Thanks, Navy

"Your Service Men col-ma means a lot to us fel-ows away from home," writes a Salem man in na-val training. He echoes many ch notes received by The



Monday sunrise \$:26 z. Weather:- Fri. max. ter 50, min. 40, Fri. rain .11 in. Sat. river 13.8 ft. Weather lata restricted by army re-

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INETY-SECOND YEAR

Salem, Oregon, Sunday Morning, February 7, 1943

Price So.

Message Slated **By Snell**

Taxation Problems To Be Discussed Further Monday

By RALPH C. CURTIS

Gov. Earl Snell will transmit to the legislature, when its members reconvene on Monday, a special message.

"The message," Gov. Snell Applicants said Saturday, "will be a further amplification of my views and recommendations in connection with the important problem of taxation."

There was no further revelation as to the message's content.

Beyond curiosity as to the nature of the impending recommendations, on the surface there is nothing about such an announcement to set tongues wagging. Other governors have sent special

LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR Third readings Monday:

In Senate: SB 36, 116, 121. HB 62, 232, In House: HB 30, 85, 87, 89, 91, 142, 146, 165, 170, 204, 297, 298,

only from commission offices at messages to other legislatures. Yet tongues werg set wagging, and in this wise: the filing period.

Obviously, Gov. Snell is going to advocate a taxation program. The questions are, what program, and whose?

As food for speculation upon these questions, the wagging tongues found available this background:

Taxation is not merely "an important problem" at this session; it is "the important problem." In recognition, the legislature's presiding officers ap-



showdown in Tunisia Saturday by naming Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower commander-in-chief of a new north African theatre of operations shortly after the 22 , political situation in north Africa took a hopeful turn fe setter.

In the actual fighting, ho 5, 6 the allies suffered a setback shen the Germans captured a strategic mountain from the Brit-K. Bayne Jo ish First army 20 miles south of

Pont-du-Fahs. But the British announced sea successes with submarines sinking three more axis supply ships and a tanker in the Mediterranean.

Eisenhower Heads NW Dogfights

The Algiers radio broadcast a report that British Eighth army troops were "a good 60 miles inside Tunisia," after crossing the border from Libya but this lacked official confirmation

Gen. Henri Giraud established new war committee in French By STEPHEN C. MERGLER North and West Africa, supplanting the old imperial council The second civil service list of

applicants for the Salem postmas-ALLIED HEADQUARTERS tership is to be closed Tuesday IN NORTH AFRICA, Feb. 6.with at least one new man enter-(AP)-Gen. Henri Giraud Saturday steered his liberalized Af-Kenneth Bayne, long-time rican regime in the direction of worker on the Marion county democratic central committee and

ment of De Gaullist sympathizfrequent candidate for county ofers to several high places in the fice, is adding his name to the government believed a virtual certainty by informed sources. The complete list is obtainable

Washington, DC, at the close of formed by the late Adm. Jean Darlan.

raud government, and Fighting

French spokesmen in London said

Both Giraud's new committee

Giraud's step apparently left Joseph J. Gallagher, benefits the way open for the Fighting supervisor for the state unem-French under Gen. Charles De ployment commission, who was Gaulle to be represented, and the only one of eight applicants North African dispatches reported to be certified for appointment that Gen. Georges Catroux of the following the original examin-Fighting French national commitations late last year, is again tee conferred with Giraud in Alin the running. He didn't have giers Saturday on taking a post to file a new application. in the French African govern-Paul Lynch, deputy collector of

internal revenue, whose office is ment. Later dispatches, however, said in the postoffice building, has filed a new application, and so

No Allied Fighters Lost Over Guinea: **Bombers Attack**

By TOM YARBROUGH

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, Sunday, Feb. 7-(AP)-In the biggest single day's air battle to date in the southwest Pacific 26 Japanese planes were destroyed and 15 damaged over Wau, New Guinea Saturday. Not a single

allied fighter was lost in the fierce dogfighting which lasted all day. The allied fighters were Lightnings, Airacobras and Kittyhawks; **OSC** and **OCE** their victims were Zeros and me-

