

### VFW Sponsor Anti-War Plan

#### Appeal to Congress Will Be Signed; Copies of Petition Are Here

An organized campaign to obtain the signatures of a majority of the citizens of Oregon on petitions which call upon congress to keep America out of war is to be launched immediately under the supervision of Veterans of Foreign Wars post No. 661. Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U. S. The appeal to congress reads as follows: "We, the undersigned citizens of the United States of America, call upon the congress and the president to adopt and apply policies designed to keep America out of war and supported by a national defense program adequate for the protection of our country and its people."

The plan to convey to congress tangible evidence of the prevailing sentiment against war is the chief objective of a nationwide campaign being conducted by 3600 local units of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, according to Commander Herman E. Lafky.

"Under our form of government, the question of peace or war rests in the hands of congress," Commander Herman E. Lafky pointed out. "We, the people, expect members of congress to vote in accordance with the will of their constituents. Petitions bearing the signatures of 25 million American citizens will tell congress, in unmistakable terms, that the vast majority of the citizens of the United States want America to keep out of war."

Petitions received by Commander Lafky from national headquarters at Kansas City, Mo. These petition blanks will be circulated by members of the post No. 661 and distributed to various other local civic, patriotic, religious and fraternal groups.

Gold Star Mothers in this community will be given the first opportunity to affix their signatures to the petition, according to Commander Lafky.

"It is the privilege of these mothers to be the first ones to raise their voices in opposition to war. Their signatures will be followed by the signatures of all war mothers, decorated heroes, disabled veterans, city and other public officials, and then the rank and file of all citizens."

### Name Committees For Lutheran Unit

SILVERTON—Luella Forland, president of the Lutheran Daughters of Reformation has appointed these committees for the coming year:

Reporter, Annabelle Jensen; Librarian, Dorothy Haugen; Historian, Althea Meyer; choirster, Irene Moseng; pathholder, chairman, Annabelle Jensen; apron chairman, Althea Meyer.

The next meeting will be held January 13 at the home of Eunice Torvold. Officers, besides the president, are, vice president, Eunice Torvold; secretary, Thelma Olsen; treasurer, Oriet Moen.

### WPA Road Crews Will Begin Tasks

Two new WPA road crews will be working north and south of Salem next Tuesday, WPA officials announced yesterday. One under supervision of Bert Evans, county foreman, will improve the road from Keizer school west toward Wheatland ferry and the other, in charge of Bob Cole, county man, will ultimately cover the 13 miles of road south from Salem to the Independence ferry.

### O and C Grant Lands to Get Forester Executive

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—(AP)—Oregon-California grant lands which have reverted to the federal government probably will be managed by a trained forester with civil service status under the general land officer, it was learned today.

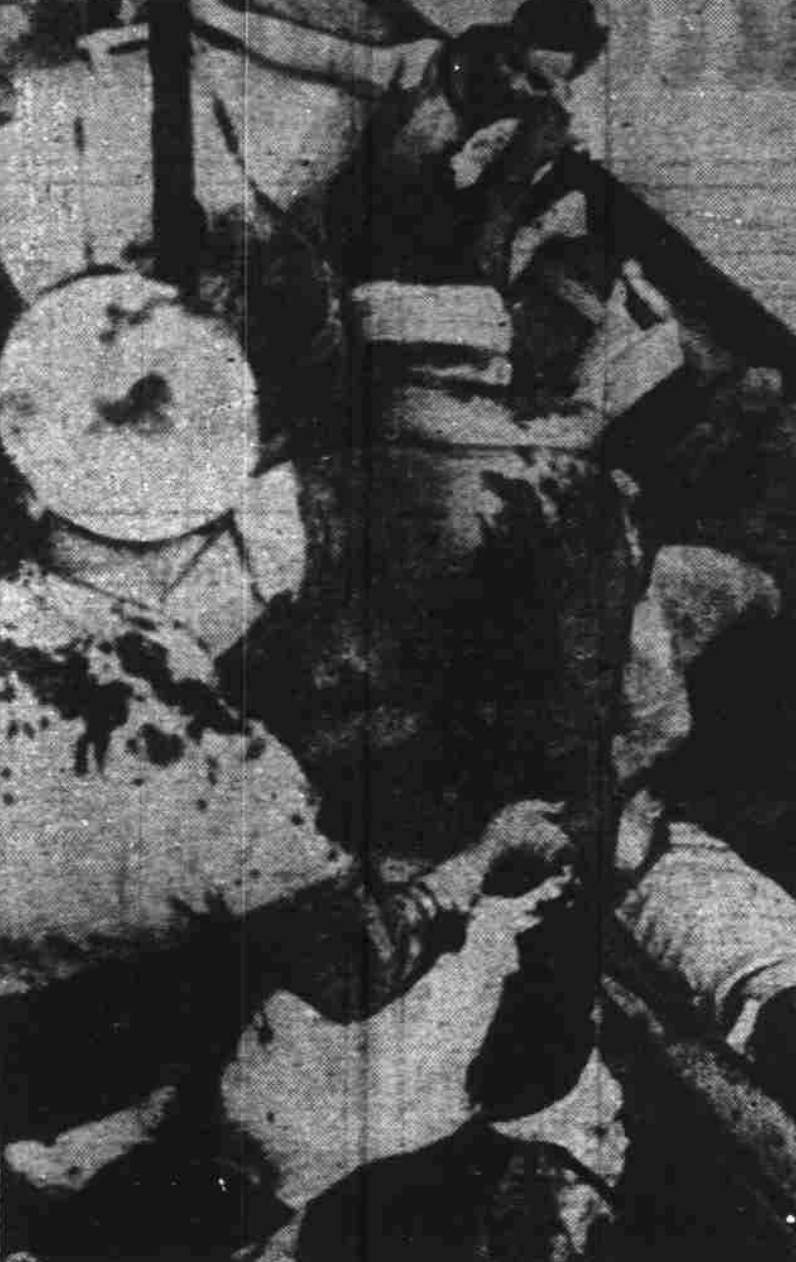
### OSC Enrollment Status Remains at High Peak

