

# 36 DACHAU CAMP BEASTS DOOMED TO HANG

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## The Weather

Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; fog in morning, with continued cold.

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## No Peace Sign Seen in Auto Strike Status

### Truman's Intervention Gives Hope of Agreement Between Union, Big Three

CLEVELAND, Dec. 13.—(AP)—General Motors Corp. today petitioned Common Pleas Court for an injunction to restrain pickets of the CIO United Auto Workers from blockading entrances to the corporation's Fisher Body plant here.

The UAW's Cleveland local and 30 officers and members were named as defendants. A hearing will be held tomorrow.

(By the Associated Press) The lone and bitter wage dispute between the CIO United Auto Workers Union and the automotive industry's "Big Three" continued today without any indication of immediate settlement.

There was more hope, however, that intervention of President Truman in the 23-day old strike at General Motors might hasten efforts of the union and the company to reach an agreement.

Union officials have expressed the belief a settlement with either General Motors, Ford Motor Company or Chrysler Corporation would set a pattern which would aid in solving disputes with the others.

Today's negotiations by the union were with General Motors. Other union officials, their demand for a 30 per cent wage rate increase rejected by Ford yesterday, mapped further plans for discussions at tomorrow's conference.

### Picketing at Issue

Today's union-GM session was to be confined largely to discussion of the company's charge of "illegal picketing" at some of the more than 70 strike-bound plants where 23,000 workers have been idle since Nov. 21.

President Truman's appointment (Continued on page 8.)

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

There are two moderately interesting developments in the world news.

1. The (Chungking) Chinese Central News Agency reports that an agreement has been reached with Russia to permit Chinese government troops to fly into Manchuria (in U. S. planes, presumably) to TAKE OVER Manchuria's most strategic cities.

2. Indonesian (native) leaders threaten to use both POISON and arms to resist military restoration of Dutch sovereignty in Java.

The Chinese announcement indicates, if true, a deal by which Russia will back Chungking as the unifier of China. We must be in on the deal—although, of course, nobody will tell us anything.

Naturally (assuming that it has happened) it is a TRADE. What Chungking may have given in return for Russian backing is undisclosed. Russia is normally (Continued on page 2)

## House Approves Bill Aimed at Labor Rackets

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(AP)—The House yesterday passed and sent to the Senate legislation applying the 1934 anti-racketeering act to labor unions. The measure, bitterly opposed by organized labor, was sent to the Senate, which once previously refused to pass a similar House-approved bill. Labor supporters said they were confident they could win in the Senate.

Their optimism was summed up by Rep. Marcanonio who told reporters:

"There isn't any question that we can stop it in the Senate."

Direct outgrowth of a 1942 Supreme Court decision setting aside the conviction of a local New York Teamsters union on charges of conspiracy to violate the 1934 law, the bill would bring union activities within the scope of that act if they constituted "robbery or extortion."

Conviction would be punishable by as much as 20 years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine.

It strikes from the 1934 law a ban against its application to labor organization "lawfully carrying out the legitimate objectives" of unions, and removes a section exempting wages paid by a bona fide employer to a bona fide employee, from the definition of "property" or "money."

## Jap Sub Commander Witness Against McVay

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Iko Hashimoto, a Japanese submarine commander, flown here from Tokyo, told a Navy court-martial today his ship fired three torpedoes into a "dark object" which it sighted 290 miles from Palau on the night of July 29-30.

Hashimoto was admitted as a witness despite vigorous objection by defense counsel for Capt. Charles B. McVay, III, being tried on charges of negligence and inefficiency in the loss of his cruiser, the Indianapolis, that night en route from Guam to Leyte.

The court admitted the Japanese officer as a witness after ruling it was proper to subject him to a double oath. He was given both the standard oath prescribed by U. S. Naval procedure, as well as that used in Japanese court-martial.

## Ship Magnate Gives One Division to 3 Employees

NEW BRUNSWICK, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Andrew J. Higgins, Sr., president of Higgins Industries, Inc., announced today the company's appliance division had been given to three employees "to show that management appreciates loyalty and efficiency."

Higgins said he gave the appliance division to J. C. Cray, L. V. Busenlener and W. H. Bramble, present operating heads of the division. Cray said no cash changed hands in the deal.

The new company will distribute appliances formerly handled by the organization while it was a Higgins unit.

## Continuance of Price Controls Advocated

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Price controls should be continued until the supply of consumer goods and services more closely approaches the demand, even if the controls have to be extended beyond next June 30, E. L. Peterson, state director of agriculture, said today.

He said failure to extend the price controls would be a "national calamity" with agriculture being hurt the worst.

