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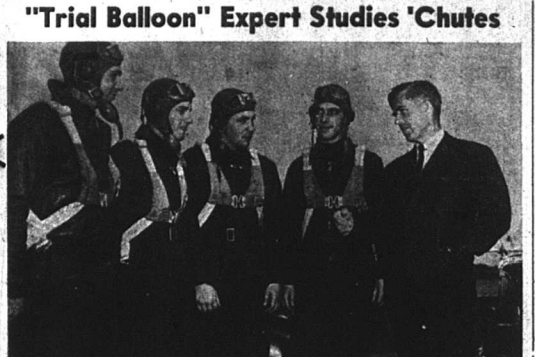

Vice President Wallace, who is an expert in the matter of political trial balloons launched to test public opinion, learns a thing or two about parachutes from flying cadets during a visit to Randolph Field, Tex. The Vice President, who was warmly received in Mexico, is keenly interested in Pan American defense measures.

Nazis Poised for March

Unconfirmed dispatches from the Balkans report that Hitler's Legions in Hungary have been given permission to cross Rumania in a new, secret war movement. The map above shows the deployment of German divisions and suggests three possible moves in the fuehrer's new drive to the east.

MORE SHIFTS IN NAVY COMMAND

WASHINGTON, Jan 11 (UP) — Capt. William R. Munroe, of Waco, Tex., commander of the battleship Mississippi has been named by the navy to command battleship division three of the Pacific fleet.

Munroe, who will assume the rank of rear admiral, succeeds Rear Admiral Arthur P. Fairfield, who was ordered to the department here for duty as a member of the general board.

Other changes announced included:

Capt. Frank H. Roberts from captain of the Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, navy yard to inspector in charge of the naval torpedo station at Newport, R. I.

Capt. Andrew S. Hickey, from chief of staff of the 15th naval district, C. Z., to duty at the third naval district in New York.

Capt. Harry J. Abbett from duty in the 12th district at San Francisco to command of the receiving ship at San Francisco.

Capt. Cortland C. Baughman from command of the battleship New Mexico to captain of the Pearl Harbor yard.

Capt. Howard H. Crosby from the staff of the naval war college at Newport to chief of staff at the college.

Capt. Robert G. Coman, from command of the receiving ship at San Francisco to command of the New Mexico.

Commander Robert O. Glover from scouting force commander's staff to office of naval operations.

Commander Frank E. Beatty from executive officer of the Augusta to office of naval operations.

FIRMS MERGED TO BUILD SHIPS

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 11 (UP) — The Willamette Iron and Steel Corp. of Portland has merged with the Guy F. Atkinson Co. of San Francisco to build ships for the U. S. navy, it was announced here yesterday.

The announcement came from Austin F. Flegel, vice-president of the Portland corporation, on his return from Washington, D. C.

The Willamette company has just been awarded a contract to build two minelayers at a cost of $26,000,000.

Flegel said that the two companies had combined to fill shipbuilding contracts and any subsequent defense contracts.

HAROLD H. KEMP OPENS BUSINESS

Harold H. Kemp, Bremerton high school graduate and athlete today launched a business career with incorporation of Standard Plumbing and Heating, Inc., headed by Kemp.

The firm's shop is located at 10th st. and Winfield ave in Manette. The quarters will be improved, a permit for $1,500 in construction work having been obtained today.

Incorporation papers, listing capital at $2,000, were filed in Olympia today with the secretary of state.

Kemp graduated from Bremerton high school with the class of 1932. An honor student, Kemp was president of the student body and a star football, basketball and baseball player.

He has been employed as a plumber with another Bremerton firm. Kemp is married and the father of two children. They reside at 1041 5th st.

New Naval Craft Is Launched in Seattle

SEATTLE, Jan. 11. — (UP) — The submarine net tender Alor, first naval craft completed in the Pacific Northwest under the new defense program, today slid down the ways at the Lake Washington shipyards.

The vessel was christened by Mrs. C. S. Kerrick, wife of Capt. C. S. Kerrick, navy port director.

The Alor measures 160 feet overall and is powered with diesel engines. She will tend the gigantic nets used to bar harbor entrances to submarines.

Woman in Fatal Leap

TACOMA, Jan. 11. (UP) — Following a quarrel with a man as yet unidentified, Bertha Hickman, 27, Tacoma, leaped to her death from the fourth floor of a downtown hotel early today. She was killed instantly.

