# \*Folkes Waits For Attorney

**Zoot-Suited Negro** Hears Charge of 'Lower 13' Slaving

By FRED HAMPSON ALBANY, Ore., Feb. 1-(AP) Without flinching, Robert E. Lee Folkes, 20-year-old dining car cook, heard himself charged with first degree murder Monday in the "sower 13" slaying of hand-some Mrz. Martha Virginia James, 21year-old hevy officer's bride.

His demeanor in strange contrast to his flashy zoot suit, Folkes stared straight ahead, head bowed. eyes half closed as Justice of the Peace Victor Olliver read the charge.

Then the justice said: "Do you wish to waive preliminary hear-

"On advice of my attorney, I don't care to discuss the matter now," responded the negro without looking up. It was learned that his attorney is Maurice A. Gleason, Los Angeles, retained, Folkes said, "by my people."

"I imagine he's on his way here," said the accused, who was born in Newark, Ark., and attended Jefferson high school in Los Angeles. "He won't be here for the preliminary hearing."

Folkes stood without moving while Olliver head the charge and for some 10 minutes afterward while the press photographers a blue zoot-type coat which hung almost to his knees and green trousers that draped loosely in accord to that style until they reached his ankles where they pulled in sharply. A green striped shirt, a large pattern red tie and a green pocket handkerchief completed the ensemble.

Far from jaunty at any time, Folkes' attitude seemed to pick up a slight air of defiance as he told the justice he had an attorney to conduct his case.

Only about 30 persons were in Olliver's chambers for the hearing which the justice continued until Folkes' attorney arrives. Among them were six state policemen, two sheriff's officers and District Attorney Hawlow L. Weinrick.

Earlier Monday, Weinrick said, almost nine days to the hour after Mrs. James' scream aroused sleepers in darkened car D of the Southern Pacific's west coast limited, Folkes gave a straightforward recital of the slaving.

## **Army Sought** Requisition Of Tires, Said

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1-(A)-The army wants the government to requisition some 7,000,000 of the 27,000,000 automobiles in the country and all spare tires on passenger cars and to ban all long-distance hauling of freight and passengers by trucks and busses, a house committee learned Monday.

Robert P. Patterson, undersecretary of war, disclosed that these suggestions had been made to William M. Jeffers December 8 and complained that the rubber administrator had not acted.

Jeffers himself, who precipitated the committee's inquiry with his Baltimore speech last week criticizing army and navy representatives in war plants as hindrances, told the committee that "it seems to me that the job of the army and navy is to fight and not to run business and direct the civilian economy."

Jeffers reported that there were considerable differences between him and the armed services over the allotment of rubber for essential civilian uses. Patterson agreed, but James V. Forrestal, third witness, insisted that "there isn't the slightest quarrel" between Jeffers and the navy department.

The committee also developed from Jeffers that 14 months after Pearl Harbor not a single pound of synthetic rubber has been made in a government-controlled plant in this country, Jeffers attributing the delays to indecision and an over-abundance of "experts" and "expediters."

## Time Saver

The Statesman's new system of identifying stories carried over from the front to inside pages has attracted considerable favorable comment. Here's how the system works:

At the bottom of the story on page one is an inscription bear-ing a number referring the reader to the particular inside page and a letter denoting the particularly story. An example:

(Turn to Page 2-Story A)

On the inside page, the con-tinuation of this story would be

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The system was designed to save imle in getting the paper to press, time that helps you get your paper earlier; many readers are saying, too, that it's a petter plan than the old one of

### Early Morning Drill at Fort Custer



Under command of Second Officer L. A. Whitesel (right), executive officer, a group of WAACs drills beside executive buildings at Fort Custer, near Battle Creek, Mich., early in morning.-Associated

# City Council Refuses New while the press photographers snapped their cameras. He wore Restaurant Liquor License

E (Continued from Page 1) E Carleson's endorsement by Alderman Ross Goodman.

Carleson's application for renewal of a "package A" type license was approved along with other renewals.

Charles Heltzel, young Salem attorney, was appointed to the city library board, taking the R. J. Hendricks, veteran member of that body.

