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The 2d interceptor command, Seattle, requested newspapers Saturday not to publish temperatures and forecasts. The Statesman conforms, in the interest of national defense.

US Bombers Sink Jap Warship, Hit Others

Date Set For New Draft

Unregistered To Be Listed February 16

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Officials estimated Monday night that 1,300,000 men would be made immediately available for the armed services by the February 16 registration of those aged 20 to 44, inclusive, who are not already on selective service rolls.

President Roosevelt's proclamation Monday setting the February date for listing of unregistered men subject to combat duty under the new selective service law will affect about 9,000,000 men.

Officials said it was expected that this group would include the following class 1-A men, available for immediate call to duty: Twenty-year olds, 600,000; 21-year olds (who have reached that age since the last registration), 300,000; 36 to 44-year olds, 400,000.

Army expansion plans are military secrets since the start of the war. However, the last official word was that some 925,000 men in the presently registered 21-35 group would be called before the army dipped into the new registrants. With over 1,800,000 men already in the army, the new registration will place the nation in position to put over 4,000,000 men under arms without calling any classes under 1-A and leaving out (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

New Air Raid Signal Flops

Search for Effective Warning Device Still On, Test Said Failure

Latest attempt to find an effective air raid signal for Salem was called a failure Monday night by Alderman L. F. LeGarie, city defense committee chairman, after an electric amplifier atop the state library was heard by few persons.

"We'll keep on trying," LeGarie declared, but no appropriation is to be asked of the council until a suitable device is found and proved. A resolution appropriating money for signals was withdrawn Monday night from the council by LeGarie.

Two-horsepower electric sirens, almost as powerful as the city hall sirens, are under consideration by the alarm committee, but none can be obtained now for a test.

The council approved a resolution to buy the steamboat whistle, attached at the paper mill for a raid warning, for \$80. The signal tried Monday was loaned by the Burroughs electric company.

West Salem House Razed By Flames

Fire which spread over the house when two youngsters used gasoline to encourage a stove fire burned to the ground the one-story residence of Lester Anderson, Second and McNary street, West Salem, Monday night.

With the parents away, Marion, 16, and Dorothy, 13, were lighting the fire which started the conflagration. Marion attempted to extinguish the blaze by throwing water on the flames, and the gasoline was spread over a wide area.

Salem fire department and the West Salem volunteer squad tried to extinguish the blaze, but it was out of control when they arrived on the scene. No one was injured.

Fire Hits Hospital

PARSONS, Kas., Jan. 5.—(P)—Two hundred and eighteen patients, 80 bedridden, were evacuated safely Monday night while fire raged through a three-story brick and stone building at the Kansas state hospital for epileptics.

Answers Call



Sports Editor To Serve US

Former UO Athlete to Leave for Washington For New Assignment

Ron Gemmell, popular Statesman sports editor for the last four years, coined his last catch phrase, made up his last page Monday night and joined the parade of young men leaving normal pursuits to assume national defense tasks.

He received official notice Saturday night to report in Washington, DC, next Monday for final physical examination and expected entry into an important federal agency, whose identity the government requested be kept secret because of the national emergency. In Washington he will undergo a training course to prepare him in detail for his new duties.

Gemmell came to The Statesman in September, 1937, a graduate and star athlete from University of Oregon. His work in the field of sports, reporting and interpreting, drew increasing favorable attention to him, not only in the Salem trading area but also throughout the Pacific northwest.

Mrs. Gemmell, also engaged in newspaper work in Salem, expects to remain here until her husband has been assigned to some definite station. A competent successor to Gemmell will be announced within a few days, The Statesman management said Monday night.

Weather News Restrictions To Be Relaxed

SEATTLE, Jan. 5.—(P)—The 2nd interceptor command announced Monday night that revised regulations on publication of weather information probably would apply some type of restrictions in Washington, Oregon, California, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Nevada and Arizona.

The command said the restrictive regulations would be promulgated "in the near future," possibly Tuesday, as the result of new instructions received by the command.

In the meantime, weather bureaus were still under the instructions issued by the interceptor command Saturday, banning weather reports and forecasts in 11 northwestern and midwestern states, although earlier Monday night it had been indicated that the restrictions would be modified sharply.

The 11 states to which the Saturday order applied were Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, and Kansas.

Men in Blue Help Boys In Khaki

Hearts of Salem police officers are with the armed services of the United States if the Biblical declaration "where your treasure is there will your heart be also" is taken literally, Chief Frank Minto declared Monday as he proudly announced that every man in the city's blue uniform is owner of a defense bond.