It was an all-out attempt by the Japs to ruin the Wau airdrome around which ground fighting has been continuing on a small scale for several days. There was no ground push synchronized with Saturday's big air attack and fighting was lim-

The total bag of enemy planes consisted of: Twenty one fighters and three medium bombers shot down by planes and two by antiaircraft guns: Damaged or probably destroyed-12 fighters and

Fighting occurred over a wide area around Wau, which is 35 miles southwest of Salamaua. The planes battled at altitudes as high as 18,000 and as low as 2000 feet, with planes swirling and rolling like gargantuan tumbleweed. This air battle was surpassed in

Committee to

'Subversives'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6-(AP)

President Roosevelt established an

official committee Saturday to

handle "complaints of subversive"

activity" by federal employes but

this action came far from satisfy-

ing congressmen who have been

"What we need is fewer inves-

tigations and more action on in-

vestigations already made," com-

mented Rep. Hendricks (D-Fla.).

"Congress expects to press this

fight until real action is taken and

whitewash by any board."

AFL and business groups.

navy departments.

pressing for a housecleaning.

Investigate

size only by the great three-day allied attack on a Jap convoy off Lae, New Guinea, January 6 through January 9 when 133 en-

it was reported that Catroux emy planes were downed or damnot take a place in the Gi.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 6 (AP)- Several residents of Mi-ami Beach have filed written complaints recently about the early morning singing of the troops in training here.

Continue'

'Singing Will

Saturday they received their answer from Col. Ralph M. Parker, commanding the Miami Beach air base command. Said Colonel Parker in an open letter:

"The singing will continue. "Moreover - please arise at the first sound of military activity each morning and get down on your knees with all the members of your household who are disturbed thereby, and offer thanks to God Almighty, with me and all the rest of us, that those are Americans singing American songs, and not Germans or Japanese singing victory songs in American streets."

KURSK

BELGOROD

KUPYAN

OROSHILOVGR

STALINO

KHARKOV

Sea of Azov

KERCH

OVOROSS

KRASNOL

TUAPSE

BLACK

SEA

He did not amplify but his

statement seemed to mean nel-

ther side had lost any large ves-

sel, such as an aircraft carrier

or battleship, and that Japanese

claims of having sunk two Amer-

ican battleships are pure fabri-

(1) The Germans now have

June, the month of heaviest al-

lied losses, with large concentra-

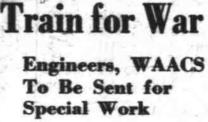
tions south of Iceland, on the route

to Britain, and in the mid-Atlantic

on the routes to north Africa. The

Knox also told reporters:

cation.



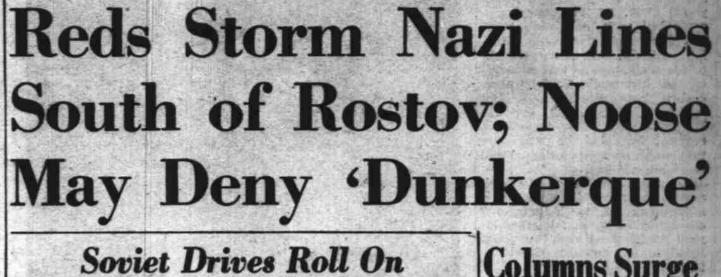
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 -(AP)-The war manpower commission

announced Saturday approval of 281 non-federal schools, colleges and universities for utilization by the war and navy departments for

women needed in the armed forces.

Located throughout the country, the institutions were first to be selected by a joint committee of the army, navy and manpower commission for the new war training program. Many others will be designated later. Every. institution in the country is be-

ing considered for possible use. 'The commission emphasized that actual contracts will be let



STATUTE MILES

RUSSIA

STALINGRAD

GROZNY

SARATOV?