## Pearl Harbor Raid Preceded By an Alert

### Definite Order Sent to Gen. Short, Gen. Marshall Angriely Tells Probers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Gen. George C. Marshall, flustered with anger, asserted today the Army commander in Hawaii was given a "definite" alert order before the Japanese attack December 7, 1941, and that he felt he could expect it would be carried out.

Marshall testified before the Senate-House Committee investigating the attack. Previously the investigators had learned that Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, the Hawaiian commander, established only an anti-sabotage alert in response to a warning message November 27 from Washington.

The former Army chief of staff flared up under persistent questioning about information given to overseas commanders in the last few days before the Pearl Harbor attack plunged this nation into war.

"General Short was given definite direction," Marshall said. "He was given an alert order. I still feel that when you give a command to a high officer you expect it to be carried out."

## Change in Timber Program Offered

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Small lumber operators here are proposing a revision of the sustained yield program outlined at a government public hearing here Dec. 3.

The program, suggested by the O. & C. Revested Lands Administration, would give lumber owners who agree to balance cutting with timber growth prior rights on government timber. Eight million acres of intermingled private and public lands are involved.

A group of 60 to 70 small operators, who object to allowing only timber owners in the area to buy the government timber, proposed these changes:

1. A government bureau should be set up to classify the conservation practices of every operator, and operators with the best conservation record be given priority in buying government timber.

2. Anyone cutting small second-growth would be ineligible to buy government timber for five years.

3. Override timber should be cut first.

4. Government timber should not be restricted until the war emergency ends and all veterans have homes.

## More Operators Boost CIO Wages to Parity

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—CIO lumber workers in the Western Washington and Columbia Basin district were granted an additional 21-cent-an-hour pay increase in re-negotiations completed last night by Big Fir operators and agents for the CIO-IWA locals.

The increase raises the previous 21-cent raise to 15 cents and puts the CIO-managed mills in line on parity with AFL operations.

The agreement establishes a five-day week, two weeks' vacation with pay and a voluntary check-off of dues and assessments.

The pay boost is retroactive to Nov. 1 and must be formally indorsed by the operators and the CIO locals before effective.

## \$50,000 Cash Stolen From Portland Home

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—A \$50,000 theft from a Portland residence—largest cash loot on record here—was reported today after the owner and an acquaintance had determined extent of their losses.

Police said a safe weighing 175 pounds had been removed from behind a hidden panel in a closet at the home of Ruth Barnett, Portland naturologist, Dec. 6 while the woman was away.

Dr. Barnett said she lost \$10,000 in cash, and a friend, Earl Bush, Coos Bay pinball game operator, \$40,000. Police said floor markings indicated the safe was taken out the front door of the home.

## Two Army Fliers Die in Crash in Eastern Oregon

SPOKANE, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Geiger Field authorities announced today that the wreckage of a plane found yesterday near Moro, Ore., was that of an Army trainer which had been missing since Tuesday evening on a flight from Lemoore, Calif., Army air field.

Dead in the crash were two men from Geiger Field, Lt. Chester W. Clafin, of Worcester, Mass., and Sgt. Ralph E. Baiser of Chicago.

## Douglas County Still Far Short Of E Bond Goal

Douglas County still is short of its Series E bond quota in the Victory Loan campaign by \$66,318.75, it was announced today.

\$81.25, as compared with a quota of \$375,000. The county is well over-subscribed in every other department of the campaign. All series except E bonds were closed Dec. 8, but all E bond purchases through the month of December will be credited to the county's quota.

Four names were added today to the county's "One Grand" Club and one name to the "Limit" Club.

New members of the "One Grand" Club, purchasers of bonds in denominations of \$1,000 or more, were James H. Bossard and Mrs. Lula C. Gorrell, Roseburg; Jug Vast and E. T. Stenseth, Yoncalla.

Dr. Lester M. Leibrach became a member of the "Limit" Club, composed of purchasers of the \$5,000 maximum amount of E bonds to any one individual.

## Whipping of Boys to Be Probed by Legislators

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—State Senator Frank Hilton said today he would convene the State Legislature's interim committee on state institutions to conduct an investigation of whipping of Woodburn State Training School inmates.

The Portland legislator said he and State Representative Jack Bain, Multnomah-Clackamas district, were not satisfied with a state board of control secretary's report in which whipping of two boys was declared justified.

Hilton said the committee would interview the two boys involved and also W. H. Runyan, 70, who complained of the severe whippings given the boys while he was working at the school.

Roy Mills, control board secretary, reported he believed the whippings justified under the circumstances and that the two boys had stated they considered their treatment was not harsh.

## Give M'Arthur Free Hand, Investigator's Advice

SPOKANE, Dec. 13.—(AP)—General Douglas MacArthur should be given "a chance to work out his present difficult problems with full support and without any interference," Dr. Karl Compton, president of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said here last night.

