

BASIN CO-OP SETS MEETING FOR TUESDAY

The eleventh annual meeting of the Klamath Basin cooperative will be held Monday, February 26 at 9:30 at the Tulelake high school gymnasium in Tulelake.

All members of the cooperative and their wives and families are invited to attend.

F. E. McMurphy, president of the board of directors will call the meeting to order. From then on, the meeting will follow a strictly timed agenda which will include the auditor's report as given by Paul Matthews, the manager's report by T. C. Hagerity, the report of President McMurphy, and an open forum turned to the membership at large for comments and criticism.

Luncheon will be served in the American Legion hall, free of charge to those attending the annual meeting. A lively program has been arranged.

After luncheon, the election of directors will be the order of business. Two selections are to be made, nominations for these positions being made by committee and open nomination from the floor.

Charles Baker, manager of the Pacific Supply cooperative will be present to address the group. Baker speaks from a long background of experience in cooperative management and is able to give a graphic picture of the benefits which may be gained from intelligent farmer cooperation.

At 2:15 the meeting will be opened to general discussion. The future plans of the organization in Tulelake and Klamath Falls will be discussed. Opening date for the retail store temporarily to be housed in the Klamath Basin Seed company building on S. 6th street will be announced.

A large attendance is expected. Membership in the Klamath Basin cooperative includes farmers and ranchers from communities lying as far as 120 miles away and many of these people have already signified their intention of being present.

The program is expected to be over by 3 o'clock.

DRUNK CASES TRIED
PORTLAND, Feb. 20 (P)—There were 11,876 cases of intoxication tried in municipal court here last year, second largest complaint in 44,016 court cases.

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The Russian front: Germans counterattacked strongly due east of Berlin as two red armies maneuvered for what may be great new push; Koenigsberg, Breslau siege rings tightened; Russians captured Nowe, 47 miles from Danzig in Polish corridor.

The Italian front: Americans improved positions in patrol jobs.

The Pacific front: Marines drove across southern end of Iwo Jima, cutting off Japanese fortress-like strongpoint; seized 1000 yards of western beach; inched ahead on airfield against stiff opposition; in Manila, Yanks drove against last major Japanese strongpoint; entered Port William McKinley, mopping up continued on Corregidor and Batan.

JOB-LESS CASE DEFINITION SET

PORTLAND, Feb. 20 (P)—A memorandum more strictly defining job-less cases which the joint appeal board will hear has been approved by labor and management of essential Portland area industry in anticipation of a work decline.

Approximately 150 representatives of management and labor met here yesterday. The list of job termination causes not to be heard by the appeal board include:

Request of the AFL, lack of materials or orders, plant conversion, release of temporary help, reduction of forces and elimination of shifts. These will be considered "lay-off."

Cause of discharge to be heard by the board: loafing on job, drunkenness, flagrant and unauthorized absence from work, early quitting, willful violation of safety rules, sickness without certificate of reputable physician and gross insubordination.

The appeal board will not consider appeals of employees replaced by returning veterans under the selective service act.

STRIKE NUMBERS DECLINE AT TODD

SEATTLE, Feb. 20 (P)—Their number visibly declining, the Seattle local of the United Brotherhood of Workers, Cutters and Helpers continued into its 12th day today their strike from work at the Todd-Pacific dry-docks and shipyard.

A vote taken last night favored continuing the work layoff by a margin of 173 to 89. Original estimates of strike participants ranged from 400 to 1000 workers.

Following yesterday's initial picketing of the two yards by the striking workers, who are involved in a jurisdictional dispute with the AFL Welders union, management announced a total of 419 welders had returned to work.

Four hundred other workers, laid off because of the welder shortage, were called back to work today.

Woman Appointed Associate Teacher In Engineering

SEATTLE, Feb. 20 (P)—Appointment of Virginia Province Platt, 22, as associate in mechanical engineering was signed yesterday by the University of Washington board of regents. She will begin teaching machine designing March 5 and will receive her own bachelor of science degree in June.

Dean Edgar A. Loew of the college of engineering said she was the first woman instructor in engineering at the university, and probably the first in the United States.

