DIPLOMATS AGREE, PACK BAGS FOR HOME

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of the United Nations. Decision is to be made at the session of the general assembly in London on January 10, the preparatory commission having limited the choice to the United States east of the Mississippi river. We westerners think the U.S.A. doesn't really get going until the big river is crossed. But if the world capital has to be in that area, it may as well be in the Boston vicinity.

New York, which is also mentioned, has been accused of being "foreign," but Boston, despite its influx of immigration which swamped the original native stock, is genuinely early American. Chicago is just Chicago, riotously midwestern; if anything (judging by its Chicago Tribune) radically anti-foreign. Boston would be a

story on page 2.)

Wednesday.

their problems.

File Claim for

Snell urged Oregon cities faced

with the problem of housing vet-

erans to advise Jesse Epstein, re-

gional director of the federal

The houses must be located on

leased to the federal government.

veterans or their families for a

period not to exceed five years.

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ting the lease six months after the

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housing units and if earnings ex-

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Epstein advised Governor Snell

Governor Snell indicated that

cities probably would take ad-

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26-(AP)

navy officials indicated today.

Even during the greatest trans-

dier was being held up in San

pected this time to be lowered be-

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26-(A)-

cent price ceilings for retail sales

The agency described this

Francisco only six days.

fore the end of the month,

OPA to Clarify

hardwood flooring.

been declared at an end.

Boston got bypassed in the competition of American cities for growth. The construction of the Eric canal and the centering of railroad terminals at the mouth of the Hudson river enabled New York to forge ahead of both Boston and Philadelphia. Though Boston has a magnificent harbor and offers a shorter route to north European ports, most of the Atlantic shipping slips past it in favor of New York. It is the commercial capital of New England and remains a great city of the United States, but it hasn't kept the pace of New York, or of Wash. ington, in recent growth. The distinction of being the UNO capital would be a compensation which its glorious history entitles it to

Boston offers a comfortable environment for a world capital.

(Continue on Editorial Page)

Truman to Tell U.S. of Coming

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.-(/P)-President Truman will carry his labor and other legislative propos- the necessary forms for applicaals directly to the people in a tions by the cities. He could not radio address probably during the stipulate the exact number of first week in January. It will be units immediately available but a state of the union address to urged action in order that the

early date. This announcement today came from the president at his federal building offices here in a news a number of Oregon counties and vantage of the offer.

The president replied in the negative when a reporter said he heard the address would be an Coast GI Jam

"Oh no, it won't be that, it will be on the overall legislative To Be Broken program-a state of the union address," he said.

(Washington today reported that Most of the 170,000 stranded vetthe president also likely will de- erans of Pacific war who spent liver his nnual address to con- Christmas in Pacific coast port gress in person on its reconvening cities will be home or on their way Jan. 14, and that the speech may by New Year's day, army and be sent by tovision broadcast. The president's nationwide address to the people would precede portation tangle in the few days his appearance before congress).

Traffic Normal on Columbia Highway

Traffic conditions on the Columbia river between Portland Lumber Ceilings and the Dalles were normal Wedway engineer, reported. Snow was falling in the higher elevations of of softwood lumber, shingles and the state with rain in the lower

Klamath Falls and Santiam Junction were the only two places that reported snow on the highways and advised chains. All other points reported road conditions

Animal Crackers By WARREN GOODRICH



Word Of Results Delayed

> **Optomistic Air** Fills Conference, Progress Made

By Eddy Gilmore

MOSCOW, Dec. 26 -(AP)- The foreign ministers of the United States, Russia and Great Britain were said late tonight to have reached agreement on all points of their discussions and Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and For-Gen. Brehon Somervell, comeign Secretary Ernest Bevin were manding general of the army making arrangements for an early service forces, who will be sucdeparture. ceeded by Lt. Gen. Leroy Lutes

(The Moscow radio in a broad upon his retirement Jan. 1. (See cast heard in London said that the conference had ended and that Byrnes would hold a press con-Cities Urged to ference at 7:30 a.m. Thursday (8:30 p.m. PST, Wednesday).

