

### Thiessen Will Head Justices Of the Peace

G. W. Thiessen, justice of the peace at Milwaukie, was elected president of the Justices of the Peace association of Oregon at the annual meeting held Friday in the offices of Justice of the Peace Joseph B. Felton. Other officers elected include M. L. Boyd, Newburg, vice-president, and T. H. Arested, Canby, secretary-treasurer.

A legislative committee was appointed to discuss legislation incident to the betterment of the lower courts. On this committee are: Alf O. Nelson, chairman, Silverton; Walter H. Bell, Stayton; M. L. Boyd, Newburg; Joseph B. Felton, Salem, and Constable Earl Adams, Salem.

Recommendations approved by the association include: that justices of the peace be elected on a non-partisan basis; that justices of the peace be elected on a year instead of \$200 a month maximum. It was pointed out that some months a member collected sufficient fees to exceed the \$200 but in others his fees were considerable lower than \$200. The Salem office is not affected by this recommendation; Justice of the Peace Felton being on straight salary.

Another recommendation calls for 10 cents a mile for constables instead of the five cents being paid now. It was pointed out that much work which should be handled by constables is being shifted to the sheriff's office because the constables would actually lose money serving papers in a great many instances.

Thiessen succeeds Felton as president. He has been acting president since Felton entered the army.

### Nisei Arrive In Hood River

HOOD RIVER, Jan. 12—(AP)—Three Japanese-Americans, the first to come back since the Hood River American Legion post declared its opposition, returned inconspicuously to their valley farms today.

Ray Sato and F. Noji of Parkdale and M. Asai of lower Hood River valley, all apple growers, arrived on a train in early morning darkness and went unmolested to their homes. Reports that a "reception committee" might be on hand to discourage their return did not materialize.

Neighbors of the three Nisei, who have been employed in industry and farming in the midwest, took their arrival as a matter of course. Baggage had already come in ahead of the trio. The American Legion post has called a special meeting for Monday night to consider placing Nisei soldiers' names—earlier erased "to show we don't want them back here"—back on the county honor roll.

### Recruiting Offices For Nurses Rushed

PORTLAND, Jan. 12—(AP)—Red Cross nurses recruiting offices here have been rushed by nurses seeking to serve in military hospitals. Mrs. Ethel Kell, state recruiting secretary, said today: "Few of them are in 'available' classifications, however, because most of the applicants are now in charge of hospital floors or student-nurse teaching and cannot be accepted, she said."

### Army Will Take Over Huge Lumber Stockpile

PORTLAND, Jan. 12—(AP)—A 20-million-foot lumber stockpile at Prescott, Ore., will be under army control Monday, the army engineers said today. The lumber is property of the Clark & Wilson company, which has ceased operations.

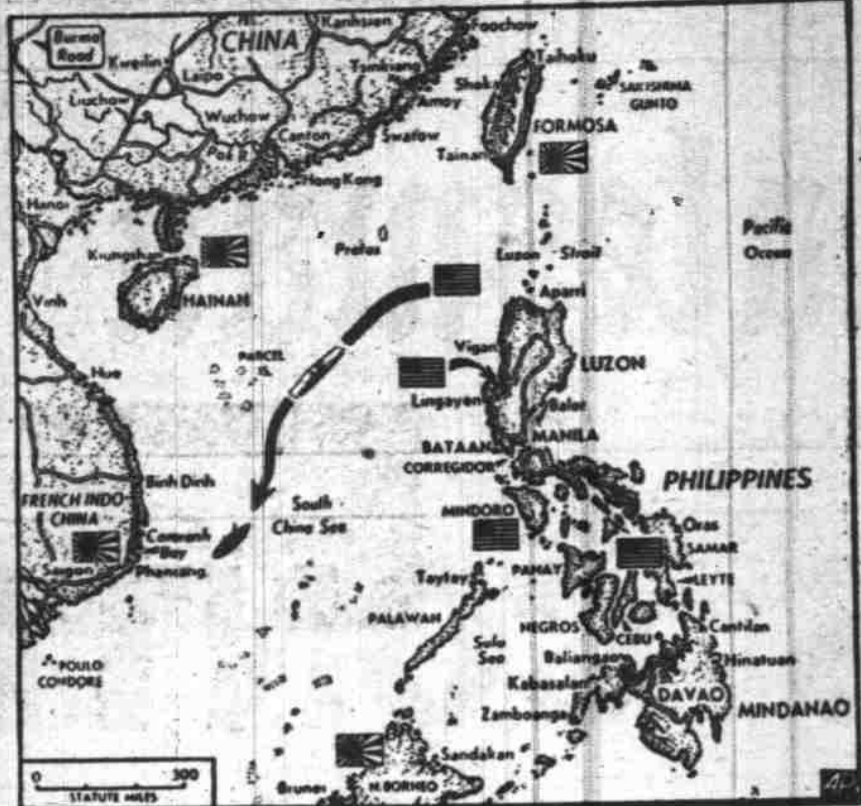
### Wilcox Resigns Post On Racing Commission