VORONEZH

LIKHAYA

HORETSK

POTI

Russian forces continued early today to push closer to Kursk (1) as

additional railway junctions were captured on the way to Khar-

kov (2). Columns drove into the outskirts of Rostov (3) and west-

By WILLIAM T. PEACOCK

VOROSHILOVSK

Veteran Pilot

KETCHIKAN, Alaska, Feb. 6(AP)

The body of Harold Gillam, veter-

en Alaskan aviator missing for

more than a month since his plane

crashed southeast of here, was

found Saturday, the coast guard

The body was found on the

beach of Boca de Quadra by a

command of A. W. Angellson, the

same man who was in charge of

the search boat which earlier this

The veteran Gillam, who had left

his party to seek aid for them on January 10, apparently had died

One of the six persons aboard

from exposure and shock.

have been rescued.

of the crash located.

Found Dead

In Alaska

reported.

SVATON

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Columns Surge Within 10 **Miles of City**

> 200,000 Nazis Said In Caucasus; Reds **Approach Kharkov**

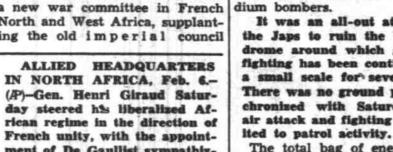
By The Associated Press LONDON, Sunday, Feb. 7(/P)

The Red army stormed forward at the last German defenses of Rostov south of the Don Sunday and sent flying columns southward toward the Kerch straits to cut off the seaward escape of a large nazi Caucasian army already virtually caught in a Russian noose by a lightning thrust to the Sea of Azov.

A special Russian communique recorded Saturday night by the Soviet Monitor said the Russian forces reached the Sea of Azov south of Rostov, cutting the Germans off in the Caucasus, and the regular communique early Sunday said columns were turning south toward the Kerch straits.

Adolf Hitler thus was presented with the task of extricating his entire Caucasus force, estimated up to 200,000 men, in his first "Dunkerque"-and after his disaster of Stalingrad.

ward in the Caucasus (4) to trap German troops, threatened with a "Dunkerque" at the Kerch straits. Berlin admitted Russian troops At the same time, the communiwere in Novorossisk, port on the red-controlled Black sea.-Associated Press Telemat. que announced, the red army surged to within 10 miles of Rostov from the south by the capture of Bataisk and burst across the Donets river in a sweep which threatened not only the encirclement of Rostov and the Donets mining basin but also the ap proaches to the Crimea. In the latter thrust they came within 43 miles of Kharkov, industrial capital of the Ukraine, with the capture of Balakleya, on one of the railways radiating southeast of Kharkov.



three medium bombers.

specialized training of men and

pointed highly capable taxation mittees, composed of men who not only know about taxes, but have confidence in what they know. Yet not content with what they already know, these committees have dug deep into all phases of the taxation problem since receiving their appointments.

They have had, in addition, the assistance of Guy Gordon, whose "splendid services . . . in connection with matters of taxation" Gov. Snell acknowledged in his inaugural message.

On the basis of what they knew and what they learned and with Mr. Gordon's assistance, these able committees have worked out, without fanfare, a taxation program.

ford, third. Though there have been hints and shrewd guesses, its details have not been announced. This for the reason that they are still subject to change; but the impression is that the program has rather sol-

idly "jelled." Why then, a special message on Brown, Salem, second.

taxation? Oddly enough, the cry has been raised that there is "no leadership" and no program. There is ond.

bound to be suspicion that the cry emanates from those who know there is a program, and Stockhoff, Sheridan, second; Jean know pretty well what it is, and Driggs, Salem, third. don't like it.

The republican party is now responsible for Oregon's government. From republicans sensitive to this responsibility and concerned over the "no leadership" cry has come an appeal to Gov. Snell to assume leadership. The special message is the result.

