

16 Marine Heroes Are Decorated

HONOLULU, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Sixteen marine heroes of the battle of Midway and one cruiser captain were decorated by Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Monday, and received the Pacific fleet commander's God-speed on the eve of their departure for the battle zone.

"You officers and men who have cheerfully remained on the job, lending your battle-trained effort to the task of preparing new squadrons for combat, have made a material contribution to a quicker termination of the war," Admiral Nimitz declared.

"May God bless you in your new ventures."
"No part of the glorious record of the marine corps," he told the group, "exceeds in valor the efforts of all the marines who fought at Midway last June. I am therefore especially happy to express appreciation of the Pacific fleet to the defenders of Midway on this occasion."

"Officers and men being honored this morning are receiving their well-earned recognition on the eve of their departure for new adventures against the enemy. I have every confidence that the spirit displayed by the personnel of these fighting and bombing squadrons against huge odds at Midway will carry them along to even greater successes aloft in the months to come."

Those receiving navy crosses included Second Lt. Jack Cosley of Hood River, Ore., who piloted a scout bomber in the initial attack on a Japanese carrier at Midway.

In addition to the awards to marines, Admiral Nimitz presented the navy cross to Capt. Gilbert C. Hoover, USN, of Columbus, O. Capt. Hoover was commanding officer of a cruiser which engaged a superior enemy force at close quarters on the night of Nov. 12-13 and inflicted great destruction on the enemy, preventing him from attacking American positions on Guadalcanal.

Landon Places Blame, Oil

NEODESHA, Kas., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Alf M. Landon warned Monday night America is threatened by a shortage of crude petroleum necessary for war because of "typically dumb bureaucracy."

The 1936 republican presidential nominee, speaking at a dinner celebrating the 50th anniversary of oil discovery in mid-continent fields, asserted the oil shortage at first was one of faulty distribution.

"Now it's a matter of basic supply," Landon declared. "The oil industry must have a top rating in material and manpower as a vital industry."

He added that "all the tanks and airplanes in the world can accomplish nothing without lubricating oil and gasoline to run them."

Nazis Guard In Southeast

ANKARA, Turkey, Nov. 27.—(Delayed)—(AP)—An informed Balkan source said Friday night that German military authorities in Yugoslavia and Bulgaria have ordered a heavy military guard for all railroad bridges and tunnels.

A new wave of sabotage, inspired by the British and American Mediterranean successes, is expected in Yugoslavia and Bulgaria, this source declared.

Railroads in those two countries are heavily loaded with axis troops and materials trains. Reports received in Turkey in the last three weeks said that the Germans were hastily reinforcing their southeastern European defenses.

Bartholomew Joins Army Air Corps

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Freddie Bartholomew, British-born film actor, who passed his 18th birthday anniversary last March 28, announced Monday he enlisted Saturday in the army air corps and expects to enter active service in January.

"America gave me my first opportunity," Freddie said in announcing his enlistment. "I am glad for the chance to serve her."
He came to the United States 10 years ago.

Bank Clearings Up 87 Millions

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Bank clearings here totaled \$305,828,589 during November, an increase of approximately \$87,000,000 over the same month last year.

Building permits numbered 59 for a total valuation of \$399,050 compared to 361 for \$1,735,000 in November, 1941.

Murder Trial Starts

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Harvey Cunningham, 38, negro, charged with first degree murder in connection with the slaying of Richard F. Kerr, 36-year-old shipyard worker, went on trial in circuit court Monday. Kerr was shot four times August 29.

Gasoline Rationing Questions Answered; Plan Now in Effect

OPA Monday released these questions and answers to clear up certain points motorists and other gasoline users have been raising on mileage rationing, which goes into effect nationwide today.

1. Q. I was unable to apply for my "A" ration book at the school house registration held in my city last week. How can I get my basic ration?

A. By applying to your local war price and rationing board, but since local boards will be very busy acting on applications for transportation and non-highway rations, they will not be able to receive your application for a basic "A" until December 3, unless you have a good reason for consideration before that time.