Admiral Kimmel 'Surprised' By Appointment as 'Cincus'

HONOLULU, Jan. 11. (UP) — Appointment of Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel to become commander in chief of the U. S. fleet came as a complete surprise to him, Admiral Kimmel said today, but he will do his utmost to increase the effectiveness of the fleet.

Admiral Kimmel, who will succeed Admiral James O. Richardson on Feb. 1, declared he would strive to put the fleet in condition to be ready to support immediately the national policies of the U. S. whenever it is called upon. He declined to discuss specific navy problems.

Admiral Kimmel, 59, is a native of Kentucky, and entered the U. S. naval academy in 1900. He now commands the heavy cruisers, with the U.S.S. Honolulu as his flagship. He is regarded by fellow officers as an astute strategist.

Admiral Richardson will be assigned to special duty in Washington when he is relieved by Admiral Kimmel.

THE WEATHER

Cloudy tonight; Sunday cloudy with rain; moderate southeasterly winds off coast and increasing to fresh tonight, moderate southeasterly over inland waters.

HAMP ELECTED BY ROADS CLUB

The Central Good Roads Council of Commissioners District No. 3 held its regular meeting at the West Side Improvement Club Thursday. Commissioner Charles Klinefelter attended and discussed road improvements with the delegates of all the clubs.

The annual nomination and election of officers was held. A. H. Hamp was unanimously reelected president; William Roller of the Rocky Point Improvement Club, was elected vice-president, and C. K. Smith of the South Kitsap Lake Good Roads Club, was elected secretary-treasurer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY MONDAY

Kitsap County Sunday School association will hold a rally Monday evening at the First Presbyterian church beginning with a 6:15 o'clock dinner served by the ladies of the church.

Rev. J. Osburn Phillips of the First Baptist church will lead the devotions, and Prof. Edward Blair of Seattle Pacific college will show pictures which he took while in the Holy Land. Thomas W. Winsor will preside at the pipe organ, and Mrs. Haven Martin will sing a contralto solo. Rev. Haven Martin of Port Orchard Methodist church will deliver the inspirational address.

RUBBISH BURNS; ALARM SOUNDED

A smouldering rubbish fire between drydocks No. 4 and 5 in the navy yard caused a false alarm which called out navy yard fire equipment last night. The burning rubbish, left by private contractors, was believed to be a conflagration when the alarm was turned in.

ANOTHER BLOC OF 180 HOMES WILL BE BUILT

Private Builders Get U. S. Financial Aid For Local Project

Proposed construction of another bloc of 180 dwelling units in Manette was revealed today through the firm of Berry & Casad, which holds the contract for engineering work on the project.

The new project, to embody construction of 30 buildings on 23 acres located south of the U. S. Housing Authority's East Bremerton site on the old McDougall estate, will be financed through loan from the Defense Housing Corporation, it was reported.

Private interests will operate the project, repaying the government loan, it was understood.

An effort will be made to have the site annexed to the city. The project will not be tax-exempt, as are the two other sites chosen here for the construction of 1,100 national defense housing units.

Four to eight apartments will be included in each of the buildings to rise on the site. A Seattle architectural firm is now preparing plans on the job.

NAVY SATISFIED

Langdon Post, U.S.H.A. regional director from San Francisco, and A. C. Shire, director of the U.S.H.A. technical division in Washington, D. C., conferred with Mayor Homer Jones, City Commissioners H. J. Brosen and C. C. Casad and City Attorney J. W. Bryan Jr., yesterday afternoon.

The present set-up of national defense housing — under which 1,100 dwelling units are to be constructed through federally aided projects—was given the approval of Post and Shire and no increase in the number of units is expected in the immediate future, Navy officials, vitally interested in housing for navy men and yard workers, assured. Post that the project was of sufficient size and proceeding satisfactorily in present, it was learned.

The housing officials discussed with the city fathers the matter of bringing the new Manette site into the city limits and furnishing police and fire protection, city water and garbage service, but no definite decisions were reached.

4 CAR DRIVERS FACE CHARGES

Two motorists were arrested for driving while drunk, another man was charged with hit-run driving and a fourth car operator was apprehended for negligent driving by city police and state patrol officers last night.

Robert Allen Carleson, 18, 607 Cogean ave., was convicted on a charge of driving drunk in police court this morning. He was fined $100 and costs, and his operator's license was revoked for one year.

