SEEMS ro me By Cherles A. Straper

On April 7, 1919, President Woodrow Wilson, ill and very weary of the struggle to get the peace conference in Paris to accept the basic principles which he felt necessary to insure the lasting peace which he desired for the world, ordered the battleship George Washington which had carried him to Europe to sail for Brest, As Ray Stannard Baker reports in his work "Woodrow Wilson and the Peace Settlement:" "The president decided that he could not and would not get up and resume the struggle on the old terms. He must break the impasse at any cost. Before he would yield to the French de-

mands he would pull out and leave the others to extricate themselves as best they could from the morass into which they were trying to drag him. He would lay all his reasons public and commit further decisions, to the peoples of the world."

But President Wilson did not leave the conference and come home. Clemenceau made some compromises; so did Wilson; and the peace, treaty was finally drawn up and signed. For 20 years its critics have felt that Wilson should have carried out his threat and come home. Why did he not do that? Why did he acquiesce in terms which he felt unwise or unjust? According to Baker he sacrificed the

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FDR Hints at Early Meeting Of 'Big Three'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 - (AP) -President Roosevelt acknowledged today that there are some impor- Attorney Harlow Weinrick. tant differences among the Allied ritorial problems.

Hunters Pay Fine, Parolled Victim's Spouse

NINETY-FOURTH YEAR

Requests Four Men Be Let Off

hunters who pleaded guilty to November calling for civil service ed to a maximum of five years the ranks of city police and fire in the state penitentiary in circuit court here today, only to be last night it wouldn't. paroled upon the request of the During 1944, stop watch operaman whose wife was fatally shot.

"That's what my wife would tors alleged that 35 per cent of have wished," stated Charles council meeting time was devoted Duncan in asking for the parole. to "unmaking" resolutions and His wife, 30, was killed last night

as she washed dishes in their ordinances. trailer. Lee J. Matthews, who Near Parrish School

fired the shot, told police he mis-Hill's confectionary is near Partook the windows' reflection for rish junior high school. The Salem the eyes of a deer. school board in 1940 established a Clarence Moline, Fabian Cottnair, Arthur R. Andrews and policy opposing granting of any Matthews, who police said ad- type of liquor license within a mitted they were spotlighting neighborhood surrounding a school deer when the accident occurred, considerably larger than that orwere fined \$100 each by Judge dinarily recognized by the liquor L. G. Lewelling. They were charged jointly because spotlight control commission as a school hunting is illegal, said District dry area. But the Hill license was already several years old and only The four were hunting about a renewal would have been need-

powers and implied that they con-cern European political and ter-road near Snow Peak Logging ed had not Hill taken in a new company camp, where they are partner. When the partnership ap-Moreover, he indicated that he employed. They saw something plied for a license, the council doesn't hope to settle them all at shining about 500 yards away and nooded its approval.

his forthcoming meeting with thought it was a deer's eyes, po-Then the neighbors (but Hill a

Salem Council Turns Over New Leaf and Refuses to **Backtrack** on **Past** Action

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By Isabel Childs City Editor, The Statesman

Another year, another system marked Tuesday night's meeting of the Salem city council when it refused to backtrack on two previously-taken actions.

The council will neither rescind its recommendation that Tom Hill's sandwich shop on North Capitol be given a beer retailing license similar to the one it has held since shortly after the repeal of prohibition, nor will

ALBANY, Ore., Jan. 2-(AP)-Four it repeal a resolution adopted last Meeting to Decide manslaughter were each sentenc- examinations to fill vacancies in Fate of Oregon's State Fair in '45 departments. At least, it indicated

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 2 -(AP) Whether or not Oregon will hold a 1945 state fair probably will be decided at the 17th annual meeting of the Oregon Fairs association here Friday and Saturday, President Herman Chindgren, Mo-

The Oregon Co Statesman

Salem, Oregon, Wednesday Marning, January 3, 1945

NAZIS GAIN IN SAAR BLOWS

lalla, said today. Next year's Pendleton Roundup and county fairs also will be mulled, he added. A Multnomah county fair is planned for certain, A. H. Lea, manager, an-

nounced. The last state fair was in 1941

Ward Officials **Dismissed** as **Probe Begins**

> CHICAGO, Jan. 2.- (AP) -The my today discharged 11 officia

well L. Avery, held a long con-

The army's crackdown came

The 11 company officials were

tinue their jobs under Uncle Sam.

(Additional details page 2).

Eastern Coast

Feels Bite of

Severe Winter

Atlantic seaboard states from

ference with his associates.



