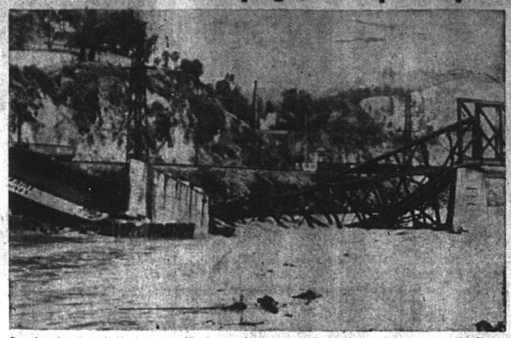
DORMITORIES FOR 500 SINGLE MEN TO RISE

L. A. River On Rampage, Collapses Span



Los Angeles river, butt of many a jibe by punsters, was really a river after a near cloudburst drenched southern California on the heels of other storms. Piers of the Santa Fe railroad bridge, weakened by flood waters, collapsed and the span fell into a raging torrent.—(Acme Telephoto.)

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BRITAIN NEEDS SHIPS, MEN TO REPEL ENEMY

More Sea Power Imperative, Insists Admiralty

LONDON, March 5. — (UP) — First Lord of the Admiralty A. V. Alexander told the house of commons today that British submarines have sunk "something like" 100 enemy war and supply ships, but that never in Britain's long history of seapower has she been more in need of ships and manpower than today.

He said that the British fleet today stood at greater strength than at any time since the outbreak of the war, but that this was not enough.

"To reinforce this fleet," he said, presenting new naval estimates, "I unhesitatingly ask for many more ships, great numbers of men and great quantities of stores."

Capt. Alex Stratford Cunningham-Reid, conservative member of the house, told parliament that Germany is building a great fleet of "suicide" submarines for use in the spring campaign.

WAR TODAY

By UNITED PRESS

Reports from London, the Balkans and The Far East indicated today that the zero hour of a great spring blitzkrieg by Adolf Hitler and his allies may be drawing near.

There was no indication where the first blow would fall but there were increasing signs that an attempt would be made to coordinate blows against British power from the British Isles to the Pacific.

BUDAPEST, Mar. 5.—(UP)—The Greek radio reported tonight that Greek troops had smashed 16 Italian tanks and captured two, besting off a diversion attack designed to cover an Italian landing from two transports between Chimera and Valona.

THE PICTURE TODAY:

Balkans: Britain severed diplomatic relations with Bulgaria; indications appeared of increasing German pressure on Jugoslavia and Turkey as Britain fought to create a line of resistance to Nazi thrusts in Thrace and Macedonia.

Far East: Japan massed formidable land and sea forces near French Indo-China, possibly to force French concessions, possibly for more far-reaching adventures; urgent cabinet meeting summoned in Tokyo when French fail to meet deadline for Indo-China concessions.

British Isles: First Lord of the Admiralty A. V. Alexander says Britain's need for more ships and men never greater than in the face of the present German spring sea threat; about 100 enemy warships and supply ships sunk by British, but Commons is warned that Nazis are preparing fleet of "suicide" submarines.

WAIT TURKEY'S MOVE

The next move in the Balkan situation appeared to be up to Turkey, which was studying a special message from Hitler. Content of the message was not revealed but there were hints that large Nazi forces in Bulgaria had been concentrated close to Tur-

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Voice Protest Against Blackout in Seattle

While Seattle residents prepared for a city-wide blackout March 7 under simulated war conditions, these pickets marched before the city hall, protesting the blackout. They're members of the Council of American Peace Mobilization, led by Mrs. Marian Camozzi, foreground, and signs tell why they're against the action.

U. S. AGENCY, CITY PREPARE MORE HOUSING

Property Near Baseball Park Would Be Used

Plans were made public today of the proposed construction of 10 demountable dormitories to house 500 unmarried men employed in national defense work at Puget Sound navy yard.

E. C. Searle, executive director of the Bremerton Housing Authority, revealed that the local housing authority, the city of Bremerton, navy yard officials and the Farm Security Administration were discussing the proposed project.

Details of the project are in a tentative state at present, but Searle confirmed this morning with city commissioners on obtaining a suitable site.

WOULD USE CITY LAND

Site suggested was some city-owned land adjacent to Roosevelt field at the north end of Warren ave. The city owns four and one-half acres in this vicinity. It has been estimated that seven acres will be needed in the development, indicating that some private property in that area would likely be acquired.

