

Legionnaires Split Over Charges

SALEM, Aug. 5 (P)—Controversy gripped the annual state American Legion convention here today after a former national commander denounced the Legion's national leaders.

The ex-commander, Frank Belgrano, Portland banker, called the national officials "racketeers... king-makers... politicians" who spend the Legion's money to "advance their own control."

This drew a prompt denial from Mrs. Laura Goode, Portland, national president of the Legion auxiliary, who was not included in Belgrano's attack, and Perry Brown, national commander.

Brown, who was not identified by name in Belgrano's keynote speech, said at Fort Worth, Texas, that the attack resulted from "either misinformation or a deliberate attempt to deceive."

Belgrano had stated, "We are at the bottom of the barrel financially. This squandering of Legion funds must be stopped. If we operate another year on a deficit we will face bankruptcy."

Brown asserted, "A defunct who says the Legion is bankrupt doesn't know what he is talking about." He added he was asking for a transcript of the complete text of Belgrano's speech.

He said the Legion is in "excellent shape," and warned, "There are a lot of things behind the scenes in this thing that will be taken care of by others than myself."

Belgrano drew much applause for his speech, but Mrs. Goode drew a like amount later when she defended national officers.

She characterized Brown as a "fine leader" and a "true Legionnaire."

Belgrano said the Legion had lost prestige and failed to grow in recent years. Despite promises, the Legion's "king-makers" failed to move young men into positions of responsibility lest the officials lose control of the organization, Belgrano said.

He went on to list the number of national Legion committees at 47 and the number of committees in 1948 at 44. This year they are up to 62 committees and 775 members, he said. All are entitled to travel and housing expense when attending meetings, he added.

On his bankruptcy charge, he said the Legion spent \$427,141 more than it received in 1947. The deficit was \$32,944 in 1948, and the national finance committee reported it would be \$275,945 this year, a total of \$736,000 in the red in three years, the Portlander said.

Merrill Children To Be Enrolled At Mooseheart

MERRILL, Aug. 5—Mooseheart, the nationally known home for children of members of the Loyal Order of Moose, located in the state of Illinois, will have two new residents with the arrival of June and Fred, 4.

The children were accompanied on the trip to their new home by their father, Wilbur Nine, member of the local chapter of the L.O.M., Mrs. Nine, a member of Merrill chapter 18, Women of the Moose, for eight years, passed away several months ago.

Through the cooperation of the local chapter and members of the Mooseheart staff admission proceedings were started several weeks ago. Nine will return to settle personal affairs, and then he expects to go to Mooseheart where he can be near his children.

These two children will be educated through high school and also taking a trade of their own choosing. Thousands of visitors who go to Mooseheart each year can testify to the wonderful care given the children living there.

The best wishes of all his friends and brother lodge members go with Nine and his family.



TO MOOSEHEART — Wilbur Nine and children, June and Fred.

Crash Plane Engine Said Backfiring

SEATTLE, Aug. 5 (P)—Three persons testified at a civil aeronautics board hearing yesterday that an engine of a C-46 transport was backfiring before it took off and crashed onto the roofs of South Seattle homes.

The parade of witnesses resumed today as the CAB pressed its investigation into the cause of the July 17 crash that killed seven persons.

Douglas D. Miner, aircraft and engine mechanic who has a repair shop at Boeing field, said he "heard an engine backfiring before the plane left the ground. The initial application of power did not sound like a normal application. Malfunctioning of the ignition system probably caused the backfiring."

Miner said he noticed the trouble when he first saw the airplane, only 500 feet from where it started its takeoff roll.

"The engine did not sound normal to me," said Franklin S. Dearborn, photographic pilot for Pacific Aerial Surveys. "The backfiring continued after the plane left the ground."

Similar testimony was given by Francis L. Vaillancourt, Boeing airplane company resident inspector.

James D. Adams, reserve pilot of the ill-fated plane, told the board he felt the plane "touch down" on the runway just after it took off. "It was just a matter of seconds," he explained.

Others of the day's 21 witnesses also said they saw the plane dip back to the runway after it was airborne.

New Presbyterian Church Planned By Merrill Men

MERRILL, Aug. 5—If all goes well work will be started early this fall on a new Presbyterian church to replace the old frame structure which was destroyed by fire last January.

Plans for the church were approved by the local congregation and will be sent to the board of national missions in New York for their approval.

The new building, when completed, will house a social hall, kitchen, rooms for Sunday school classes, and pastor's study, in addition to the main church hall. Cost of the structure, when completed, has been estimated at from \$50,000 to \$60,000, with approximately one-half of that amount already pledged.

The building committee, of which Dwight Eagle is chairman, has announced that all exterior work and the main hall will be completed first so that the church may be used as soon as possible.

Melvin Cherry, building contractor of Klamath Falls, has been awarded the contract for this part of the project.

The kitchen, social hall, and other rooms will be finished as soon as funds are available, with necessary work being done by volunteer laborers.

The new church, of brick veneer, will rise on the site of the old one, across the street from the Presbyterian manse. Debris from the fire has all been cleared away in preparation for the starting of building activities this fall.

The elders and trustees comprise the church board, and are also serving as the building committee. Elders are William Junette, Eber Kildpatrick and Warren Ochs; and trustees are Melvin Bowman, J. L. Pope, Myron Hawkins, Dwight Eagle and Luther Hawkins.

