

# Gen. 'Hap' Arnold, Wartime Air Force Leader, Succumbs

SONOMA, Calif., Jan. 15—(AP)—General of the Air Force Henry H. (Hap) Arnold, who directed the thunderous U.S. air war against the axis powers, died today at his ranch home in the peaceful Valley of the Moon. He was 63 years old.

The veteran aviator, wartime commander of the army air force, succumbed to a heart condition. He had been ill since 1944. It wasn't until June 30, 1946, however, that he allowed himself to retire to his 50-acre ranch 40 miles north of San Francisco.

## Final Flight



SONOMA, Calif., Jan. 15—General Henry H. (Hap) Arnold, wartime commander of the nation's air forces, who died today of a heart ailment. He is shown here as he addressed a recent session of a congressional committee.

His physician, Dr. Russell V. Lee of Palo Alto, said: "He should have quit during the war when he had his first attack (in 1944). But things were hot then and he decided to take his chances with the rest of the soldiers and went back to duty."

Dr. R. L. Mollenhauer of Sonoma, called Mrs. Arnold after the five star general had collapsed in his room, arrived shortly after he died about 7:25 a.m. The cause of death was given as coronary occlusion.

Arnold will be buried in Arlington National cemetery. The funeral has tentatively been set for 3 p.m. (EST) Thursday. The air force in Washington relayed a request from Mrs. Arnold that flowers be omitted and that persons wishing to pay tribute contribute to the Air Force Aid society for establishment of a scholarship fund.

Air force officials at Hamilton Field said Arnold's sons were flying here to be with their mother. A daughter, Lois, wife of Commander Ernest Snowden, a naval flier stationed at Corpus Christi, Tex., may not be able to come, they said.

The sons are Lt. David L. Arnold of March Field, Calif.; Col. Henry H. Arnold, Jr., of the command and staff school, Leavenworth, Kans.; and Capt. William B. Arnold, stationed at Banana River, Fla.

Learned from Wrights The boyish faced, genial general, born on a farm at Gladwyne, Pa., learned to fly from the Wright brothers. One of the army's first fliers in 1911, he established many "firsts" in military aviation. He became chief of the army air force in 1938.

Even in retirement, Arnold remained active in air matters and civic affairs. After the air force became a separate arm of the service, President Truman designated him the first man to hold the new permanent rank of general of the air force.

## U.S. Ship Sails For Red China

HONG KONG, Jan. 15—(AP)—The American freighter Brooklyn Heights sailed from Hong Kong today for Tientsin, (Taku Bar) in communist North China.

## Impatience Costs Man \$9

DETROIT, Jan. 15—(AP)—The price of impatience, James McKeown now knows, is nine bucks. McKeown drove into a filling station. He could see people inside. He had to wait. No one came out. He tooted his horn. And still no one came out.

## Ex-Convict Cornered, Captured in Portland

PORTLAND, Jan. 15—(AP)—A cringing ex-convict crawled from a furnace room early today crying to detectives "I didn't mean to kill him—I just ran and ran and ran and ran."

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## Blast Due In Senate On China

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15—(AP)—The state department's decision to pull American diplomats out of communist China lit the fuse today for a new senate explosion over Far Eastern policies.

From a democrat—Senator George of Georgia—came a suggestion that Secretary of State Acheson be recalled to Capitol Hill to give a first hand account of developments and discuss his newly proclaimed policy for dealing with communism in Asia.

From a republican—Senator Morse of Oregon—came a proposal for a thorough bipartisan review of the whole China problem.

Other republicans—including Senators Knowland of California, Bridges of New Hampshire, Brewster of Maine and Smith of New Jersey—were poised for a second round of lambasting the administration's China program when the senate meets again Tuesday.

Democrats as well as republicans seemed agreed that the Chinese communists' actions in seizing the American consular office at Peiping will delay—and possibly prevent—diplomatic recognition of the communist regime by this country.

## Sweetlands Reveal Sale of Newport News

Sale of the weekly Newport News was announced Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Sweetland, principal stockholders. The purchasers are John and Richard Lyman, who own newspapers at Roseman, Mont., and Wallowa, Ore., and Ray Moe, publisher of the Elgin, Ore. Recorder and once editor of the former Yaquina Bay News at Newport.

Sweetlands helped form a corporation in 1947 to purchase and combine the two newspapers then published in Newport, including the Yaquina Bay News. Associated in the corporation with them have been Dan Goldy, C. Girard Davidson and Dr. Will C. Davis, all of Portland.

Sweetland, democratic national committeeman, relinquished the editorship after the 1948 general election. The paper since has been managed by W. J. Forrester of Coos Bay. Sweetland resides in Salem and is publisher of the Oregon Democrat.

## Deputy Sheriff Loses Prisoner In Revolving Door

DETROIT, Jan. 15—(AP)—Deputy Sheriff Edward W. Crutch lost a prisoner in a revolving door tonight. He took David P. Ateer, 34, of Toledo, O., to a hospital for treatment of a minor ailment.

Before entering the revolving door at the front entrance, the deputy unlocked the handcuff from his own wrist and permitted Ateer to enter first.