The Farm Security Administration is the likely federal sponsor and financing agency for such a program.

The Federal Works Agency holds that the Lanham national defense housing act provides only for family dwellings, and the Farm Security Administration has been called into the project to care for housing of unmarried men working in Puget Sound navy yard in important positions.

The Farm Security Administration is authorized to build such units and the construction in with its rural housing program.

COULD BE REMOVED

The tentative plans would provide for demountable dormitories which the Farm Security Administration could remove after the national defense emergency. The F.S.A. uses such demountable dormitories to house concentrations of migratory workers.

It is understood that the F.S.A. has the money available to begin work on such a project at once.

Streets and sewer facilities would have to be installed at the proposed site before the 10 buildings to house 50 men each, could be erected.

Yard Workers Advised Not to Give Up Jobs

Any navy yard employe who voluntarily quits his job during the current national emergency may be endangering his future civil service status, it was implied today in a circular letter issued by Rear Admiral C. S. Freeman, commandant.

Stating that "In the absence of a working agreement, the navy department cannot prevent an employe from terminating his services of his own volition," the commandant called attention of all employes of the district to the department's action on a recent case.

A Puget Sound navy yard employe had resigned voluntarily, and the navy department addressed the following terse note to him:

"The fact that you relinquished your position during the national emergency, when your services were urgently required, has been brought to the attention of the U. S. civil service commission for notation on your record."

No details of the particular employe's case were revealed, but the admiral's advice was believed to be pointed not only to an employe who intends to resign to enter private business or voluntary retirement, but also to the worker who would rather be employed in a private national defense plant, where, in many cases, he would receive higher pay.

The government has sought to avoid the shifting of national defense employes from private industry to government yards, and Admiral Freeman's letter applies to changes in the opposite direction. Civil service announcements for the opening of competitive examinations usually stress the navy department discourages the applications from defense workers in private industry.

ESPIONAGE LAID TO WIEDEMANN

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.—(UP)—Capt. Fritz Wiedemann, German consul general for San Francisco, was accused in a federal court suit today of directing

CAPT. WIEDEMANN

"Nazi espionage in the U. S." and of seeking to foment strikes and discord in this country.

The accusations were made by Mrs. Alice Crockett, divorced wife of a U. S. army officer, in a suit asking $8,000 for services she said she performed for the consul general.

The suit was similar in nature to one the 37-year-old former actress filed in the San Francisco superior court more than a week ago.

She switched her action to federal court when Wiedemann refused a superior court summons on grounds the state court had no jurisdiction over foreign consuls.

In the federal court action, Mrs. Crockett submitted an "amended complaint" which contained the charges Wiedemann was directing Nazi espionage in this country.

D. A. R. OPPOSES WAR-AID BILL

SEATTLE, March 5 — (UP) — The Washington state chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution condemned the aid-to-Britain bill today at the closing session of its 41st annual convention.

The resolution favored "all possible aid to Britain" but petitioned congress to "preserve the powers and responsibilities entrusted them by the constitution."

Mrs. Starr Sherman, Walla Walla, was elected state regent for the coming year, succeeding Mrs. Edwin E. Rhodes of Tacoma.

Small Fire at Home

Short circuit in electrical wiring was blamed today by city firemen for a blaze which caused about $100 damage in the partitions of a home at 136 S. Callow ave. Fire equipment answered the call at 11:32 a.m. I. C. Moritz is the owner of the residence.

CITY REQUESTS BIG U. S. FUND

Local Projects May Receive Money

The city of Bremerton has asked the federal government for an outright grant of $1,217,600 to aid community facilities taxed to the utmost by the rapidly increasing population of this national defense center.

Mayor Homer R. Jones and Public Works Commissioner C. C. Casad last week conferred with Don McMillan, representative of William S. Knudsen of the Office of Production Management.

While here on Friday and Saturday, McMillan was taken on a tour of the city and shown many of the cramped conditions caused by the rapid population growth.

ESTIMATES PREPARED

At McMillan's request, the commissioners prepared estimates of amounts needed by Bremerton to bring its community facilities up to the standards necessary to care for the enlarged population.

Items included in the city's estimate were the following: Water department, $541,100; sewer reconstruction, $98,000; playfields and parks, $123,500; street widening, $225,000; overpass approach to Manette bridge, $200,000.

On Feb. 24, President Roosevelt asked congress for $150,000,000 for "community facilities" in areas where the national defense program has caused sudden population increases.

It is also from the program that the schools of Bremerton and Kitsap county hope to obtain much needed building aid.