The resignation of T. B. Wilcox, Portland, as a member of the state racing commission was received by Governor Earl Snell Friday. Wilcox has served as a member of the commission since its inception 12 years ago. Governor Snell gave no indication as to when he would appoint a successor.

### Recruit Film Ready

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12—(AP)—An army motion picture designed to bolster the drive to recruit labor for war plants will be released to the public January 18, the war department announced today.

### Air-Naval Battle Reported



An air and naval battle was believed in progress off the coast of French Indo-China between U. S. forces and Japanese warships escorting reinforcements to the Philippines where Americans have invaded Luzon in the Lingayen area. The U. S. navy announced that Pacific fleet carrier planes had attacked the enemy off the Indo-China coast between Saigon and Camranh bay—Japanese bases. (AP wirephoto map)

### Stringent New Program Will Steer Employes of Less Essential Work to War Job

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12—(AP)—A stringent new program to steer employes of less essential firms in to war jobs will be ordered into effect nationwide by next month, it was learned tonight.

Drawn up by the war manpower commission to implement a directive of War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes, the plan has just been dispatched to WMC's regional directors.

It calls for a national inventory of less essential firms and provides for establishment of employment ceilings for all of these companies with eight or more workers.

It also grants an authority to WMC area directors to bring under the program businesses with less than eight workers. Informed sources predicted that this authority probably will be exercised in a number of areas.

To Recruit 150,000 Intended to help recruit 150,000 war workers needed immediately and another 55,000 required by mid-year, the new plan will translate into a working program the Byrnes' directive to cut down the rolls of less essential employes.

Providing "teeth" for this edict, Byrnes authorized the WPB to impose sanctions in the case of "recalcitrance." These include withholding of materials, power and other operations essentials.

In broad outline the new program is understood to provide for: Surveys Planned Local area surveys of less essential firms to determine which have skilled or unskilled workers needed in war plants.

Where such workers are located, employes will be asked to "lend" them for "must" war production jobs. Where cooperation is not voluntary, ceilings will be imposed. As a last resort WPB will invoke sanctions.

In most areas cooperative companies will be permitted to employ women to compensate for male workers lost.

### Russian Relief Drive Reported as Success By Lions Auxiliary

SILVERTON—That the Russian relief drive sponsored by the Silverton Lions auxiliary was a success, the chairman, Mrs. A. L. V. Smith, reported at Monday night's meeting. Mrs. Clifton Dickerson presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Gene Smith.

A total of 47,054 tin cans were collected by the grade pupils of Eugene Field school, it was reported.

Changing the regular meeting nights from the second Monday to the first of each month to avoid conflict with the American Legion auxiliary's new program, was discussed. It will be voted upon in February.

Items of the past few months' accomplishments are to be sent the auxiliary bulletin for publication. Each member in Oregon is entitled to a copy of the bulletin. Mrs. C. J. Towe and Mrs. A. L. V. Smith will be hostesses in February. Mrs. John Wilson and Mrs. R. L. Boe entertained Monday.