CORVALLIS, Jan. 6.—(AP)—Winter term registration at Oregon State college is continuing 8 per cent above last year, E. B. Lemmon, registrar, said today. Enrollment to date was 3850 compared to 3812 on the comparable day last fall and 3560 a year ago.

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### Wounded Removed From Panay



Members of the crew of the ill-fated USS Panay are pictured transferring their wounded comrades from the sinking river boat to lifeboats. Many were seriously wounded and four were known dead after a check-up. While this photo was taken Japanese were reported spraying the sinking vessel with machine gun bullets.—LIN photo.

### Japan's Business Heads War-Wearry

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—(AP)—Ten staff members of the international secretariat of the Institute of Pacific Relations, meeting here for a conference to foresee, if possible, the fate of western business in China, were told today that Japan's old and established capitalists are tired of the war with China.

Holland, traveling secretary of the institute now stationed at San Francisco after a lengthy stay in the orient, said the Japanese militarists have joined forces with a newer Tokyo financial group, promising this group enormous concessions in the heavy industry of north China and Manchoukuo.

The established capitalist groups of Japan, the Mitsui and Fuyo banks, have sunk tremendous sums of money in Manchoukuo, and wish to spend no more, declared Holland.

"Too, they have been loaded with Japanese government bonds they cannot absorb. The public debt in Japan is growing tremendously. And the war, even in north China, is only well begun."

### Salem Bus Driver Real Honest Man

R. W. Albright, driver of one of the Oregon Motor Stages street buses in Salem, is an honest man.

Kathryn M. McGinnis, 1399 D street, lost a purse while making a trip downtown Wednesday. It contained some recipes and \$17 in cash.

Thursday morning she got the purse back—and the \$17 still intact. The purse was found by Driver Albright on the running board of the bus about 11 o'clock at night, seven hours after its owner missed it.

### Hatfield Is not Party Defendant

In the suit of Amos Jarvis against Bozell-Grimson Motors, Inc., and Massachusetts Bonding & Insurance company, reported in Thursday's Statesman, no action is brought against Earl Hatfield, who was an asserted agent of the motor company. The heading used over the news report conveyed that reference but was in error. The Statesman makes this correction in Justice to Mr. Hatfield.

**Sharps Return Home**  
HAZEL GREEN—Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Sharp, and son, Junior, have returned from a visit with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Massie, at Forest Grove and Rev. Edgar Long and Mrs. Long at Portland. Mrs. Massie and Mrs. Long are sisters of Mr. Sharp.

### Gas Service in Area Restored

#### Blasting Damages Main South of Portland; By-Pass Built

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sons noticed the difficulty until late last night.

**All Available Men Rushed to Scene**  
All forces of the Portland Gas & Coke company organization were thrown into the emergency as soon as the report of the blasting damage was received. Crews were dispatched as rapidly as they could be collected and many of them were on the job at 6 p.m., even before service was completely out. Mr. McKee personally directed activities in restoring service, assisted by E. L. Hall, operations manager.