Some own more than one \$25 bond, but each has at least one, he said. The purchases, Minto said, were made on his advice but were not ordered.

New City Bonds Nudged

Mayor Reports On Defense Activities

Defense progress in Salem in 1941 featured the annual message of Mayor W. W. Chadwick to the city council Monday night as he began his third year in office.

While council committees and members of commissions were as usual at the first session of the year, the council had to abandon the usual business of naming non-elective city officers, because of a charter amendment voted last spring giving all officials two-year terms and providing the incumbents should continue through 1942.

Mayor Chadwick described briefly the WPA and CAA improvement of the municipal airport and its use by United Air Lines, the subscribing of a \$200,000 bond issue for a sewage disposal plant and use of \$50,000 of the funds to buy defense bonds, budgeting of funds for a new first aid car, passage of a blackout ordinance, establishment of a central county-city control office, cooperation in the four-county, seven-city cantonment committee, altering of street light system to provide compliance with blackout regulations, a housing survey and appointment and work of the city defense committee.

Councilmen were told they must plan during 1942 to devote (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

State Ready For Fag Tax

Metering Machines and Stamps Expected Soon, Sales Permit Needed

Between 18,000 and 20,000 dealers in cigarettes, including wholesalers, jobbers and retailers, probably will qualify under the new Oregon cigarette tax law which becomes operative at 12:01 Thursday a. m., members of the state tax commission estimated Monday.

The law was approved by the 1941 legislature and provides for a tax of two cents on packages of 20 cigarettes selling at 10 and 15 cents and 5 cents for packages of cigarettes selling at 25 cents. It was estimated that the tax would produce approximately \$1,200,000 the first year it is in operation.

More than 100 license applications, accompanied by checks for \$1, were received at the tax commission offices here Monday. Commission members said several (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Bridges Not Communist, Says Board

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(P)—Harry Bridges, California CIO leader who has been fighting deportation on charges of communist connections for nearly four years, apparently won his case Monday.

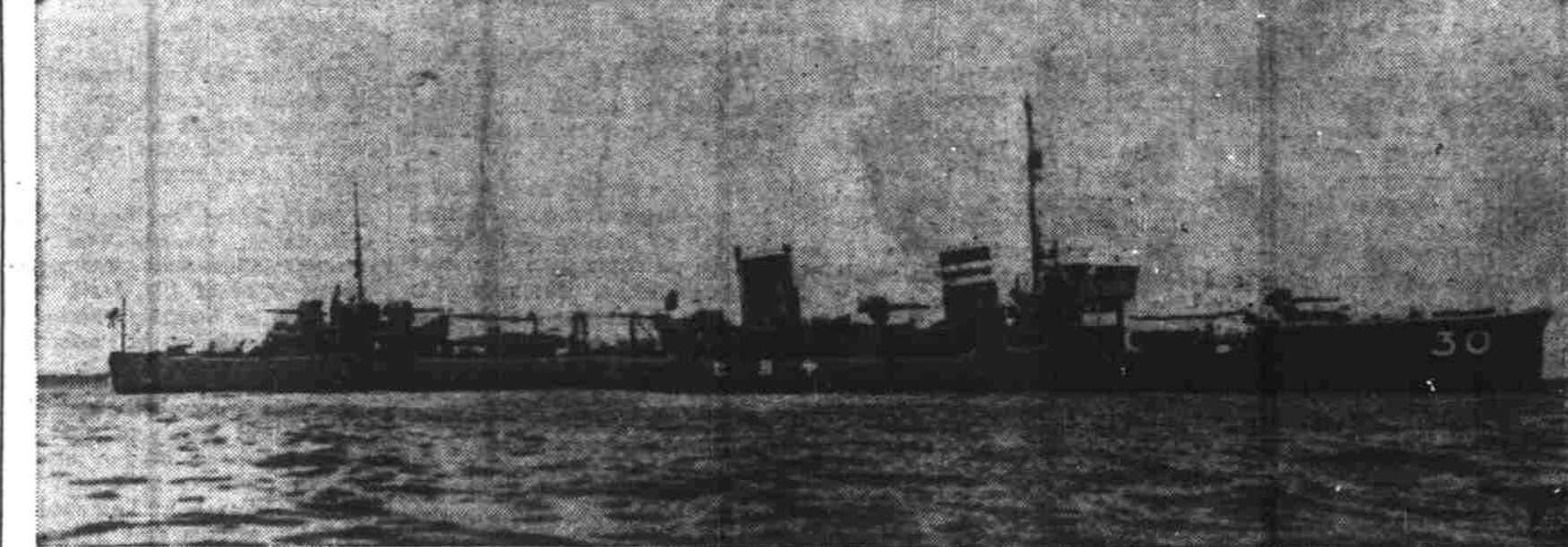
The four-man board of immigration appeals reversed the findings of former Judge Charles E. Sears, a special examiner, and decided unanimously that Bridges since coming to the United States had not been a member of nor affiliated with the communist party or any other organization which advocates overthrow of the US government by force or violence.