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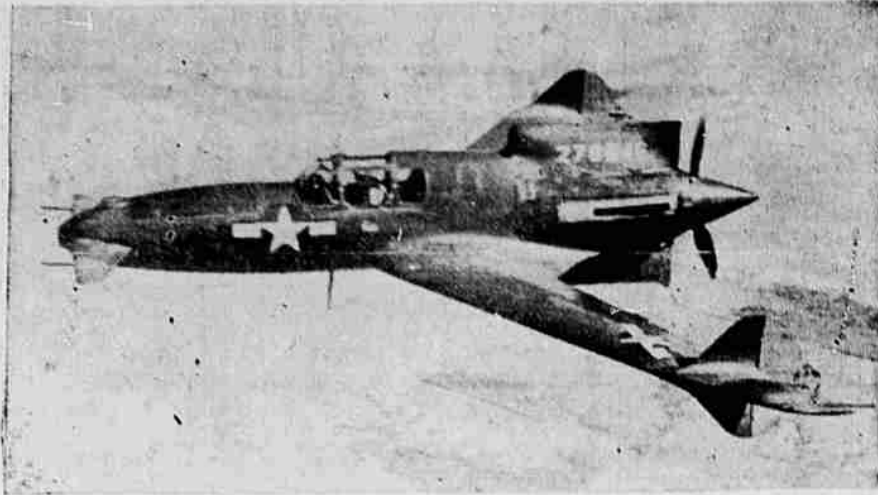
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60 Priests, Refugees Die In Bloody Jap Massacre

By RUSSELL BRINES

MANILA, Feb. 18 (Delayed) (P)—The wanton slaying of at least 60 priests and women and children refugees in De La Salle college in Manila's Malate district by Japanese soldiers was revealed today with recovery of the mutilated remains.

Of 70 persons caught in the college only eight survived, said one of them, the Rev. Francis J. Cosgrave, 47, a redemptorist father of Sydney, Australia.

Father Cosgrave, recovering from two bayonet wounds in Santo Tomas hospital, filled in details of the terrible afternoon last Monday.

Shot Brothers
One Japanese officer and 20 enlisted men shot and bayoneted the American Filipino, German, Irish and Spanish religious brothers and Filipino refugees.

The bodies, serving as mute and ghastly evidence, were discovered today when the United States 148th infantry regiment captured the college area.

Father Cosgrave said the Japanese garrison had remained in one wing of the college, while permitting the priests and refugees to occupy another.

Storm Into Room
Monday, another tense day on the fringe of the battle area, the Japanese stormed into the priests' room, Father Cosgrave reported. He said the religious group and refugees were just finishing a simple lunch.

The officer screamed something, then fired point blank with a pistol. Then the Japanese soldiers charged into the sobbing, terrified throng of victims, firing guns and slashing right and left with their bayonets.

Today the bodies lay as they fell in the blood-smeared interior of what once was a modern college near the Rizal stadium.

They were lying in grotesque helplessness, these slashed and smashed bodies. Some, caught in the first volley, tumbled in the dining room. Others evidently raced out into the first floor hallway. They were cut down after running a few steps.

Woman Killed
Still others reached the stairway and started upward toward the chapel. Many failed to reach it and were slaughtered on the stairs or collapsed into a pile at the bottom. One Filipino woman lay on the stairs, her head on her outstretched hand.

But others reached the chapel before the Japanese killed them, at the doorway and even before the altar.

Their blood was thick on the

floor and walls of this quiet sanctuary.

Over all hung the sickening stench of death, for they had lain that way for a week.

Cosgrave Escapes
Cosgrave escaped in a dramatic way. After the first attack he found himself under two or three others. He remained there until 10 o'clock that night. Then, when all was quiet, he crawled painfully up the stairs into the chapel where he hid beneath the altar.

Cosgrave had been bayoneted twice in the chest. He remained beneath the chapel for a week, living on water drained from flower vases and wafers used for holy communion.

He frequently crawled from his hiding place to administer extreme unction to those who were dying from wounds.

8 or 10 Survive
"I believe only eight or ten survived of the 70 in the college," said the Australian priest who was superior to his order in Manila. He was permitted to remain out of internment to look after his church property.

Nearly half of the victims were women and children, many of them babies who died while reaching toward the protection of their parents' hands.

Some had been bayoneted repeatedly.

All Frocked
All of the men were frocked. One frocked Filipino was bayoneted in the entranceway of the chapel while his hands were bound behind him.

Ten of the victims were believed to be American priests. The others included 14 German, two Irish brothers of the De La Salle order, a Spanish family, a prominent Filipino judge and two doctors.