Young Carleson was arrested with three other boys by city police at 11:30 o'clock last night in the west end after he assertedly drove his machine on the wrong side of the street. The other boys, 16, 18 and 19 years old, were charged as drunk, two of them being convicted and the third being found not guilty.

F. G. Hickman, 43, who was arrested by the state patrol south of the city limits last night, was charged with drunken driving, and his trial was continued until next week.

Auto driven by Arthur Elmer Gerber, Jr., 28, Rt. 2, Port Orchard, struck the machine of Lawrence Weaver, Rt. 2, Bremerton, on navy yard highway about 6:30 o'clock last night. Both cars were

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Revisions in War-Aid Bill Being Talked

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—(UP) — Chairman Walter F. George of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee predicted today that the British Aid Bill would be amended in the senate to require Great Britain to put up "reasonable security" for war materials provided for her.

George, in a press conference, for the first time announced his support of the "objectives" of the bill.

The House Military Affairs Committee meantime voted to demand that the bill be withdrawn from the Foreign Affairs Committee in the house and placed before it for consideration. No such dispute has arisen thus far in the senate.

"Some type of formal security for whatever passes to foreign nations should be in the bill," George declared, "and I believe will be in the bill when it passes the senate. It would have to be the best security that could be given, but that does not necessarily mean money."

CREDIT UNION'S ASSETS CLIMB

Metal Trades Group Shows Progress In Reports

The Navy Yard Metal Trades Credit Union closed the biggest year in its history on Dec. 31, 1940, it was revealed today after Thursday's annual meeting of the organization, held at the Marine Coffee Shop.

The credit union's assets increased to $15,955 and its members to 326 during 1940. The previous year's assets were $8,039.

Elected for three-year terms on the 11-man board of directors were Harold Knowles, W. T. Ashton, and George Callahan.

A four per cent annual dividend was declared at the meeting, which was attended by 53 members of the credit union.

C. A. Andrus, president of the Washington Filene league and treasurer of the Seattle City Employes Credit Union, the state's largest, was the speaker of the evening.

The credit union's annual report showed that since the organization's formation in 1934 there have been only two bad loans made for a total charged-off loss of $63.04.

Court Okehs Sale Of Bergstrom Property

Mrs. Vera Bernice Casey, administratrix, for the personal estate of Walter Bergstrom, was permitted by court order this morning to offer for sale certain stocks and bonds and Bremerton property, the value of which was not given. Merrill R. Walker, appointed counsel for Albert Bergstrom, now facing a second degree murder charge in superior court, has been appointed guardian of the 15-year-old boy, who is heir to the estate.

Urges Coordination Of All Armed Forces

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—(UP) — Sen. Bennett C. Clark, Dem., Mo., today introduced a bill which would establish a department of national defense to coordinate all of the armed forces of the nation.

The measure, which Clark offered last session, would provide for a secretary of defense. He would be assisted by undersecretaries of war, navy and air.

All the duties of the army and navy departments would be transferred to the national defense department and the secretary would hold a cabinet post.

Yard Payroll of 12,000 Is Considered Likely 'In Time'

First official prediction that the employment rolls of the Puget Sound navy yard may reach 12,000 persons "in time" was made today by Capt. P. H. Dunbar, acting industrial manager.

There are some 10,500 employes now in the yard, and calls to fill 500 vacancies in various trades and occupations have been issued.

Capt. Dunbar said: "It is highly probable that the navy yard rolls will increase in time to a total of about 12,000 employes, but this number depends upon the availability of skilled labor and the success of the training program now underway in the yard."

The captain, who is in charge of the industrial department during the absence of Capt. A. M. Charlton, manager, who is attending a conference in Washington, D. C., pointed out that an employment figure of 12,000 would be almost double the peak number reached here during the world war.

"No one in the yard can state definitely just what the present national defense work will make necessary," Capt. Dunbar stressed.

Needs for skilled workmen in the various trades change from day to day, dependent largely upon the nature of work to be done on vessels assigned to the yard for overhaul and the speed with which new construction materials are received.

Civil service registers in the labor board now are open for shipfitters, blacksmiths, welders, outside and inside machinists, instrument makers and pipefitters.

ALLIED TROOPS TIGHTEN SIEGE ON LIBYA PORT

Portsmouth Pounded As Nazis Renew Air Warfare

By UNITED PRESS

British desert forces tightened their seige of Tobruk, slashed farther west toward Derna and Benghazi and counted total Italian losses at Bardia at 44,868 officers and men today as fresh Fascist reserves were reported in Albania.

