

### Death Benefits Paid to Vet's Kin

The widow, children and dependent parents of a deceased World War I veteran whose death was due to service may qualify for death compensation paid by the Veterans Administration.

A widow loses her entitlement to VA death compensation if she remarries, and a child loses its entitlement, normally, upon reaching age 18.

Monthly amounts paid vary according to the number and relationship of the dependents. Example: Widow, no children, \$75; one child alone, no widow, \$58; one parent, \$60.

Death compensation is payable regardless of income from other sources.

The widow and children of a deceased World War I veteran who died of causes not due to service, in most cases are entitled to VA death pension benefits. The widow is disqualified if her annual income exceeds \$1,000 or \$2,500 if she has a child or children. A child is not eligible if his or her annual income exceeds \$1,000.

A widow loses her entitlement to VA death pension upon remarriage, and children normally become ineligible when they reach age 18.

A widow alone receives \$42 per month in death pension, with additional allowances for children. Where there is no widow, a single child is entitled to \$21.60 per month, with added amounts for more children.

### The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office Roseburg, Oregon

Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Fair and slightly warmer today, tonight, and Friday. Fog in valleys during morning. Low tonight 18 to 25 degrees. Highest temp. any Jan. 71. Lowest temp. any Jan. -6. Highest temp. yesterday 35. Lowest temp. last night 15. Precipitation from Jan. 1 1.00. Precipitation from Sept. 1 14.67. Deficit from Jan. 1 .93

### Lumber Sales Will Stay High, Official Predicts

TACOMA, Jan. 13. — (AP) — Prediction that lumber production and sales will remain high during the coming year was made here by W. C. Bell of Seattle, managing director of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association, which includes some 625 lumber dealers in Nevada. Speaking to a meeting of Tacoma and Olympia lumbermen, Bell backed his optimism by reference to high employment, high earnings, large savings, need for housing and continued government spending.

### AUTO STOLEN

State Police today reported the theft Wednesday night of a 1936 Ford coach, belonging to William H. Glampe, Myrtle Creek. The car, described as dark gray was taken at Canyonville.

### Hirohito Saved By Joint Staff Chiefs

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that in January, 1946, the members of the joint chiefs of staff were Fleet Admirals William D. Leahy and Chester Nimitz and Generals of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower and H. H. Arnold. One of the many copies of the order which are circulating in Tokyo now was air mailed to defense attorneys in New York who included it as an appendix in the brief filed with the Supreme Court.

### Emperor Had Doubts

Trial evidence showed that Hirohito in the early fall of 1941 became worried as to whether his admirals and generals, then preparing and rehearsing the Pearl Harbor sneak attack, had enough resources to carry out war. They reassured him.

The International Tribunal president, Sir William Webb of Australia, noted the many trails of evidence leading to Hirohito which were never followed up by the prosecution. Sir William pointedly called Chief Prosecutor Joseph B. Keenan's attention to the fact that command responsibility rested with the emperor. Keenan answered that it was the prosecution's theory that the emperor had been held in the power of "gangsters." Sir William remained dissatisfied and since his return to Australia has stated publicly that he thought Hirohito should have been prosecuted as a war criminal.

Japanese know the position of the emperor in the chain of command so well that even to this day speculation continues that he wants to abdicate.

their food you can imagine the results. They burn every scrap of wood they can get their hands on."

The letter concludes that Fu Tso-Yi, nationalist commander, may "force the commies to destroy the most beautiful city in the world to come in and get him cowering in the forbidden city (a part of the old imperial holdings)".

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Jan. 13. — (AP) — This city today offered to serve as the dove of peace in the war between Chinese nationalists and communists.

A peace treaty ending the war between Russia and Japan was signed in this naval port 44 years ago.

The City Council voted last night to acquint the belligerents in China of the city's willingness to be the site for peace negotiations.

### Children Escape Fire By Leaps to Father's Arms

WALTHAM, Mass., Jan. 13. — (AP) — Trapped by fire in second-floor bedrooms, seven children, aged two to seventeen, dropped to their father's arms in safety yesterday after he first had jumped to the ground.

Only Margaret, 11, suffered injury — to her face and one eye — when she slipped through the arms of her father, Edward Brown, 39.