2. Q. How long do I have to dispose of my excess tires?

A. Until December 1.

3. Q. I got my tire inspection record—now what do I do with it?

A. Keep it with your car as evidence that you have registered your tires, and whenever you have your tires inspected, the inspector will initial the record to show that the inspection has been made.

4. Q. How soon must the first inspection be made?

A. By January 31.

5. Q. At the school house registration I got my "A" book, but

this will not give me enough mileage. Can I get more?

A. Yes, for occupational driving if you can prove need. If the school house registrar did not give you an application form for a supplemental ration, you may get one from your local rationing board. The application, when filled out, is to be submitted to the board.

6. Q. I have already applied for a supplemental ration but have not received it. If it is not issued before December 1, what should I do for the gasoline I will need to carry on my work?

A. Your "A" book should provide you with sufficient mileage until your supplemental application is acted upon.

7. Q. I formed a car-sharing club. Still my rationing board turned down my application for a "B" book. Is that right?

A. Thousands of car-sharers are operating on "A" books alone. In order to get additional gasoline you must prove need for more mileage than the "A" will give you, as well as meet car-sharing requirements.

8. Q. My dealer says he will not accept any coupons from me until I write some identification on the back. Is this an OPA requirement?

A. Yes.

9. Q. What identification is required?

A. This varies with types of coupons. All "A," "B," "C" and "D" coupons must have a car license number and state of registration written in ink on the back. Passenger fleet operators using interchangeable coupon must write or stamp the fleet name. "T" coupons must be endorsed on the back with the war certificate number or the fleet name. "E" and "F" coupons must have the name and address of the user written on the back.

10. Q. Does this mean that I must write my license number and state on the back of every one of my "A" coupons?

A. Yes, in ink.

11. Q. What is the purpose of this requirement?

A. It will help insure against misuse of your coupon book in case it is lost or stolen. It will also provide OPA with the valuable means of tracking down thieves and "black market" operators.

12. Q. I applied for a certificate of war necessity for my farm truck but have not yet received it. I am told that I can not get a ration of gasoline without this certificate. Will I be forced to lay up my truck if my certificate does not arrive before December 1?

A. No. Your local war price and rationing board is authorized to issue a temporary transport ration in such a case.

13. Q. I have heard that to save my tires I ought to drive under 35 miles an hour. Is that a "must"?

A. Yes. Your local war price and rationing board may suspend or revoke your ration book if you exceed this speed.

Ship's Oak to Be Souvenirs

PORTLAND, Nov. 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt and the governors of the 48 states will receive souvenirs from the old USS Oregon, pride of Uncle Sam's Spanish-American war fleet. And so will Oregon school children—for the price of a war bond.

Seasoned oak from the historic battleship's living quarters will be fashioned into a cigarette box for presentation to the president, a gavel will be turned for the governor of each state on purchase of bonds. School children will get oak plaques, and if any are left over, they may be obtained by adult war bond purchasers, said Larry Hilaire, Multnomah county war bond chairman.

O. B. Badger, assistant Portland school superintendent, is supervising removal of the oak timbers from the Oregon, now being dismantled for conversion into new war weapons.

Bandage Bars Infections

BALTIMORE, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Development of a tough and translucent film of medicated cellulose which can effectively shut out dreaded infection from war wounds and burns, yet is easily carried in a soldier's first aid kit, was reported Monday.

The paper-thin, pliable sulfadiazine bandage, which may be left on a burn from three to five days and makes inspection of wounds easy because there is no immediate need to remove it, was developed by Dr. Kenneth L. Pirkrell of the department of surgery, the Johns Hopkins medical school.

Particularly valuable in the case of burns, the film also has been used in surgery for such purposes as covering recent incisions, lacerations and abrasions and hastening the "closure and regeneration of perforated eardrums."

Road Building To Be Limited

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Rep. James W. Mott (R-Ore) believes that the federal road building program for the 1944 fiscal year will be consented to military strategic highways and access roads.

The second ranking member of the house roads committee said that while the nation's wartime needs would prevail, roads legislation would be introduced at the next congressional session.

