

At Last!
SEATTLE, Feb. 6—(AP)—Homer Armstrong, young businessman, halted a record Friday. HE married after losing 13 roommates to Cupid.

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Income taxes will be due soon. If you are in doubt about your federal tax, turn to The Statesman editorial page.

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Aguinaldo Asks MacArthur To Surrender

Joint War Staff Is Set At Capital

Yank, British Military Heads Form New Board

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (AP)—This city became the official war capital of the United Nations Friday night when a "combined chiefs of staff" board was set up here to take charge of all joint Anglo-American action for the prosecution of the struggle.

It is intended to assure coordination of the war effort and its jurisdiction is to include among other things, the production and distribution of war supplies. It will work in collaboration with representatives of other United Nations.

The new board, composed of high American and British leaders, will be housed in the public health building on Constitution avenue—which thus will become a nerve center of the far-flung fight against the axis.

Located in the same building will be a munitions assignment board, as well as central agencies to apportion shipping facilities and raw materials.

The "chiefs of staff" agency, the war department said, "amounts to a combined command post for the conduct of all joint operations of the two governments in the war."

Two Residents In 'Race' for Council Posts

One incumbent and one newcomer to the field announced their candidacies for city council posts here Friday. Other aldermen, however, said they have not decided whether they would enter the May primaries.

James M. Clark, appointed ward seven councilman early last summer, stated he would be a candidate for the two-year term.

E. W. Acklin, shoe store proprietor, threw his hat in the still lightly-populated ring for the (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

When Rubber Is Gone, Try Fish Tires

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6—(AP)—Listen to this fish story by W. T. Murray, one he declares is true and may help solve the tire problem.

"Back in 1913 I bought a car in Edmondton, Ga.," Murray told newspaper men Friday. "It was equipped with what they called Colub treads, made in Riga, Russia (now Latvia). They looked like rubber tires and acted like them."

"But the dealer told me they were made of fish. I couldn't believe it, so I hunted up the Edmondton representative of the Russian firm. He told me how they did it, but it's so long ago that I've forgotten."

Anyway, I drove on those tires 30,000 miles in two years, and when I sold the car, they still were good."

Rules Revealed On New Autos

Release of Cars Paid For but Undelivered Outlined in Bulletin

Nature of evidence required before new cars purchased but not delivered on or before January 1, 1942, can be turned over to their buyers was revealed in a special bulletin received Friday by Marion county ration boards.

General rationing of new passenger cars to eligible users obtaining purchase certificates from their local boards will not begin before February 26, and all forms and instructions are to be in the hands of state and local rationing authorities before February 12.

"The program contemplates the release of all cars in dealers' hands excepting those manufactured the latter part of January which are being held as 'stockpile' before the end of the year," Leon Henderson, federal price administrator, has announced.

In order to obtain a new car purchased but not delivered before the first of this year the buyer must submit either a certificate of title or registration for the car issued in his name before January 1, 1942; a sworn statement by state or local agency to the effect that application had been made for such title or registration before January 1 or satisfactory evidence of a written contract or bill of sale and either a cancelled check for \$25 or more of the purchase price dated on or before New Year's day, the original bound or serially-numbered receipt book used by the dealer showing entry of a credit for all or part of the purchase price.

Satisfactory evidence in place (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

Axis Subs Sink Ship Near NY

Indian Arrow Is 17th Victim Off Atlantic Coast

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., Feb. 6—(AP)—Two nights of desperate struggle for life against an enemy submarine, spreading flames, bitter cold and a black sea, all within sight of this resort's gay lights, were related Friday by 12 men, only known survivors of the latest tanker torpedoing.

Twenty-six men were missing from the crew of the American-owned Indian Arrow, 8327-ton tanker sunk off the Atlantic coast Wednesday evening. Himself among the dozen to reach shore, their skipper said:

"I am doubtful if any others survived."

Two cod fishermen who had braved a fog-bound inlet for their daily chore found the survivors' lifeboat 12 miles off Ocean City this morning and towed it here.

Once the oil-grimed figures had been fed, scrubbed and rested at the Atlantic City coast guard station, they almost to a man announced their readiness to sail again.