### Legislators Strive To Avoid Long Session

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sions. He said it would raise \$1,500,000 a year. The Isaac Walton League submitted its program. It calls for more game enforcement officers, increased wild life expansion, and a reasonable increase in license fees.

The Oregon State Bar said it plans to sponsor a bill providing that Oregon's laws be printed every two years in only one volume. The laws now are printed every 10 years in 10 volumes.

For Junior College. A University of Oregon Junior College would be created in Portland by a bill introduced by Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, Portland Democrat.

The measure appropriates \$2,000,000 for the new institution. It also provides that no more than \$100,000 could be spent for building at any state higher education institution until the Portland Junior College is completed.

Neuberger said this would mean no higher education building program could be accomplished until the junior college is built.

The junior college would be completed by September, 1950. Courses would be for freshmen and sophomores, and would be the same as those offered at the University of Oregon and Oregon State College. The bill also provides that Vancourt College in Portland must remain open until the proposed junior college is opened. Fortune tellers would be subject to county regulation by a bill introduced by Rep. H. P. Henderson of Eugene. Rep. John Dickson of Portland

filed a bill which would create state license requirements for all engineers. Such licenses would be granted after examinations by an examining board.

Legislation to give quarter horses the same rights under the state pari-mutuel law as thoroughbreds now enjoy, was introduced in the house by Rep. C. L. Llewellyn of Pendleton.

At the Rapid City, S. D., air force base, flyers prepared to make more flights carrying supplies to snowbound Indians and ranchers in Southwestern South Dakota. Hundreds of pounds of

food were to be dropped for children snowbound at three rural schools.

"Operations hay lift" also called for the dropping of a half ton of coal to a rancher, 40 miles units of penicillin to the Pine Ridge government hospital, and two tons of hay to the schools.

Power Pool Periled. In the Pacific northwest, a breakdown of the northwest electrical power pool still threatened. Power conservation measures have been taken by industries and residents.

In many Missouri and Kansas communities, hard hit by ice storms, communications and electric service were on a limited basis. Parsons, Kans., a city of 17,000, received limited restoration of electric power.

There were thousands of wire breaks in the two states and also in Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas.

The mercury was below zero in some parts of Montana and Wyoming today and it was near zero in northern New England.

It was five below at Ephrata, Wash., today. Extreme icing conditions curtailed ferry operations on the Columbia river at several points yesterday and resulted in two minor railroad accidents in Oregon.

At Richland, Wash., workmen struggled to prevent piled up ice from ripping out sections of a new bridge across the Yakima river.

### Cold Stalls Traffic In Lower Umpqua District

Cold weather the past few days has resulted in frozen water pipes in many homes in Reedsport and Gardiner, while road conditions in the vicinity were considered dangerous enough so that school buses operating to the Reedsport and Gardiner schools were started home early Monday afternoon to avoid later icy road surfaces.

Many cars have been stalled because of slippery highways, the worst places apparently being the highway cut just south of Reedsport. There was a scum of ice on upper Smith River Sunday night, between North Fork and Sulphur Springs, and this got more solid Monday night, and prevented the mail and freight boat from completing its run, the boat going only as far as a point below the Ralph Westenhiser ranch.

Captain Lawrence Noel operates the boat, which carries mail and general freight to farmers in that vicinity who have no other way of getting or shipping freight.

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### Chinese Reds Issue Peace Talk Terms

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to mediation by outside powers in China's war. Undersecretary of State Lovett said yesterday that a communication had been received from Chiang Kai-shek's government but declined to say what it was about.

However, press dispatches from Nanking have reported that China was raising the question of possible action by one or more of the big four nations—Britain, France, America and Russia—to try to end the long conflict between Chinese government and Communist forces.

NANKING, Jan. 13. — (AP) — Chinese National troops are taking Peiping's beautiful Inberial palace apart for firewood, an indignation American wrote in a letter received here today. This letter strengthens earlier veiled hints from behind censorship that the troops are engaging in widespread vandalism.

"This incomparable city is being destroyed right in front of our eyes," the American wrote. "Troops are quartered in every public enclosure."

"These poor creatures are not issued an ounce of fuel a day, and in the bitter winter of Peiping and faced with the necessity of finding something with which to cook

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