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Cloudy with showers and valley fogs today and Saturday. Max. temp. Thursday, 46. Min. 36. Northeast wind. Rain .04 inch. River 6.4 feet. Cloudy, light rain.

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**NINETYTH YEAR**

## Lumber Chiefs Hear "Threats" Of US Leader

### Henderson Says President Might "Draft" Supplies and Fix Prices

### Timber Men Claim Costs to Government Lower; Blames Buy Plan

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(AP)—In blunt language, Defense Commissioner Leon Henderson told lumber industry representatives Thursday that unless prices were lowered, he would ask President Roosevelt to fix prices and exercise his power under the selective service act to "draft" lumber.

A spirited defense was entered by a representative of the industry, who blamed government purchasing methods, among other factors, and said prices were on the down-grade.

Speaking at a meeting of the lumber and timber products defense committee Henderson said:

"If the whole price level had acted like that of the lumber industry, this country would be in a state of paralysis."

The government wants from the lumber industry, he said, a full supply of deliveries on time and fair prices.

"I'm going to recommend to the president," he continued, "that we do what it takes to get it."

"We can get lumber. The government can get all it wants by

"SILVERTON—W. L. McGinnis, superintendent of the Silver Falls Timber company mill here, announced Thursday that the plant would resume full operation Monday morning, after a shutdown since December 1. The planer has been operating since Christmas.

The mill will run a capacity schedule, employing about 300 men, including the planer force. McGinnis said large quantities of orders are on hand.

fixing a price and having the commander-in-chief of the army and navy forbid any payment of higher prices. He can then use the selective service act to draft lumber the same as we are drafting men.

"As far as I'm concerned I'm going to make that recommendation unless the situation improves."

Henderson's speech, sprinkled (Turn to Page 3, Col. 3)

## In One Ear.

### —Paul Hauser's Column

We opened our file to the "W" compartment yesterday and found out what there is to worry about in these times.

What we found was spinach. Under subsection "A" entitled "edible spinach" we found an item telling how a New Jersey plant-breeding authority is predicting that a spinach shortage in 1942.

From a selfish and personal Paul Hauser standpoint, this doesn't worry us because we can take our spinach or leave it alone and much prefer the latter. We are not even worried about growing boys and girls not getting their iron.

What we are worried about is the plight of the American baby who shall one of his standard jokes perish from the earth for lack of a few spinach seeds. We say No!

The spinach joke is divided into two well defined genres. They are:

A. The joke about how kids don't like spinach and what horrible ends they will go to. (We are informed that except for a few unreconstructed prodigies who don't read the funny papers, kids do like spinach, but that has nothing to do with the case.)

B. The joke about how spinach has plenty of sand. This is the best division because there whenever a gag writer runs into a sandy situation he can always throw in some spinach. As you can see there are more variations than there are captured Italians.

We may ask the legislature for a spinach seed appropriation just to save a grand old wheeze from the fate of the leeman joke, which got caught in an electric refrigerator and never recovered.

Fashions for agricultural and community festival queens seem to call for less and less clothing of hops, grapes, onions or rutabagas. The girl who is picked as queen for the Klamath region won't have to wear any. She can go around clothed only in syllables as she packs on her slim shoulders the title, "Miss Shasta-Cascade 1941 Alice in Wonderland."

Visitors to the legislature are wanted to hang on to their hats. Somebody dropped one yesterday and nine representatives and three senators started making speeches.

# New Congressional District Planned

### Tells Lumberers To Cut Prices



LEON HENDERSON

## Rumania Rebel Forces Beaten

### Hostilities in Bucharest End With Over 2000 Dead, 6000 Hurt

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The last of the Rumanian rebel iron guardsmen holding the police barracks and city hall in Bucharest were reported dislodged early Friday but it was not clear whether that signalled the end of a bloody civil war against the regime of Premier Ion Antonescu. Estimates of the dead were 2000 and up with total casualties put at 6000 since the outbreaks were set off by the slaying of a German major in the capital Sunday morning.

An air traveler arriving in Sofia, Bulgaria, from Bucharest said the surrender of the police barracks was brought about when the army artillery fired on the barracks from a distance of 300 yards.

