

Boys' Clubs Are Collecting Paper

NEW YORK, Friday, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Three hundred thousand members of the Boys' Clubs of America, the organization announced yesterday, are participating in a campaign to salvage waste paper in 360 cities and towns. The defense effort was being conducted on a door-to-door basis.

Defense Stamps Urged As Seals

TACOMA, Friday, Dec. 19.—(AP)—A Tacoma Chamber of Commerce member suggested that the government issue five-cent defense stamps to be sold for use on letters like Christmas seals. The chamber thought the idea was worth passing along. It submitted the supplementary fund-raising proposal to the Internal Revenue Office.

LAKE BRIDGE USE BOOSTED 52 PCT.

A 52 per cent increase in the number of vehicles crossing the Lake Washington Bridge last month, as compared with November of 1940, was reported by the Washington State Toll Bridge Authority today.

Vehicles using the bridge last month totaled 142,109, while in the same month last year they numbered 93,544.

Revenue for the month showed a 50 per cent increase—\$4,463.53 against \$2,973.37. The number of passenger automobiles jumped from 83,855 to 127,777, and the number of extra passengers from 90,954 to 137,029.

The number of vehicles crossing the bridge in the 153 days of operation to November 30 was 819,622, compared with 638,478 for the same period of 1940. The daily average for the two periods were 5,357 this year and 4,200 last year.

NUTS AND JOLTS



Col. Muhlenberg Confined During Probe of Speeches

(See Page 16 for wirephoto) By Associated Press. COLUMBUS, Ohio, Friday, Dec. 19.—A retiring Army officer was confined to his quarters today during an investigation into recent speeches in which he commented on the Japanese attack on Hawaii.

Maj. Gen. Daniel Van Voorhis, Fifth Corps Area commander, ordered the action, an area spokesman said, against Col. H. Kress Muhlenberg, former commander of Hickam Field in Hawaii and formerly at the University of Washington.

Colonel Muhlenberg told the Curtiss Flying Club here Wednesday night that the only reason the United States did not lose the Hawaiian Islands in the initial attack by Japan was that the Japanese were too stupid to concentrate their forces.

The colonel also declared that the American people should not hunt "goats" because they themselves adopted a program of sending planes all over the world instead of keeping aircraft where most needed.

Colonel Muhlenberg is on leave pending retirement. A Fort Hayes spokesman explained that Colonel Muhlenberg, although nearing retirement, was subject to the War Department's laws concerning public utterances of Army officers.

The Army officer told the flying club the Navy was of secondary importance now; that air power was most essential.

Colonel Muhlenberg pictured the Philippines as an economic asset and military liability to the United States, but termed Hawaii both an economic and military asset.

Thousands of Japanese, he added, have entered the Philippines with the sole intent of taking over the islands for their country.

Muhlenberg Planned To Make Seattle Home. Outspoken Col. Henry C. Kress Muhlenberg, who is confined to his quarters at Columbus, Ohio, pending investigation by which he commented on the Pearl Harbor attack, has been expected to return soon to Seattle, his former home, to reestablish his Laurelhurst District residence.

Colonel Muhlenberg notified friends here recently, when he received his orders to retire, that he would return.

As head of the Air Service division of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at the University of Washington, Colonel Muhlenberg, then a major, landed the first airplane on Sand Point October 8, 1921. He flew from Fort Lewis, then Camp Lewis, in a Curtiss biplane to the site of the present huge Naval Air Station.

Colonel Muhlenberg was instructor in the School of Aeronautics at the University from 1920 to 1929, except for a short period in 1923 and 1924. He also is a former assistant professor of military science there.

In 1927, shortly before taking command of the Air Corps Reserve at Sand Point, the colonel criticized the obsolete planes then based at the field and declared, "The airplane at Sand Point should be junked." He crusaded over a period of several years for development of the Air Station and increases in the numbers and types of its planes.

Two Listed as Dead In Spokane Crash. SPOKANE, Friday, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The Honolulu in a dispatch from its Washington correspondent today, said the War Department had announced as separate items the death of Capt. Eugene Dimitry Zadontseff, Air Corps Reserve, and 1st Lieut. Elbert Dotterer Hoffman, Air Corps, in a plane crash near here Wednesday.

The press officer making the announcement did not say whether the two listed were the only casualties or not.

ALIENS TAKEN TO INTERNMENT

Between 50 and 60 of the 158 enemy aliens arrested here last week in a round-up by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, already have been transferred to internment camps from detention quarters of the immigration station it was learned today.

Some of the aliens, were sent to Fort Missoula, Mont., and another group was transferred to an undisclosed camp. It was understood that those transferred were believed the most dangerous.

The group sent from Seattle included only Japanese and German nationals.

