

HOPKINS TALKS TO POPE PIUS, RESUMES MEETS

ROME, Jan. 30 (AP)—Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal aide, held a 40-minute private audience with Pope Pius today and then resumed a series of political, military and diplomatic conferences with Italian leaders to obtain information for the Big Three meeting of the president, Prime Minister Churchill and Marshal Stalin.

Arriving yesterday from Paris and London where he had conferred with Churchill, Foreign Secretary Eden, Gen. De Gaulle and French Foreign Minister Bidault, the president's envoy held a press conference in the evening at which he expressed considerable encouragement at the prospects of allied agreement on post-war problems and hinted that the forthcoming Big Three conference might be brief.

The report of his arrival and the press conference was held up by military officials on grounds of "security," however, until late today.

Hopkins swung immediately into a busy program upon his arrival, conferring first with U. S. Ambassador Alexander Kirk and then Italian Foreign Minister Alcide de Gasperi.

The press conference started out as strictly off the record, but wound up with Hopkins telling the correspondents they could print almost everything he said.

He refused to admit he even knew when or where the Big Three leaders of the allies will meet. He also was non-committal on his own future plans and sidestepped questions about whom he intended to see in Italy. He was particularly vague when asked if he intended to see Crown Prince Umberto.

He did say he might go to Moscow, but was not sure, and gave a flat negative when asked if he intended to visit Greece.

Livestock Growers Meet Cancelled

CORVALLIS, Jan. 30 (AP)—The meeting of the Western Oregon Livestock Growers association in Coquille February 16-17 has been cancelled because of federal government refusal to permit the session. The national convention ban is effective February 1. Cancellation was announced by R. C. Burkhardt, Lebanon, president, and H. A. Lindgren, secretary.

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HIGH SCHOOL

News Notes and Comment

By JUANITA SHINN
Wednesday evening, January 31, Charles Carlson, chemistry and physics instructor, will review a number of boys on the fundamentals of mathematics and science in preparation for the Eddy test to discover whether they are qualified for radar training.

The Krater staff is offering a dollar to each student submitting the best snapshot to be printed in each issue of the Krater. Snaps taken of one of the present high school students when they were in their "younger days" and pictures showing humorous incidents are the type to be accepted.



The students of the high school elected a new group of student council representatives to represent their home room at student congress meetings during morning home room period today.

The new congress was to meet this afternoon to organize, and to pass judgment on the constitution of the newly-organized radio club, the Script and Microphone.

The basketball schedule of games to be played on Pelican court for this week includes the following:

January 30—Harlem Globetrotters vs. Klamath All-Stars; admission, 40 cents for students and servicemen, and 90 cents for adults.

February 2—Preliminary game—Pelicans vs. Ashland; main game—USMC vs. Fee's Music Makers of Portland; admission 40 cents for students and servicemen, and 90 cents for adults. Student body tickets will admit students to both games of the evening.

February 3—Pelicans vs. Ashland.

Tickets for the game between the USMC and Fee's will be on sale, Wednesday, January 31, at the high school.

Tires to Be Even Scarcer in Month

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 (AP)—Tires will be even harder to get next month. The office of price administration announced a new drop in allotments of passenger car casings, granting only 1,600,000 for February, the lowest release since last October.

The allotment compares with 2,000,000 in December and 1,800,000 this month. Blaming the situation on military demands, OPA said civilians would have to resort more than ever to prompt recapping and tire repairs.

Trucks and bus tires will be generally unchanged.

Gloria Swanson Wed To Rich Californian

UNION CITY, N. J. (AP)—Gloria Swanson, stage and screen star whose third finger, left hand, has worn four wedding rings, now has made it five. William M. Davey, 52-year-old wealthy Californian, became her fifth husband yesterday in a ceremony at the municipal building here. Miss Swanson gave her age as 45.