The final decision as to whether Bridges shall be deported to his native Australia rests with Attorney General Biddle, but it was believed improbable he would reverse the appeals board.

Axis Planes Hit Malta VALLETTA, Malta, Jan. 5.—(P)—British headquarters announced Monday one enemy raiding plane was destroyed and at least two bombers were damaged by anti-aircraft fire in a series of day and night attacks that began late Sunday afternoon and continued with seven alarms Monday.

Nippon Suffers Heavy Losses With Yank And Chinese Troops Scoring Victories

One of This Type Jap Destroyer Sunk by US Bombers



Linen Plant Strike Ends

Union Accepts Terms Ending Long Dispute, Work Set Wednesday

Nearly 40 employees of the Miles Linen company, textile firm at North Fairgrounds road, are expected to go back to work Wednesday morning after a strike period of 22 weeks.

Officials of Textile Workers union local 2637 Monday night agreed to accept the new contract tendered by the management Monday afternoon providing for a week's paid vacation and raising the minimum wage from 46 to 45 cents an hour. The union also gained seniority provisions requested.

E. L. Crawford, attorney for the management, said Monday night that the date for re-opening the plant was not definite but stated that the management anticipates resumption of full production Wednesday.

Gill netting is one of the chief products of the firm, and Oregon flax is used. A contract to provide parachute shrouds for the government has since been filled by another source.

Door-to-Door Bond Program Is Scheduled

Plans for a door-to-door solicitation of all incorporated cities and towns in Marion county to obtain pledges of citizens to buy defense bonds were launched at a meeting of the county defense savings committee Monday.

Chairman Frederick S. Lamport said all income earners would be urged to "invest in America" by promising to buy bonds, but emphasized that "no pressure is to be applied."

The drive, to start January 20, was put into the hands of a committee consisting of C. A. Kells, chairman; County Clerk Harlan Judd, City Treasurer Paul H. Hauser, Mrs. Miller B. Hayden, Werner Brown and Edward Majeik. The committee immediately took under consideration a proposal to request all precinct committee members, men and women, democrats and republicans, to form the framework personnel for the solicitation organization.

Utilization of the services of air raid wardens also was discussed. Fred C. Klaus, manager of the Salem unit of the Dairy Cooperative association, was announced by Lamport as associate chairman of the county savings committee.

Blimps Guard US Coasts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(P)—The navy has put a fleet of blimps armed with depth bombs, machine guns and cannon at work guarding the nation's coastlines from submarines and prowling raiders.

On the Atlantic coast the first squadron of six blimps has already taken the air, the navy said Monday. They are the first of scores to be used.

County Tire Rationing Board Sets Boundaries

Allocation of Purchase Permits Made; Tire Dealers May Be Named Inspectors; Tentative Plans Prepared for January

Establishing boundaries for the four districts into which the county is to be divided for rationing purposes and tentatively allocating the first month's quota of tires and tubes among those areas, representatives of Marion county's local ration boards met in their first session Monday night in Salem.

To the Salem area, bounded to include approximately 50 per cent of the county's population, was awarded the privilege to purchase at retail 56 passenger car tires and 102 truck tires, or 50 per cent of the passenger tire and 40 per

All tire dealers in the Salem district are asked to meet at the Salem chamber of commerce at 10:30 this morning, Douglas McKay, chairman of the Marion county civilian defense council, announced Monday night.

Each of the other district boards may approve purchase of 19 passenger and 47 truck tires.

The January allocation, board members at Monday's meeting made clear, is tentative and may be rearranged before February 1 if such action should be deemed wise.

To allocate permits to purchase tires merely on a population basis, it was declared, probably would not prove satisfactory since larger districts, however lightly populated, may be scene of more trucking operations and more mileage for physicians.

Local ration boards are to meet once or twice a week, and may not issue more than 25 per cent of their month's allocation in the first week of the month, although their quotas may be cumulative from week (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Vichy Cabinet Officer Dead; Body Mangled

VICHY, Unoccupied France, Jan. 5.—(P)—The mangled body of Yves Parinaux, a Vichy cabinet officer assigned to repress anti-German terrorism, was found Sunday night on the Paris-Troyes railroad tracks, and dispatches Monday night told of two more bombings at German centers in Paris.

