Toll 19 in 2 Military Airplane Tragedies hour fight late today to restore \$88,000,000 slashed by the house appropriations committee from

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 16-(AP)-At least 12 men were believed killed tonight when a B-29 Superfortress from Davis Monthan field here crashed and burned during a takeoff. Twenty men were aboard the plane but eight were believed to have escaped.

Major D. D. Burke, public relations officer at the heavy bomber base, said in an official statement that there were "some dead and Rep. Mahon (D-Tex), declaring some survivors" in the crash.

stumble from the flaming wreck-

The plane was attached to the

49th bomb squadron of the sec-

ond bomb group and had just tak-

age of the plane.

West Indies.

seat fighter.

Fighter Caught Fire

caught fire and its pilot burned to

Tenn., was the sole survivor

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 16.-(AP)-

The tug, Columbia Queen, one

was owned by Columbia Construc-

tion Co., Vancouver, Wash., and operated by the Shaver Transpor-

The outbound tanker, Rhode

Island, apparently was uninjured.

Damage to the towed ship had not

Arrive in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 16-(AP)
-Miss Amy Graham, 50, of Ches-

ter, England, will said from Eng-

land Thursday as a war bride of

the war that ended 29 years ago.

51, Portland, in Liverpool in 1918,

when he was a private, first class,

Then Satterlee married her

friend, Ethel Tenfold, who kept

up a correspondence with Miss

Graham until two years ago when

Ethel died here. Satterlee assumed

the correspondence and last April

Her passport designation is "war

bride." She will arrive in New

York December 27 and in Port-

Satterlee will be at the rail-

road depot, hoping he can recog-

Precip

nize the woman he last saw 29

Chicago 28 14 .00

New York 49 39 —

Willamette river 5 feet.

FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Cloudy

land New Year's eve.

in the U.S. army.

he proposed.

vears ago.

Weather

She met Kindle C. Satterlee,

World War I to

tation company.

On Training Flight

The adjournment of the London conference of foreign ministers after the takeoff, started to turn without a single agreement on peace treaties for Germany and and plummeted to earth. The craft Austria and without even talk burst into flames after contact ting widens the with the ground. cleavage between east and west. Heretofore there was the slight bond of hope that by patience and compromise agreements might be reached to terminate the old war as they came in for landings at with Germany. What has tran- the Norfolk naval station, killing spired is to intensify the unde- six of the bomber's seven crewclared war between Russia and men and the pilot of the single the western powers. On almost every issue it was the USSR against Great Britain, France and the United States.

The effect of this stalemate will be serious. Germany and Austria will remain occupied by foreign troops, their own political future uncertain. The separation of eastern from western Europe will retard economic recovery for both because of the resulting difficulty people of western Europe despair will ensue. Why, they will ask, should we rebuild our cities and our homes to be blown to bits in an impending clash between the united States and Russia? These Columbia River people who have lived for centuries along the highways of con-flict regard a clash at arms as flict regard a clash at arms as battleground.

For Americans the continuation of the cold war means a continua- An outbound tanker collided with tion of our burden of support in a towed ship in the Columbia rivwestern Europe and a continua- er today, damaging a tug to an tion or even expansion of our amount estimated at \$10,000. military expenditures. Since the split was in large degree occa- of two towing the tanker Rincon sioned by Russia's opposition to Hills from Astoria to Portland, (Continued on Editorial Page)

99E Widening Plan Delayed

OREGON CITY, Dec. 16.-(AP) Proposed widening of the Pacific War Bride from highway south of here from two to four lanes faced a delay today. Bids on the \$600,000 job were to be called this month, but J. M. Devers, state highway commission attorney, said the commission had been unable to get title from all property owners along the 5.3-mile

He said attempts to gain the land were continuing, with the hope of completing the project by

Postoffice Cancellations Continue to Set Record

Letters postmarked at the Salem postoffice Tuesday totaled 136,000, compared with 118,000 on the same day last year, according to Postmaster Albert C. Gragg. The day's large gain followed Monday's slight decrease from the corresponding day in the 1946 Christmas mail rush.