Mayor Jones said today that he had sent Bremerton's list of needed improvements to Congressman Warren G. Magnuson with a request that he aid the city in obtaining the federal allotment if and when the funds become available.

CAROL, LUPESCU FLEE TO LISBON

MADRID, March 5.— (UP) — Former King Carol of Rumania and Magda Lupescu, his red-haired companion, who disappeared from their Sevilla hotel Monday afternoon, were believed tonight to have have fled safely to Lisbon.

There has been no word of their whereabouts since Monday afternoon when they last were seen driving in a big, fast motor car in the direction of the Portuguese border, but it was assumed generally that they had succeeded in fleeing from Spain.

Carol and Madame Lupescu for several months have sought unsuccessfully to obtain permission to leave Spain.

News of the flight of Carol and Madame Lupescu was withheld by the government for almost 24 hours while lengthy official consultations were held. Late today, it was decided to permit newspapermen to send the news out of Spain.

There was no official announcement, but the official Cifra news agency reported that the couple had disappeared and said "it is believed they went to Portugal."

"With this ex-King Carol has broken his promise to remain in this city (Sevilla)" Cifra added.

STORMS ABATE IN CALIFORNIA

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 5.—(UP)—Rains and high winds that had smashed the Pacific coast dwindled today and rivers began to catch up with the watershed accumulated by nearly three months of rain.

Winds that had churned up the ocean into huge waves, tearing a cabin cruiser and several smaller boats from their moorings and beaching them in Southern California, died down and no more heavy weather was expected until the weekend.

THIS DAY

Born

To Mr. and Mrs. Arne Lund, Star Rt. 1, Box 63, a son, at the Bremerton Private hospital, March 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bromley Williams, Rt. 1, a son, March 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hagadorn, 1432 Marlowe ave., a son, March 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnes of Seattle a daughter, at the Naval hospital, March 4.

Marriage License Applications

Allen Mulford Gross, 20, Bremerton, and Cella Ruth Beigh, 20, Bremerton.

Vessels In Port

U.S.S. Pyro.
U.S.S. Saratoga.
U.S.S. Oriole.
U.S.S. California.
U.S.C.G.C. Hoist.
U.S.S. Henley.
U.S.S. Helm.
U.S.S. Blue.
U.S.S. Bagley.
U.S.C.G.C. Cyane.
U.S.C.G.C. Alabama.
U.S.C.G.C. Ariadne.
U.S.C.G.C. Perseus.
U.S.S. Heywood.
U.S.S. Enterprise.
U.S.C.G.C. Aurora.

Tides for Thursday

First low—4:43 a.m., 0.7 ft.; first high—9:54 a.m., 9.4 ft.; second low—5:19 p.m., 1.6 ft.

U. S. TO OBTAIN PANAMA BASES

PANAMA CITY, March 5.—(UP)—The Republic of Panama agreed today to grant sites for air and anti-aircraft bases to the U. S. for defense of the Panama Canal.

The announcement was made in a manifesto to the nation by President Arnulfo Arias.

The U. S. had been reported for some time to be negotiating with Panamanian officials for strategic base sites outside the Canal Zone.

RFC TO FINANCE TWO L. I. D. JOBS

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation of the federal government has agreed to finance Local Improvement Districts 212 and 214 in the city of Bremerton, it was learned today.

The city commissioners today passed two resolutions accepting the financing arrangement as proposed by the R.F.C.

The R.F.C. will loan $18,000 for 212 and $22,000 for 214, and the L.I.D. bonds will be issued bearing 4 per cent interest.

Financing by the federal agency was sought when the bonds on the proposed districts could not be disposed of by the city. The areas are somewhat thinly settled at present.

L.I.D. 212 calls for the clearing, grubbing, grading, surfacing with gravel and oiling of the following streets and avenues: Ohio ave. from 13th st. to Washington Narrows; Lincoln ave. from 13th to 15th; Chester ave. from 11th to 15th; 14th and 15th sts. from Ohio east to Chester. The program also calls for cutting through of 17th st. from High east to Ohio, the construction of a five-foot sidewalk on the west side of Chester ave. from 11th to 13th and the erection of a retaining wall on 12th st.

L.I.D. 214 provides for installation of sewers on the above named streets and avenues.

HIT-RUN DRIVER JUDGED GUILTY

Arthur Olson, 47, Silverdale, was found guilty of both reckless driving and hit-run driving in police court yesterday and sentenced on both counts.