Still-what program, and whose? Though the final score is not ham, Salem, and Betty Lou Moryet in, Gov. Snell's recommenda- ris, Sheridan, third. tions on other subjects have not. in the main, fared well in the Meyers and Richard Smirthwaite, legislature to date. Is he planning both Beaverton; Jack Horn and to challenge the judgment and de- Varney Baker, Roseburg, second. cisions of these quite independentminded tax committeemen, "stick his neck out" further?

(Turn to Page 2-Story A)

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Postmastership

List Closes Tuesday;

Some of Former

ing the competition.

Seekers Undecided

list, friends have been advised.

there was no question of his ac-Salem High's cepting such a post. **Speakers Win** and the separation of the US North African theatre of operations from the European theatre At Linfield were seen as direct results of the

Roosevelt - Churchill Casablanca McMINNVILLE, Ore., Feb. 6(AP) conference. Salem dominated the 11th annual The full meaning of Elsenhower's appointment was not immediately clear, but London military circles did not interning four events and placing in pret it as a complete and final answer as to who would direct

the US, British and French forces in the showdown battle for Tunista. (In Washington the war depart-

Jacques Autrey, Hillsboro; Lloyd erations would include the north-Bomaschopky, Dallas, second; Alice Rose, Salem, and John Pooy, Sheridan, third. Senior extemporaneous - Won

by Laroy Dillan, Hillsboro; John

Dick Stanton, Grants Pass, sec-Poetry - Won by Betty Lou

Junior oratory-Won by Nancy Brown, Salem; Jean Driggs, Phyl-

lis Graham and Erma Wolverton. all Salem, second. Humorous declamation - Won by Bill Burns, Salem; Pat Leary,

Salem, second; Jack Horn, Roseburg, third. Senior declamation - Won by able." Patricia Lutrupp, Sheridan; Alice

Rose, Salem, second; Jean Bar-Senior debate -- Won by Robert

After dinner speaking - Won by John Brown, Salem; Bill Burns, Salem, second; Nevitt Smith, Salem, third.

employment."

during the night.

weeks' lapse.

Willamette and Creeks Rise

idential connections, some of them

allowed when installation of new

mains seemed imminent, had com-

bined with high streams and hea-

PORTLAND, Feb. 6 .- (P)-

Meterologist E. L. Wells pre-

vy rainfall to flood basements.

Snow which fell in fair quantity | ding river and was not in but did not cling in downtown early Saturday night. Salem late Saturday night indi-The Abiqua was out of its banks

cated removal, temporarily at and over the highway on the Mt. least, of the threat of a second Angel road although traffic was 1943 flood, unofficial weather ob- still getting through at 8 p. m. servers declared as the Willam-Salem felt the flood threat as mark. at the city's edge, where new res-

Silverton on Saturday was experiencing the worst flood of the winter there to date. Silver creek rose more than two feet from 11 a. m. to 7:30 p. m. and was higher than it had been even during the disastrous Nomber high water.

Geiser addition were flooded.

high school speech tournament Saturday at Linfield college, win-

numerous others. The results were: Senior oratory-Won by Jane Huston, Salem; Nevitt Smith, Salem, second: David Dawson, Med-

Radio speaking - Won by ment said the new theatre of opwestern section of North Africa (Turn to Page 2-Story B) **Minors' Work**

Junior extemporaneous - Won by Don Pollack, Forest Grove; Gets Ruling

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 -(AP)-The war manpower commission Morris, Sheridan; Patty Lou said Saturday that "no one under 14 years of age should be employed full-time or part time as a part

of the hired labor force." In a statement of policy issued by Chairman Paul V. McNutt, the commission also opposed employment of 14 and 15-year-olds in manufacturing and mining jobs or in any other work unless "qualified older workers are not avail-

> The WMC said "It is essential that young people have the fullest possible opportunity consistent with the war effort to complete their education."

"In most cases," the statement said, "youth under 18 can best contribute to the war program by continuing in school and, when their services are required, accepting vacation and part-time

civil service commission.