Witness Told To Speak Truth At Defense Quiz

WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Chairman Truman, Democrat, Missouri, and Senator Hatch, Democrat, New Mexico, of the Senate defense investigating committee clashed yesterday with an official of the Empire Ordnance Company who denied he paid Charles West, former interior undersecretary, for influence with the government.

"You don't speak frankly, plainly, and I think, truthfully," Hatch told Frank Cohen, treasurer and financial organizer of the Empire Company and the Savannah Shipyard Corporation.

Cohen had testified that West was paid last fall to aid Dan Duffy of Cleveland, Empire attorney, and for a few months early this year to head the Washington office of the shipyard company, but was not expected to "fix" any government agency.

"Why, of course it's contracts and of course it's influence you wanted to get," Hatch declared, urging the witness to "be frank" with the committee.

In response to this outburst, Cohen said he was sorry Hatch had received an incorrect impression, adding that he was seeking to give the committee a full and accurate picture of his transactions with the government.

"That's your story, and if you want to believe it," Hatch said, "go ahead and hypnotize yourself."

Washington, remarked Cohen, "Apparently your outfit is being favored against others."

TRAILER-HOMES CONTRACT IS LET

Award of a \$500,000 government order for 500 trailers to be used at Bremerton and other defense areas to a Los Angeles trailer firm was reported today by the Associated Press.

The trailers will house defense workers. The Bremerton Housing Authority expects 300 of the trailers and now is negotiating for a site, or sites, to install such portable housing units.

City Receives \$35 Tax; Puzzle: Whom to Thank

An anonymous taxpayer sent \$35 to City Treasurer H. L. Collier yesterday, with the following note: "This is City of Seattle money. It does not belong to me, so I return it." It was signed "Taxpayer." There was no return address.

Collier said office employees recalled a teller was \$35 short in his balance one day several years ago, but it was not known whether the teller would account for that. The teller made up the shortage out of his own pocket in that instance.

At any rate, the city is \$35 richer and does not know whom to thank for it.

Steady Prices Asked On Glass, Silverware

WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 19. Leon Henderson, price administrator, today asked manufacturers of china, glass, lamps, lampshades, watches and silverware not to raise prices on items above the level of December 1.

Silver foxes are raised by approximately 3,000 farmers in Ontario.

To relieve the economic distress among small farmers, Argentina will grant them loans.

Sherman & Clay advertisement for a Zenith radio phonograph. Features include: 1624 Fourth Avenue—MA. 7580, A BEAUTIFUL FULLY AUTOMATIC RADIO PHONOGRAPH, THE NEW 1942 ZENITH. Includes an image of the radio phonograph.

Sherman & Clay advertisement for a vacuum cleaner. Features include: VALUE \$19.95 PRICED, Your chance to own a really fine fully automatic combination in a graceful 18th Century cabinet. Includes a list of features and contact information.

Ernst Hardware advertisement for a vacuum cleaner. Features include: Hurry! You Can Still Buy a UNIVERSAL For Only \$19.95, Saving sensation of the season!, This is a NEW vacuum, not a rebuilt! Universal quality and complete with motor-driven brush. Includes an image of the vacuum cleaner.

Six Killed As Bomb-Laden Plane Crashes

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Friday, Dec. 19.—(AP)—A bomb-laden Army plane crashed and exploded near the Muroc Dry Lake bombing range yesterday, killing two Army lieutenants and four enlisted men.

Coroner N. C. Houze of Kern County identified the victims as: Lieut. Don Work, 25 years old, pilot; Lieut. Theodore Richards, 23, co-pilot; Frank S. Rao, 20, New York; T. J. Kennedy, 21, New York; J. J. Lucian, 20, New York; Alfred Legenhausen, 22, New Jersey.

Persons several miles from the scene said they heard the explosion.

Army Flyers Hunt Plane of Gen. Dargue. SAN FRANCISCO, Friday, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Flyers from Hamilton Field and every other Army air base in the state scouted the valleys and mountains of interior California today for some trace of an Army transport plane, missing for a week with Maj. Gen. Herbert A. Dargue and seven companions aboard.

The search, pursued in the face of generally unfavorable weather, centered northward from Palmdale, in Los Angeles County, through the 7,500-foot Tehachapi Range and into the San Joaquin Valley.

With the general aboard the transport were: Col. Charles W. Bundy and Lieut. Col. George W. Elcker, both of the General Staff; Maj. Hugh F. McCaffery of Mitchell Field; Capt. J. G. Leavitt, Los Angeles, 1st Lieut. Homer C. Burns, Spokane; Staff Serg. Sta. and Lt. Hoffman, Charleston, Pa., and Pvt. Samuel J. Van Ham, Jr., Twin Falls, Idaho.

Boiling Coffee Douses Flame; Gas Kills Man. Daniel Zircianoff, a hair stylist, was found dead in his apartment at 502 E. Pine St. at 4:25 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The Fire Department was summoned to apply artificial respiration, but efforts to revive the man were unsuccessful. Firemen said a coffee pot on the gas stove had boiled, extinguishing the flame, and the room was filled with gas fumes.

