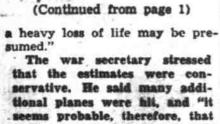
## Huge Toll of Japs Exacted

Stimson Report Has **US Army Holding 5-1** South Pacific Margin

sumed. The war secretary stressed that the estimates were conservative. He said many additional planes were hit, and "it seems probable, therefore, that the total enemy losses in aircraft were much greater than the figure given."

Ships included as probably sunk were only those whose "observed damage was so great as to leave little doubt as to their ultimate



destruction.'

From Bataan Gen. Douglas Mac-Arthur reported that he had authorized expenditure of \$10,-900,000 in relief funds among the Philippine civilian population, Of Race for 000,000 in relief funds among the particularly among families of military personnel. Of the total, \$2,500,000 was allotted as gratuities to widows and orphans of of-







ficers and soldiers who met death, for care of disabled men and relief of soldiers' families. The same amount was earmarked for

Meanwhile, MacArthur's little army retained its surprising gains on the Bataan peninsula with little opposition, strengthening a belief that the Japanese had been forced to give up the idea of conquering the Philippines until substantial rein-

forcements arrived. The defenders' unexpected thrusts have resulted in advances in the last 48 hours which ranged up to about five miles on the of fishing treaties with the Jap-Manila bay sector of the fighting anese had not been successfully front, MacArthur advised the war department.

Thrown back to positions they had wrested from the American-Filipino forces weeks ago, the invaders failed to launch an anticipated counter-attack and fighting dwindled to engagements involving only light forces.

# Thomas Out Legislature

Rep. Lyle Thomas, West Salem, frequently mentioned as a possibility for speaker of the 1943 forces off Java, and in the Philhouse of represetnatives, announced Friday to The Statesman that fastly held its newly-acquired pohe would not be a candidate for sitions in light fighting on Luzon. reelection to the legislature.

He said friends had been urging him to run instead for the Polk county judgeship and indicated he was considering the matter seri-

Famed Author Hurt

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27-(AP) Ernest Thompson Seton, 82, wide- Indian ocean and India itself. ly-known animal painter, author and lecturer, suffered cuts of the head Friday in an automobile col-

New STATE Are Girls Last Who Pose in Times the Nude Immoral?

Morgan Hayworth Oberon
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WARNING FOR EVERY PAREN

## **Battle Rages** gratuities to families of civilians suffering from the invasion.

United Fleet Forces Nippon Into Battle; Russ-Jap Break Seen

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ternate Russian capital, delayed dispatches reporting that the longpending negotiations for renewal

concluded. Kuibyshev dispatches also contained curious references to the fact that Japanese newspapermen were remaining there without saying anything as to why that

should be unusual. Whether all these developments involved mere feelers remained to be seen. At all events, Russian-Japanese relations were clearly looming more im-

portantly in the world picture. In the Pacific theatre the allied air arm Friday again fell heavily. although with undetermined results, upon the Japanese invasion ippines the American line stead-

The first enemy attack upon the territory of India when Japanese bombers raided the Andaman islands, while lie in the Bay of Bengal on the British-allied sea routes from the Indian ocean. Supported what already had been indicated-that the struggle for Burma was becoming in an infinitely larger sense a struggle for the

At a time when the aroused might of the United Nations was just beginning to rise in the Pacific, it demonstrated this: That the almost illimitable space of the Pacific and the illimitable task of Pacific domination is not in itself enough to encompass Japan's extraordinary dreams.

It suggested the immediate possibility that the Japanese were from which to cut at allied lines the old Burma road has been nounced today. about knocked out of business

even the biggest one of all, the ing 20 miles from Rangoon. Pacific-but was beginning his Indian ocean as well.

though less immediate, than that city.

## Helen Jepson, Soprano, Gives | CCC Camp for Salem Audience Grand Concert | Japs Opposed

By MAXINE BUREN

Blonde and beautiful, Metropolitan opera soprano, Helen Jepson sang her way into the hearts of a capacity audience at the high school auditorium Friday night. Gowned in flame red Jersey, the singer proved the truth of her press agents' claims of glamour.

# Meet Today

Six Remain in Contest As High School Speech Tournament Nears End

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Sheridan and Milwaukie, one each from Dallas and Parkrose. Oratory-Three each from Oregon City and Banks, one each from Medford, Sheridan, Camas and Brooks.

Coaches here with entries from 17 high schools are Marjorie Thorne and Hazel Henry of Dallas, Kathryn Sartain of Oregon City, Amanda Anderson of Roseburg, DeVere Taylor of Medford, H. R. Parent of Mc-Minnville, Doris Sias of Banks, Marian Hendrick of Sheridan, Norborne Berkeley of Salem, Tom Terjeson of Camas, Wash., Ruth Ender of Lebanon, E. G. Webb of Beaverton, Peggy Newby of Parkrose, Frank Roberts of Hillsboro, Lawrence M. Bennett of Albany, William H. Fisher of Independence, Robert Weibel of Grants Pass and Ronald Webb of Milwaukie.