The fall of Britain's Libyan desert blitzkrieg was placed by the British at nine Italian divisions thus far, not counting those now penned up at Tobruk. The British ring around that Italian base was now believed so tight that there was small chance that Fascist detachments could fight their way out and rejoin their comrades further west.

In Albania the Royal Air Force reported that it had bombed Italian troops, tanks and motor columns moving in "full retreat" north from Klisura toward Berat.

PORTSMOUTH ATTACKED

Reports from Britain indicated that the German luftwaffe attempted another of its "Coventrizing" attacks on Portsmouth last night.

Great fires were started and damage was considerable when hundreds of Nazi planes made three separate night attacks on the town but British night fighter planes went into action and were credited with breaking the fury of the German attack somewhat.

U. S. PLAN CRITICIZED

The German newspaper, Deutsche Allgemaine Zeitung charged that President Roosevelt's proposals to allow British warships to repair and outfit in American ports violated the Hague convention of 1907 to which the U. S. is a signatory. Authorized quarters, however have not yet laid down the official line of German reaction.

Moscow diplomats were interested by the statement of Izvestia, government newspaper, that the Soviet Union was ready to sign trade treaties with any countries belligerent or nonbelligerent. The comment was made in the great display of news stories, editorials and photographs of the new German-Soviet trade agreement.

The official Moscow press presented the agreement as strengthening "peace and friendship" between Germany and Rus-

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PERMIT ISSUED FOR LODGE HALL

Actual construction of the new Eagles lodge building on the southwest corner of 6th st. and Washington ave. is expected to get underway soon, city building permit for the job having been issued yesterday.

The new structure, which will include store space on the ground floor, was valued at $62,000 by the building department. Street address number will be 525 Washington ave. Contractor on the job is H. F. Miller.

THIS DAY

Born

To Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McHenry, 1541 Elizabeth ave., a son, at the Bremerton Private hospital, Jan. 10.

Marriage License Applications

James B. Gibbs, 25, Port Orchard, and Nona Alice Howard, 23, Orofino, Idaho.

David Morris Weller, 27, Manette, and Phyllis Copley, 24, Manette.

Rock Banister, 24, Salt Lake City, and Mary Brown, 23, Shelton.

James B. Rice, 40, Los Angeles, and Sylvia Porter Murch, 34, Riverside, Calif.

Died

Ernestine K. Mottner, 84, at home, Manette, Jan. 11.

George Birch at Virginia Mason hospital, Seattle, Jan. 11.

Vessels In Port

U.S.S. Arizona.
U.S.S. Splica.
U.S.S. Sicilia 32.
U.S.S. Oriole.
U.S.S. Nevada.
U.S.S. Bass 37.
U.S.S. Williamson.
U.S.C.G.C. Palaski.
U.S.C.G.C. Morris.
U.S.S. Ellis.
U.S.S. Saratoga.
U.S.S. Fox.
U.S.S. Kane.
U.S.S. Nightingale.

Tides for Sunday

First high—3:24 a.m., 11.7 ft.; first low—10:38 a.m., 7.1 ft.; second high—3:22 p.m., 10.6 ft.; second low—10:33 p.m., 1.2 ft.

Who's Next?

Joseph P. Kennedy smiles for photographers at a Miami, Fla., sports event, just to show that life is a little more pleasant, now that somebody else is going to be ambassador to Great Britain. The former envoy denied he's ever predicted the fall of Britain.

GOVERNORSHIP VOTE DISPUTED

House and Senate, In Joint Session, To Hear Protest

OLYMPIA, Jan. 11. — (UP) — Legal papers contesting election of Arthur B. Langlie as governor and Mrs. Agnes M. Gehrman of Raymond to the state senate were filed today with Secretary of State Belle Reeves.

Ben S. Sawyer, former Olympia postmaster and Democrat member of the 1937 house of representatives, filed the contest against Langlie.

It will be presented to the house and senate, meeting in joint session Monday, for whatever action the legislators decide to take. Sawyer's filing stated that it was to be considered by the house and senate "sitting jointly as a judicial body to hear and determine election contests."

Contest against Mrs. Gehrman was filed by former Senator T. C. Bloomer, who lost the election to her by 10 votes last November. His deposition and exhibits will be presented to Lieut. Gov. Victor A. Meyers Monday for consideration by the senate. Bloomer charged fraudulent voting and counting of absentee ballots robbed him of his post.