L. Bergsvik, Salem district manager, handled the all-night activities in the affected area. John J. Winn, Jr., commercial manager, Portland, helped in covering the area. C. R. Miller, superintendent of the utilization bureau, Portland, directed the work of servicemen.

The 125 representatives of the company formed a caravan of more than 40 cars and service trucks.

Salem, Dallas, Monmouth, Independence, Albany, Corvallis, and Lebanon were the cities cut off from gas service by the blast.

The only other serious interruption of service in the 79 years' history of Portland Gas & Coke company was during the record flood season of 1894 when high water flooded out the gas works in Portland.

### Meat Plant Has Damage by Fire

SCIO—A potentially disastrous fire was extinguished at the Holchek meat plant on the south outskirts of Scio Wednesday noon upon the timely arrival of the city fire truck. The fire originated in and was confined to the smoke house. Fire Chief Bryan states. Damage and loss of meat are estimated at a few hundred dollars.

Fred Jones is moving a small cottage from West Scio to his property on North Main street. On account of the soft condition of the ground, resulting from prolonged rainy season, the building was placed temporarily on a vacant lot on the corner of Mill and Pentland, pending more favorable moving conditions.

The new city elected a committee of five to investigate the fire. The committee will include the following officers: J. C. Denmore, president; E. J. Gladys, secretary; manager, Audrie Bartm; M. R. and C. Vivian Bilyeu; Mof F. Esther Holland; protector, Audie Myers; guard, Jennie Jones; PC, Ross Chromy; trustee, Audie Myers. Mrs. Birdelle Phillips will act as installing officer.

### Episcopal Church Officers Elected

Election of vestrymen for 1938 and hearing of reports from the 13 organizations of the church occupied some 200 members of St. Paul's Episcopal parish at the annual dinner meeting held Thursday night at the parish house.

The newly elected vestry is composed of George Arbuckle, Wallace Carson, Lynn S. Cronmiller, Sidney Kroner, J. E. Law, William Niemeyer, A. C. P. Perry, E. J. Scellars, Dr. Charles D. Wood, Judge Harry A. Belt, Robert Fitzmaurice and Frank Dekebach, Jr.

A healthy condition in church finances was reflected in the reports. Rev. George Swift, pastor, reported, mission and diocesan obligations being fully met. The boys' choir of the church offered several numbers.

### Sickness and Weather Conditions Cut Crowd At Annual Observance

ORCHARD HEIGHTS—Owing to high water and much sickness, a smaller number than usual attended the new year's observance held at Popcorn school Saturday. This affair is sponsored annually by the Orchard Heights Woman's club. Sixty persons enjoyed dinner and program which followed.

### Masonic Lodge at Scio Elects Caldwell Master

SCIO—Following are the new officers for Scio lodge No. 37, AF & AM: W. M., E. P. Caldwell; S. W., Mylo Bartu; J. W., Norman Bernier; secretary, P. H. MacDonald; treasurer, E. D. Myers; S. D., Ed Holland; J. D., J. D. Denmore, jr.; S. S., M. D. Zander; J. S., Herman Zeller; Uler, C. L. Lefler.

### Child's Slayer Executed

OSSING, N. Y., Jan. 6.—(AP)—Salvatore Oasido, 27, a barber, died in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison tonight for attacking and bludgeoning to death Elmer Sporer, 9-year-old Brooklyn girl, last March.

**LAST TIMES TODAY**  
**BIG TOWN GIRL**  
CLAUDE TREVOR  
DORIS WOOD  
**GRAND**

### Japan's Tanks Enter Nanking Under Heavy Fire



Advancing on Nanking, Chinese Nationalist capital, Japanese tanks are pictured bombarding Chinese battery units. Unretarded in their forward drive the tanks decimated Chinese arsenals and battered their way into the city. One day after the first Japanese units had entered Nanking from the south the entire city was under Japanese control. Haze and smoke shown in the photo was caused by heavy gunfire.—LIN photo.

### Solicitation by Phone not Liked

"The chamber of commerce is not endorsing a current effort to sell tickets for a benefit dance which is being done by telephone," stated Fred D. Thielson, manager of the chamber.

"In fact the chamber does not approve of such methods. If merchants and others would require solicitors to show credentials from the chamber of commerce which has a committee of investigation, they would be able to turn down schemes which lack merit or which follow objectionable methods."

### Jackson, Wilkie Debate big Issue

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—(AP)—A Roosevelt spokesman said tonight the country needed a "high volume, low price economy" supported by good wages; an industrialist answered that the government itself could cure sick business by ceasing "its attack on industry, big or little."

