetts, minority leader of the house and former national republican chairman, joined in assailing what Martin described as "expanding, arrogant bureaucracy."

Secretary of the Navy Knox, emphasizing he was a republican, struck another note, however, at Springfield, Ill., scene of Lincoln's tomb. Recalling that Lincoln had been subjected to criticism, Knox said:

"We see history repeating itself. Our president, our leaders have been subjected to all the same familiar charges of 80 years ago. We have seen again in these hours of another supreme struggle the same temptations of partisan advantage obstruct our larger purposes."

Landon, speaking at Omaha, proposed the democrat-republican coalition as a guarantee that Vice President Wallace "and his fellow travelers will not lead us down the same disastrous primrose path which Hitler had led his people."

## Congress Studies Military Training For Post-War Youth

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (AP)—Congress Friday had for study legislation which would provide compulsory universal military training for all youths of the nation after the war.

Rep. Wadsworth (R-N. Y.) and Senator Gurney (R-S. D.) introduced almost identical measures yesterday to provide that when a youth becomes 18, or within three years thereafter, he shall be inducted into the army or navy for a training period of one year. Upon completion of training, he would for four years be in a reserve status and subject to call for any prescribed refresher course.

The Wadsworth-Gurney proposals would become effective six months after the present war ends and would utilize present training camps.

## Meat Hoarded in Country Lockers, Says Secretary

CHICAGO, Feb. 13 (AP)—Millions of tons of meat are hoarded in refrigerated country food lockers, John A. Kotal, secretary of the National Retail Meat Dealers association said Friday. Statistics on the amount of meat held in lockers are not available, because government reports on such storage are not required, but livestock men said the figure is much higher than it ever has been. They said their reports indicated the lockers were "jammed."

Kotal said he had informed government agencies at Washington of the meat hoarding, and warned there was a danger of spoilage if there was any interruption in the electric power used by the plants to keep meat at below freezing temperatures.

## Portland Considers Hotel Heat Cut

PORTLAND, Feb. 13 (AP)—An ordinance to reduce apartment and hotel heat to 68 degrees at night and 80 degrees in midday was introduced in the city commission yesterday by Commissioner Fred L. Peterson.

## Camp White Talent Will Feature Commando Dance

The Commandos are planning a "top" floor show for their Washington's day dance for wounded service men to be brought here from San Francisco, at the Klamath Falls armory, Saturday night, February 20. Camp White, at Medford, has cooperated and is sending over their finest talent.

Corporal Alex ColleBrusco, the tap dancer who will appear on the floor show, will be featured in Ripley's "Believe It or Not" feature Sunday, February 14. Ripley is using Corporal ColleBrusco's professional name, Alberto DaVinci. The caption will read, "Alberto DaVinci, Camp White, Oregon, can dance 1000 taps a minute."

The last time the Commandos were guests at Camp White they saw Corporal ColleBrusco dance. Prior to his entering the army he danced professionally with the Earl Carroll Vanities on the road and with the Count Vici Pan American Follies and has been a featured dancer all over the country.

Sergeant Thomas Vivelo of Camp White, and a frequent visitor in Klamath Falls, will entertain with songs, accompanying himself on his guitar. Sergeant Vivelo has an excellent voice and is a splendid musician, the Commandos have found out.

Private Wickstein will also appear on the show. He has sung professionally. A letter received by the Commandos from



Cpl. ColleBrusco

Camp White said of Private Wickstein, "He is the best soloist in the division—and we have many to choose from."

The Commando's will drill and sing on this floor show. The show will be presented at 11 p. m., and at this time they will present the wounded service men brought here from San Francisco hospitals. This dance is to honor these heroes of war.

It is hoped by the Commandos that every person buying a ticket, whether they care to dance or not, will come to the armory and see this program.

Tickets may be obtained from any Commando, the Commando Service Men's Center, 815 Main street, telephone number 9013, or from Everybody's drug store.

## 19 CONVICTS ESCAPE FROM STATE PRISON

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 13 (AP)—Nineteen white convicts, several described as desperate, escaped from the state penitentiary at Parchman early today after overpowering a night-watchman and seriously injuring a guard.

Four of those in the break, largest in the penitentiary's history, were involved in a recent escape which ended when one was killed and three caught near Corinth.

### Shot Way Out

Superintendent M. P. L. Love of the penitentiary said the men rushed the night watchman at the camp when he opened the door of the dormitory type cage so the cooks could go to the kitchen to prepare breakfast.

After overpowering the watchman, the prisoners then took his keys and shot their way from the one story building.

They went to the home of the guard, a Sergeant Upchurch, just outside the wire barricade, and forced him to give them the keys to his car. When he sought to resist, they hit him over the head with a gun taken from the night watchman.

The convicts also commandeered a red state truck, Love said.

## Salvagers Attempt To Raise Tug Boat; Three Still Missing

PORTLAND, Feb. 13 (AP)—Salvagers attempted today to raise the tugboat May that sank in the Columbia river early Thursday with the loss of seven and possibly ten lives while ferrying shipyard workers from Portland to Vancouver.

Meanwhile Capt. Arthur Joachim, merchant marine inspector for the coast guard, conducted a private hearing in an attempt to learn the cause of the sinking. The 50-foot boat apparently capsized without warning shortly after leaving the Oregon shore.

Seven bodies have been recovered. Ray Lewis, tugboat deckhand, and Walter Pearson, Jr., shipyard worker, are missing. Another man, unidentified, also believed to have been aboard the boat, has not been seen since the sinking.