Diplomatic observes forecast prompt announcement of "important and definite results" concerning the conference. **Beyond Expectations**

Added Housing Unquestionably agreement has been achieved on many main issues, these observers said, adding Under the terms of a law passed that the conference has gone well by congress last Friday the fed- beyond anything that had been exeral government will dismantle pected even by Byrnes, British surplus houses on government Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin projects and transport them to and Soviet Foreign Commissar the cities where needed and re- Vyacheslav M. Molotov themerect them on sites provided by selves. the cities, Gov. Earl Snell said

All world ills have not been solved, these informants said, "but Await Message

In London, foreign office officials were called back from holihousing administration, Seattle, of day vacations to be at their posts for an expected release of the conference communique.

land owned by the cities and The air of optimism persisted here right up to the closing hours They may be occupied only by of the conference. Observers pointed out that the rapidity with which the three statesmen reached an agreement on peace treaty procedure indicated considerable emergency in the community has Communities taking advantage

Talk of Break With Franco

that his office is now preparing WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 -(AP) Although critical of all three regimes, the United States today took simultaneous steps in the direction of a diplomatic break with one European government and recognition of two others. veterans may be cared for at an At his news conference Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson

disclosed these prospects: 1. The U.S. has indicated willingness to discuss with the British and French governments all aspects of the relations of the three countries with Generalis-

simo Franco's Spanish regime. 2. Once the U. S., Britain and Russia have concluded peace treaties with Romania and Bulgaria on lines laid down by the big three foreign ministers at Moscow, this government will be ready to recognize regimes of the est events of 1945 would have two Balkan states.

portation tangle in the few days **Admiral Keyes** Army officials said they ex-

LONDON, Dec. 26-(AP)-Admiral of the Fleet Lord Roger John Brownlow Keyes, distinguished British naval hero who emerged from retirement to serve his nation in the second World war, nesday for the first time in two The OPA today authorized its died in his sleep today after an weeks, R. H. Baldock, state highregional offices to fix dollar-and-illness of three weeks. He was 73. Lord Keyes, who was given a large share of the credit for defeating the German U-boat menace in World war I, was famous a move to obtain more effective as the hero of the spectacular Zeecontrol over prices for building brugge raid which sealed up the Brugges canal in 1918.

open and traffic proceeding nor- Corporation Asks to Construct State Office Building, Portland

that the corporation probably other the state agricultural buildwould accept rental certificates ing. in payment for the structure. The Secretary of State Robert only barrier to the rental certifi- Farrell, jr., declared opposition to cate plan is a provision of law federal aid for the state-countywhich provides that the state shall city of Portland health project, not issue in excess of \$700,000 of unless control of the health de-

Indicating its interest in con- later by the board. Some state structing a state building on the officials said they favored constate's east Portland property, the struction in east Portland because Lloyd corporation of Portland on of the heavy traffic on the west Wedesday asked the state board side of the river. Two state buildof control to provide details of ings have been constructed and he project.

Reports previously received plan. One of these is the present from the Lloyd interests indicated office building in Salem and the

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NINETY-FIFTH YEAR

12 PAGES

Salem, Oregon, Thursday Morning, December 27, 1945

Miners Trapped by Blast

Nip Guard Given Life At Labor

YOKOHAMA, Thursday, Dec. 27 -(P)- Tatsuo Tsuchiya, a prison camp guard who was the first war crimes suspect to be tried in Japan, was convicted today of killing an American prisoner of war and was sentenced to hard labor for life.

The U. S. war crimes commission adjudged that Tsuchiya, known as "Little Glass Eye," along with other Japanese "wilfully, unlawfully and unmercifully beat and killed Pfc. Robert Gordon Teas of Streator, Ill., a survivor of the Bataan death

Tsuchiya described himself as progress, and great progress, has a protector of the prisoners and said he could remember nothing about Teas. The little guard admitted he did hit some prisoners with his open palm, but only after his commander reprimanded him for being too easy on the

The prosecution claimed Tsuchiya beat Teas across the face with rope when the starving American was caught with several tins of Red Cross food the Nipponese had appropriated for themselves.

Camp commandants ordered to trial are 1st Lt. Ked Yuri, accused of keeping Red Cross supplies nee for congress in the first distfrom prisoners, of ordering an rict special election Jan. 11, was required to account for expenditures they make in connection U.S. Willing to American bayoneted to death, given an independent of the make in connection of the make in connection in solitary confines. The nomination of the second of the sec starvation in solitary confine- The nomination assembly nearment; and 1st Lt. Chotora Furu- ly filled the 750-seat Viking theashima, charged with permitting tre as residents of Astoria and food, clothing and medical fa-

Truman Named 'Man of Year'

NEW YORK, Dec. 26-(AP)-President Harry S. Truman was named today by Time magazine as its "man of the year" for 1945.

In selecting the president, Time said in its Dec. 31 issue, released tomorrow, that "the greatest of all 1945's great events was the atom

The president, the magazine said, "somewhat unwittingly, somewhat against his own will, became more than any other man responsible for the bomb, its use in 1945 and its future." Except for the bomb, the great-

been the surrender of Germany and Japan, and the greatest men of the year would have been Allied military men, the magazine

Dies in London Game Commission To Erect Building

The state game commission has authority to purchase a building in Portland, on which it now holds an option, without consent of the state board of control, At- passenger in Sjahrir's car also estorney General George Neuner caped injury. held here Wednesday. The strucder streets.

the commission's offices, housing of trucks and for laboratory facilities. The opinion, asked by the game commission, was filed with the state board of control.