Republicans predicted that nothing would be done by the legislature to order a recount of ballots or investigation of the governorship election. If an investigation should be ordered and Langlie's inauguration delayed, a third question would be raised—who would be governor in the interim, Clarence D. Martin or Lieut. Gov. Victor A. Meyers?

The calendar calls for the session to get underway unofficially Sunday with caucuses of Republicans and Democrats that day. House Democrats will try to agree on a speaker candidate.

EAST SIDERS TO SEAT OFFICERS

Regular January meeting of the East Bremerton Improvement club will be held Monday at the E. B. C. hall, Manette.

Besides regular routine business, at this session the club will install officers for 1941. Retiring officers are: president, Ben Murray; vice-president, E. W. Granger; secretary, C. E. Dixon, and treasurer, S. W. Harkins.

The new officers are: C. E. Dixon, president; L. A. Root, vice-president; Roy Ellis, secretary; Don Young, treasurer.

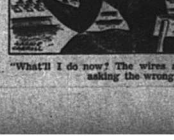
Mayor Homer Jones will officiate at the installation.

Parole for Kidnaper

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—(UP) — The justice department today said that Ben Laska, convicted for alleged kidnaping, will be paroled from Leavenworth penitentiary June 2. He began a 10-year sentence Aug. 1, 1936, and became eligible for parole in November, 1939.

Bremerton Sketches

By WILL DANCH



"What'll I do now? The wires are crossed, and Frank Willis is asking the wrong girl for a date!"

FUEHRER'S AID ASKS SPEED IN ALL FACTORIES

No. 2 Nazi Boasts Of Havoc Created In British Plants

BERLIN, Jan. 11.—(UP) — Speaking to an audience of miners at Hauserflieger, Marshal Hermann Goering, No. 2 Nazi, said today that not a single industrial plant in Germany or German-controlled territory had been destroyed by enemy action.

In contrast, he said, "at some points in England production has been decreased from 60 to 70 per cent by our attack and general British production has been cut from 40 to 50 per cent."

Goering said that "I grant that someone looking around Germany can find some burnt out attics."

"But it is not attics which decide the war," he said. "Destroyed mines, factories and smelting plants decide the war."

AWARDS PRESENTED

The marshal's speech was made on the occasion of presentation of war service crosses to Hauserflieger workers.

Goering called for increased production in all branches of German industry and he expressed conviction that Germany, aided by production, would win the war.

"Everywhere arms factories are working at full capacity. Here and there a bomb has caused a temporary delay in production," he said, "but not a single plant or factory has been destroyed.

"If you want to know how conditions look in England ask your comrades of Coventry, Sheffield and Birmingham."

MAKES COMPARISON

Goering admitted that it was "difficult" for those Germans who "forced to endure air raids."

"But," he said, "when I receive reports every morning that bombs were dropped on some city by 20 or 30 enemy planes I am forced to compare the damage they caused with the damage caused by our attacks with 400 or 500 planes.

"I compare the ridiculous amounts dropped on Germany with the 230,000 dropped on Britain in one night."

BRITISH FLEET UNITS BOMBED

ROME, Jan. 11.—(UP)—Italian and German planes, collaborating for the first time in an attack on a British naval formation, struck an aircraft carrier and a destroyer in the narrow stretch of the Mediterranean between Sicily and Africa, the high command said today.

Italian torpedo planes and dive bombers torpedoed an aircraft carrier and struck a cruiser with two heavy caliber bombes, according to the communique.

(It was not immediately clear whether the Italian command meant to assert that two aircraft carriers in all had been hit.)

In Libya, the high command said, British planes killed nine persons and caused some damage in the Tobruk and Benghazi zones.

Artillery activity was noted in the Tobruk zone.

Nurse Now Suffering From Strange Illness

PORTLAND, Jan. 11.—(UP)—Mrs. Sarah Rae, a Portland nurse, today suffered minor symptoms of botulism, or food poisoning, which claimed the lives of three persons earlier this week, and anti-botulinus serum was injected in an effort to check the disease.

It has been established that Laura Gordon, 43; Adolph Anderson, 53; and Mrs. Gladys Cook, a sister of Miss Gordon, all died from the toxin which was present in a can of home-preserved beets. But Mrs. Reagan, who attended them in the early stages of their illness, said she had not eaten the beets.

Mrs. Reagan was at Emanuel hospital, where physicians were working anew on a puzzle they believed had been solved.