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## Minimum Work Week Order Raises a Bumper Crop of Questions; Some Answered

By JAMES MARLOW  
And GEORGE ZIELKE  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (AP)—The 48-hour minimum work week order has raised a bumper crop of questions.

It'll take some time to reap all the answers, but some are ready now:

One of the early doubtful points was cleared up by the interpretation that employees in affected areas who aren't covered by the fair labor standards act or union contracts won't necessarily get time-and-a-half for hours worked in excess of 40 a week—that'll be a matter for bargaining between employe and employer.

The fair labor standards law, specifying overtime pay after 40 hours, specifically exempts from its provisions such groups as domestic servants, employees of retail or service establishments whose selling or servicing is all or mostly within a state (rather than interstate); agricultural workers and processors of agricultural commodities "in the area of production."

However, the war manpower commission points out that an employer in one of these non-covered lines might lose his workers if he decided to pay "straight time" for additional hours—while another employer across the street might be offering time-and-a-half—or if he increased the work week to 48 hours but kept his employes at their present 40-hour pay.

Some quarters advance the theory that an increase in hours but none in pay might be construed as a decrease in pay and therefore be banned under the wage and salary stabilization orders.

What about exceptions to the 48-hour week in which WMC might decide a shorter week "would more effectively contribute to the war effort?" These, it is indicated, would be approved for hazardous or extremely fatiguing jobs. (In this connection: The war labor board has said an industry could start paying overtime below the 40-hour mark.)

How immediate will be the effects of the order in the 32 designated areas? In many of them, it appears, workers generally are working 48 hours already. In any case, WMC has set a deadline of March 31, says nobody is to be discharged before then in installing 48-hour schedules, but adds that if an employer can't reach a 48-hour week by that time, he must say then how much longer it'll take.

What about persons employed outside the areas named so far? WMC is encouraging employers everywhere to go to 48-hour schedules if that will avert need for hiring additional workers.

## STUDENTS IN CORPS TO BE IN UNIFORM

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 13 (Special)—University of Oregon students in the army enlisted reserve corps will be permitted to finish their training here this year, but will be put in uniform, according to an order received this week by the ROTC department from the ninth service command. The order established the status of the reserve students under the recently announced war department plan.

All senior students in the enlisted reserve corps and ROTC and all juniors in the enlisted reserve corps will be called to active duty "soon," the announcement said and will be put into uniform and under military rules while completing the year. At the end of the year they will go to army schools where they will take up further work for officers' commissions.

Orders covering sophomore and freshmen members of the enlisted reserve are expected to come through soon. Meanwhile ROTC instruction is being modified to fit into the specialized training program. No announcement has been received concerning the navy and marine reserves and their status remains unchanged.

## DOUBLE PAYMENT

CHICAGO, (AP)—A member of the original marine contingent on Guadalcanal, Maj. John P. Stafford, was wounded in the cheek by shrapnel that severed an artery. Blood plasma saved his life.

Back in Chicago, Maj. Stafford and his wife stopped in at the Red Cross blood bank and paid back the blood—each donating a pint.

## Old Age Annuity For City Employes Urged by League

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (AP)—Oregon cities are losing many competent employes because the cities are unable to finance pension systems. So said Howard R. Ennor, acting executive secretary of the League of Oregon Cities, in a letter to Senator McNary (R-Ore.)

investigate possibilities of getting old age annuity and survivors' benefit coverage for the employes through the social security act.

McNary advised Ennor to take up the matter with the house ways and means committee, adding that federal law requires a contribution from the employer and that the state constitution should be examined to determine whether there is any limitation that might prevent the cities from participating in the program.

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## Sourdough Trapper, 71, Weathers Long Ordeal

DAWSON, Y. T., Feb. 13 (CP)—With hands and feet frozen in 60 below weather and unable to proceed further because of a broken snowshoe, George Ortell, grizzled 71-year-old sourdough trapper and hunter, stopped on the trail, banked snow about his knees, and stood there more than 20 hours until help arrived.

Ortell is now in St. Mary's hospital here, courageously facing the prospect of amputation of his hands and feet, but determined to take up his life where he left off.

"Save what you can, Doc," he said to Dr. Allan Duncan, who is attending him. "I've got to hobble around somehow. Figure on getting me a bunch of mighty fine beaver over on the McQueen later this year."

Running short of grub in his cabin at the head of Johnston gulch, Ortell set out for Mayo, 30 miles away. He thought nothing of the 60 below weather. But half way to his destination the webbing on one of his snowshoes broke. He froze his hands trying to fix it, then kicked off the other snowshoe and pushed ahead through the deep snow.

The going was too tough and he realized he could go no farther as his feet by this time were freezing. He remembers stepping off to the side of the trail, carefully banking the snow

up to his knees, and then setting his will to remain erect on the thousand-to-one chance that help would come.

Corporal Bud Easum of the RCMP and Trapper Dick Kimbell came along the trail from Mayo many hours later—the exact number Ortell cannot remember—and were astonished to see the snow-banked encrusted figure of Ortell standing erect, looking like a creature from a lost world.

They rushed the old-timer to Mayo where first aid was applied, and he was then taken by plane to Dawson. He told hospital attendants that he realized that his only chance for life on the trail was to remain standing, but even experienced northerners are amazed that the man had the courage and sheer will power to go through such an ordeal.

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