Excess Blood Plasma To Go to Civilians

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 -(AP) Blood plasma, the substance that saved thousands of lives on the battlefields, soon will be available without cost to civilians who need it. The Red Cross, announcing

this tonight, said it would distribute 1,250,000 units of plasma which had been declared surplus by the army and navy. This was nationwide telephone strike may found in Polk county by sher- of a Brownsville store, was not The war department announced estimated to be enough to meet follow the scheduled Jan. 3 walkcivilian needs for two years.

COMBINED AIR FORCE

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Five - Day Quarantine Ends



PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26-A smallpox quarantine on the troopship Grundy was lifted yesterday to give some 2000 servicemen a Christmas ashore. Ship's Christmas tree glitters on hatch top as men shoulder bags to leave. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman)

Near 750 Meet Truman's Pilot To Nominate Walter Norblad

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 26 -(AP) Walter Norblad, republican nomi-

torture and denying prisoners neighboring areas nominated the 35-year-old Astoria attorney and World war II veteran to the congressional seat of the late James

Eugene Marsh, McMinnville, speaker of the Oregon house of representatives, nominated Norblad. The Astorian's name will be placed on the ballot as an "independent republican." The nomination was seconded by Herman Chindgrin, Molalla, and Grant Murphy, Marion county judge.

Joseph Felton, Salem, manager of Norblad's campaign, outlined election plans. Serving as executive committeemen of the assembly were Oscar Hugg, Reedville; Bob Glenn, Corvallis, and Victor L. White, Tillamook.

Dutch Fire at Rebel Premier

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 26-(AP)-Native Dutch troops fired a volley of bullets today at a car in which Sutan Sjahrir, premier of the unrecognized Indonesian republic, was a passenger, but Sjahrir was uninjured.

British authorities said it was stablished that the native troops -Eurasians and Surinamese-did not know the identity of the car's occupant, and had sought to confiscate an Indonesian car. Another unidentified Indonesian

ture is located near 17th and Al- Solons to Check on

The structure will be used for Surplus Supplies WASHINGTON, Dec. 26-(P)-

Three senators take off tomorrow tary supplies are being thrown away.

who used to be an army major in Europe, told a reporter that war was wasteful and that many useful things had to be thrown away. "What we want to make sure of," he said, "is that there is no unnecessary waste now."

Prospect of Nationwide

Telephone Strike Looms NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-(A)-A out of Western Electric Co. em-

these certificates. It was estimat- partment was placed in the state, cific air forces under one new ciation (Ind.) said at first picket iamute river in Polk county. ed that a state office building, large enough to house all state departments now in Portland, was placed in the state, cific air forces under one new chauch and the city of command which will supply air control for enforcement of Japan's phone operating companies in the body was most likely to be was received at the penitentiary for burglary in July, 1940, to serve the body was most likely to be states on the day the strike the body was most likely to be strike the body w

Took No Undue Risk on Flight Electric Strike KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26 -(P)

Lt. Col. Henry T. Myers, pilot of the presidential plane, "The Sacred Cow," declared tonight that President Truman took no undue risk in his flight from Washington to Kansas City yesterday. Commenting on reports that

weather conditions had made the trip hazardous, the veteran pilot, who has flown Presidents Roosevelt and Truman and high military officials, described the journey as "just another routine flight, entirely devold of any risk."

"After all," he added, "I think as much of my neck as the president does of his."

41st Division To Revert to

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26.-(AP) Reassignment of the famed 41st infantry division to its pre-war status of national guard unit of Man Killed by the Pacific northwest is planned by the army, Brig. Gen. Thomas Flying Wheel
E. Rilea said here today. E. Rilea said here today.

The former assistant divisional commander of the veteran 41st said "plans are pretty well finalized at Washington for the reorganization of the national guard, and national guard units to be organized in Oregon would be assigned to the 41st."

'square' division, was now streamlined and a triangular military organization, it might embrace less territory than did the national guard division."

The old national guard 41st, veteran of New Guinea and Phil- and thre sons, Orville, 15, Wesippine campaigns and first Amer- ley, 13, and Darrell, 8. His mother ican army combat division enter- and a brother reside in Monitor ing the southwest Pacific, orig- and sisters in Portland and Caliinally had units from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming. Most of the men were from

CIO Declares 'Inevitable'

CIO leaders last night declared strike in the electrical industry was "inevitable," and Edgar ciliation service, said the action would be a "serious aggravation" of current industrial problems.