Border reports to Sofia said fighting was continuing outside Bucharest, especially in Rumanian Transylvania where peasants were reported joining the rebels. In the Balkan war, the Greeks resumed their drive on the Albanian port of Valona as the weather turned more favorable. In some of the fiercest fighting of their war with Italy, the Greeks claimed they took new positions north of captured Killisra, in central Albania.

## Bill Substituted For British Aid

### Taft of Ohio Declares Measure Would not Help President

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(AP)—A substitute aid-to-Britain bill, providing for loans of \$1,000,000,000 to the United Kingdom, \$500,000,000 to Canada and \$50,000,000 to Greece, was introduced Thursday by Senator Taft (R-Ohio).

"This substitute," Taft explained, "is designed to give aid to England instead of aid to the president of the United States. It will give it quicker with much less discussion and discord in this country."

Senator Johnson (D-Colo.) introduced a bill permitting the government to lend \$2,000,000,000 worth of war materials to Britain. The only payment required would be reports on how the material functioned in battle.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Secretary Morgenthau said that subscription books on the treasury's offer of \$600,000,000 national defense notes would close at midnight Thursday night.

The books were opened this morning, and closing the same night is customary.

The notes will bear 3/4 of one percent interest and will mature in three years, seven and one-half months.

## WPA Executives Of West to Meet

WASHINGTON, DC, Jan. 23.—(AP)—West states WPA executives go around clothed only in syllables as she packs on her slim shoulders the title, "Miss Shasta-Cascade 1941 Alice in Wonderland."

## War Round-up Reveal Quiet In M Areas

### British Aft Westward In M Areas

### Rumania Revolt Quelled; Petain Accepts Japan Dicker With Siam

(By the Associated Press)

Advance units of Britain's army of the Nile moved westward beyond captured Tobruk Friday to raise funds for infantile paralysis victims in north Libya.

In Europe the Rumanian government announced it had crushed a rebellion led by iron guard hot-heads and communists.

Motorized patrols of the British already were reported operating 110 miles to the west of Tobruk in the vicinity of Bomba and Derna, the next apparent objectives in the drive of General Sir Archibald Wavell's army of hardy Australians, Britons and "free Frenchmen."

Meanwhile in completing the occupation of Tobruk, the British counted at least 14,000 Italian prisoners, including four generals (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

## Fire Breaks out In Dublin Castle

### Eire Censorship Office, Commerce Ministry Are Destroyed

DUBLIN, Jan. 24.—(Friday)—(AP)—A fierce fire broke out early Friday in Dublin castle, where the Eire censorship offices are located.

A Dublin newspaper messenger gave the alarm upon discovering the blaze while taking copy to the censor for approval.

Fire-fighting brigades worked feverishly to prevent the flames from spreading to a congested residential area nearby.

The offices of the ministry of commerce in the castle were destroyed before the fire was controlled two hours after it was discovered.

Dublin castle is the nucleus from which the city of Dublin is said to have developed. Although part of the castle was built in the first two decades of the 13th century, the building is mostly 18th century.

The castle was built on a ridge overlooking the River Liffey which divides Dublin, and the expansion of the two from this point has been of great interest to students of municipal planning.

## Lindbergh -- WARNS OF WAR -- Johnson

### Noted Flier Gets Ovation Telling Peace Stand

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh emphatically denounced the British aid bill Wednesday as a "major step" toward involvement in a war which America could not hope to win and asserted that if the United States minds its own business, and arms itself reasonably, it is not in danger.

Repeatedly, in answer to questions put by members of the house foreign affairs committee, he said that the combined forces of both Great Britain and the United States could not successfully invade the continent of Europe, unless there should be an internal German collapse. Success, he said, would be dependent upon "a coincidence of miracles."

The famous flier, appearing at the request of opponents of the bill, urged an immediate negotiated peace. Even though it would not be a just one, according to American standards, he said, it was preferable to the continuance of a war which would bring disaster to Europe.

He wanted neither side to win, he said, for a victory for either would be "disastrous" to all.

Hugh S. Johnson, the newspaper columnist, followed him to

## He Dances so We Won't Forget Those Who Would Like to Walk



Dancing for Dimes, the nimble feet of Bill "Bojangles" Robinson (above) twinkled on Broadway (NY) the other day to help launch publicity for the President's Birthday Balls to be held soon throughout the nation. The colored stage and screen star is doing his part to raise funds for infantile paralysis victims. Salem is staging a "Dance for Dimes" program.