"We shall try not to let the session go by without a federal aid road program," he said.

Newspapers Give Space to Scrap

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Daily newspapers of the United States contributed more than a quarter of a million columns editorial and display advertising space to promote the newspapers' united metal scrap drive which produced 5,264,415 tons, Editor and Publisher said Monday.

Tabulation of the space contributed by weekly newspapers would probably bring the total to half a million columns of space, the newspaper trade publication estimates.

Assists OWI Director

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Miss Glenna Fisher, Portland, was appointed assistant to Ben E. Titus, state director of the office of war information, Monday. A graduate of University of Oregon, Miss Fisher formerly was with the OWI news bureau in Washington, DC, and served in an editorial capacity for the Oregon state planning board.

Portland Has Ship Record

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Portland, which before the war boasted of its importance as a lumber center, Monday claimed national shipbuilding supremacy, with the launching of 37 vessels in 30 days.

Three ships went down the ways Monday, Henry J. Kaiser's Oregon Shipbuilding corporation launched its 103d Liberty freighter, making a total of 13 launched and 13 delivered for the month compared to 12-12 last month and 11-11 for September, which both were then national records.

Kaiser's Vancouver yard launched another tank-landing ship and the Albina Engine & Machine Works, Portland, slid a navy tanker into the Willamette.

Stock Broker Found Guilty

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Henry W. Hughes, Portland stock broker, was found guilty by Circuit Judge Robert Tucker Monday of unlawfully pledging securities of a customer.

Judge Tucker, who heard the case without a jury, said sentence would be pronounced Saturday. Hughes was charged with pledging and disposing of securities valued at more than \$8000 without the consent of Sara R. Malcolm, the owner, and failure to deliver them on demand.

Newspaper Man Dies

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Harry E. Critchlow, veteran Portland newspaper and publicity man, died Monday at Veteran's hospital after suffering a stroke Friday. Born at Dallas, Ore., he served in the last war and after the armistice was assigned to the Stars and Stripes, official AEF newspaper. He formerly was on the staff of the old Portland Telegram.

Betty Nixon Pledged

CORVALLIS, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Betty Nixon, Salem, was among 19 Oregon State college student pledges to Alpha Lambda Delta, honor society for sophomore women.



SKATER TRIES ARCHERY.—Bess Ehrhardt, figure skater, tests a bow in the backyard of her Hillsborough, Calif., home. After appearing in an ice show in 23 cities, Miss Ehrhardt is catching up with her loafing.



GERMANS DRIVE TOWARD THIS RUSSIAN HIGHWAY.—An automobile goes along Russia's famed Georgian military highway which winds through the Caucasus. Nazis are driving toward this key thoroughfare.



Anti-aircraft fire of the enemy over Bengasi, Libya, nearly tore away the left aileron of this American B-24 Consolidated bomber, severed the control cables and put more than 100 holes in its fuselage and yet it reached its Allied base, 1,000 miles away, safely. Major Farham looks over the damage. This is an official Office of War Information photo.