Coaches and Willamette students in the speech department are serving as judges for the con-

### Yanks Down 47 Planes In Burma

CHUNGKING, China, Feb. 28 (Saturday) -(A)- The American making plans to try to seize the volunteer "Flying Tigers" protect-Andamans as air and sea bases ing Rangoon, Burma, bagged a total of 47 and possibly 54 Japto China (via Calcutta) which are anese planes during Wednesday prospectively most vital now that and Thursday, it was officially an-

One American pilot, who was with the loss of Rangoon as its missing during Wednesday's dogfight when Japanese losses were It suggested, in short, that the listed as 27 definitely and seven enemy was perhaps not content to probably destroyed, now is betry to take one ocean at a time— lieved to have made a forced land- good manners. No artist could wish burn, and Paul Dickman, Silver-

The communique said a handrestless motions westward in the ful of American volunteers flying Tomahawk (Curtiss) planes shot It gave some measure of en- down 11 Japanese planes Thurscouragement to the opinion in day morning over Rangoon and some quarters that the allied cris- nine more that afternoon when 12 is in the Burmese-Indian theater Japanese bombers escorted by 25 was hardly less menacing, al- fighters attempted to raid the

### Petain Flayed By Daladier

RIOM, Unoccupied France, Feb. 27-(AP)-Marshal Petain himself was responsible with other French ministers of war for France's lack of arms preparation to meet the ermans, former Premier Eduard Daladier charged in his own defense at the war guilt trial Fri-

Daladier, minister of war in three cabinets, attacked his predecessors, including Petain, and told the court he could not be held entirely at fault. Daladier said he had refrained

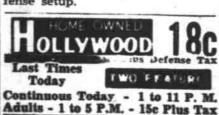
preceded him in the ministry of war after France and England war after France and England For Recorder went to war with Germany in

"I am now condemned by a predecessor whom I covered then," he said. "I shall cover him no longer."

### Women Defense Unit Told of Organization

Eighy five women, volunteer workers in the Marion county civilian defense headquarters office and on the general staff, gathered at Salem chamber of commerce in the cherry room Thursday night to study the civilian defense organization.

Principal speaker was Coordinator Bryan H. Conley, who presented a chalk talk on the re- Final Rites Slated lationship between the various departments of the civilian defense setup.



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offices in Portland, Seattle, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

In spite of an unfamiliar program, listeners warmed to her immediately, and demanded encore after Japanese, both citizens and aliens, be moved east of the Rockies, is encore. This speaks well for her ability as a singer and of her dra- contained in a resolution to be sent matic prowess, for we know how to Mayor Earl Riley, Portland, by Salem audience likes music it the Salem Credit association.

During the first group Miss PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27-(A) Jepson seemed a little cold, but as the evening wore on, warmth increased and graciousness brought depth and beauty to ishments in the Portland area. her voice. During the Mozart rondo "Alme belle" she emerg-

ed into full beauty of tone. The scheduled number that seemed to please most, was the "Jewel Song" from Gounod's

Miss Jepson sang three numbers written for her, and still in manuscript "of which I am yery proud"

Oregon to Buy script "of which I am very proud" she said. "Nostalgia' written by Lamont, to the poem of Amy Lowell, "Journey's End" by Mason and "North Wind Doth Blow" by her accompanist Robert Wallen-

"Faust."

But looks weren't all the singer

offered to the Salem audience.

Other encores were "At the Well" by Hageman, (which she sang with great feeling); a Greek folk song, "Nightingale and the Rose" by Rimsky-Korsakoff; "L'Hiver" (Whirlwind) by Koechlin, "Down Here" by thought her most appealing number); "One-Two-Three" by Zimbalist; "Summertime" by Gershwin and "Die Fliedermaus" by Strauss.

Wallenborn is an excellent accompanist and in his solo numbers proved himself a fine soloist as well. His numbers included the work of Beners, Honegger and Debussy. Encore was "Les Tourbillons" by Rameau.

The Salem Community concert association could not have made a better choice of artist to climax the winter music sehles, for those who heard the singer last night were encouraged to look foreward eagerly to another winter of fine music.

This writer, who has frequently criticized the local concert goers for thoughtlessness in dashing for the door before the artist completes the encores, wishes to compliment them on last night's Woodburn, Harold Filkin, Wood-

### Death Takes Salem Nimrod

Nelson J. Billings, 62, retired supervisor of Wallowa forest and widely known in this area for his interest in outdoors activities, died at his home, 1540 North Liberty street, Friday morning.

Member of Salem Hunters and Anglers, Rod & Gun club, Izaak Walton league, the Odd Fellows and Masonic lodges, he is survived by the widow, Ethel Billings; daughters, Mrs. Milo I. Gibbs of Portland, Mrs. Daniel Olin and Miss Rosemary Billings of Salem; son, Steve Jay Billings of Salem; three grandchildren and four sisters who reside in his native state, Michigan.