The India Arrow was northbound when the torpedo crashed into its hull just aft of the engine room at 7 p.m., Wednesday. The ship sank so fast that only two of three men escaped from the engine room and Fred (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Registration Dates Set

Feb. 14, 15, 16 Named For County Selective Service Enrollment

Salem's draft-aged men may register any one of three days, February 14, 15, and 16, Marion county local selective service board No. 1 decided Friday.

On Saturday, one week from today, the armory will be open for registration from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. All men born on or after February 17, 1897, or on or before December 31, 1921, must sign.

Chairman Ray J. Stumbo said help for the signup is needed, and persons wishing to volunteer should report to the draft board office in the armory.

State selective service headquarters here have been placed on a seven-day week basis and are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., according to Lieut. Col. Elmer V. Wootton, state director. The schedule adds Saturday afternoons and Sundays to the work menu.

Coast Plants Seek Skilled Mechanics

Men who can qualify as first class auto mechanics and have not yet passed their 51st birthdays are sought for a western defense industry, the US Employment service in Salem was notified Friday night.

Applicants are to apply at the employment office, 710 Ferry street, either this morning or Monday for an exchange of information required before interview assignments are arranged.

The positions open are numerous and offer "good pay" it was declared at the employment office, which is open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 noon and from 8:30 to 5 on Monday.

Malta Undergoes Worst Bombardments of War

VALLETTA, Malta, Feb. 6—(AP)—This island fortress, raided nearly 1500 times, underwent one of the most severe aerial bombardments of the entire war Friday.

There were seven alarms before nightfall, dive-bombers taking part in the attack. One Ju-88 dive-bomber and an Me-109 fighter were shot down by AA guns.

Ex-Insurrecto Leader, Set Up By Japs As 'Philippines Quisling,' Laughed At By Native Troops; Invaders Increased

British Shift Navy Supplies At Singapore

Commander Reveals Rescue of Troops; Await Invasion Try

SINGAPORE, Feb. 6—(AP)—Some of the men, planes, ships and supplies have been removed from the Singapore naval base and from several air fields on this beleaguered island because they could not operate under Japanese shell fire, Lieut. Gen. A. E. Percival, commander of Imperial land forces here, disclosed Friday night at the end of a week of siege.

But he said firmly: "We will hold Singapore! There is no question about it."

"Just because we do not see so many of our aircraft overhead and our naval units about does not mean the air force and navy have abandoned Singapore," added General Percival.

"They have gone to places whence they can bomb Japanese bases just as effectively and build up our naval strength. The navy is continuing to do a lot of work around the island and Malayan shores under difficult circumstances."

Gen. Percival's disclosure—some people in Singapore have known it for several days—came as British troops patrolled the island against the threat of attempted parachute invasion and imperial batteries, laboring under enemy dive-bombing assaults, flung salvo after salvo across the Johore strait into Japanese troop concentrations on the Malayan mainland.

And even as he spoke, a pillar of smoke rising from burning oil tanks to the north marked the (Turn to Page 2, Col. 7)

Teachers Get Sugar Ration Stamps Task

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6—(AP)—The nation's public school teachers were given Friday night the huge task of issuing sugar rationing books to every man, woman and child in the nation and were directed to crack down on hoarders by withholding the sweet from them until their supplies are used up.

Price Administrator Leon Henderson announced details of the rationing program under which books containing stamps will be distributed entitling each individual to a strictly limited quantity of sugar—probably 12 ounces a week.

When the 130,000,000 copies of "war ration book No. 1" are distributed "within a few weeks" persons who have built up hoards of sugar will have stamps torn (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