The next thing Crutch knew he was flat on the lobby floor inside. The revolving door was spinning like mad, and his prisoner was gone.

## Trunk Routes Open

All Oregon trunk routes—Columbia highway 30, The Dalles-California 97 and Pacific 99 and 101—were open for the first time in several days. But snow in the gorge and icy conditions made the east-west route 30 a "touch and go" situation. State police said one-way traffic was enforced at noon. The road was treacherous from east of Troutdale. Highway 99 was opened south of Roseburg Saturday night, but the California section near Weed was choked with snow and closed there. Drifts north of Klamath Falls were cleared over the weekend, freeing 97 through Oregon.

# NO SCHOOL TODAY IN SALEM!

## Eight Inches of New Snow Hobbles Local Area

## Snow Mounts; Break Possible By Midweek

SEATTLE, Jan. 15—(AP)—Another storm, that started weakly but grew in intensity, dumped a new layer of snow in a narrow swath through the hard hit northwest today—but a possible break was seen by midweek.

The latest snowfall was heaviest from Astoria, Ore., near the mouth of the Columbia river, eastward through the gorge cut by the giant stream between Washington and Oregon. Elsewhere in the region there were only intermittent flurries.

Drifts and new snow closed the Evergreen highway, on the north bank of the river, stranding 30 motorists who were taken to Bingen, Wash., by the Great Northern Railway's eastbound streamliner.

One-way traffic crawled along the Oregon Trail, on the south bank, and state police expected to halt travel until the high winds subsided.

Hope for relief from the record January cold, brought in during last Friday's worst northwest blizzard in history, was spotted by the Seattle weather bureau far out in the Pacific.

Forecasters said a low pressure area, 600 miles north of the Hawaiian islands, is moving toward the mainland. If it continues along its present path, it is expected to reach here Wednesday and begin nudging out the mass of frigid air hanging stagnant over Washington and most of Oregon.

The "low" would bear rains to wash away the heavy snow cover of up to 20 inches on the west side of both states. Temperatures would moderate east of the Cascade mountains, where the mercury has dropped as far as 22 below zero.

Until midweek, the prediction is for subzero nighttime cold in eastern Washington and northeastern Oregon, and weather far below freezing in the western lowlands from the Canadian border to the Willamette valley.

The death-dealing blizzard of two days ago left 11 known dead. Nine perished in Washington and two in British Columbia. Property damage was counted in the millions.

Seattle had 10 inches of snow in the city Portland had nine and it was snowing again tonight.

Tonight's predicted minimums: eastern Washington, 10-20 below zero in the northern half to near zero in the extreme southern portion; western Washington, zero to 10 above in extreme northern sector and 10-20 below from Seattle to the Oregon border; eastern Oregon, near zero in north and 10-15 above in southern half; western Oregon, 24-34 above.

As the blizzard's high winds died, road crews were winning their battle against drifts. Most main and secondary highways were opened, and paths were broken through to isolated communities. Bus and air travel was resumed. Trains still were running late.

New snow showers over western Oregon further snarled traffic on highways and drifts along the Cascade summits slowed trains operating to and from California.

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## Crowd Braves Cold to 'Send off' March of Dimes



A chilled crowd braved snow and winds Saturday to attend kickoff ceremonies for Marion county's 1950 March of Dimes campaign in front of the Marion county courthouse. The Willamette university band is shown accompanying Edith Fairham, Gunnas as she sings the national anthem. The marine color guard, on the left, stands at attention as the flag is unfurled behind the World War I doughboy statue. The picture below shows Howard Ragan, Marion county drive chairman, introducing polio victim Jan Lynn Branch, 3, Salem, to the crowd during the program. (Statesman photo).

## Coal Miner Rescued From 40-Hour Tomb

MAHANQY CITY, Pa., Jan. 15—(AP)—Tunneling barehanded through the muck and debris of a caved-in section of an independent coal mine, weary rescue workers pulled a 30-year-old miner from a living death shortly before dawn today.

Then they turned their efforts to the rescued miner's brother trapped in the same mine by the fall.

The dramatic pre-dawn rescue ended 40 hours of entombment for Joe Burda, who was trapped on a slope when he ran back to save his brother Eddie, 25. A third brother, Frank, 19, was able to reach the surface after the rock falls started.

But nearly 48 hours after the mine cave-in, there was no sign of life from Eddie. Rescue experts say they fear he may be crushed under the coal fall at a lower level of the 68 degree slope.

Rescuers have penetrated to within 25 feet of where they believe Eddie is. They have heard nothing and believe there is no chance of reaching him tonight.

The workmen panned only long enough to bring Joe Burda to the surface.

He gulped down several mouthfuls of the chill fresh air. "It's wonderful..." he said. "I just sat and thought and prayed."

Then he told of his desperate effort to help his brother and his own attempt to blast his way with dynamite.

"I had to stop shooting," he said. "I was afraid for the folks above... and I was afraid I'd start another fall."

After first aid at the mine face, Burda was rushed to the state hospital at Ashland, 10 miles west of the disaster scene.

Hospital officials said he was in good condition and wanted to get up. Doctors said he suffered slightly from shock and insisted he stay in bed.