The council approved a committee recommendation that either a "deadend street" sign or a bar- N. Brown explained to the counricade should be placed at the foot of South Liberty Street on Superior street, where motorists reputedly often drive into a gar-

Councilmen joined the park committee in asking Mayor I. M. Doughton to name three members from the council to serve on the city's summer recreation committee. Recently the committee has represented school board rather than both board and counci, mem- said. bers of hte school directorate had have equal representation. Dough- filing.

ton said he would make the appointments but wanted time to consider his choices.

An ordinance assessing property holders for work done by city employes last summer in cutting Has Alternate brush and weeds from their lots and another re-vacating a neverused alley running between Winter and Summer streets in University addition were passed by the council. The re-vacation ac-

To Alderman Tom Armstrong's request that the police committee be asked to check on city bus service, since "Carrying 60 persons on a 24-passenger bus hardly looks like the improved service we were promised a year ago," Mayor Doughton responded that he had inquired. "They used all the equipment they had during the snow," he

The \$20,000 bond of City Treas. declared, urging that both groups Paul Hauser was accepted for

# **Churchill Talks** With Turkish

C (Continued from Page 1) C added, "but I am confident of

contrast to the last meeting here able to aid Turkey consolidate her of correspondents with Church- general security, an announcement which took place last summer said Monday night. when Marshal Rommel's Africa corps was threatening the Nile valley. Then the prime minister would defend the territory "inch

Today Rommel is beaten and on the run, and other allied plans

British-made Hurricane planes flown by pilots of the Turkish air force escorted Churchill's plane part of the way on his return here from Adana, Turkey, where the conference occurred.

President Inonu told Churchill goodbye at the Adana railway station, and Turkish Foreign Minister Sukru Saracoglu accompanied the British prime minister to the airport there after the talks

LONDON, Tuesday, Feb. 2 -(AP) Prime Minister Churchill has gone to Turkey to confer with the Brittish president and war leaders and has reached agreement "on all principal points," the foreign office announced early Tuesday.

The prime minister went to neutral Turkey directly from the grand conference with President Roosevelt at Casablanca in French

It was said authoritatively that Mr. Roosevelt and Premier Stalin of Russia had been informed in advance of Churchill's intention to visit Turkey, and had been advised of the results of his confer-

Churchill spoke "with the full knowledge of the views of President Roosevelt," a communique

military, naval and airforce commanders accompanied Churchill and held sessions with Turkish of-

The two delegations "together examined the present situation in Europe and particularly in those regions wherein Turkey is directly interested," said the communi-

While authoritative comment as lacking, observers believed that this reference applied to the Balkan states, which long have been considered a likely region for the establishment of

ter the Casablanca conference

ANKARA, Turkey, Feb. 1-(AP)-With President Roosevelt's Casablanca blessings, Prime Minister Churchill of Britain flew to Turkey Saturday for a two-day round of talks with President Ismet Inonu of Turkey and they decided upon the manner in which Brit-The atmosphere was in sharp ain and the United States are best

Informed opinion was reserved about any prospect of an immediate visible result stemming from said Britain's imperial troops the talks, but it was evident nevertheless that Turkey had taken a long step toward positive implementation of the cause in the 1939 British-Turkey military alliance which calls for active military support when the war enters the Mediterranean zone.

### Russians Near Caucasus Gate

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(Labinskaya, 30 miles east of recaptured Maikop in the Caucasus, fell in the red army's cleanup of the sector between that oil city and Armavir. The crushing of the German

Sixth and Fourth tank armies at Stalingrad after five months of valiant defense and attack went into the annals of history as the greatest German defeat of the war. It was evidence of the power of the red army. Pravda described central Sta-

lingrad as a graveyard of skeleton buildings and chimneys with the sidewalks full of German bodies. Pravda's account of the surrender said:

"It was very crowded in the dugout of the soviet commander of the division, all ranks of German officers from lieutenants to generals stood around with dumb expressions of despair. Another delegation of Germans appeared. Six of Britain's highest ranking They were representatives of the 297th division. Messengers said the general and his staff had ac-

cepted the surrender. "The Russian colonel received the messengers. The commander of the German division, Gen. Maurice Von Drebber, asked where the place of surrender would be. He was told the name of a skeleton schoolhouse.