## Federal, TWA Officials Probe Airliner Wreck

### Miracle Seen in Loss of Only Two in Crash at St. Louis; Seriously Hurt Co-Pilot Questioned; Law Ceiling Blamed

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 23.—(AP)—The twisted and torn wreckage of a 12-ton Transcontinental & Western Air sky-sleeper made it appear that only a miracle prevented more than two deaths among the 14 occupants of the plane in a crash Thursday morning.

Captain P. T. W. Scott, 36, of Little Neck, NY, veteran pilot who had flown more than 1,500,000 miles, and J. F. Mott of Kansas City, a TWA employe riding as a passenger, were killed.

The 12 others on the plane were hurt, half of them seriously and six suffering only minor injuries.

Federal and TWA officials began an investigation of the crash. Several of them went to DePaul hospital and questioned Orestis J. Dio Guard, 29, of Jackson Heights, NS, the co-pilot, who suffered internal injuries, fractured right ankle and injured jaw. His condition was serious.

The \$135,000 ship, banking steeply for a landing at Lambert-St. Louis municipal airport just before dawn, struck a tall maple and hurtled to the ground, plowing through a row of trees and smashing two telephone poles.

Bright Arc of Flame Lights Scene of Crash

About 40 telephone wires and a 30,000-volt electric transmission line were severed. A bright arc of flame from the cut cables momentarily illuminated the fall-

## Bomber Search Will Continue

### Col. Peck Pushes Hunt in Several Areas; Snow Hampers

McCHORD FIELD, Wash., Jan. 23.—(AP)—With the start of the second week of searching for a missing army bomber with seven men aboard, McChord field officers expressed the fear late Thursday that snow on the ground and winter haze in the air would hide the wreckage and bodies until spring.

But, said Col. Walter Peck, the field's operations officer, the search will be pressed relentlessly from the air, augmented by ground crews when their work

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## FDR Will Send Special Envoy In China Aid

### Assistant to President Will "Harry Hopkins" in Far East

### Economic Survey to Give US Information on Defense Needs

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(AP)—In a parallel move to Harry Hopkins' special mission to England, it was announced Thursday that Laughlin Currie, administrative assistant to President Roosevelt, would visit China soon to make an economic survey, apparently he is to help determine what aid that country should receive if the pending lend-lease bill is passed.

Emphasizing the administration's interest alike in Chinese and British resistance to Germany, Italy and Japan, Currie will go to Chungking at the invitation of the Chinese government and will bear a special message of greeting to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

Known as President Roosevelt's personal economic adviser, Currie, 33 years old but with an extensive background in economics, will be accompanied by Emile Destres, senior economist of the federal reserve board. Currie, who was educated at Harvard and the London School of Economics, also held a position with the reserve board before he became administrative assistant to the president in July, 1935.

He is expected to make an intensive study of China's whole economic structure to determine the most effective means of helping that country in an economic and financial way.

As a close adviser to the president, however, he is expected also to study China's war needs generally and the strength of Chinese resistance to Japan, much the same thing that Hopkins is believed to be doing in Great Britain.

The United States has been supplying material assistance to China. A few weeks ago it granted a \$50,000,000 export-import bank credit and a \$50,000,000 currency stabilization loan.

Chinese authorities, contending that China's need for war materials is as urgent as Britain's, have encountered difficulties in purchasing planes and other equipment because of the priority of British and American orders.

There have been indications, however, that the government expects to be able to increase the flow of arms to China in the spring.

## Portland to Get Air Combat Unit

PORTLAND, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Air corpomen to be stationed here will make up a combat unit, manning from 100 to 130 fast interceptor-pursuit planes, the army disclosed Thursday.

Lieut. Col. Truman M. Martin, 9th corps area public relations officer, said that about 2400 officers and enlisted men would be stationed at the Portland-Columbia airport containment.

## Navy to Punish Swastika Cutters

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Civil authorities passed over to the navy Thursday the responsibility of punishing two US sailors who ripped a Nazi swastika flag down from over the German consulate windows last Saturday before a cheering crowd.