Assistant Attorney General Robert H. Jackson, the government's chief denouncer of monopoly, and the industrialist, Wendell L. Wilkie, head of the vast Commonwealth and Southern Utilities corporation, put forward their sharply divergent views in a national forum—"America's town meeting of the air."

As Jackson ended his address there were scattered boos, mixed with applause. Applause was heard at the end of the Wilkie talk, but no discernible boos.

### Merrill Files for Congress Race

Bayard T. Merrill of Junata, Malheur county, Thursday filed in the state department for the office of representative in congress from the second congressional district. He is a republican.

Merrill favors adequate tariffs to protect American industry, farm and labor legislation, just and equal tax laws, and old age pensions.

### Columbia Empire Annual Meeting Set for Tuesday

PORTLAND, Jan. 6.—(AP)—The Columbia empire industries annual meeting will be held here Tuesday night. Joseph P. Kennedy, federal maritime commission chairman, will be speaker.

**HOLLYWOOD 15**  
RIDING THUNDER ON STEEL HOOPS!  
**BUCK JONES**  
Boys of Lonely Valley  
A NEW UNIVERSAL PICTURE  
And 2nd Feature

**SEA RACKETEERS**  
A REPUBLIC PICTURE

**HOLLYWOOD STARTS SUNDAY**  
**NORMAN ALLY'S BOMBING OF PANAY!**  
A NEW UNIVERSAL PICTURE  
And Grand Feature

**JACK BENNY ARTISTS... MODELS**

### Conservation Bill Praised by Potts

The soil conservation program has proved the nearest approach to a solution of the United States' farm problem, G. W. Potts of Talbot, state president of the Farmers Union, told members of the Salem Lions club yesterday noon.

"The farmers have been robbing the soil for years," Potts declared. "We should preserve this soil and pass it on in a better condition than it is today."

Potts pointed out that the diversity of agricultural crops and accompanying problems makes it "almost impossible to get up a satisfactory farm bill." While Midwest farmers are interested only in hogs, cattle, wheat and corn, those in the Willamette valley, by contrast, produce 35 different commodities, Potts cited.

Discussing the history of his organization, President Potts said the Farmers Union had for its aims the fostering of "cooperation to get the most out of the products of the farm." The union, he said, is non-political and non-sectarian and stands for a program of securing for the farmers his cost of production, low interest rates and "American markets for the American farmer."

### Transient Dies, Albany, Under OE Freight Train

ALBANY, Jan. 6.—(AP)—Frank Rowland, 19, Cleveland, O., was killed when he fell under an Oregon Electric freight train last night. J. E. Mason, with Rowland, said they were knocked off a car by a pole near the track. Mason was thrown clear and bruised. Rowland, he said, had a sister in Pittsburgh.

### Canada Will Take Belgium Role, War

WINNIPEG, Jan. 6.—(CP)—General H. D. B. Ketchen, commander of the 6th Canadian infantry brigade during a part of the war, declared today war involving United States on the Pacific coast would turn British Columbia into a "second Belgium."

Commenting on an unconfirmed report containing the possibility of United States fortifying the border, the general said he did not think "we can blame the United States for trying to defend itself."

### Smoke, no Blaze At Sukiyaki Cafe

Smoke without the fire that by proverb it should accompany drew downtown fire fighting equipment to the Tokyo Sukiyaki house, 222 1/2 North Commercial street, at 9:30 o'clock last night. Firemen searched for nearly half an hour for the source of smoke which Linda Hagedorn, waitress, said she saw puff from the wall beneath a table. A slight odor of smoke was all that could be found by Fire Chief Harry Hutton.

Frank Tanaka, proprietor, said he was at a loss to know where the smoke had come from.

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**EXILED TO SHANGHAI**  
WALLACE FORD  
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AND  
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Municipal Bonds and Warrants	6,619,892.46
Other Bonds	6,508,303.67
Loans and Discounts	35,405,701.09
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	150,000.00
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures	2,609,804.38
Other Real Estate	65,527.74
Real Estate Sold under Contract	99,106.95
Customers' Liability—Acceptances	12,801.80
Interest Earned	427,002.88
Other Resources	59,580.15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$108,660,961.67</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital	\$2,500,000.00
Surplus	2,600,000.00
Undivided Profits	1,327,642.70
Reserves	1,287,397.03
Acceptances	12,801.80
Interest Collected in Advance	215,012.58
Other Liabilities	88,529.04
Deposits	100,629,578.52
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$108,660,961.67</b>

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