Hart Mountain Store Sold

LAKEVIEW, Aug. 5—The Hart Mountain store at Plush was sold by Sheriff Tommy Elliott at receiver's sale Friday, July 29, on order of Circuit Judge Charles Combs as a step toward liquidating the Rychard-Battles partnership.

Judge Combs accepted the \$6000 bid of Jerry Barry Sr., and the store and property has been turned over to him. The store will be operated by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Griesel.

The action was taken in settlement of a suit brought by Mr. and Mrs. Casius Rychard against Mr. and Mrs. William Battles asking dissolution of the partnership and property settlement. Mrs. Patsy Morris is receiver in the matter, and she and the court are now settling bills against the Rychard-Battles partnership and collecting accounts receivable so the court can make a division between the partners.

TEEN-AGE CLOSURE
MERRILL, Aug. 5—Clyde Hammond, director of Teen-Age club activities, has announced that the club will be closed until September 7. At that time meetings will again be resumed on Monday and Wednesday evenings.

Dance

Saturday
Aug. 6

Malin

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Democracy Forecast For Japanese

PORTLAND, Aug. 5 (P)—Japan, where communism is growing now, will reject the Soviet philosophy in the end, an ex-premier of Japan said here last night.

"We are quite sure that the communist party will be surrounded by the second democratic power of the Japanese," Tetsu Katayama told a reporter.

His wife, accompanying him home after attending the world assembly for moral re-education in Switzerland, said she was impressed by the lack of fences in American cities.

"In Japan we have high fences between homes. Not in America. There is good will between neighbors in this country," she said.

Four-H News

The Merrill Baby Beef club met at the home of Dick Reeves on July 28. The meeting was called to order by President Billy Gasser and the minutes of the previous meeting were read. Plans were made for a potluck barbecue to be held at the Dick Reeves home on August 14. Members and their parents are invited. After the barbecue, the club will travel to the members' homes to inspect their calves. Later in the afternoon they will go to the Malin Recreation park for an afternoon of swimming.

The meeting was then adjourned to meet August 4 at the Noonan home. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Reeves. Members and guests present were Joan and Patsy Noonan, Billy, Fay and Bobby Gasser, Dick Reeves, Dean Hill, Danny Barry, and the leader, Mr. Winebarger. Guests included Connie Mae Reeves and Jimmy Madison.

Some of the earlier known iron relics were jewelry.

Crash Victim Sues For Lost Money

SEATTLE, Aug. 5 (P)—An occupant of one of the homes destroyed July 17 in the crash of an Air Transport Associates, Inc., plane sued in superior court yesterday to recover money he said was lost in the wreckage.

George A. Cordas said the money included \$1870 in silver dollars, \$550 in half-dollars, \$694 in one roll of paper money, \$500 in another and \$1250 in a third; \$200 in Canadian bills, 300 pounds in English paper money and 600 pounds in one roll of Australia, New Zealand and English money.

Police Chief George D. Eastman said the department is holding an undetermined amount of money recovered at the crash scene.

Union Gospel Slates Guests

Two special guests will be present for services this Sunday at the Union Gospel mission, 251 Commercial.

Jewell House of San Francisco, district president of the missionary society of the United Holy Church of America, and Mattie Cummings, of Los Angeles, national president of the Bible school and young people's society of the church, will be the two visitors.

In addition to being at both Bible school and the 11 a.m. worship service, Miss House will conduct a special mission meeting at 3 p.m. and Miss Cummings will preside over a special young people's meeting at 6:30 p.m. Regular pastor is Mrs. C. M. Timms.

Moore Park Has Busy Time

Moore park has practically filled its schedule again this week-end with a half dozen picnics and other activities on the schedule.

Sunday picnics will see parties of 100, 70 and two of 50 persons enjoying the park facilities.

Tonight at 6:30 the Klamath district of the Modoc area council is holding its annual steak fry and round table at the park picnic grounds. The gathering is for Scouts, with a small fee for the food.

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Warehousemen In Portland May Walk

PORTLAND, Aug. 5 (P)—The possibility of a strike that would tie up most of Portland's food supplies continued today.

A pay offer, reportedly acceptable to 2000 APL warehousemen, was rejected by the APL teamsters' local 162, preventing the unions from reaching a new joint agreement with employers.

Jack Schlaht, teamster business agent, said the offer was for a 5-cent hourly increase until next February and 2 1/2 cents more after that until August, 1951. The men had asked a 17 1/2-cent increase.

Negotiations are to continue.

Lake Grain OK Despite Frost

LAKEVIEW, Aug. 5—A bright sun appeared in the local grain picture this week when growers reported that many acres are overcoming the effects of the June 29 frost and yield will be much better than had been expected.

A 270 acre planting of oats at Rly, owned by Cecil Gibbons of Westside, was first thought a total loss, but will yield from 50 to 90 bushels.

Many acreages in Westside which at first were thought heavy or total losses are going to yield around 25 bushels to the acre. Some, of course, were not hit by the frost as it was spotty.

Some ranchers, on the other hand, have already plowed up crops and others have turned stock in. However, the loss in the community will not be as great as at first feared.

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