Coroner Otto H. Mittelstadt today was seeking relatives.

23 Judges Named to Select Outdoor Yule Tree Winners

A board of twenty-three judges who will tour Seattle's 1941 Christmas Tree Trail, to select winners of The Seattle Times Outdoor Christmas Tree Contest, was announced today by Mrs. Thomas G. Green, Jr., chairman of the Seattle Garden Club committee in charge of the contest judging.

Meanwhile, contest entries picked up to the point they had reached before the outbreak of war, December 7. Many individuals, clubs and churches were sending in their entries, planning their displays and lighting their trees as Christmas Week approached. Deadline for entries is next Wednesday night, Christmas Eve.

Preliminary judges, who will meet at The Times Friday evening, December 26, before starting their first automobile tours of the Christmas Tree Trail, are: Mrs. Harry L. Stinson, president of the Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs; Mrs. C. W. Swift, president of the Lake Washington Garden Club; Mrs. Arthur Hussey, president of the West Seattle Garden Club; Mrs. Carl Ballard, first vice president of the Seattle Garden Club.

Miss Camille Moore, Mrs. Fredric Hansen, Mrs. Thomas Balmer, Mrs. Eunice Curtis and Mrs. Alexander Hepler, all experts on flower arrangement and garden planning. J. Lister Holmes and Arthur L. Lovelace, architects; Richard Anderson, photographer; Noble Hoggson and O. E. Holmdahl, landscape architects; Hector Escobosa, department store executive; Ray Guasti, florist; Lyman Day Morgan, illuminating engineer; and Thomas F. Gleed, former president of the Arboretum Foundation.

Final judges who will visit district preliminary winners to decide the all-city winners of cups, plaques and honorable-mention blue ribbons, are Dr. Walter Moore, Dr. John T. Hanley, University of Washington Arboretum director; Mrs. McMillan Fringile, Mrs. Henry C. Field, president of the Seattle Garden Club, and Mrs. Frank C. Reed, civic affairs chairman of the club.

Decisions of the judges will be final. Winners will be announced as soon as possible after the judges' tours of the city.

Anyone who ever took part in the 14-year-old tradition, either as an entrant or as a judge, will tell you the contest is one of the finest Christmas customs in Seattle from the standpoint of the sheer enjoyment participants, and those who view their handiwork, get out of it.

Sunday The Times will present advice from experts—but in words of few syllables—on the decoration and illumination of trees, to help you plan your display.

And if you have hesitated to enter, for fear this isn't a Christmas for keeping one's corner bright, what with the war and all, be assured by the White House if you can't take our assurance: President and Mrs. Roosevelt, the Associated Press said today, are going right ahead with plans for the annual tree-lighting ceremony on the White House grounds. That means the nation's No. 1 trees will be lighted Christmas Eve for the duration of Christmas Week—so why not yours?

More entrants: Mr. and Mrs. John Rushka, 141 N. 77th St.; Magnolia Post No. 123, American Legion, west end of Garfield Street Bridge; A. C. (Jack) Boles, 2314 Angeline St.; Waldo B. Thomas, 3711 Carr Place; C. F. Lloyd-Young, 4715 Beacon Ave.; R. L. DeWart, 2506 Warren Ave.; Mrs. J. R. Blunt, 3915 48th Place N. E.; B. A. Mikkelsen, 4832 45th Ave. S. W.; Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Kerns, 6756 17th Ave. N. W.; Edwin James (14th year), 4730 Latona Ave.; George W. Huddleston, 4854 Beacon Ave.; Mrs. H. Cottrell, 1908 E. Madison St.; Mrs. Christian Dameroy, 3513 Magnolia Blvd.; Alfred Rode, 3757 Ridgeway Place; A. Lindquist, 2133 N. 61st St.

DAM BAR advertisement for roasted peanuts, caramel, and chocolate. Features include: EVERYONE LIKES THE DELICIOUS DAM BAR, ROASTED PEANUTS, DELICIOUS CARAMEL, SWEET CHOCOLATE, Only 5¢.

Rocky Quintets Face Hoop Tourney advertisement. Features include: BILLINGS, Mont., Friday, Dec. 19.—(AP)—A two-night college basketball carnival will open here tonight with teams of Montana State University, Wyoming University and Brigham Young University competing.

Ernst Hardware advertisement for a vacuum cleaner. Features include: ONLY \$19.95, Come in for a Demonstration.

Sherman & Clay advertisement for Columbia Records. Features include: Give diversion, pleasure and lasting enjoyment on phonograph records! All the musical enjoyment you want when you want it!, Famous Concertos, Vocal Favorites, In a lighter vein, Charge your COLUMBIA Records—here, An Ideal Gift for your music-loving friends is a SHERMAN, CLAY GIFT ORDER.