Arrows indicate action reported from the western front (heavy line). The U. S. Third army registered gains between Moircy and Bastogne on the southern flank of the salient driven into Belgium by the nazi winter offensive (1). To the south German attacks (2) on U. S. Seventh army positions in the Bitche area appeared to have made little progress. (AP. wirephoto)

Congress Convenes Today; Official Opinion Divided Over Proposals by Byrnes

By Tom Reedy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2-(AP)-President Roosevelt gave general endorsement to a home-front legislative program proposed by War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes, as members gathered for the 79th congress opening tomorrow.

However, some other government agencies, such as the war ther west. labor board and the treasury, pointedly disclaimed any responsibility for the Byrnes proposals.

Killed

Adm. Sir Bertram Ramsay

Adm. Ramsay,

Allied Naval

Chief, Killed

PARIS, Jan. 2 .- (AP)-Adm. Sir

Von Rundstedt May Be Withdrawing From Belgian Base

Weather

river -9 inches.

Maximum temperature

Cloudy Wednesday and

Thursday; occasional light rain extreme northwest porflon late Wednesday; little aperature change.

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Tuesday 49 degrees, mini mum 39 degrees, no rain,

Sizeable Dent Made in Seventh **Army Front But Drive Slowed; 2500 Allied Planes Hit Enemy**

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR

PARIS, Wednesday, Jan. 3-(AP)-German troops were jabbing today at nearly a dozen places from Saarbrucken to the Rhine against US Third and Seventh army positions in a series of diversionary thrusts that had gained as much as two miles in at least one point.

Nowhere had these counter-blows assumed anything like the proportions of the break-through Marshal Karl Gerd Von Rundstedt had achieved in the Belgian bulge. There he was already making his first gesture of withdrawal under the hammering of 2500 allied warplanes, which smashed at enemy troops, armor and installa-

tions from the base of the wedge to the Rhine. A sizable dent has been made

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but this push has been slowed almost to a standstill after gaining as much as two miles on a fivemile front.

A new series of counterthrusts has been opened- by Von Rundstedt on the Third army front fur-Attack With Fury

Blackout Lifted

channels.

Under Bail of \$10,000

(AP)-Red army assault troops have seized almost 900 blocks of battered Budapest with "fierce en-These fresh blows to the south, counters in fortified houses, in

The president conferred this delivered with the same fury that courtyards and in cellars" in their norning with democratic leaders marked the assault against the drive for annihilation of the eity's trapped German-Hungarian garrison, Moscow announced last An apparent miscalculation in night.

900 Blocks of in the US Seventh army front **By Red Army**

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 3 .-

Prime Minister Churchill Premier Stalin.

questions, the president declared Duncans, their two children, and that the Allies have a pretty good a neighbor, Merle Janness, were set of principles but that they are in the trailer. differently interpreted in different countries and under the circumstances, he said, you do the

best you can. Earlier in the day, it was indicated that the big three probably will meet early in February, Sen- Receipts Set ate Majority Leader Barkley said after talking with the president that Mr. Roosevelt had indicated he would meet Churchill and Stalin some time soon, to which House Majority Leader McCormack added "probably."

4 U.S. Ships Lost in Action

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 .- (AP) -The 1525-ton submarine Harder has failed to return from a patrol and has been given up for lost, the navy reported today.

A communique also disclosed loss by enemy action of a landing ship, the LSM 318, and two motor torpedo boats, the PT 300 and the PT 311.

The Harder, commissioned Dec. 2, 1942, wrote a combat record during her comparatively brief ter of 1943. life which won for her the coveted presidential unit citation for "outstanding performance and distinguished service."

Investigation Started For Cannery Fire Cause

Investigation was reported under way here Tuesday in an effort to determine whether the fire be abolished this week. that destroyed a large part of the Blue Lake Producers cannery in West Salem early Sunday was Doughton Still Seeks Changes of an incendiary origin. The loss was placed in excess of \$1,000,000.



and lice quoted Matthews as saying. says they are many blocks from of Montgomery Ward and com-pany in seven cities, a federal Several bullets drashed into the his establishment) started passing grand jury began an investigation Sketching a rough background trailer after Mrs. Duncan was for this meeting in response to a shot, one just missing the Dun- a petition and the school board of the dispute which led to seizrapid fire of news conference cans' baby, asleep in a crib. The agreed that it must oppose the ure of the mail order firm's propgranting of any new license in that erties, and Ward's chairman, Se-

(Additional details on page 7) beer was not served during the during a day of renewed activity

