

### Klan Units Unite To War On Reds

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 30.—(AP)—A newly consolidated Ku Klux Klan—minus the big Georgia group—today set out to lick 1,100 pro-Communist organizations in the United States.

After completing a merger of three Klan groups here yesterday, spokesmen called for active war on Communism and what the Klan called "hate" movements.

The Klan singled out as targets the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, B'Nai B'rith and the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

It called them the kind of groups "designed and intended to stir up racial and religious hate among the minority."

In New York, an official of the Federal council called the Klan statement an absurd charge and said he assumed the issue will be taken care of locally.

An NAACP spokesman pledged continued work toward equal rights for all American citizens "despite the organized bigotry of such groups as the KKK."

While the Klan credited the Roman Catholic church with actively fighting Communism, it advised members against Catholic domination of the fight.

Merged were the Federated Klans of Alabama, the Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and the Association of Carolina Klans. Only Samuel Roper's Association of Georgia Klans remains outside the fold.

The United Klan elected an "emperor" known publicly only as Nathan II.

### Maximum Salaries Set For Rural Teachers

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school principals serving as administrative heads of the districts range from \$4,000 for schools with three teachers on a graduated scale up to \$5,000 for schools of 13 or more teachers.

Band and orchestra instructors' salaries are set at a maximum of \$1,650 on a half time basis, with recommendation that the instructor be a regular faculty member to teach other subjects, if the size of the school warrants.

School clerks' salaries begin with a maximum of \$75 for one teacher districts with \$40 for each additional teacher and a ceiling of \$1,500. An additional \$50 is allowed for 10 months' work, and high school combination under the same board. A maximum of \$50 is allowed for clerks in districts not maintaining schools but transporting students.

No Sick Leave Pay

No allowance is made for teachers' sick leaves, as districts have not adopted a uniform policy. Janitors' salaries range from a maximum of \$270 for one room schools to \$1,800 for five-room schools for 10 months' work, and \$2,400 on a 12-month basis for schools of six to 10 rooms. Helpers may be added for schools of more than 10 rooms.

The policy sets up a standard for purchasing of teaching supplies, text books, janitor supplies, health service of \$2 per pupil, library books, bus drivers' salaries of \$150 a month, other transportation matters, and \$25 per teacher.

er for an emergency fund.

No allowance is made for such items as long distance telephone calls or expenses not connected with operational costs, such as capital outlays and other expenses connected with general control, supervision, teaching, operation, maintenance and repairs and hot lunch programs.

Funds desired by the district over and above the amounts allowable by the rural board must be raised by special levies on the individual districts.

### Street Drives Boost Funds For Polio Cause

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speaker over which thanks to contributors and progress of the drive were broadcast.

Weather Handicap Battled

As the dollar chain lengthened, Jaycees moved to the middle of the street to stop motorists for donations. An impromptu toll system was set up and most motorists gladly "forked over" to aid the cause. This scheme was abandoned shortly after 1 p.m. as the chain fell apart after being softened by snow and rain. But Jaycees returned to the job later in the afternoon after drying the bills.

City drive chairman Del McKay termed the Saturday campaign a successful one, although workers did not equal the amount gathered during a similar day last year. However, McKay said workers were bucking a cold, wintry day which accounted for the relatively small total collected. Boy Scouts took in \$214.55 for their mile-of-dimes activity and Jaycees nearly doubled that amount during the day.

The current drive will continue this week and include such fundraising schemes as a special "coffee day" Friday, the benefit auction to be held Friday by Roseburg Lions and a special talent show at the senior high school.

### Truman Ready To Act In Coal Miners' Strike

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for the President to hold off," said the official—who declined to be quoted by name.

At another point, he said in conversation with a reporter that the President might intervene "within 48 hours."

Thus the next step appeared to rest with those of Lewis' United Mine Workers who have been on strike for three weeks to support the demands for a contract guaranteeing five days a week.

Lewis instituted a three-day week to bring pressure on coal operators to grant UMW contract demands, short of an all-out strike. The strike of the 8,000, who say they can't live on three days' pay, does not have official UMW authorization.

Two Courses Open

The White House official said the President will decide on the basis of any return-to-work movement whether to invoke the emergency powers of the Taft-Hartley act, or take other action.

Mr. Truman has repeatedly said in recent weeks that a national emergency had not arrived, although a number of people in and out of congress disagreed with him. The T-H law's emergency provisions include the use of an 80-day injunction to keep the mines going.

The alternative action might be to set up a fact-finding board with power to make recommendations for settling the coal dispute. He did this in last year's steel strike, asking the parties to continue production while the board studied the case.

The White House official discussing possible presidential moves said the scheduled resumption of contract talks here Wednesday between Lewis' and northern and western operators would not be enough in itself at this stage.