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CLUB LEADERS MEET, DISCUSS 4-H PROBLEMS

The quarterly meeting of the Klamath county 4-H club Leaders association was held Saturday, January 27, at the chamber of commerce. Club leaders were introduced, stating the type of club led and the school represented. Comments concerning the purpose and value of the county 4-H Leaders association was stressed by George Peters, county club agent, and some of the by-laws of the association were discussed.

It was decided to hold quarterly meetings the second Saturday of January, April and October. Elections are to be held at the meeting the second Saturday in January. A nominating committee was appointed which includes Mrs. Earl Mack, Mrs. J. E. Steele and Mrs. Edwin Lee. New appointments must be made for the office of vice president and secretary who will take office in April.

Also discussed was the district leaders conference which will be held February 5 and 6 at Medford. Leaders of six other counties will also be represented. The conference starts at 10 a. m. February 5 and disbands at 4 p. m. February 6.

Another item of importance that was brought up was whether to hold community fairs, as has been done in the past several years or whether to go back to our county-wide fair. This matter was discussed quite thoroughly and it was decided to hold community fairs some time before school is dismissed this spring in each community.

General discussion of the 4-H projects was the highlight of the meeting, with many of the leaders bringing out problems that they have encountered while leading 4-H clubs.

Sgt. Young Writes From Jap Prison

Mrs. Sophia Young, route 3, box 152, Klamath Falls, was happy to receive word from her son, Sgt. James N. Young, who has been a prisoner of the Japanese since October, 1942. The card was dated July, 1944. Young, a member of the army air force, was captured following a raid over Hong Kong. He has been in Shanghai since his internment.

"I am well and healthy," said the message. "Have received many letters from you and photos. The Red Cross is coming through magnificently. We even saw an American movie the other day. Received two letters from uncle. The heat and mosquitoes are awful."

Mrs. Young said that James has only two uncles, neither of whom have written to her son. She considers the expression, "two letters from uncle," as meaning bombings from the U. S. air force.

Classified Ads Bring Results.

The War At a Glance

By The Associated Press
The western front: Berlin reported British attack aimed at crossing Roer river, increased artillery fire in sector; American third army gained mile inside Germany in new invasion of Reich; other Americans drew up on or near border; French in south threatened Colmar pocket.

The Russian front: Moscow reported armored spearheads within 85 to 90 miles of Berlin in three-pronged assault; drew up between Odra and Warthe rivers in center; made gains in Silesia and Polish Carpathians; swept north into Polish corridor; closed in on Konigsberg in East Prussia.

The Italian front: Action limited to patrol activity.

The Pacific front: American armor sped toward Calumpit, 25 air miles from Manila, after capturing San Fernando; other Americans in north made progress toward Baguio; MacArthur announced Japanese casualties on Luzon had exceeded 25,000, against American loss of 4,254, including 1,017 killed.

TED FIO RITO TO PLAY AT ARMORY

Ted Fio Rito, one of America's outstanding composers, who brings his world-famous orchestra to the armory tomorrow night, is also classed as one of the nation's top producers of talent.

As a discoverer of talent, Fio Rito has given the music and entertainment world these well-known names—Betty Grable, Dave Rose, Victor Young, Lief Erickson, Richard Himber and Isham Jones. Many other lesser lights also owe their start to Fio Rito.

According to Baldy Evans, who is bringing him to Klamath Falls, his featured entertainers at present are Kay Swingle, vocalist; Ward Swingle, vocalist, and the Solidaires, a vocal quartet. Fio Rito's outstanding piano solos are the highlight of the evening.

Jap-Yank Applies For Hotel Permit

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 30 (AP)—Takeo Akamatsu, Portland-born Japanese-American, had an application on file in the city license department today for a permit to operate a hotel.

Joseph S. Hutchinson, city license chief, said Akamatsu has been approved after federal investigation, and will receive a license. Akamatsu operated the same hotel before being moved to Hunt, Idaho, and has repurchased the property.

Akamatsu, who is married to a Tacoma-born Nisei and has a two-year-old daughter, told city officials he had found a fine reception upon his return here.