Cosgrave said Brother Xavier, head of the local college, had been taken by the Japanese two days before the massacre in which the first to die was Brother Leo, believed to be a former teacher at De La Salle academy in New York.

As the final touch of irony, the priest said one of the Filipino doctors had treated a hip wound of a Japanese officer only a few hours before the massacre.

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IZAAC WALTON MEET SET FOR WEDNESDAY

The Klamath-Modoc chapter of the Izaak Walton league of America will hold its February meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday evening, February 21, at the Wynema hotel.

The chief topic of the evening will be a discussion of the proposed Klamath river diversion. In addition to this discussion, two motion picture films will be shown. One covers the art of bait casting as illustrated by the national champion in this art; the other will be a fishing trip through Canada with Courtney Riley Cooper.

The Izaak Walton league of America is a national conservation organization with chapters throughout the United States and welcomes the attendance of anyone who is interested in conservation measures.

Americans Urged to Tell Congress Stands

PORTLAND, Feb. 20 (P)—Americans were urged today to let members of congress know their stand on domestic and international problems.

Howard Volgenau, manager of governmental affairs of the United States chamber of commerce, told a luncheon meeting here that congress faces more problems "than have plagued any other generation," and will welcome recommendations.

"Let citizens tell their congressmen what they think about the work or fight bill," he told the Portland chamber of commerce. "They are wrestling with it in the face of grave doubt as to its necessity. If enough people speak up, congress will decide, and wisely."

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MAINTENANCE BIDS AWARDED BY COURT HERE

Bids for maintenance for the year 1945, including coal, fuel oil, diesel oil, gasoline and office equipment, were awarded at the Monday morning session of the Klamath county court. The following awards were made:

Coal: Peyton and company submitted bids "at the market price"; Heilbronner Fuel company, at OPA ceiling price. Both bids were identical and the court ordered that business be divided between the two.

Gasoline: Associated Oil company, regular, 18 1/2 cents; ethyl, 18 1/2; Gilmore, 18 cents, regular; 18 cents, ethyl; Union, 18 1/2 cents, regular; 18 1/2, ethyl; Shell, 17 1/2 cents, regular; 19 1/2 cents, ethyl; Richfield, 16 cents, regular; 18 cents, ethyl. Award divided between Gilmore and Richfield on a 50-50 basis, subject to their ability to supply, the two companies to work on the deliveries.

Fuel oil: Peyton and company and Heilbronner Fuel company presented identical bids of .0715 cents, the award to be divided between the two.

Diesel oil: Peyton and company, Associated Oil company, Heilbronner Fuel company, submitted identical bids of .0805 cents, the award to be divided between the three.

Shaw Stationery company was awarded the maintenance of office equipment bid which was the only one submitted to the court.

There was no bid submitted on prisoners' fare. However, the court stated that this bid is expected later from Sheriff Lloyd L. Low.

OSC Alumni Support Budget Request

CORVALLIS, Feb. 20 (P)—After an independent study of building needs the Oregon State college alumni board today was on record in full support of the budget request sent to the legislature by the state board of higher education.

The board has asked \$2,237,000 for the biennium instead of the \$1,000,000 set up in the official state budget. The alumni board, headed by Clyde Williams, Albany banker, said the request will provide only bare building essentials "without which the state cannot discharge its obligation to veterans and to young people of Oregon."

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Yakima Residents Involved In Crash

Dr. I. M. Miller and Charles Delk, residents of Yakima, Wash., were involved in an accident Saturday on highway 97 near Klamath Falls, when their car skidded on icy pavement and struck a tree.

Delk was moved to Klamath Valley hospital where he was treated for a badly broken arm and body bruises. The car was virtually demolished and Dr. Miller and Delk, who were en route to Yakima from California at the time of the accident, proceeded north by train Saturday night.

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FIREMEN SEARCH FOR FIRE VICTIMS

TACOMA, Feb. 20 (P)—men continued today through the sby rubble of Maefair apartments in three more persons believed to have been victims of an early morning fire last Sunday which already has a death toll of 17 persons.

Five of the victims remain identified as the Red Cross aster unit reported. The list has gradually been down to eight persons.

Seven persons still are being searched for, including covering from burns and injuries sustained in escaping blaze. None is in a serious condition.

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