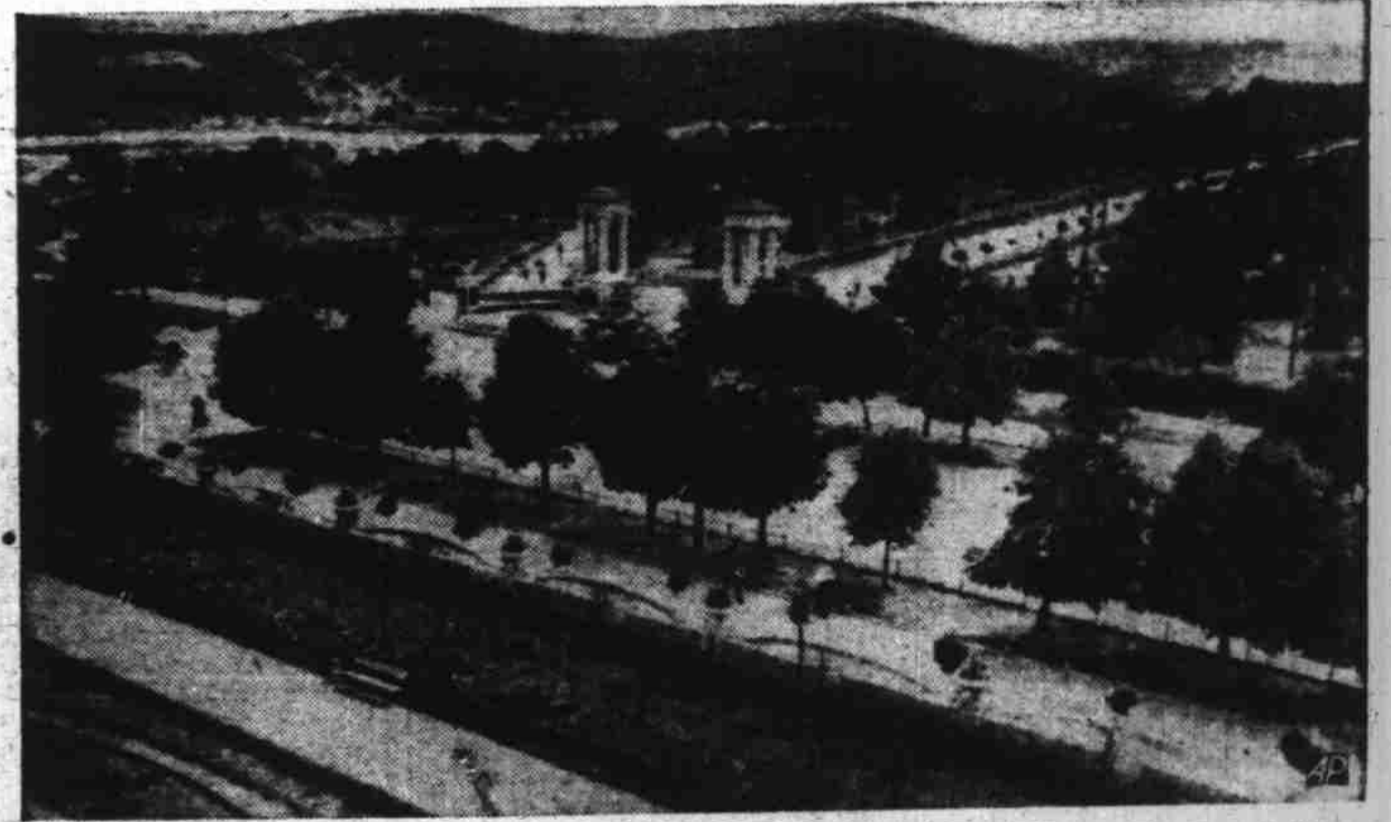
HATS OF DESTINY.—Hats of Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey, chief of Allied land forces in southwest Pacific, and Gen. MacArthur.



Virtually unknown a year ago Alexis Smith, above, has made a rapid ascent up the ladder of screen success. Already she has three starring roles to her credit, each calling for a different characterization.



Former governor general of Algeria, Admiral Jean Marie Abrial, above, is reported to have replaced Admiral G. A. J. P. Auphan as secretary of state for the Navy in the Vichy, France, government following Marshal Petain's move in making Pierre Laval, pro-Axis chief of government, Fascist dictator of Vichy France.



NALCHIK—NOW IN GERMAN HANDS.—Wide, tree-lined streets go through this park in the Russian city of Nalchik, recently captured by the Germans in their Caucasus drive.



NAVY CHIEF.—Admiral Ernest J. King (above) is commander-in-chief of the United States fleet and chief of naval operations. He formerly commanded the Atlantic fleet.
This is one of a series of reconnaissance photos made over the dock area of Genoa, Italy, after raids by Royal Air Force bombers. The picture shows the warehouses and sheds covering an area of two and one-half acres on the Mole (pier) Vecchio almost completely destroyed by fire. Note the barges at lower left.