He said the Willamette river rose slightly above flood stage at Pendleton Plane Harrisburg Friday, but receded **Crashes in Field**

The ice bridge across the Columbia river at The Dalles went PENDLETON, Ore., Feb. 6-(P) out Saturday and port officials A pursuit plane from Pendleton ette hovered close to the 14-foot overburdened sewers backed up guarded against ice piling up army air base failed to come out against wharves. Ferry service of a power dive Saturday and was resumed after nearly two crashed in a farm field three miles northwest of here.

A wind and rainstorm occurred The pilot was killed instantly here Friday night. Tree surgeons as the plane scattered wreckage were called to bind up a large over a wide area and burst into shade tree that split 30 feet above flame. the ground and threatened to fall on an apartment building.

made an inside loop but failed to

The Salem-Silverton lower road Cliffer disease (Turn to Page 2-Story E) was under water from the Pud-

only to institutions whose facility American pilots had a stroke of ties prove acceptable to the interested branch of the services. *Contracts for training made be- Both Navies Lose Ships (Turn to Page 2-Story G)

fore creation of the committee remain in force. There are between 600 and 700 of these. Renewals In Pacific; Knox Says will clear through the committee: Among the 281 approved are: War With Subs Grows To the war department for training engineers.

Alaska: University of Alaska. Idaho: University of Idaho. Montana: Montana State college Oregon: Oregon State college.

Washington: State college of some warships on the other side, Secretary Knox said Saturday, Washington, University of Washalthough no major clash has yet developed. ington To the war department for the

training of army aviation cadets. Idaho: College of Idaho. and air." Then he added that they Montana: Billings Polytechnic might be called "moderate, if you

institute, Montana State college, want to change the word," but em-Montana State university, Northphasized that they included "noern Montana college. thing significant-nothing of a ma-Washington: Central Washington jor character." college, St. Martin's college, State

we are not going to accept a College of Washington. To the war department for Chairman Dies (D-Tex.) of the training centers for WAAC trainhouse committee on unAmerican activities expressed the view that

Oregon: Oregon College of Edinstead of a committee of departucation. mental officials which the presi-To the navy department for dent appointed, the public would

training engineers. have "more confidence" in a board Montana: Montana School of composed of representatives of the Mines more submarines at sea than last

American legion, the CIO and Washington: University o Washington. Mr. Roosevelt set up the com-

mittee in an executive order which directed it to "serve as an **Two Men Hurt** advisory and coordinating agency in all matters pertaining to the investigation and disposition of In Accidents complaints of subversive activity on the part of employes of the

Howard Rose, 50, Capitol cabins, West Salem, was in the surgery at Salem General hospital in speaking of the large number this morning after catching his of nazi U-boats now operating, he wrist in a roll as he worked at Kay did not imply that current losses

Woolen mills shortly before midwere at the same rate. In fact, night Saturday. City first aid men, he commented, as Secretary of who were called to the scene of War Stimson previously had said, losses on the north Atlantic route to Russia had been reduced. He Chapman, assistant secretary of though fellow workmen believed also said that Brazil was making interior: Rudolph M. Evans, mem- the hand was almost severed from good progress in combatting submarine activities off the South Ed Saul, 47, resident of 70 Lib-American coast.

(2) He did not believe the Japanese had increased their strength in the Aleutians. This was in re-

sponse to a question from a reporter who remarked that recent navy communiques had reported considerable Japanese air activity aiders, called at 11 p. m., took him to Salem General hospital. in that area. A communique read at the con-

Windshield Stronger

ference related that five enemy PITTSBURGH, Feb. 6.-(AP)-The danger to airplane windshields planes bombed American position in the Aleutians February 4, but inflicted no damage. That night a from collisions with high-flying birds has now been obviated, civ- US force of Liberator heavy and of navy, marine corps and coast with