Municipal Judge Peter Mullins sentenced the two, Harold J. Sturtevant, 19, of Haverhill, Mass., and Ervin Glenn Lackey, 20, of Charlotte, NC, to 90 days in jail for malicious mischief, and then suspended the sentence.

He said he did this because navy officials had informed him the defendants would be "adequately dealt with," and because under our theory of law no one should suffer punishment twice for the same offense.

Both young men have only about a month left to serve in their enlistment period.

## Bill Will Propose Cutting Off Parts Of First and Third

### Author Neuberger Declares Scheme Is Combination of Ideas and Would Balance Population

### Both Houses Are Expected to Adjourn at Noon Today, but Committee Meetings Will Continue

Redistricting of Oregon for congressional election purposes by forming a new, fourth district from parts of the first, or western Oregon, and the third, or Multnomah county districts, and leaving the second, or eastern Oregon, district unchanged will be proposed to the state legislature today in a bill to be introduced by Rep. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Multnomah).

Neuberger outlined the composition of his suggested districts as follows:

First—Marion, Polk, Yamhill, Linn, Benton, Josephine, Jackson and the portions of Lane and Douglas counties east of the coastal divide.

Second—Baker, Crook, Deschutes, Gilliam, Grant, Hood River, Harney, Jefferson, Lake, Klamath, Wheeler, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wheeler and Wasco counties.

Third—City of Portland.

Fourth—Multnomah outside of Portland and the following counties now in the first district: Clatsop, Washington, Columbia, Clatsop, Tillamook, Lincoln, Coos, Curry and the portions of Lane and Douglas counties west of the coastal divide.

This scheme for redistricting, Neuberger said, is a combination of plans drawn up by John J. Beckman, former chairman of the Multnomah county democratic central committee, and Rep. J. D. Ferry (D-Columbia). Four districts would balance in population.

"It has our districts which are quite closely in balance," Neuberger explained. "The first district would have a population of approximately 292,000, the second district would have a population of 210,991, the third dis-

trict would have a population of 108,354 and the fourth district would have a population of approximately 232,278."

Both houses of the legislature are expected to adjourn today noon for the weekend, holding over a day later than the first week of the session to hear routine first, second and third readings of bills. Committee meetings, however, will continue through the afternoon, with Chairman Henry F. Cabell of the state highway commission tentatively scheduled to consult with the senate roads and highways group concerning commission bills.

Gov. Charles A. Sprague answered an inquiry from the senate roads committee Thursday afternoon by declaring he remains opposed to state inspection of motor vehicles. The committee decided to wait a few days before deciding whether to report out recommending that the veto be sustained or to sponsor a modified measure.

The committee consented to a highway commission request that it introduce a bill to give the highway department authority to police ocean beaches owned by the state. The measure would be aimed in particular at curtailing automobile speeding on beach roads where life might be endangered.

Caufield Resigns for New Postmaster Job

The house learned Thursday that it would lose a member of its ranks on Jan. 31. Rep. J. R. Caufield (D-Tillamook) announced he would resign on that date to be succeeded by the postmaster. The Tillamook county court will name his successor.

Caufield's appointment arrived Thursday from the postmaster general. He will succeed L. E. Hamner, who resigned.

Caufield's successor must be a democrat of five years registration.

Chairman of the dairy and food products committee in this session, Caufield served previously in the 1935 regular and special sessions and in the 1939 session.

Inspection of cold storage lockers rented by citizens for storage (Turn to Page 14, Col. 1)

## Freeways Bill Irks Senators

### Whipperman Claims Super Highways Necessary; Others Differ

By STEPHEN C. MERGLER

"Free ways," superhighways with few intersections or service road connections are "an absolute necessity for national defense," "preposterous," "fine to drive over," "senseless."

These diverging opinions were elicited by explanations before the senate roads and highways committee Thursday afternoon of the state highway department's free-ways bill, presented by J. M. Devers, attorney for the state highway commission.

As opposed to the measure were outspoken opponents of the bill in the committee's membership, refused to concede validity of a plea by Sen. L. W. Whipperman (R-Josephine) that it is "an absolute necessity."

"If necessary, make this bill apply at least to the Pacific highway," Whipperman pleaded. "They're talking of a road from the Panama canal to Fairbanks (Alaska) and a road like this will be essential for the movement of troops."