"The German general entered at 2 a. m. as firing ceased in his sector. Where are your regiments? the Russian colonel asked. The general smiled wryly and said, 'No use to ask, You front.

The conference began Saturday fore I gave my order.'

and ended Sunday, just a week af
"Von Drebber asked the red"

army colonel his age. 'Thirtyfive,' he answered. 'So young and yet you have captured a grey haired general,' " he sighed, I think I must be the first general to formally surrender in Stalin-

# Tax Proposal

G (Continued from Page 1) G basis of the January 1 inventory.

Rep. John Steelhammer's bill protion was required because of re- posing to tax pinball machines dundant and misleading wording and other "nickel grabbers," but in the first, City Atty. Lawrence action was withheld. Committee members said they feared adding the revenue so gained to the state's public welfare fund would increase the burden on counties of matching such funds; and they expressed interest in Rep. Walter J. Gearin's bill proposing that the state, if it had additional funds, take over a portion of the counties' 20 per cent share.

The house taxation and revenue committee will today take up for definite action all of the bills bearing upon the initiated law distributing income tax surplus funds to school districts.

## **Bodies of 19** Found, Plane

UKIAH, Calif., Feb. 1-(AP)-The bodies of 10 naval officers and nine crewmen of a giant transport plane were taken to the Mare Island navy yard at Vallejo Monday to complete in death the trip which started from Hawaii on Wednesday, January 20.

The plane crashed against a 2000-foot cliff near here in a raging storm of the next morning. apparently while trying for an emergency landing on Clear Lake a few miles away. Heavy weather had precluded the scheduled landing in San Francisco bay.

The bodies, including that of Rear Adm. Robert H. English, commander of the Pacific fleet submarine force, were found in the wreckage of the burned plane

No Soldier Help Assured, Crops

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1-(AP) The war department will not release soldiers to harvest crops unless exhaustion of existing food surpluses and elimination of all sources of farm labor present a food emergency, Maj. Gen. J. A Ulio, adjutant general of the army, informed Representative Anderson (R-Calif) in a letter Anderson made public Monday.

"During recent months," stated, "many occupation groups have requested the war department to return soldiers to civil life to relieve current labor shortages. However, the release of soldiers to one occupation would require the release of additional soldiers to other occupations . . . with the inevitable loss to the army of thousands of soldiers being rigorously trained for combat."

### Josh Lee Okehed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-(P)-The nomination of Josh Lee, defeated democratic senator from Oklahoma, as a member of the civil aeronautics board was confirmed Monday by the senate, 46 to 31, after his successor, Senator Moore (R-Okla), had opposed him as "a lame duck favorite of the White House."



# Roosevelt Guesses Army Of 7,500,000 Needed

H (Continued from Page 1) H our allies overseas, Mr. Roosevelt leader in the senate. was said to have described the axis submarine warfare as a serious problem. The improvement ous problem. The improvement in detection devices was mentioned and it was reported that the United States and Great Brites Sales Highest tain are building more ships than are being sunk.

In his discussion of the Pacific war zone, the president was reported to have said that the war of attrition was having a telling,

though slow, effect on Japan. Bombings of Tokyo were spectacular, he was reported to have said, but the thing was to blast the enemy's ships and down his planes. There have been estimates that Japan started the war with 6,000,000 tons of shipping and 6000 planes, but has been losing the battle to replace those which have

been lost in fighting thus far. There was no promise of any quick conclusion for the war, legislators said, but rather a warning that the fighting may go on for a long time and that lives are going to have to be sacrificed to bring about victory. Returning to his desk for the

frist time in more than three weeks, Mr. Roosevelt first cleared away paper work that had piled up while he flew to Africa to consult the Prime Minister Churchill on forcing "unconditional surrender" on the axis. Then he filled the rest of the day with conferences.