Salem Postal Record in '44

commodation to his sandwich pat- said, they refused to cooperate and Postal receipts for 1944 reached rons. The council simply filed accept army appointment to conan all time high for the Salem petition and school board letter. office, the annual report shows. Civil Service Necessary Receipts for the 12 months total-The civil service examination

ed \$488,122. 18 as compared with \$432,122.31 for 1943. Every month in 1944, except cannot get suitable men without

January and December, had some guaranty of security and heavier receipts than the corre- should, under the city's civil servsponding month in 1943. The holi- ice regulations, hire them followday mailing started in September ing examinations rather than from

this year and so receipts were month to month on emergency distributed through more months, basis. The argument against it has Henry Crawford, postmaster, said. been that returning veterans The packages for the "short should have the chance at the jobs hauls" only were sent late and so and that older men in the two dethe income for postage was less, partments should not be retired day in commenting on the low living costs.

figures for December. Receipts | Tom Armstrong, who with for the fourth quarter of 1944 Claude Jorgensen, voted in favor with \$131,646.71 for the last quar- calls for the elections, declared he in the east today but that there

area. Hill appeared before the

council Tuesday night to declare

and flaunted it before them and

was ordered because both police

and fire departments allegedly

American Mission in Middle East Abolished

CAIRO, Jan. 2 -(P)- James M. cil at the opening of last night's Landis, director of the American session. Alderman R. O. Lewis mission in the middle east, an- reporting for it, said only five of

nounced today his organization the nine members had attended had completed its work and would the session and that "everyone was in a hurry."

Florida through New England felt the sting of a severe cold wave last night while the Great Lakes Postmaster Crawford said Tues- during the period of current high region got a sprinkle of snow as warm air fronts moved in from the southwest and northwest. The weather bureau said subwere \$157,941.72 as compared of repealing the resolution which zero temperatures would hang on

noon hour when school boys and in the controversry, with orders

girls frequent the place, that and charges coming thick and fast

school children are not there dur- from Chicago headquarters of Maj.

ing the hours adults in number Gen. Joseph W. Byron, military

patronize him, that he has never manager who took over Thursday

offered or sold beer to children under presidential seizure order.

that he wants it merely as an ac- discharges because, General Byron

wanted the investigatory commit- probably would be no repetition of blizzards which had piled up tee continued. That committee, traffic-blocking drifts in Michigan, comprised by members of police and fire committees and the civil Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New service commission, had tossed the York.

matter back in the lap of the coun-In the north, where the temperature dipped to 23 degrees below zero in St. Cloud, Minn., Monday night, the mercury also was moving up.

The cold wave bit deep into the south with a minimum of 21 above registered at Atlanta, Ga.

Robert Bissell

er.

reported missing. Formerly with the J. C. Penney company here, Bissell was the

AV YOUR NEWSPAPERBOY REGULAREY

in congress. They emerged speak- First army in Belgium and Luxing favorably of Byrnes' "work or embourg last month, were launched on New Year's eve. fight" proposal.

FDR Likes Plan

Later in the day Mr. Roosevelt the Nazis, however, since clear told his news conference that the skies have permitted complete ideas of "Assistant President" Byrnes contained in a year-end ground troops. statement were substantially in agreement with his own.

The treasury emphasized it was not consulted on the Byrnes rec-US Third army advance of more ommendation for tax revisions." War Labor Board Chairman southern flank. William H. Davis denied he had any hand in the proposal to give WLB enforcement authority and Lloyd K. Garrison, public member of the board, said he would "hate to see them open up" the question of compliance in the courts. Morse OK's Idea Third army's thrust.

Rep. Harnees (R-Ind) expressed opposition to clothing the board last 36 hours were revealed, alwith "any more power." On the though it was admitted that some other hand, Wayne Morse, Oregon reports might have been delayed republican, who left WLB to win because of the time required for a senate seat, endorsed the Byrnes the order lifting the news ban to proposal

A number of senators and members of the house immediately became wary over the 4-F draft **George Harris Free**

Complete British Fleet Arrives in Australia

bound over to the grand jury SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2 -(AP) Tuesday on a charge of voluntary A complete British fleet has ar- manslaughter in the fatal shootrived in Australia, NBC Reporter ing of Charles Batchelor at rooks George Folster said today in a early Sunday morning, is free un-shortwave broadcast from the der \$10,000 bail. After Harris had

Bertram Home Ramsay, whose Philippines. He said the force, in-cluding aircraft carriers, is under Peace Joseph Felton held for the ships saved the British army at Dunkerque and who four years the command of Adm. Sir Bruce grand jury and bail had been set, later directed naval operations in Fraser, who recently concluded undertaking was posted almost strategy talks with U. S. Fleet immediately by Clyde Harris and Adm. Chester W: Nimitz. W. B. Russell of Brooks.