Coincident with these disclosures, the recently wounded Marcel Desat, a leading French advocate of cooperation with the nazis, declared in a broadcast from German-occupied Paris that Marshal Petain's government had turned against collaboration with Germany since the entry of the United States into war.

Parinaux's torn body was (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Bosox Star Honored

BOSTON, Jan. 5.—(P)—Ted Williams, the Boston Red Sox American league batting champion Monday was voted the award made annually to Boston's most valuable major league player by the Boston chapter of the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Police Report Theft Cases, Loot Small

Numerous cases of theft and store-breaking were reported to city police over the weekend. Loot was not considerable.

A .32 calibre revolver and 25 pennies were taken from the W. J. Lee and Son food store, 349 Ferry street, Saturday night.

The E. O. Moser service station at 223 South Liberty street yielded the sum of four pennies when entered.

H. L. Stiff, jr., said an attempt was made to take pennies from (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

First Aiders Busy, Treat Axe Victims

Axe lacerations suffered over the weekend by Salem persons make 1942 appear already like 1941, Capt. Percy L. Clark of the first aid car said Monday in reporting two more cuts suffered by wood choppers. Last year 40 were so injured.

On Sunday F. A. Starkey, 2465 Laurel avenue, walked into the station with an axe-cut left thumb. Frank Lipper, Salem route six, cut two fingers while chopping on Monday.

Other accident victims Sunday were J. A. Davis, SP railroad worker who fell from a bunk car, and was treated for business; L. F. Whipple, 980 North 18th street, who fell and hurt the same leg as he broke a month ago.

Monday the 1942 total of calls rose to 15 in five days when Mrs. Margaret Weisner, 2370 Myrtle avenue, suffered a heart attack, and Mrs. Winifred Glover, 248 D street, caught her arm in a wringer and suffered bruises. She was taken to Deaconess hospital.

Networks Bill FDR's Speech

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—(P)—President Roosevelt's annual message to congress at 9:36 a. m. (PST) Tuesday will be broadcast to the nation by the country's radio networks and at the same time will be beamed to Latin-America and Europe by short wave.

Following the address, the radio chains will give translations for shortwave listeners in French, German, Italian, Swedish, Finnish, Turkish, Dutch, Serbo-Croat, Polish, Spanish and Portuguese.

Defenders On Luzon Sector Halt Invaders

Kai-Shek Sends Help To British; 700 Japs Die Near Corregidor

By The Associated Press

A major victory by American army bombers over important Japanese fleet units—three direct hits on an enemy battleship off Davao on the southern Philippine island of Mindanao—was announced late Monday night by the war department to round off a generally good day for the allies all around the world.

Every American plane returned undamaged from the Davao action, in which a Japanese destroyer was sunk and other enemy vessels hit with undetermined damage.

On Luzon, the key to all the Philippines, the Japanese appeared stalled by an American defense that had scored its first full victory, and in south-central China the invader was being heavily bled by a Chinese army which was developing into a sort of Russia of the far east for the allies.

The Chinese Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek—the one allied commander able just now to confront the Japanese with equal or superior numerical force—was beating the enemy down around Changsha in Hunan province, where official Chinese advisers reported that four Japanese divisions were trapped and under violent assault, two others in full retreat, and 53,000 invading troops lying dead or wounded.

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Auto Plants Plan Wartime Production

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(P)—The automobile industry embarked Monday on a broad program of conversion to war production along lines markedly similar to the so-called Reuther plan long advocated by union labor.

Out of a meeting of OPM officials, top-ranking motor manufacturers and workers' representatives came appointment of a ten-member union-management committee charged with planning the revamping of the industry. On it were Edsel Ford, president of the Ford Motor company, and Walter Reuther, CIO official and author of the "Reuther" plan.

US Troops Have Back to Sea



Defense forces were reported in strong positions north and west of Manila (1) following its fall. Black arrows indicate possible routes of Japanese advance on Manila from east and south and Japanese thrusts from north. Latter drive still is blocked by General MacArthur's army, in coastal area inside sawtooth lines. High mountains in Batan peninsula (2) provide strongholds. Defenders hold Forts Hills (on Corregidor), Hughes, Drum and Frank and secondary naval base of Olongapo (3). It was presumed they hold Clark field and Ft. Stotsenburg (4).