He noted that contract negotiations by themselves would not put men back to work at once. James Boyd, director of the bureau of mines told Mr. Truman, and later a congressional committee, last week that unless coal production increased substantially at once, the nation would be in an emergency if it wasn't already in one.

### McWilliams Speaks In Portland Despite Ban

PORTLAND, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Carey McWilliams, who was banned from speaking in the public schools, delivered his address in Red Men hall last night.

His talk was about civil liberties. But at the end of it, his audience voted to demand the resignation of Capt. William D. Browne from the city police force.

It was Browne's recommendation that decided the school board

### Battle For Civil Rights Ordered By CIO Chief

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Five hundred CIO United Steelworker officials today embarked on what their president, Phillip Murray, termed a "holy crusade" to fight for civil rights.

Murray urged his deputies to support President Truman's civil rights program in every way possible. He said of Mr. Truman: "Not since Lincoln has a president gone to bat for a people as has Mr. Truman. He has put his head on the political block and his party has been torn asunder by the issue."

Murray told a United Steelworker-CIO civil rights conference yesterday that the civil rights campaign is virtually as important to the steelworkers as their successful drive for pensions.

The meeting launched a series of cross-country sessions the steel union hopes will result in enactment of national civil rights legislation.

### Intensified Search For Lost C-54 Continues

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aerial search armada last night, officials anxiously awaited word from a ground party sent to investigate a lone clue to the plane's whereabouts.

It came from a forest ranger in an almost inaccessible spot approximately 40 miles to the southwest.

The ranger said he saw a large plane overhead late Thursday, then heard an earth-shaking thud, an explosion and saw billowing clouds of smoke.

An Air Commodore Martin Costello of the Royal Canadian air force, search coordinator here, described the report as the "most highly probable" yet received.

Parachute crews stayed ready for an immediate take-off should the ground crew report back it has found the craft.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Names of the 36 passengers aboard the strategic air command C-54 that vanished in the Yukon wilderness Jan. 26 on a flight from Anchorage, Alaska, to Great Falls, Mont., have been released by the air force.

The plane's eight crew members were identified previously.

The passengers included: Eldon V. Dolansky, Sunnyside, Wash., Philco Co., technician flying to the states from Adak.

Mrs. Joyce M. Espe, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska.

Victory E. Espe, 2 years old, Elmendorf Air Force base, Alaska.

Sgt. Clinton D. Tompkins, Rangley, Wash.

Pvt. Robert M. Hiatt, Toppenish, Wash.

PFC. Francis D. Hofer, Seattle.

Capt. Frank E. Gregory, Eielson AFB, Alaska.

Sgt. Jack F. Dickerson, Dunsmuir, Calif.

Captain Gregory was on emergency leave orders.

They gave him priority and he "bumped" another passenger off the plane.

### Oil Explosion, Fire Kill Terrified Child

PULLMAN, Wash., Jan. 30.—(AP)—A terror-stricken six-year-old youngster died early yesterday when an exploding oil stove set fire to his parents' home.

Four other children escaped unharmed with the aid of police officer Kenneth Lowry and a Washington state college freshman, Eleanor Dixon, who was acting as baby-sitter.

The victim was Robert Jeffrey Jr., his body was found on the second floor of the home five hours after the explosion. Lowry said the boy was too terrified by the flames to jump from a second story window into a snow bank.

### Mentally Ailing Man Kills Mother And Self

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Jan. 30.—(AP)—A man who left four suicide notes killed his aged mother and himself in their home yesterday.

Luther Housel, 62, made his plans so carefully that he posted a note on the door saying: "Do not enter. Bring the law with you."

Those who entered the home in Ellettsville, near here, found Mrs. Martha Housel, 87, beaten fatally with a hammer, and Housel dead of a shotgun wound.

Dr. Robert E. Lyons Jr., Monroe County coroner, said the notes showed Housel was suffering "a severe state of mental melancholy and a defeatist attitude."

### MEDFORD FLIER KILLED

MEDFORD, Jan. 30.—(AP)—A tailspin and crash on a highway brought a fatal ending yesterday to the afternoon plane ride of private pilot John Charles Bighler, 25, Medford.

The plane crashed on the Sams Valley highway 10 miles north of here. Bighler leaves a widow and two young sons.

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**GIANT INVADES PARIS**—Fernand Bachelard, Belgian giant, seven feet, seven inches and 451 pounds, asks directions of a policeman in Champs Elysees during visit to Paris.



**ONE-YEAR FAMILY**—Mrs. Thelma Gibbs, of Atlanta, Ga., sits with her twins, Jane and Wayne, born Jan. 16, 1949, and triplets, Lynda, Brenda and Glenda, born Nov. 5 the same year.