An announcement from supreme Senator Belton Completing List nickname "Dynamo,"-which was Of Appointments to Committees

By Wendell Webb Managing Editor, The Statesman it was learned Tuesday that at Committee appointments in the new faces this session.

state senate "will be made on the Neither Elizabeth Glatt of first and middle of October. This basis of the ability of individual Woodburn, assistant chief clerk, was just prior to the invasion of members, the interests and needs nor Roy Corey of Portland, door-of the districts represented, and keeper, have applied for their forces.) the welfare of the state as a posts again.

whole," Sen. Howard C. Belton, Applicants for assistant chief whole, Sen. Howard C. Beiton, whose selection as senate presi-dent has been conceded, told The Statesman Tuesday. "Members have been asked to express their preferences in com-mittee appointments," the Canby senator said, "and their wishes

the weather has worked against More than 1,000 of the enemy defenders of the embattled capital were taken prisoner yesterday, the aerial support of the American Soviets reported. This is the largest bag of captives in a single tay Disclosure that the Germans appeared to be withdrawing from since the Russians penetrated their Belgian salient followed a Budapest's city limits.

Col. Gen. Janos Voros, minister than two miles into the Nazi of defense of the provisional Hungarian government recently set up

Moreover, the Allied high com- in Russian-captured territory, was mand lifted the 36-hour embargo quoted in Moscow last night as on news from the Belgian bulge estimating that from 75,000 to tonight, disclosing that the fringes 100,000 Germans were fighting in of the enemy wedge have been Budapest and that possibly 30,000 comparatively stabilized since the Hungarian soldiers had been compelled to join them in their lastditch stand. No startling developments in the

Navy Planes the order lifting the news ban to reach the front through army Slug Formosa In Deep Stab

GENERAL MacARTHUR'S HEADQUAR TERS, Philippines, Wednesday, Jan. 3 -(P)- Formosa George Elmer (Bud) Harris, figured prominently for the first time today in a communique from this headquarters with announcement that navy patrol planes attached to Gen. Douglas MacArthur's Southwest Pacific command made a new penetration north into Japanese waters.

> The communique, reporting this first strike by Southwest Pacific planes so far north of the Philippines, said they had shot down four Japanese planes and set fire to five coastal freighters east and south of Formosa Sunday.

(Pacific coast carrier task force planes raided Formosa early in October and the long-held Japanese island, some 225 miles north least two senate offices will have of the Philippines, was bombed three times by B-29s between the

NEW YORK, Jan. 2-(AP)-Trial

Adj. Gen. Raymond F. Olson, who has the distinction of being at once a brigadier general and a lieutenant colonel, left Salem on Tuesday morning for McChord General hospital to take the physiwork to another physician who Dies at 84 in New York tained.
And should the state legislature not make provision for the retire-not make provided consider the mat-ter, he said. Problems which may park development, annexation of the term importance include provided that he retire not the returned to part development, annexation of the required three-not make the retire new first provided that he retire new for the required three-not new form for any more retirened to by the mayor.
G. F. (Ted) Chambers, ward

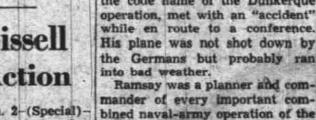
In Form of City Government Mayor I. M. Doughton does not | two, and Lewis Mitchell, ward believe that the voters of Salem four, were seated as new council

voted down a change in the form members; Lawrence N. Brown, J. Word has been received that Sgt. of municipal government entirely H. Davis and Batty Cooper were Robert Bissell, formerly of Silvoted down a change in the form members; Lawrence N. Brown, J. upon its merits, "but rather for re-elected as city attorney, city verton and McMinnville, was killthe reason that they did not fully engineer-building inspector-street eod in action recently over Gerunderstand the proposal," and he commissioner, and sanitary in- many. He had previously been

is recommending that the subject spector, respectively. be further considered and again Election of a health officer was submitted to the people. This he postponed for "investigation" on declared in his annual message the suggestion of Alderman David first president of the Silverton Tuesday night to the city council. O'Hara, who suggested there Active club. His wife and daugh-Members of the council should might be something wrong about be compensated for time actually electing a doctor who immediately and necessarily given to perform-ance of their duties," he main-and the compensation for the John (Jafsie) Condon

Killed, Action

SILVERTON, Jan. 2-(Special)-



Allies and was naval commander in chief under General Eisenhow-

Adj. Gen. R. Olson

May Join Regular Army ter now reside in Roseburg.

the Allied invasion of Normandy, was killed today when his plane crashed on a trip to Belgium. He would have been 62 on Jan. 20.