### Waldo Hills Telephone Group Elects Officers

MACLEAY—Waldo Hills Telephone company elected Claude Ashby president, Fred Goffin vice-president, M. M. Magee secretary-treasurer, and Harry Martins director at the meeting Monday night. A \$7.50 assessment was voted.

V.F.W. Victory Club DANCE Old-Time Dancing TONIGHT Veterans Hall Corner Hood and Church Streets Made by THE OREGONIANS Club Members Only

### 4 More Yanks Found Guilty Of Looting

PARIS, Jan. 12—(AP)—Heavy prison sentences were imposed on four more enlisted men in today's session of the general US army court martial trying 184 soldiers, including two officers, accused of looting army supply trains and diverting cigarettes and other rations into black market channels.

Those sentenced and their terms at hard labor:

Pvt. Robert L. Cosgrove, 21, Columbus, Ohio, T/4 James E. Lemm, 31, Fresno, Calif., and T/5 Howard A. Raubolt, 22, of Wyandotte, Mich., 40 years each, and Sgt. Paul W. Hart, 38, St. Joseph, Mo., 35 years. All were dishonorably discharged and lost their pay allowances.

For the first time since the trials began, the defendants took the witness stand, told their side of the story, and threw themselves on the mercy of the court. One defendant begged the court to keep their names out of the newspapers because "our folks at home won't want us any more."

### British Take Burma Town

SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, Kandy, Ceylon, Jan. 12—(AP)—Buddalin, Japanese stronghold 60 miles northwest of Mandalay, has been captured by British forces after hard fighting against enemy troops who resisted fiercely from concealed bunkers, an allied communique announced today.

The air-supported British column, which yesterday was reported fighting into the outskirts of the rail town, was forced to root the defenders out almost yard by yard. This possibly was an indication that the Japanese, after giving up hundreds of square miles of central Burma almost without resistance, would stiffen as the fighting neared their vital Mandalay base.

### Early Going to Europe To Arrange FDR's Trip

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Jan. 12—(AP)—Stephen Early, secretary to President Roosevelt, will come to Europe early next month at the request of supreme headquarters' public relations division to consult with public relations officials for several weeks, supreme headquarters announced tonight.

It is expected that Early will make arrangements for a visit by President Roosevelt to France, which is generally anticipated here.

### 4-F Draft Registrants Swarming Draft Boards

PORTLAND, Jan. 12—(AP)—4-F draft registrants—some on crutches—are swarming draft boards and army-navy recruiting offices here trying to get into uniform.

One draft board clerk, Earl Goodwin of Portland, said the rush started when Washington impugned the patriotism of 4-F's and talked of drafting them. Boards have told the men to "stay on their jobs" until given official notice to leave.

### Yank Pilots Knock Out Three Jap Rail Bridges

EASTERN AIR COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, India, Jan. 12—(AP)—U. S. Seventh bombardment group Liberators knocked down three enemy railway bridges along vital Japanese lines of communication yesterday and ran their score to 13 spans destroyed in the last 10 days.

### Yde Takes New Job

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 12—(AP)—Emil Yde, who once topped the National league baseball pitchers with a won and lost record of 16 and 3, took his seat today as a member of the Florida racing commission. He assumed office at a time when there is no horse and dog racing. "I think baseball is doomed just as racing was," Yde commented.

### V-Bombs Kill 367 Britons In December

LONDON, Jan. 12—(AP)—German V-bombs killed 367 British civilians and caused serious injuries to 847 during the month of December. This toll represented nearly a 50 per cent decrease from November figures, the ministry of home security announced today.

December figures brought the total casualties for 1944 to 8465 killed and 21,984 seriously wounded. During England's worst blitz period—1941—20,844 were killed and 21,788 were seriously injured. The five-year total for civilian casualties was 54,592 killed, 76,799 seriously injured.

The latest V-bomb casualties reported today were injured when a rocket projectile crashed into a crowded children's theater in southern England. A number of actors and spectators—mostly children—were hurt.