Rites Saturday for Returned Soldier

SILVERTON - Funeral services for Pvt. Cleo Blair, whose body has been returned from Germany, will be Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at the Eckman Funeral home. The Rev. Arthur Charles Bates of the First Christian church will officiate, and burial will be in Miller cemetery here.

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Western Union

Offer Rejected

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16 -(AP)

The Western Union Telegraph

Co. tonight offered it 50,000 AFL

employes a 1947 bonus of about

\$22 each and a wage increase

which the union immediately re-

company proposal,

Sept. 16, terminated a meeting

arranged by the U.S. conciliation

service in hopes of averting a

nationwide telegraphers strike

More than Century

age 105, and Jim Smith, age 6

war veteran now living at Water-

The youngest Smith is a son of

NEW YORK, Dec. 16-(AP)-The

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith, Albany.

younger brother, Ben, 93.

PCA TO BACK WALLACE

Separates Smiths

negotiations began last

jected as "insulting."

dangerous."

mission.

The association,

The Oregon Statesman, Salem, Oregon, Wednesday, December 17, 1947

Groundwork Laid for New Salem Bridge Drive

Organization Formed to Present Anti-Inflation Plan Promote Local Project

By Winston H. Taylor

A new highway bridge which will serve state-wide traffic Unified West Germany Held Near as well as solving the immediate Salem-West Salem bottleneck will be the prime object of an organization formed here Tuesday night. Mayor Walter Musgrave of West Salem was selected as president, with Salem Mayor R. L. Elfstrom as co-chairman Marshall Talks Decorating Tree at Courthouse Chances for will be the prime object of an organization formed here Tues-Bridge association. Nearly all of about 40 persons

To Halt Slash In Foreign Aid

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- (AP)-House democrats launched an 11th appropriations committee from the emergency foreign aid pro-

Rep. Cannon (D-Mo) assailed the committee's scissoring of the \$597,000,000 program as "picayunish, cheeseparing economy. that "you cannot ignore Europe However, Patrolman Walter and look after the best interests of Sheets of the Arizona highway the U. S. at the same time," depatrol said he saw eight survivors manded:

"Does anyone think General Marshall would be so concerned unless he had in mind the military security and the national defense of this country?"

Besides reducing the total sum asked by President Truman and New Bridge Vital Need en off on a routine long distance Secretary of State Marshall to navigational training flight to help France, Italy and Austria ing in of the bridge plans with Varnam field, Jamaica, British through the winter, the appropri-West Indies.

Unofficial reports indicated that China -- included in the program population growth, tourist trade social democrat, liberal democrat the four-motored plane encount- at house insistence - - be dealt out.

ered difficulty a moment or so Zone Hearing -possibly to return to the base-Set for Medical NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 16-(R)-A patrol bomber and a fighter plane collided 100 feet in the air today as they came in the lair today. Office Building regular sessions for the first Tuesday of each month, plans to progress by means of petitions, contacts with service clubs.

Plans for a second new medical office building for Salem caused the city planning and zon- (Additional details on page 2) ing commission Tuesday night to reset a public hearing for zone changing to permit a building Naval spokesmen said the Cor- near Salem General hospital for sair fighter struck the right wing the medical clinic of Drs. F. K. of the bombing plane as both ap- Power, W. E. Buren, Vern Millproached the landing field from er, S. M. Lancefield and A. T. the same direction. The Corsair King.

Commission members said they understood plans for a similar The bomber crashed on its back building were in the offing to and partly buried itself in swam- house the eye - ear - nose - throat in exchange of goods. For all the py ground 300 yards from the clinic which, like the other clinic, Corsair. Ens. Joseph William was burned out in the recent Akins, USNR., 21, of Kingsport, Guardian building fire. Dr. M. C. Findley of the second clinic, however, said last night no decision has been reached on building.