Reviewing his trip to Tokyo as an investigating team of scientists, Dr. Compton said General MacArthur's program in Japan "has thus far succeeded beyond the most optimistic expectation."

"I should hope that he may be given a free hand, because the situation is too complicated to be safely handled at this critical stage by divided management or conflicting policies."

"If we do this I do not believe that we will one day wake up to find we have 'lost the peace' in Japan."

## Two Victory Queens of Oregon Are Selected

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Two pretty and talented Oregon girls, named Victory Queens of Eastern and Western Oregon from candidates in a state-wide bond selling campaign, leave here tomorrow for Hollywood and a chance at a screen career.

Miss Betty Sullivan, Portland dancer, and Miss Mary Ann Smith, La Grande, were chosen last night as Miss Western Oregon and Miss Eastern Oregon.

At the filmland capital they will meet screen stars and guests with seven other girls from four Western states at a round of entertainment planned in their honor. All of the Victory Queens will be given screen tests and one awarded a year's contract with a major Hollywood studio.

## Jap Mother of Slain Tot Committed to Hospital

KLAMATH FALLS, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Mrs. Shagene Fudetani, 28-year-old Japanese whose child was found slain at the Tulelake WRA center a week ago, was Tuesday committed from Alturas to the state hospital at Stockton as an incompetent person.

The order was not involved with a murder charge. Modoc authorities said, WRA officials reported the woman had not been normal since last Wednesday, when she was discovered in the family apartment with the body of her 3-year-old daughter, Violet, who had been killed with a hammer.

A coroner's jury failed to name the suspected slayer of the child.

## House Price Ceiling Plan Facing Fight

### Truman's Proposal Not Workable, Real Estate Men, Builders Declare

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Administration-endorsed legislation to fix price ceilings on new and existing houses ran into stiff opposition today.

The most outspoken criticism of the proposed control program approved by President Truman came from real estate circles.

On Capitol Hill, a spot check of the House Banking Committee considering the price-fixing legislation disclosed that a number of members believe Mr. Truman already has sufficient authority to deal with the housing problem.

This sentiment was echoed by the National Association of Home Builders, which said the imminent restoration of building materials to a priorities system made price ceilings unnecessary.

### Plan Held 'Unworkable'

Frank W. Cortwright, executive vice-president of the association, said his organization would continue to oppose ceilings "as unrealistic and unworkable, and a stumbling block to solving the housing problem."

He told a reporter Mr. Truman's program for channeling 50 per cent of all building materials to residential dwellings costing \$10,000 or less would help keep (Continued on page 6)



DETERMINED YET STOPPED BY PICKETS—Picket is led away by a policeman following a flareup of violence when Kenneth Simon, Oakland, Calif., recently discharged 8th Air Force gunner, tried to cross a picket line to report for work at the strike-bound Bethlehem shipyard in Alameda, Calif. Simon (arrow), reporting for his first day on the job, had his jacket ripped off and his luffa thrown on the ground before police rescued him.

## Turkey Pickers Vie at Show

### Mrs. B. Shrum Is Top Winner, Seven Minutes, 29 Seconds; Election Deferred by Assn.

Six turkeys, with wings wildly flapping, were bled and picked clean in a contest that was part of yesterday afternoon's program at the Northwestern Turkey Show. The winner was Mrs. Bertha Shrum who finished in seven minutes, 29 seconds. She received the \$10 award.

Other winners were Mrs. Mary Oakley, who finished in seven minutes, 34 seconds, \$5 award; Mrs. Stella Hill, nine minutes, 10 seconds, \$2 award; and Mrs. Ethel Johnson, 10 minutes, 38 seconds, \$1 award.

Mrs. Lora Kester, 10 minutes, 35 seconds, and Mrs. Hannah Roach, 11 minutes, five seconds, failed to place. Although Mrs. Kester finished three seconds before Mrs. Johnson, the latter's bird was considered more skillfully picked than Mrs. Kester's.

Judges in the contest were Rav Conyers, Turlock, Calif.; Roy Medley, Oakland; Lawrence Michaels, Canyonville, and Homer Grow, Roseburg.

The rubber-aproned women were splattered with blood soon after the initial shower of feathers and down. The women are employed in a local poultry house, and their skill indicated they had picked many a bird in their time.

## Grand Champion Named

Earl Strong, Oakland grower, won the Grand Championship for standard classes in the live division, this morning. Grand championships in the utility classes and dressed division, and of the whole show, will be chosen this afternoon.