### Feed Wasting As Livestock Raising Lags

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12—(AP)—The nation was confronted today with the paradox of a tightening meat supply and dwindling livestock production amidst millions of bushels of idle livestock feed.

This appeared to be the major factor in the farm-belt criticism of the new ceilings on live cattle. It is the farmers' contention that the government should encourage full use of feed supplies for stepped up production of meat.

That feed supplies are not being fully utilized is a fact reported by the agriculture department itself. Stocks of feed grains on farms on January 1 were reported at near record levels. Yet numbers of livestock, particularly hogs, poultry and sheep, are far short of record livestock levels.

### Bus Now Links Siletz With Outside World

SILETZ, Ore., Jan. 12—(AP)—A bus now links this little Siletz river community to the outside world, providing its first public overland transportation service. Prior to completion of the road north from Toledo, residents made the "trip out" by river boat.

### Meningitis Reported

PORTLAND, Jan. 12—(AP)—One case of spinal meningitis, a 16 year old boy, was reported to the city health bureau today.

### Thumbnail of War!

(By the Associated Press)

Pacific—Air-sea naval battle continues off Indo-China coast, with 25 Japanese ships sunk, 13 damaged.

Philippines—Yank sixth army takes San Carlos, vital Luzon highway junction, advances three more miles to encounter stiffening resistance.

Western Front—Three allied armies chase German troops toward Reich, slicing off entire west part of Ardennes salient.

Russia—Violent battles mark beginning of soviet winter offensive in southern Poland; Nazi Budapest garrison squeezed into five-mile pocket.

London—RAF bombers raid Bergen, German submarine base in Norway.

Burma—Air-supported British troops capture Buddalin, stronghold 60 miles northwest of Mandalay, in bitter fighting.

### Camp Misses Logging Tools

Law enforcement officers Friday were engaged in investigation of the theft of logging equipment and tools valued at \$1108.83 from a camp one and one-half miles east of the Karl Steiner place, south of Salem. L. M. (Duke) Larsen, 1130 South 22nd street, and S. E. Duncan, Salem hotel, owners of the equipment reported the theft to Salem police, Marion county sheriff and the state police.

Principal items taken included 1000 feet of wire rope valued at \$247; two pairs of climbing sets valued at \$102; 14 chokers, \$388.48, six choker bells, \$123; eight Royal Chimook bucking saws, \$100; and two falling saws, \$38.50. The remainder of the missing property included wedges, axes and mauls.

### Patrols Busy In Italy War

ROME, Jan. 12—(AP)—The entire Italian front has stirred with sharp patrol action under improving weather conditions, and the American Fifth army has sent raiding parties deep into enemy territory and fought bitter skirmishes with firmly entrenched German troops, the allied command announced today.

One troops American party slipped into the hamlet of Barchetta near highway 65 less than 10 miles south of Bologna and found the town unoccupied, but a few minutes later drew a barrage of enemy fire from high ground north of the town. This thrust marked the furthest allied advance up the main Florence-Bologna highway to date.

### GRAND

CONT. FROM 1 P.M.

Now Showing!

Complete Owl Show After 12 P.M. Wild Excitement and Romance!

Maria MONTEZ

Jon HALL

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### Plane Firms To Concentrate On Superforts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12—(AP)—U.S. aircraft factories this year will concentrate on B-29 Superfortresses, jet-propelled planes and other types classified as "hot," including several new navy fighters.

The goal is 82,250 of all types. Chairman J. A. Krug of the war production board disclosed this today, along with an announcement that the Boeing plant at Wichita, Kan., one of the four producing the Superfortress, turned out 100 of the giant bombers in December. He called this "a wonderful job."

Krug also told reporters that the Boeing plant at Renton, Wash., produced 35 Superfortresses last month.

### Press Meeting War Casualty

EUGENE, Jan. 12—(AP)—The Oregon Newspaper Publishers association's 27th annual convention, scheduled for the University of Oregon February 9 and 10, has been cancelled, George Turnbull, acting dean of the school of journalism, said today.