The commission changed to Monday, January 5, at 7:30 p.m. the hearing which had been scheduled for last night but which could not be advertised in time because petitions requesting zone change were not filed until this week and the percentage of property represented by signatures re-

mains to be checked. The clinic building would be built by Salem General hospital on its property on the north side of Center street east of 24th street, f the residential zone there can be changed to a class III-x zone restricting use of the property to

a medical building.
Commissioners examined sketch and mock-up of the proposed building prepared by Ar-chitect Robert Wilmsen of Eugene. One of two wings on either end of the building would have a second story, the remainder being entirely on ground level.

STRIKE IN SICILY CITY ROME, Dec. 16 -(AP)- The pro-vincial chamber of labor at Catania, Sicily, declared a general strike effective at midnight to-

night in a demand for unemploy-

counties who attended the meeting in Salem Chamber of Commerce took the floor to second plans for the promotion of such a bridge, which would tie in LONDON, Dec. 16 .- (AP)-Secrewith the North Santiam artery, tary Marshall met tonight with Not to Bother With Locations It was explained that the association will not concern itself said was the beginning of inforwith possible locations, but will mal "exploratory" talks on the leave that phase entirely up to merging of western Germany into

tures at any street from Che- political leaders discussed creation of a western German state with a Other officers elected last night new capital in Frankfurt.

Gibson, former Polk county com- to Premier Stalin and the powermissioner, as treasurer. Named ful politburo -- a report which to the board of directors, to re- was expected to result in quick main open for future selection of persons from other vitally affected communities, were Mayor Germany and the Marshall plan. Hollis Smith of Dallas, Lynn Gubser of McMinnville, Edward

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. Majek of West Salem, and Paul 16-(AP)-The principal political Wallace, Douglas McKay, Hedda leaders of the British and Amer-Swart, C. A. McClure, E. Burr ican zones took stock of the break-Miller and Guy N. Hickok, all of up of the foreign ministers confer-

without the communists, the leadand military use and asserted the and centrum parties announced new bridge was a vital need to the leaders of the two zones had replace the 30-year-old struc- accepted an invitation to a conferture described by Russell Beutler ence with the British and Amer-of West Salem as "ridiculous and ican zonal commanders, probably

Freezing Fog official municipal bodies and del-

From the freezing fog of early morning, Salem warmed up Tuesday to 51 degrees and came out wetter by .40 inch of rain, according to the U.S. weather bureau at McNary field. The freezing mark was reached at 4 a.m. Heavy rains in the last 11/2 hours before Tuesday midnight totaled .13 inch.

The state highway department reported normal winter road conditions prevailing in most sections of the state. The Santiam highway was said to be almost bare of snow with a few lcy spots and some frozen slush.

Columbia Basin nest Tuesday — two days before Fund Advances

GRAND COULEE DAM, Dec. 16-(AP)-Passage into law of the proposed \$13,584,000 supplemental aproportation for the Columbia basin project would mean re-LEBANON, Dec. 16 -(AP)- The supmtion of work on the west canal, the Bacon siphon and Long Smith kids will have a Christmas party here next Monday and Lakes dam, a bureau of reclamaamong guests will be: Jim Smith, tion suokesman said today.

The amount was part of an additional \$31,939,000 recommend-The elderly Smith is a Civil ed to the house by its apropriations committee at Washington loo. He will bring along his otda y to keep work under way on four big western reclamation

PORTION OF BUILDING FALLS WASHINGTON, Dec. 17-(Wed-Progressive Citizens of America nesday)-(A)-At least one person announced tonight it had voted to was reported killed and a dozen urge Henry A. Wallace to run as others were injured near midan independent candidate for pres- night in the collapse of interior ident and that as a result Dr. portions of an old eight-story Frank Kingdon, PCA co-chairman, apartment building in downtown Washington.

A Salem fire department ladder truck helped get underway the

annual decoration of the living Christmas tree on the Marion

Courthouse Tree

Illumination Rites

Annual ceremonies connected

with lighting the big Cherrians'

Christmas tree on the courthouse

lawn will take place Thursday

ing the program, throwing on the

more than 1.000 lights on the tree.

Cherrian King Bing William

Dyer, jr., will speak on the his-

tory of the tree and the Cherrians.