Mitchell medium bombers, il aeronautics authority officials fighter escort, bombed the Jap claimed Saturday in disclosing the se at Kiska and shot down three development of a laminated, "bird-proof" windshield seven of five enemy planes which enwitnesses said the plane had the n e w windshield, resulting lost another plane to an Amerifrom months of expe hent by Covering also actions by

dicted the Santiam river will The Pertland weather bureau straighten out after going into the CAA and glass and plastic com-Air base officers said the pilot's impact of a 15-pound bird at Solomons, the communique said predicted a moderat rise in the Willametic river above Oregon Basements and lawns in the rise one foot above the 14-foot rwise specified) included: flood level at Jefferson Satur-day night, but will cause little

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6-(AP)-American and Japanese naval The Russians, in their drive to forces sparring in the southwest Pacific have each knocked out the Sea of Azov south of Rostov, announced that they had captured the town and port of Yeisk, 65 miles southwest of Rostov and the Discussing the situation at a press conference, the navy secreterminal of a branch railway from tary first said the losses were "minor in everything-surface the main Rostov-Baku line.

> With all railways and roads in their possession the Russians thus had cut off the large German force still holding Krasnodar and the Black sea naval base of Novorossisk in the Caucasus after a retreat of 375 miles from the highwater mark of their invasion.

Escape by sea from Novorossisk or across the Kerch straits into the Crimea were the only exits left to the Germans, and with the Russian fleet still in being in the Black sea it was a question whether the German high command had the naval facilities to attempt an evacuation such as saved the British army at Dunkerque in 1949.

coast guard searching party in (By German account, the Black sea naval base of Novorossisk already was invested by Russian week found Joseph H. Tippets troops which landed under the and Percy Cutting, first-survivors smoking guns of the Black sea fleet. Others had landed on the Gillam's body was returned to Taman peninsula leading to the Ketchikan late Saturday by Pilot Kerch strait, the Berlin radio ad-Hugh Ransdell of Ellis Airways. mitted.)

Planes Wreck the plane when it crashed on a Burma Enemy

uary 5, Miss Susan Batzer, 23, of Camas, Wash., was fatally injured. The four men passengers all Miss Batzer met death bravely (Turn to Page 2-Story F)

Woodburn Marine Among Navy Dead

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6-(A)-The navy announced Saturday 42 cas-ualties in navy forces, including 14 dead, 14 wounded and 14 miss-

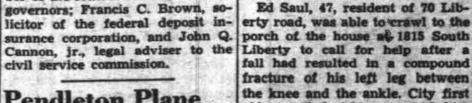
This brings to 22,779 the total guard casualties reported to next of kin since December 7, 1941. been working frantically to re-The grand total includes 6475 dead, 4033 wounded and 12,271 missing. Casualties announced Saturday the rall span remained.

(those listed are navy and non-commissioned personnel unless

mountain above Smeaton bay Jan-BOMBAY, Feb. 6 .- (/P)-US heavy bombers have wrecked Japanese communications between north and south Burma so completely that the enemy has been compelled to rearrange his de-fensive forces while an effort is made at repair. Two weeks ago Maj. Earl L Tash, of Walla Walla, Wash, led

an attack on the Myithge railroad bridge across the Irrawaddy, just south of Mandalay-sole connection for north-south trafficdropped at least one thou pound bomb on a span in stream. Photographs show the span dropped into the river. Since then the Japanese have pair the bridge. Before their evac-

The Jspanese had built run-ways on the railway bridge and used it both as a highway and Oregon: Barrett, Charles J., rail crossing. Thus the America



executive branch of the federal government," except the war and The committee will act in cases involving those departments upon request of their secretaries. The committee, set up within

the justice department, consists of Herbert Gaston, assistant secre- the accident, said they could not tary of the treasury; Oscar L.

judge the extent of the injury alber of the federal reserve board of the wrist.

erty road, was able to crawl to the

fall had resulted in a compound fracture of his left leg between the knee and the ankle. City first

rine vessels to combat this menace upon which Hitler undoubtedly is counting heavily. Although Knox referred to last June's ship losses

navy is "straining every effort" to produce sufficient anti-subma-