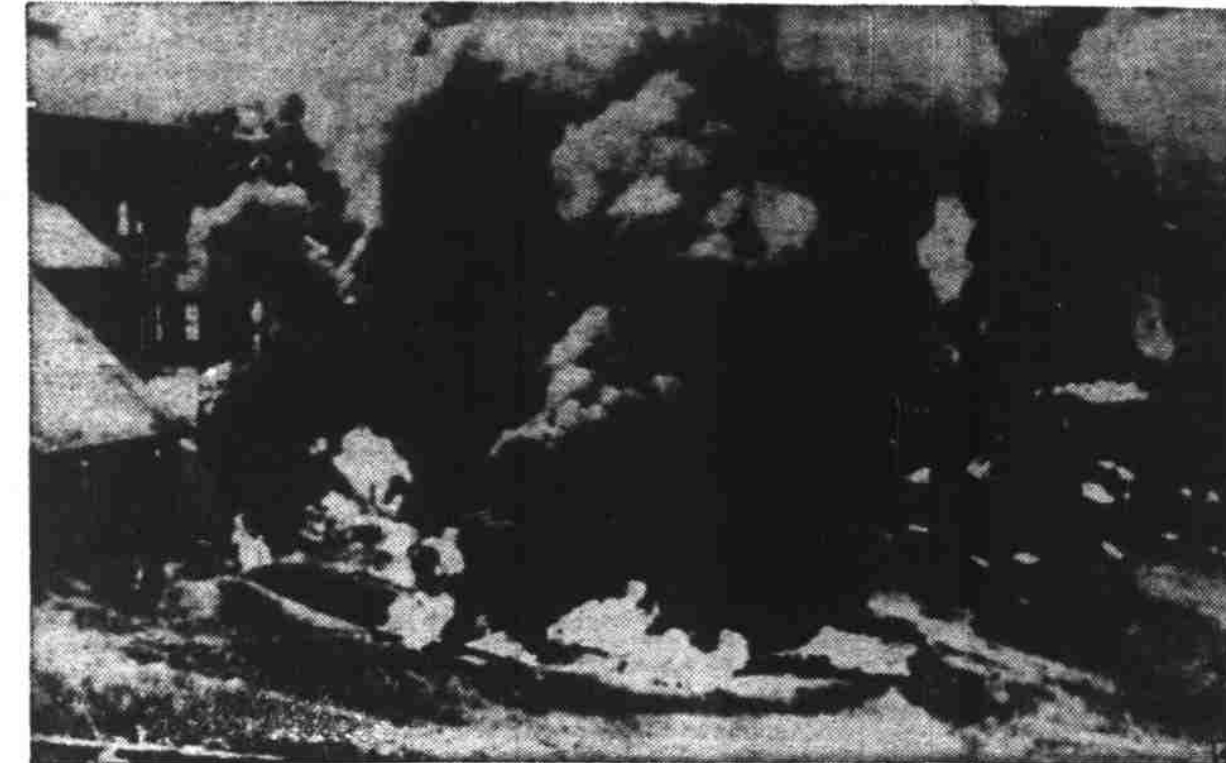
Monday 2 a.m. Named Hour For Change

PORTLAND, Ore. Feb. 6—(AP)—Governor Charles A. Sprague altered his daylight saving proclamation for Oregon Friday making the time of change 2 a.m. Monday, thus dispelling a no end of confusion in his state.

A previous proclamation set the hour of change at 11 p.m. Sunday but concerns in interstate commerce stubbornly refused to observe it, stating they had instructions to change over at 2 a.m.

The governor made the change when he learned of similar action in California and Washington. The misconception had grown here that the entire country was to change over at 2 a.m., eastern time.

British Destroy Malaya Rubber Factory



Clouds of smoke billow skyward as flames destroy a Malayan rubber factory near Kuala Lumpur set afire by the British as they carried out a "scorched earth" withdrawal from the mainland to Singapore island. (This photo was sent by radio from London to New York, wired to Chicago and airmailed to The Statesman.)

House Revolts On Jobs Given Actor and Dancer

Appointments of Melvyn Douglas and Mrs. Roosevelt's 'Protege' to High Civilian Defense Posts Draws Fire of Solons

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6—(AP)—In an upsurge of revolt against the appointment of Actor Melvyn Douglas and Mrs. Roosevelt's dance-protege to high civilian defense posts, the house voted, 88 to 80, Friday to forbid use of civilian defense funds for "instructions in physical fitness by dancers, fan dancing, street shows, theatrical performances or other public entertainment."

During an angry discussion that preceded the vote, Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich) suggested that a "Bundles for Eleanor" movement be started in tribute to Mrs. Roosevelt's ability to get jobs for her friends. He referred to Marys Chaney, dancer, and other.