Mrs. Josephine Spaulding will

KSLM will broadcast the pro-

The tree has been lighted every

year since 1913 except for a few

years in the late world war. The

tree by a crew from Vince's elec-

tric and Walton-Brown electric

Russ Start to

Trade Rubles

globes are being strung on the

by Mrs. Alfred Schram.

sing Christmas carols accompa-

Set for Thursday

night from 6:45 to 7 o'clock.



French Foreign Minister Bidault in what authoritative informants the state highway department, a single zone of occupation. which has prepared tentative In Germany political activity plans which would involve struc- reached new heights as German

were Ben Maxwell, Salem pho-tographer, as secretary, and Fred toward Moscow to deliver a report

ence today and agreed on the basic plan for the creation of a west-Various speakers urged the tying in of the bridge plans with
Meeting behind closed doors,

county courthouse lawn Tuesday, with placing of a star atop the tree. Official ceremonies and tree lighting are planned for Thursday evening. (Statesman-McEwan photo). Fishing Boat

Capsizes in Atlantic; 7 Die MANASQUAN INLET, N.J.

Dec. 16 -(AP)- Seven persons were lost in the gale-swept Atlantic to-Murphy will pull the switch durday as the fishing boat Paramount V capsized 500 yards from shore after battling stormy seas in a race towards the safety of Manas-Caught in a rip tide just as it

was about to nose into the inlet, the ship was toppled by a giant wave which crashed into its side. Nine survivors were rescued from the icy waters. Three bodies were taken from the sea, and the coast guard said the four still missing probably had been trapped in the ship's cabin.

Idaho Dam Urged To Boost Power

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 16 -(AP)-A proposed \$27,000,000 multi-purpose dam at Albeni falls on the Pend Oreille river in northern Idaho today won the backing of army engineers.

Both the Seattle district and new ones under the currency renorth Pacific division engineers form program, then toured the Horse to Contest urged construction as "essential at stores to buy food, clothing and this time to meet urgent present other items, some featured at lowand immediate prospective hydro- er prices with the end of rationelectric power needs of the Pacific northwest."

would be added to the northwest

A total of 251,000 kilowatts

Izvestia hailed the inauguration of non-ration, stores as "a way towards further strengthening of the Soviet state and a new growth of the people's welfare."

The lowered prices hit the col-

lective farm markets immediate-

stores forced the farmer to drop

Anderson Offers To 'Name Names

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 -(AP)-Secretary of Agriculture Anderson offered today to supply congress with a list of traders in the commodity futures markets of the

Anderson suggested that congress enact a law broad enough to permit disclosure of the names of all traders on commodity margress as well as officials of the

Present law prohibits disclosure modity exchange administration.

Congressional Passage Slim -

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 -(A).
The senate agreed unanimously today to consider tomorrow a modified anti-inflation bill offered by Senator Taft (R-Ohio), but chances remained doubtful for full congressional action before the special session winds up this week-

Taft's bill like the one which lost out in the house yesterday, provides for "voluntary agree-ments" by industry to hold down the cost of living.

On the house side, Speaker Martin (R-Mass) put two "ifs" in his

"We will do everything possible to put it through the house during the special session if the senate passes it and if it arrived in the

A voice vote of the senate banking committee approving Taft's measure set up another legislative test of strength similar to that in the house when the GOP high command met defeat in the presentation of the Wolcott bill on a "take it or leave it" basis.

Although the house chose to "leave it," Taft told the commit-tee he believes the senate "ought to do as much as it can before Christmas" on the less controversial points of the GOP program to curb the cost of living. Taft termed his bill a "stop-gap" measure.

The Taft measure calls for voluntary industry-wide agreements to distribute scarce commodities under temporary suspension of anti-trust laws and extension of export controls and authority over transportation.

2 Army Ships Endangered in North Pacific

SEATTLE, Dec. 16-(P)-The master of the disabled army transportation tanker El Caney, adrift in the north Pacific, radioed late today the vessel's prepeller was turning over slowly, and that his position was about 415 miles southwest of Adak, in the Outer Aleutians.

