

# Demo Rally Hears Vets Name Woes

Joe Carson, for eight years mayor of Portland, and a veteran of two World Wars, last night warned democrats here that if the veterans of the last war are not satisfied, conditions in the country are going to be worse than anything that has ever gone before.

He urged that ex-servicemen keep a close watch on congressmen in Washington and immediately work to "retire" any who are found unsympathetic to the needs of the veteran and the nation.

Carson's address was made before an assembly of local veterans and democrats last night in the Veterans Memorial building.

When the former Portland mayor had finished his talk, Master of Ceremonies E. P. (Pat) Ivory invited an airing of the troubles of the ex-servicemen in the audience. Members of the Klamath County Democratic club were immediately informed in no minuted terms that the loan and surplus goods provisions of the GI bill of rights were a "laugh" that the government's housing program was too high-priced for ex-servicemen and that pensions were too small to provide a decent living for disabled men.

**Veterans Not "Kids"**  
The welfare of the veteran does not depend entirely upon what the government does for him, the democratic leaders were told, but the public must put the idea that "veterans are irresponsible kids" out of its mind.

Carson also pledged support of the candidacy of Lamar Townsend, Klamath Falls nominee for congress. Townsend, speaking in his own behalf, told the gathering that without a member in the congressional delegation of the same party as the administration, Oregon is an "orphan in the family of states."

He pointed out the reduced appropriation for the Umatilla dam, coming at a time when the rivers and power resources of eastern Oregon badly need development, as a "glaring example" of the inability of the republican delegation to obtain what Oregon needs from Washington.

## Dam Request Pared

A \$5,000,000 appropriation was originally asked, but the amount granted was \$2,000,000. Townsend also took issue with Rep. Lowell Stockman, who voted against the OPA, saying that Stockman was "hitting the road" for inflation, and stated as one of his campaign pledges that he would support price controls "as long as they were needed."

The democratic rally was not entirely given over to speeches. The Mahoney sisters, Madeline, Mary, Margaret and Frances, accompanied by Baldy Evans sang several numbers, and Slim Perkins and Bucko Barker presented comedy and instrumental songs.

## Four-State C. Of C. Meets In Spokane

TACOMA, May 17 (AP)—Meeting to plan an agenda for the four-state conference to be held in Spokane tomorrow, chamber of commerce representatives from Portland, Tacoma and Seattle met here yesterday, and discussed the advantages to be gained by a permanent convening of this kind.

The Saturday conference was proposed by Mayor Earl Riley of Portland. He invited representatives of government, labor, industry, education and agriculture from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana to meet to discuss plans for "cementing the Pacific northwest into a unit" for industrial, commercial and agricultural development.

## BIG HAUL

CANTON, Ill., May 17 (AP)—Sheriff Harold L. Ellsworth is on the prowl for the thief who stole a barn—or what was left of it.

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