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## U. S. Invites 14 Nations To World Trade Confab

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(AP)—The United States has invited 14 of the world's key trading nations to a "roundtable" discussion designed to cut down tariff barriers and begin the task of expanding world trade.

Countries accepting the invitation will be those prepared to begin detailed negotiations on steps to promote world trade as agreed to by the British and American governments last week in connection with a projected \$4,000,000,000 credit to England.

## Jap Woman "Lectures" Yankees, Jap Maidens

HOKKAIDO, Japan, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Two American women and six U. S. soldiers, invited to attend a session of the Mitsui Social Club, were told by one Japanese woman today:

"Present fraternization is not so good. A purer and nobler relationship between American soldier and Japanese maidens is to be hoped for. Such fraternization should be supervised by mothers."

## Jobless Pay Doubles

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Oregon's unemployment load has doubled each month since the end of the war, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission said today.

The commission said it expects more than 150,000 claims for compensation to be filed each month until late spring.

## Four Others Sentenced to Prison Terms

### 5 Doctors, 3 Prisoners Who Aided Them Among Atrocity Perpetrators

DACHAU, Dec. 13.—(AP)—A U. S. military court today sentenced 36 officials and guards at the notorious Dachau concentration camp to death by hanging for the murder, torture and starvation of thousands of the camp's inmates.

Another defendant was sentenced to life imprisonment and three others were sentenced to terms of 10 years each.

The 40 defendants were convicted yesterday by the military tribunal, which debated only 90 minutes before bringing in its verdict. Among those convicted were five camp doctors and three prisoners who had collaborated with the S.S.

Witnesses at the trial said that 5,000 Jews were killed at Dachau, that inmates were brutally beaten, that naked men were immersed in ice water for experiments and that some men were sent to the crematory while still alive.

The camp was the most notorious and most feared of the concentration camps set up by the Nazis for political prisoners. The men who operated the horror camp received their sentences calmly for the most part, only a few showing any change of expression.

### Spared From Gallows

The life sentence went to Peter Betz, a guard, against whom there was little evidence of personal cruelty. Ten-year terms were given Hugo Lausterer, who was said by witnesses to have been kind to prisoners; Albin Gretscher, who was drafted into the S.S. and against whom no personal accusations of cruelty were made; and Johann Schoepf, who was drafted from the Romanian (Continued From Page 1)

## Two Die in Crash Near Camp Adair

CORVALLIS, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—The death toll of a two-car head-on collision last night near Camp Adair rose to two today with the death of Mrs. Kenneth Dahl of La Grande several hours after the crash.

Killed almost instantly in the crash was Mary Louise Reeves of Salem, civilian office worker at Camp Adair.

Some of the seven others injured were reported in serious condition at the Navy hospital but no details were released.

Mrs. Dahl was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parke Eckman of Corvallis. She is survived by her widower and two small children.

Mrs. Don Eckman of Corvallis and her six-year-old son, Martin were reported by Navy hospital officers to be in critical condition. Signalman First Class Harold E. White, driver of one of the cars, was said to be seriously hurt.

The others injured were not in immediate danger but suffered lacerations and broken bones. They were Delta Peterson of Albany, Dennis Hart, Junita Barton and Martha Baker, all of Salem. The four were civilian employees at the Navy hospital.

## MacArthur Orders Japs to Launch Relief Program

TOKYO, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Election reform legislation revolutionary in Japanese history is expected to be passed by the house of peers probably tomorrow—as a first step toward proportionate representation.

While the diet wrestled with political reform, General MacArthur attacked on the economic front, directing the Japanese government to inaugurate a broad relief program to provide food, clothing, housing, medical care, financial aid and welfare services for unemployed this winter.

The election reform bill would double the electorate, to about 35,000,000 voters, by granting women suffrage and reducing the balloting age to 20 years.

## J. B. McKenna Heads CIO Industrial Council

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—John B. McKenna, president of the Portland Newspaper Guild, today was named as head of the Oregon State Industrial Union Council (CIO) by the council's Balloting Committee.

Others elected include Edwin Starr, Eugene, as a member of the executive board representing the International Woodworkers of America.

## Highlighted by 84 Murders since Japan's Surrender, a Wholesale Crime Wave is Sweeping Tokyo, a Dispatch Reports. This should remove all doubts as to whether democracy is working in the land of the Rising Sun.



1945 CHAMPIONS OF NATION'S 4-H—For leadership in their respective 4-H groups during the year, Donald McKnight, 21, of Street, Md., and Mary Arlene Nelson, 20, of Humboldt, Kan., today hold those gold cups shown with them in picture, as well as \$200 college scholarships. They are among the many winners selected in various contests during the 24th National 4-H Club Congress at Chicago.

**Lovity Fact Rant**  
By L. F. Reizenstein