STATE VETERANS' BOARD CONSIDERED

OLYMPIA, Jan. 30 (AP)—Shaped by Gov. Mon C. Wallgren, a bill to create a state veterans' department was presented to the state legislature today by the senate rules committee by executive request.

The proposed legislation provides for appointment of a director and advisory committee to administer a veterans' welfare program designed to help the service men back into normal civilian life and assist them, their families and dependents to obtain the rights and privileges to which they are entitled by law.

The bill stipulates that the governor shall appoint a veteran to the position of director, to hold office at the pleasure of the chief executive, and an advisory committee representing nationally chartered veterans' organizations such as the Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and United Spanish War Veterans.

In line with the viewpoint of the governor that the organization should be perfected now in order to be prepared to serve the returning fighters adequately, the proposed act carries an emergency clause designed to make it effective on enactment. The bill asks an appropriation up to \$2,000,000 to administer the program.

Reclamation Bureau Petitions for Survey

THE DALLES, Jan. 30 (AP)—The United States reclamation service has been petitioned for a survey to determine feasibility of an irrigation project to serve 50,000 acres of land in The Dalles area.

The petition, sent to the regional director in Boise, states that the proposed district contains 4300 acres planted in cherries, 1000 in peaches, 1000 acres in apricots and 800 acres in producing truck gardens.

The petition was endorsed by State Engineer Charles Stricklin. The survey would involve study of water sources, including the Columbia or Deschutes rivers, or storage of waters taken from White river, Dog river, Fifteen Mile creek and its tributaries, and Five-Mile creek.

The Road to Berlin

By The Associated Press
1—Eastern front: 93 miles (from Driesen, Germany, by Russian announcement.)
2—Western front: 310 miles (from Linnich-Julich-Duren area.)
3—Italian front: 544 miles (from Reno river.)

POPULATION FLEES FLAMING CAPITAL

LONDON, Jan. 30 (AP)—The suburbs of besieged Konigsberg, capital of East Prussia, are in flames and the civilian population is fleeing through blizzards to Port Pillau at the tip of the Samland peninsula, 25 miles west of the city, the German radio reported today.

The broadcast, quoting a Nazi war correspondent from inside the city, said the outskirts of the fortress city were set afire by the "incessant rain of Russian shells."

"Tens of thousands of women, children and disabled sick people fled to Samland peninsula in icy winds and snowstorms," the broadcast quoted the reporter as saying. "Babies and the scantiest of their belongings were dragged behind them on sleds. The refugees now are fleeing, together with East Prussian peasants on horse-drawn sleds, wagons and tractors toward Pillau. Column leaders are shouting orders. Traffic directors are shouting at the top of their voices—but everything is drowned in the noise of the ever-nearing battle."

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DE MILLE LISTENS TO OWN PROGRAM

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 30 (AP)—For the first time in 10 years, Cecil B. De Mille was on the receiving end of his weekly dramatic air show last night.

Instead of acting as master of ceremonies for the program, the motion picture and radio producer listened to it at his office while his friend, Lionel Barrymore, did the honors. De Mille has given up radio appearances rather than pay a \$1 union assessment to the AFL American Federation of Radio Artists.

Barrymore, the J. Walter Thompson advertising agency said, will appear on the show until De Mille's appeal of a superior court decision upholding the union assessment is settled. The union asked the fee of its members to fight a referendum proposition at the last general election.

Clark County Timber Growth Increase

PORTLAND, Ore., (AP)—Timber growth in Clark county, Wash., could be increased three and a half times by more intensive management of the forested area, a report of the Pacific Northwest forest and range experimental station said today.

Stephen N. Wyckoff, director of the station, said that three-fifths of the county's 241,000 acres is classified forest land. Seven per cent bears stands of saw-timber.

Courtright Leaves For Yakima

B. G. Courtright, superintendent of the Klamath National Forest, has been appointed to the federal grand jury in Yakima, Wash., for several days. Courtright left Sunday expected to return this week.

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