Called to the White House from lace; Sen. Majority Leader Bark-Leader Martin; Chairman Connal- otherwise persecuted. ly (D-Tex) of the senate foreign committee; Sen. Hill (Ala), sen- weeks.

ate democratic whip, and Sen ing American troops and those of Austin (Vt), assistant republican

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1-(A) Sales of war bonds reached an all time high last month, totaling \$1,240,444,000, the treasury re-ported Monday.

The biggest previous month, the treasury said, was in January, 1942, when sales of series E, F and G bonds totaled \$1,060,546,000. The increase last month over January, 1942, was \$179,898,000, or 17

The total amount of E, F and G bonds purchased since they were offered to the public in May, 1941, through January, 1943, was \$12,934,611,000,of which about 98 per cent still remain in the hands of the purchasers, the treasury

### Axis Men Said **Holding Strings**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1-(AP) Fighitng French headquarters here made public Monday night letters from North Africa alleging that the French civil administration there is being packed with "men known for their devotion to the Capitol Hill were Vice Pres. Wal- axis," that "all the military communications are controlled by the Bizerte and Gabes also were you through Marion county's OCD ley and Minority Leader McNary; friends of the axis" and that bombed Speaker Rayburn; House Majority friends of the allied cause still are Leader McCormack and Minority held in concentration camps or

The letters were dated January relations committee; Chairman 3 and 4, but Jean Baube, the head-Bloom (D-NY), and Rep. Eaton quarters spokesman, said later re-(R-NJ), ranking minority mem- ports indicated the situation had Some support was expressed for ber of the house foreign affairs become still worse in recent

Yanks Assault **Nazi Positions** In Tunisia

B (Continued from Page 1) B knocked out along with four light-

In this fighting, the Germans came forward at first in light array—with a squadron of 16 tanks and 25 truckloads of infantry—but British fire blew them back. They then sent in a large tank and infantry force,

which suffered heavy losses. Allied planes knocked out seven enemy transports and one or more

At the eastern end of the north African battle line, two columns of the British Eighth army were driving toward the Mareth line in simply count "one, two, three, southeastern Tunisia, behind which considerable force of Field Marshal Rommel's fugtitive army of Libya were in position. Field dispatches reported "many contacts" had been made with the... Rommel force.

In widespread air battles over Tunisia, the allied communique from north African headquarters reported the destruction of at least 19 enemy planes, against the loss of five allied planes.

British Cairo headquarters reported that at least three enemy At that end, three allied planes grampa's .22. were lost, but in operations that damaged and possibly sank an enemy destroyer and spread fire and explosions over the axis naval family cherry trees, the stirrup base of Messina, Sicily.

The axis-held Tunisian ports of

The Italian high command acknowledged allied air raids not only on Messina but on the Italian towns of Catania, Trapani, Melito Di Porto Salvo and Augusta, and admitted the loss of a corvette and a destroyer off the Tunisian coast. Against allied reports of a total planes shot down.

By ISABEL CHILDS Every home should have one: You buy it from your air raid warden, and, I understand, most of the stirrup pumps already ordered by the county civilian defense organization have been promised to householders here.

Now, a stirrup pump isn't romantic-that is, it is very real. But, I should think it might be used with imagination to bring a lot of fun into the world, even if it never has to be put to work on an incendiary bomb or a flue fire. For instance, it must provide much the same exercise as a rowing machine—and for only \$2! You could work it to music or

Won't it come in handy during hot summer days? Put a little ice into the water and quick-freeze the kiddies.

It should be most useful for bits of irrigating now that the garden hose is so shot you can't get near the thing while the water's turned on.

Timid women may plant it near the door while hubby is at work on the swing shift and thus be sure of protection from marauders despite the fact that they fighters had been badly damaged. can no longer get ammunition for

Very much like the equipment you may have used to spray the pump is recommended by the office of civilian defense, comes to at wholesale. Just ask your air raid warden. If all the first shipment is taken when he gets your order, don't worry, another is to be forthcoming.

of eight planes lost over north Africa, Sicily and Italy, however, the Italians claimed 29 allied



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