Turnbull explained the state publishers were complying with War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes' request that conventions not vital to the war effort be abandoned.

The decision was announced after Lawrence E. Spraker, publisher of the Stayton Mail; Orlando J. Hollis, acting-president of the university; and Carl C. Webb, secretary-manager of the association, conferred with Turnbull.

### Eugene Man Is Guilty Of Violating Mann Act

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Jan. 12—(AP)—Lawrence Padilla Gonzales, Eugene, Ore., was sentenced in federal court today to three years in prison for violating the Mann act.

Gonzales, acting as his own attorney, denied he transported Wilma Veda Ross across the Oregon-California border for purposes of prostitution. Mrs. Ross, held as a federal witness, was released.

ENDS TODAY!

BETTE GRABLE JACK BENNY "Man About Town"

Bill Boyd "LUMBER JACK" THE HOUSE THAT WITS BUILT

CONT. FROM 1 P.M.

Tomorrow! ROMANCE! FUN! RIP-ROARING THRILLS!

Said the Princess to the Pilot: "Will you marry me for \$150,000 year pocket money?"

Olivia de Havilland Robert CUMMINGS

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### Fliers With 39 Jap Missions Are Decorated

11TH AIRFORCE HEADQUARTERS, Aleutians, Jan. 12—(AP)—The first crew of army airmen to complete 39 successful missions over the Japanese homeland was decorated today by Maj. Gen. Davenport Johnson, commander of the 11th airforce, and started for home in the states.

The crew of four officers and six enlisted men, who previously had been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, today were given the Air Medal by General Johnson.

First crew to land in these bleak islands a year ago, the group is returning without a scratch, and their plane, a Liberator named "Lil De-Icer," never once has been touched either by an enemy bullet or anti-aircraft shell on the hazardous missions over the northern Kuriles.

In awarding the medals, General Johnson added: "I flew one mission with you men and I am proud of you." None of the crew is from the Pacific northwest.

### Oregon Posse Elects Eyerly

Oregon Mounted Posse members reelected Capt. Lee Eyerly as their president at the annual meeting held late this week around the dinner table at the Golden Pheasant. A large birthday cake with five candles representing the five years of the posse's organization was cut by Eyerly.

The organization will participate in more events this year than last, Eyerly declared as he addressed the horsemen. Extra effort will be made to participate where promotion of the sale of war bonds or some other needed war work is required, the organization agreed.

### Flags to Fly Over Firms With Veterans

Urging all business and industrial leaders in this area to cooperate in the program to employ veterans, Cmdr. William Croghan of Salem chapter No. 6, Disabled American Veterans, announced Friday that a flag now being designed shortly will fly over establishments where World War II veterans are employed.

The flag will indicate the number of veterans on the payroll wherever it is hung. Industry should be just as proud to display it as it has been to fly star studded service flags showing the number of employes who have gone into the armed forces, Croghan maintains.

"The DAV is, of course, especially interested in the employment of disabled veterans. We of the DAV are proud of the fact that surveys show the disabled man can be as good a worker as an able-bodied man," the commander said.

CONTINUOUS TODAY ELINORE Now Showing! Feature: 1:35-4:16-6:59-9:42 STARTLING! 30 SCENES FROM TOKYO SPENCER TRACY Van Johnson Robert Walker

### CAPITOL

Starts Today 2 Top Hits!

Their Lips were SEALED against each others!

HEDY LAMARR PAUL HENREID SYDNEY GREENSTREET (THE FAT MAN) PETER LORRE (THE LITTLE MAN) VICTOR FRANZEN

THE CONSPIRATORS A SUPER CHARGED SUPER HIT from WARNER BROS. with JOSEPH CALERA - CAROL THURSTON Dir. by Jean Negulesco - Prod. by Jack Chertok

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Gene AUTRY in RED RIVER VALLEY A RE-RELEASE with Smiley BURNETTE FRANCES GRANT

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