He was fined $100 and costs on the reckless driving charge and given a 30-day suspended county jail sentence on the count of hit-run. Olson was arrested Saturday after he left the scene of an accident near the Blue Moon. His machine collided with one driven by C. Hugh Ryan, who captured him and held him until the arrival of a state patrol officer.

Auto Strikes Bridge; Soldier Dies, 8 Hurt

ROY, Wash. March 5.—(UP)—Thomas E. Ingalls, 20, Detroit, Mich., was killed and eight soldier companions were injured when an automobile in which they were riding left the road and crashed into a bridge bulkhead near here today.

All nine were enlisted men from company M, 15th infantry, at Fort Lewis. Charles E. Muinix, 20, was driving the car. The eight injured men were rushed to the Fort Lewis hospital.

Furniture Firms Will Show Models at Westpark Site

Above is shown the floor-plan of the single family house, designed to accommodate six persons, which are being erected in numbers at Westpark. The story below tells additional facts about the houses, which will be ready for occupancy May 9.

With a few of the Westpark units nearing completion, plans are being made by a number of furniture and house furnishing firms to demonstrate the latest modes in furnishing moderate-priced homes. These firms have been granted permission by the Bremerton Housing Authority to hold open house in certain completed units on the project for the information of prospective tenants. An attendant will be assigned by each of these firms to its model unit to show the most artistic and economical ways of furnishing a home and to give helpful advice to the visiting public.

Each unit will be furnished by the Authority with a refrigerator, gas range, oil heating unit, water heater, and linoleum on the kitchen and bathroom floors.

The single-family unit or house has three bedrooms, living room, kitchen, dinette, utility and bath rooms. The duplex house has two units of practically the same arrangement except that it has only two bedrooms, while the four-family house has only one bedroom to each unit. Besides these main rooms there are many closets and built-in convenience.

The exteriors of the houses are to be decorated to harmonize with the landscaping, but there will be no uniform color scheme on the house designed to house six persons, is shown in the accompanying sketch.

BEATEN BANDITS FLEE, BUT STEAL $30,000 IN GEMS

CHICAGO, March 5.—(UP)—Four bandits walked into the Loop jewelry store of Hyman Horwitz, flashed their pistols and ordered the employes into a back room.

Horwitz reached up and pulled a brass handle that set off the burglar alarm. His wife, Beatrice, dashed to the safe and locked it. When one of the bandits prodded her with a gun, she screamed and pummeled him with her fists.

The bandits fled. In the corridor they met Louis Rose, Chicago salesman for Meyer Coulish, New York City wholesale jewelers. They snatched his brief case containing jewelry worth $30,000. Rose fainted.

'Handyman' Pleads Guilty in City Case

Horace R. Smith, 43, 1901 15th st., was given a suspended sentence of a $50 fine and costs when he pleaded guilty to violation of a city plumbing ordinance in police court today.

Smith, who reportedly admitted that he was a "handyman and not a plumber by trade," was arrested on complaint of City Plumbing Inspector Louis E. Bradley, who asserted that Smith had installed a faulty plumbing job in the west end. The sentence was suspended on the condition that Smith leave town.

Wallace Is Named To Planning Body

Merrill Wallace, Bremerton attorney, was today appointed executive secretary of the Bremerton planning commission by the city commissioners.

He replaces Monte Snow, who resigned to accept a post with the Bremerton Housing Authority.

STATE BUDGET AT 225 MILLION

OLYMPIA, March 5.—(UP)—The state's $225,000,000 budget for the 1941-43 biennium was filed officially today by the senate appropriations committee and probably will be voted on by the senate tomorrow.

Study of the record-breaking budget was completed by the committee Monday, but its submission to the senate was delayed while it was being retyped. The budget for the present biennium totaled only $206,000,000, exclusive of "paper reappropriations."

Largest item in the budget was $71,546,976 for social security, compared with $43,000,000 provided for this biennium. The increase was made necessary by passage of initiative 141, boosting old age pensions to $40 per month. The legislature is expected to increase the sales tax from two to three per cent to meet this bill.

Included in the social security budget was $57,475,064 for the old age pension division for pensions and medical care, $6,250,000 for general assistance, approximately $6,000,000 for dependent children and $1,000,000 for the blind.

The critical report filed against Secretary of State Belle Reeves

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Bremerton Sketches — By WILL DANCH

"It's all right, chief! It's just to remind me to give Attorney Fred Moore my best wishes on the birthday he's celebrating!"

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