### Ex-Military Policeman Slays Estranged Wife

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 30.—(AP)—Sheriff Jim Thompson said a former military policeman, who pumped two fatal bullets into his estranged wife as she held their year-old son, would be charged with murder today.

The 20-year-old mother, Mrs. Margaret Louise Vinson, died yesterday of wounds suffered in the climax of a marital spat.

Her husband, Floyd Vincon, 24, said he couldn't remember what had happened.

His arrest came a few hours after the shooting, which took place at his mother-in-law's home, where his wife had stayed since their separation Christmas.

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### Minnesota Cold Far Below Zero

(By The Associated Press)

Most of the western half of the nation was locked in a frigid blast today while eastern states had comparatively mild weather.

At Bemidji, Minn., the temperature plummeted to 50 degrees below zero as the center of the cold wave hovered over the Dakotas and Minnesota. At Moose Lake, Minn., it was only two degrees warmer at -48, and the -45 at Brainerd, Minn., was the coldest recorded there in five years.

Pembina, N. D., had a -41, Grand Forks, N. D., a -32 and Bismarck, N. D., chilled at -29. The twin cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul shivered through 20 below.

The temperatures graduated upward on the south side. Kansas City had a chill 13 above zero, Denver 14, and Salt Lake City 12, but the mercury was below freezing throughout Oklahoma and northern Texas.

Chicago, with a low of 7 above, was near the eastern edge of the cold air mass.

### January Snowfall Sets New Local Area Record

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when leaving Roseburg, "going either direction." For the first time in two weeks, all major highways in the state are open to travel, although driving anywhere in the state was termed "dangerous" by the state highway commission.

The Columbia river highway, which had been closed for eight days by snowdrifts, was reopened this morning and snowplows and bulldozers finally cleared the section between Hood River and Cascade Locks. But the highway commission said travel there is tough because of wind and drifting snow.

### Police Chief Accuses Plumber After Battle

BAKER, Jan. 30.—(AP)—The police chief and the plumber have tangled here.

Chief Guy Church has filed an assault and battery charge against Francis Mann, plumber, after an altercation here Saturday which developed when Mann was served with a parking ticket. The police chief has cuts and bruises on his face.

Only eye witness to the fray, which took place in the city clerk's office, was city clerk Marcus Swan who is out of town until Thursday, when a hearing on the case will be held in the justice of the peace court.



**HOLY YEAR MEDAL**—This is the special "Holy Year" medal to be distributed to all pilgrims to the Vatican during the Holy Year 1950. The head of Pope Pius XII appears on one side, and on the other the Holy Door in St. Peter's Basilica.



**OK'S "MERCY DEATHS"**—Dr. Clarence C. Little of Bar Harbor, Me., above, outstanding cancer authority, has suggested a law legalizing "mercy killings," with proper safeguards. Dr. Little endorses the idea of allowing a person to make a will, to be opened if and when he is stricken with an incurable disease, stating whether he wishes to be killed painlessly. The forthcoming trial of Dr. Herman Sander at Manchester, N. H., on murder charges growing out of the "mercy death" of a woman cancer patient has stirred new controversy on the subject.

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### The Weather

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Mostly cloudy with occasional snow showers today and Tuesday. Continued cold.

Highest temp. any Jan. ... 71  
Lowest temp. for any Jan. ... -6  
Highest temp. yesterday ... 38  
Lowest temp. last 24 hrs. ... 32  
Precipitation last 24 hrs. ... .13  
Precipitation from Jan. 1 ... 10.62  
Precipitation from Sept. 1 ... 22.08  
Excess from Jan. 1 ... 5.85

### U. S. Vice Consul in China Flees From Spy Charge

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Communist China's radio today charged Douglas S. MacKiernan of Stoughton, Mass., American vice consul in Sinkiang province, "has been exposed as an espionage agent."

The Red radio said three White Russian confederates surrendered. It said they named MacKiernan as a hard riding spy who sought to organize the bandits of the far western Chinese province where Russia has special privileges.

It said MacKiernan fled to India after riding horseback over hundreds of miles to bandit lairs in the wild back country.

### CRASH CLAIMS LIFE

BAKER, Jan. 30.—(AP)—William Nelson Marlin, 40, Miami, Fla., who with his wife was injured in a car wreck near here last Monday died Sunday in the Baker hospital.

Mrs. Marlin, also seriously injured, is said to be improving but will be hospitalized here for a while yet.

Delphians to Meet—Alpha Chi chapter, Delphian society, will meet at 10 a. m. Wednesday at the home of Mrs. C. S. Heinline, Madrone avenue, in Laurelwood.

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