Announcement of services is to be made Sunday from Clough-Barick company.

# from criticizing the men who had Mundt to Run

Alfred Mundt, who has served as deputy to three city recorders over 18 consecutive years, Friday filed his candidacy for the recordership. He is the third candidate for the office, only post thus far promising a race in the May city elections.

Declaring he would "continue rendering efficient service,' Mundt said he wished to conduct the offices of recorder, purchasing agent and municipal judge as he believed, through experience, they should be.

Other candidates are Aldermen L. F. LeGarie and A. O. Davison.

### For Monitor Man SILVERTON—Funeral services

for William Hugg, who died Thursday at his daughter's home in Monitor, are to be held Sunday at 2 p.m. from the Trinity church with Larson and Son funeral home in charge.

**OPA to Control Rents** WASHINGTON, Feb. 27-(AP) Armed with rent control powers equivalent to his price authority, Price Administrator Leon Hender-

Solon in Coast Visit Says Problem to Find

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A recommendation that all Suspension

rederal bureau of investigation agents began a search Friday of the duration of the war federal Italian alien homes and estab- laws calling for a 40-hour week J. Douglas Swenson, FBI agent, said a gun and two cameras were defeat in the house Friday.

# **US** Centers in **Chrome Direct**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.-(AP)-Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones announced Friday plans to buy chrome ore direct from miners in Oregon and northern Cal-

He said the Metals Reserve company, a RFC subsidiary, would establish buying agencies at Coquille, Grants Pass, and Seneca, Ore., and at Yreka, Calif. Purchases will be made in truckload

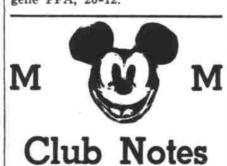
### FFA Tourney **Held Friday** At Silverton

SILVERTON-Future Farmers of America chapters of the Upper Willamette valley held a sectional tournament at Silverton Friday. Boys from Cottage Grove, Eugene, Junction City, Corvallis, Albany, Lebanon, Salem, Woodburn and Silverton participated in the contests.

Don Cumming, Corvallis, won first place in the public speaking contest. His subject was "The Young Man and the Farm." Other winners were Scott Wheeler, for warmer appreciation, no au- ton. Judges were Father Alcuin dience could be given better Heibel, Mt. Angel, Neil Craig, Newberg and Wayne Harding,

Numerous other vocational contests were held. A basketball game Friday night

ended the tournament. Silverton FFA scored a victory over Eugene FFA, 20-12.



Greetings Mice! The wind is going to play a big part in today's program. Don't forget our new contest which started last Saturday. Today, a new group of pictures will be posted in the center of the theatre lobby. In as much as there were only two winners last Saturday, we are going to make the contest a little easier. Instead of guessing all five of the contestants; just name two of the five correctly and you will win! Don't be afraid to enter. Try your luck, who knows you may win.

-MMC-Now, about this wind business. Today the contest is going to deal with balloons; but, not in the ordinary way. This time, the contestants will be brought out on the stage blind-folded and given a good five cent rubber balleon. He will then blow it up (this is where the wind comes in) until the audience tells him to stop. It will be up to you as to how big the balloon should be. There will be five in the contest, but only one on the stage at the same time. The one out of the five that has the largest balloon will win the various prizes. -MMC-

Today's show is "Hit Parade" plus the outstanding orchestra of the week. Also a community song "White Cliffs of Dover," one of the better war songs. There will be other entertainers here too. The screen fare is Kay Kyser in "Playmates"; "Frisco Lil" plus the serial.

Until One o'clock . . . Your MMC

son will move shortly into a num- out the country with orders for ber of war-swollen areas through- rental reductions.

DANCE TONIGHT ALTON BENEDICT'S ORCHESTRA

2 Miles North of Independence

Funeral Services Set For Silverton Man

SILVERTON-Funeral services for John Skipper, who died Thursday at his home on route two, are to be held Monday at 2:30 from the Ekman funeral

Interment is to be in Belcrest Memorial park, Salem. RE. Frank Zook, Astoria, and Rev. Russell Myer, Silvetron are to officiate.

# Of 40-Hour **Week Loses**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.-(AP)-A determined drive to suspend for and extra pay for over-time suffered an unexpeciedly smashing

Most of the republicans joined with large numbers of demo-

crats to bury the proposal, 226 to 62, on a standing vote after the Roos evelt administration, the AFL and the CIO had mustered their biggest guns against it. A volley of cheers swept the house when the result was an-

The lop-sided nature of the vote was a surprise even to administration leaders in the chamber, who had expressed fear that the proposal, offered by Rep. Smith (D-Va), would be ac-







Companion Feature That Bashful "Brother Rat" Is Roaring Like A Lion!

5 P.M.