Equally severe were the representatives in dealing with Donald Duck. By a vote of 78 to 63, the house eliminated an \$80,000 allotment to pay the cost of producing a Walt Disney film in which Donald demonstrates the problems—and the benefits—of the income tax.

The two actions, both tentative and taken on teller votes, came in consideration of a \$160,590,611 deficiency appropriations bill containing \$100,000,000 for civilian defense. Toward the end of the day, leaders had the whole bill put over until Monday to (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Armory Dance Draws 600 of Salem's Girls

Approximately 600 young women of the Salem area responded to the United Hospitality association's call for soldiers' dancing partners and appeared at the armory Friday night. The dance, jointly sponsored by the UHA and army men stationed here, drew a full gallery of civilian onlookers in addition to the 250 uniformed men and the women guests.

An all-soldier orchestra provided music, while intermission numbers were presented by other members of the army units. Appreciation of the hospitality association's officers for the co-operation of various organizations and the response of the feminine contingent was expressed by Tom Hill, chairman of the committee on arrangements, and Dr. Henry Morris, UHA head. The call had been issued for "at least two girls for every soldier."

Men in civilian garb were forbidden on the dance floor, but they clustered around doorways and in the gallery. Soldiers were returned to their quarters in armory trucks promptly at 11:30 and the volunteer dance partners had been asked to provide their own transportation home.

Nippon Claims US Money Now Losing Value

Soldiers Told They're Risking Lives Without Proper Remuneration

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6—(AP)—Old Emilio Aguinaldo, leader of the 1899 revolt against American occupation of the Philippines, has apparently been installed, the army said Friday, as a sort of "Philippines Quisling" by the Japanese.

The aged "general," a communist said, broadcast from Manila an address to Gen. Douglas MacArthur to surrender to the Japs. This advice was, of course, ignored by MacArthur.

It was one of many similar radio speeches, with which MacArthur and his troops have been "bombed" recently. More pamphlets have been dropped by Japanese aviators, too, the latest telling Filipino soldiers of MacArthur's army that American money is growing worthless, and saying they were exposing their lives without remuneration.

The only response of the troops, MacArthur informed the war department, was one of "considerable amusement."

These developments were announced in the army's second communique of the day. The first said that more Japanese reinforcements had been landed on Batan from nine troop ships, and that the guns of Corregidor and other island fortifications at the mouth of Manila bay had destroyed Japanese gun emplacements, installed presumably for the purpose of shelling the American-held islands.

The army also announced that the steamship Cynthia Olsen, under charter to the war department, had been given up for lost. She had not been heard from since Dec. 7, when she radioed that a Japanese submarine was attacking, 1200 miles west of Seattle. Thirty-five men are missing.

Aguinaldo was the leader of irreconcilable Philippine insurgents (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Fillets of the volunteer group from Los Angeles, Spokane, (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Russ Press Smolensk Drive



German reserve troops have failed to halt the advancing Russians and Moscow said red army columns (arrows) were stabbing toward the main anchor city of Smolensk. The frontal drive on Smolensk continued from the direction of Moshak while a flanking attack was developing from the Kirov area, sweeping past Novosk to within 100 miles of Smolensk. In the Ukraine, the spearheads of Marshal Timoshenko's forces, apparently having bypassed Stalino, were reported by Moscow to have struck to within 20 miles of the main southern German base of Dnepropetrovsk.

Japs Threaten Burma Road



The British said that Japanese invaders of Burma have crossed Salween river above conquered Moulmein in a thrust apparently aimed at Thabein (arrow 1) to cut off British defenders of Martaban. Meanwhile, axis sources claimed their planes had destroyed a station at Tungee (arrow 2) and below Mandalay (arrow 3) had cut the railway which leads to Burma road. British must retain control of shipping routes in the Gulf of Martaban (4) to continue to aid China via the Burma road.

Thursday's Weather

Forecasts withheld and temperature data delayed by army request. River Friday, 12.1 feet. Max. temp. Thursday, 49, min. 37. Rainfall, .27 inches.