Two ships were being sent to aid the stricken vessel.

A report by Capt. Ole Svehaug. Seattle and Portland, showed the vessel had drifted about 104 miles since the rudder was torn loose and her propeller damaged late yesterday, the port of embarkation said. The crew of 42 aboard was reported as "well." Last night 40-mile winds were reported in the area.

A second vessel, the army cargo boat FS-245, with a reported crew of 20 aboard, was also in difficulty in the north Pacific. The cargo boat hit a rock near Herbert ilsand in the Aleutians

MOSCOW, Dec. 16-(P)-Soviet Physical Culture citizens went to the banks today to exchange their old rubles for Expert Challenges

PORTLAND, Dec. 16-(AP)-A confident proprietor of a physical culture studio today challenged Old Baldy of Waterloo to a tug ly. The lower prices in the state of war contest.

The muscle man, Johnny Johnhis prices in order to meet the son, figures his 175 pounds can succeed where the 225 pounds of The government newspaper Chester Fitzwater failed.

Fitzwater, the Lebanon strong the new currrency program and man, was upended from a reclinthe end of the old dual system ing position when he and Baldy of "ration" and "commercial," or tugged at opposite ends of a 300foot rope Saturday.

Johnson proclaimed: "In my studio several of us can push up

600 pound weights with our legs.



resigned from the organization. 'Closed' Labor Camp Site of Mud, Strife

By Marguerite Wright

Staff Writer, The Statesman Prisoners or squatters - opin-

ions differ on the status of 11 families existing in the officialagreed the entire situation is The U. S. department of agri-

culture ordered all residents to vacate by September 25 and later the camp was taken over by Salem Agricultural Housing, Inc. (a group of businessmen, process-ors and growers which provided funds for the purchase of the former airbase property) for transient workers during the har-

Gradually most of the families

10 p.m. Electricity has been shut rooms. There are no sinks, no in the Bend-Redmond area but of the muddy camp for dumping and they are not allowed to bring threatened to shut off the water offered to pay rent and cost of

interviewed recently said they housing is available.

were being treated like prisoners are locked at racks partitioned into small been offered potato-picking jobs Except for one man who is un-

no jobs, are living on relief, and but that their services were decannot find landlords who will clined. Meanwhile, garbage deto five children in every family, someone voluntarily carts it some of them attending Salem away — against regulations.

employable because he can't lation about garbage cans is to firewood into the camp. They walk, everyone said he was will- prevent government property said the operators of the camp ing to work. Some said they had from being stolen, he explained. utilities but were refused. Several corporation is to clear the camp The families interviewed said men said they had offered to and keep it cleared until it opens they came here for farm labor. keep the camp cleaned up in exclusively to transients during Now, some claim, they can find preparation for the next season the next harvest season, Linfoot lawmakers will first legalize his dents will be forcibly evicted in accept children. There are two cays in haphazard piles until January if necessary.

moved out and Mr. and Mrs. John Gornik were installed by the housing corporation as care-takers of the camp.

some of them strending Salem away — against regulations.

William Linfoot, spokesman for the housing group, gave his equally unhappy side of the story.

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He said Mrs. Gornik had tried to school and keep them off the Present law prohibits Members of remaining families intend to move as soon as other to find other housing for the streets. Sure, it's tough—but I've of such information by the complexity exidence the streets of the streets of the streets. Sure, it's tough—but I've of such information by the complexity exchange administration by the complexity e

off. There is no hot water. News- individual toilet facilities. Cold did not want to leave the valley. paper deliveries have been or-dered stopped. Residents are al-scattered throughout the camp. The gates have to be locked so that no one will move into the ly-closed farm labor camp near lowed no visitors. They are not bounded by lowed no visitors. They are not lowed stoves provide heat, kero-camp at night, he said, and elective salem airport, but it is allowed to take garbage cans out sene lamps provide light tricity had been cut because no one was paying for it. The regu-The intention of the housing

> Meanwhile, "This is better than living in a tent," one woman