Grabbed Timbers Later Joe told reporters that after the first rock fall he grabbed timbers and ran back to brace the slope over Eddie who was partly trapped in the debris.

Joe said the timbering around Eddie appeared in good condition just before the second fall started. It was this fall that trapped Joe about 55 feet below the surface.

## Many Valley Schools to Stay Closed Today

Many schools in the mid-Willamette valley will remain closed today following eight inches of new snow that clogged the area and hobbled transportation Sunday.

Salem's public schools and most private schools will not open. The Keizer district school will follow suit.

To the west, Dallas, Monmouth, Independence and Falls City announced no classes today.

Gervais' two hundred students will stay at home.

Willamette university announced classes as usual today.

Snow and rain mixed are predicted for Salem today. The temperature stayed just above the freezing mark Sunday night and it was still 33 degrees early this morning. A cold front which hung in the Portland area all night threatened to move this way and bring snow and colder readings before daylight.

Southern Pacific trains were reported "several hours" behind schedule in Salem Sunday. The railroad announced that its crack streamliner, Shasta Daylight, will not run today in order to be back on schedule Tuesday.

A Salem street department tractor roved about Sunday aiding stranded motorists. Backing away from the curb was the big problem downtown. The crew said they "lost count" after helping the first 150.

Chains in Big Demand Chains were in big demand and hard to find at places open Sunday.

United Air lines reported no landings here Sunday due to drifts up to 15 inches deep on runways. Naval reserve planes also were grounded.

City engineer J. Harold Warkie said a 12-man street crew worked until one o'clock this morning shoveling snow to keep gutters open. A new six-man shift was to work the balance of the night.

Two city graders were plying business streets and main thoroughfares to pile the slush and snow alongside the streets. Two state highway commission vehicles were working city streets that are highway routes.

Davis said he hoped merchants wouldn't pile snow into the gutters from in front of their stores this morning. He thought the street situation in general would be pretty good today.

Drivers' biggest trouble will be getting out of their own yards at home," he said. "I got stuck when I got home Sunday night after sizing the situation up around town."

City and state police here had little to report as most people stayed by the hearth. Entire blocks of the business section were empty of cars at 6 p.m.

The Salem first aid squad reported it had answered 25 accident calls since the bad weather started January 1. None of them proved fatal.

Woman Breaks Ankle The latest was Mary McWain, 550 Fairview st., who broke her left ankle in a fall in front of her home Sunday. Twelve of the other calls were for similar tumbles. Five were for auto-train wrecks, six for car collisions, and one for a car-pedestrian accident.

Only fatality attributed to the weather here was the death of Ben Haven Sawyer who succumbed to a heart attack Friday after shoveling snow at his home on Liberty road.

Schools to Stay Open School districts in the valley announcing definite plans to be open today were Woodburn, Albany, Stayton and Silverton.

Closing the Salem public school system will mean a holiday for about 7,500 students. The district includes Hayesville, Liberty, Pringle, Auburn, Middle Grove, Swegle and Salem Heights.

Supt. Frank B. Bennett said bad roads and indications of more snow before this morning were factors in deciding to close. Schools here will probably resume Tuesday if present weather forecasts hold up, he added.

Private schools in the Salem area which announced they would stay closed today are: St. Vincent de Paul, St. Joseph's school, Sacred Heart academy, Livingstone school and Salem Academy.

Snowfall reported in the valley Sunday included 8 inches at the Salem weather station, 7 1/2 inches at Dallas, 8 inches at Albany, 20 inches at Falls City, and several feet beyond Falls City in the Valsets-Black Rock area.

## IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

That was a grievous loss suffered in the sinking of the British submarine Truculent in Thames estuary after colliding with a Swedish tanker. Sixty-five men aboard the sub were drowned, then five men lost their lives when a rescue plane crashed at its take-off. This is the worst peacetime submarine disaster since the sinking of the British Thetis in 1939 when 99 men were lost. From the Truculent 15 men were rescued.

Coincident with the loss of the Truculent is the publication in last week's Saturday Evening Post of an article "Mirac under the Arctic Sea" by Comdr. W. J. Ledger, USN which tells the story of the sinking of the US submarine Cochino last August. In that disaster all of the Cochino crew were rescued but seven men of the crew of the USS Tusk were swept to their death from the deck as the vessel was making its way to succor the Cochino. The story is a thrilling one, the courage and skill shown by officers and men of the navy matching any displayed in war or peace in the long history of the navy.

The two submarines were engaged in test runs under Arctic conditions in the Greenland sea 400 miles north of the Arctic circle. A terrific gale broke, severely buffeting the Cochino. An accident to its battery resulted in generation of hydrogen, highly explosive and suffocating. Fire broke out and the commanding officer, Comdr. Rafael Benitez gave the order to surface. While he commanded from the bridge Lieut. Comdr. R. M. Wright held put on a breathing mask to enter the battery room to disconnect batteries whose short (Continued on editorial page 4.)

## Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"I don't want to tell you girls how to do your job—but I have a few suggestions..."

# March of Dimes Starts; Polio Outbreaks Leave Funds Depleted