A walkout of 200,000 CIO electrical workers early in January was "inevitable," union officials declared, and government efforts to avert a strike appeared blocked. The union's executive board will meet in New York Jan. 5 to consider calling a strike authorized by the membership earlier this little hope that the men could be month. A stoppage would affect 76 plants in 22 states.

The electrical workers, demanding a \$2 a day wage increase, have rejected an offer of a 131/2 cents h urly increase from the electrical National Guard division of General Motors Corp., which employs 25,000 electrical China Truce

SILVERTON, Dec. 26-Thomas O. Farmer, 38, 402 Jefferson st., died at a local hospital as the result of injuries he received as an emery wheel at which he was working flew apart, completely severing the side of his face. He added that "in view of the Farmer, who operated a woodfact that the 41st, formerly a yard, was gumming a saw with the emery wheel when the accident occurred. He died one hou

He had been a resident of Silverton for the past 12 years. He verton for the past 12 years. He is survived by his widow, Blanche, Reported Sane

Announcement of funeral ar rangements will be made by th

on a 30-day, 'round-the-world flight to see whether good mili-Senator Knowland (R-Calif), Police to Drag River for Body

Marys river in Benton county to-

ployes in the New York-New Jersey area, union spokesmen said to the missing man.

TOKYO, Thursday, Dec. 27-(P) today.

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General MacArthur today an-nounced consolidation of five Pa-Western Electr's employes asso-a bridge crossing the Little Luck-tentiary. He was released in De-

Sheriff's deputies will drag the Houston said today that S. D. The French constituent assembly McLain, 67, Portland, confessed early today unanimously approv-shooting Bowman "because he ed the Bretton Woods monetary morrow for the body of Ernest talked too much." Jack Mann, 27, stabilization agreement and an Bowman, 45-year-old Kelso, Corvallis, first told of the shoot- American export-import bank Wash, logger who police report ing when arrested at Albany on loan of \$550,000,000. a prisoner has confessed killing. a charge of Lurglary. McLain said A bloodstained hat and coat, Roy Moore, 55, Portland, the together with a blanket, was third man held in the burglary iff's officers as they combed the involved in the shooting. Earlier three-county area of Benton, Houston quoted him as saying all army personnel had been return-McLain, under the name of through Dec. 21.

The garments were found five Douglas L. Day, served two

Explosion Entombs 30 to 50

PINEVILLE, Ky., Dec. 26-(P)-Although rescue workers late tonight had dug their way to a point approximately 4000 feet from where 30 to 50 coal miners were entombed, workers and relatives alike held little hope that any of

the men would be found alive. Trained mine rescue squads were balked at every step of the way by flames, gas fumes and fallen debris. A spokesman for the Kentucky Straight Creek Coal company said, however, that the latest rescue team to report had penetrated one and one-half miles from the mine entrance. Hope was expressed that the area where the miners were believed to be trapped could be reached tomor-

Violent Blast

Indications were that the explosion was a violent one, and Danlel Harrington, of the bureau of mines at Washington, said it was probable that all the trapped men

were killed Highway Patrolman Austin Hall, who reported the latest developments, said the miners were believed to be trapped at the dead end of the two and one-half mile

All available means were being employed to combat the flames, L. Warren, chief of the U. S. con- ing since the explosion occurred about 8:30 a.m.

Seven Hours Rescue men had been in the mine seven hours, digging through piled framing, dislodged coal, smoke and gas fumes, when they came upon the fire.

Hall said it appeared unlikely that the explosion area could be reached short of "two or three days," and that there appeared reached in time.

Mine Operator W. E. Lewis said he believed there were "not less than 30 nor more than 50" men in the mine

Hopes Dimmed

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 -(AP) Hopes of an early truce in China's undeclared war received another setback tonight when a scheduled formal resumption of negotiations between government and com-

munist leaders was postponed. Representatives of the two sides met, but their encounter was described as an "informal social occasion," and a truce proposal which communists earlier had said they would deliver in writing today was not presented.

Mrs. Mansfeldt

RAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26-(P) Three court-appointed alienists today reported that Irene Mansfeldt, society matron, was sane and was not suffering from any "definite psychosis" on the day she killed Mrs. Vada Martin, a nurse whom she suspected of having an affair with her husband, Dr. John Mansfeldt.

The report on Mrs. Mansfeldt's mental condition was disclosed in the first session of her sanity trial which began here today.

FRENCH OKEH MONEY PLAN ALBANY, Ore., Dec. 26 -(A) | State Police Sergeant Earl PARIS, Thursday, Dec. 27-(AP)

> 4,466,000 RELEASED today that a total of 4,466,000 ed to civilian life from May 12

