

TWO SECTIONS—16 PAGES

## Blankets Late; Freakish Weather Noted

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Snow covered almost all sections here today but in spots freak-weather changes cleared it off in a hurry.

There was considerable snow on ground here, transportation hampered and some defense workers—living in outlying sections—were unable to get to the city.

The weather bureau said it had been authorized to issue any warnings or forecasts.

Heavy snow in South Klamath Falls battered a deep snow which melted rapidly this morning following a night of rain.

FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—The weather bureau today issued a forecast for another 24 hours of storm warnings on the coast and Washington coast, for inland waters of Wash-

ington and warm wind. The bureau also reported considerable snow but said major roads were cleared although slippery.

The highway department sent plows out on several roads and Salem where the fall also heavy. Highway traffic in that area was sharply curtailed.

Portland reported a deep layer of snow but the storm there ended in daylight.

Portland reported a variety of weather. The temperature sagged 14 degrees Monday when homes were burned to the ground and the fire department received a near-record number of calls.

Wednesday morning produced a downpour of rain which did it off and brought the river up to 16.33 feet, just a short of the January flood.

A warm wind last night once again an estimated 30-mile-per-hour wind.

Industry was operating at slow pace in most sections. Shipyard workers here had not worked but almost all of them with only partial crews. Some reported all outside operations temporarily closed.

Klamath Falls mill operations were curbed heavily. The same was true in the Willamette Valley.

Power failures were common. Half of Grants Pass was without electricity for a time early morning. The wind blew several billboards and trees down in Grants Pass.

School attendance was low. Most Portland schools were open but the high schools which suspended because of the water end—but attendance was Corbett and Gresham schools closed. Schools operated at Clatsop, Salem and most other places. No schools opened at Astoria, Corvallis high and

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## Edge Forward for Pont Du Fahs

HEADQUARTERS IN AFRICA, Jan. 21.—(AP)—A communiqué announced that Axis tanks and infantry made another small advance yesterday in the French mountains southwest of Pont du Fahs and a spokesman disclosed that the vanguards had reached about two miles from the town, itself 27 miles from Pont du Fahs and 60 miles southwest of

A spokesman reported that armored forces were making thrust down parallel valley.

## CATCH AND GIVE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT FOR CREATION ROOMS AT CAMP ADAIR

Rooms	Rooms
40	40
35	35
30	30
25	25
20	20
15	15
10	10
5	5

HELP DEPART THE AXIS!

put on by Eugene Lodge 237, E. F. O. Eiks—assisted all Lane county citizens.



SNOW CLUNG TO trees in Eugene Thursday morning after the heaviest fall in six years. The above picture, taken at Ninth and Lawrence, was typical of the residential section. (Carl Baker photo, Wiltshire engraving)

## Heaviest Snowfall In 6 Years Covers Eugene; Power Off

Heaviest snowfall in six years covered Lane county Wednesday night and Thursday morning, causing one death, disrupting some power lines, throwing several telephone circuits out of order, and generally slowing up traffic.

George Cameron of Fall Creek, was killed Wednesday night and two other persons injured when a panel truck and a gravel truck collided on the narrow snow-clogged Jasper road. George Drake and his son, George M., Eugene, are at the Eugene hospital as result of the accident, the boy having a broken leg, Mr. Drake suffering with skull injuries and possible broken leg. Mr. Drake regained consciousness Thursday morning and his condition was reported improved.

Power Lines Broken  
The water board reported both transmission lines between Eugene and Walthamville out Thursday morning. There was a disconnection with Bonneville power but that was later restored. The city power system was using the standby steam plant power until transmission lines were fixed. Several power circuits were out in the west section of the city as result of the storm. Crews were out in all sections during the day clearing lines of troubles.

Telephone circuits were out to

## Union Asking EFG For Bargaining Right

In behalf of Cannery Workers local 23031, Eugene, Charles R. Smith, AFL representative, and Mrs. Leona W. Zilkoski of the Oregon Council of Cannery and Process Workers Wednesday met with E. A. McCormack, manager of the Eugene Fruit Growers association, requesting the association to recognize the union as a bargaining agent for the employees of the plant, it is stated by Mr. Smith.

Mr. McCormack was out-of-town Thursday and could not be contacted by the newspaper for a statement.

Mr. Smith reported Mr. McCormack as saying the latter had not the power to act upon the petition of the union without first consulting the EFGA executive board.

## Hungary in Panic at Loses on Red Front

LONDON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Turkish dispatches said today a wave of panic had swept Hungary as the result of official revelations of frightful Hungarian losses on the Russian front and the cancellation of army leaves which was apparently taken as warning that more thousands were to be sacrificed.

Reports had reached London yesterday that six of nine Hungarian divisions had been smashed. Today, according to the Turkish advices, three of the divisions were named—the third from Budapest, the sixth from Komarno and the seventh from Sopron.

Turkey received reports that Hungarian soldiers were surrendering wholesale "in face of superior Russian forces from Siberia with excellent equipment."

The Rumanian army, largest of the Satellite forces, had been broken and recent Russian communiques had told of Italians surrendering, with their officers, in groups of up to 5000.

the coast regions for a time Thursday and were not in use to the mountain areas to the east for several hours.

Run-off from the snow was gradual. The Willamette river at the Eugene gauge showed only a slight raise during the morning, measuring 4.8 feet at 7 a. m. and five and one-half feet at 10:30 a. m.

Two of the city schools were closed because of lack of power, the Whiteaker and Lincoln schools, both on the west side.

Shut-offs on power and the heavy snow slowed up logging and mill operations, some concerns

closing down because of the storm. The pile-up of snow was greeted joyfully by the younger folk, who had a big time throwing snowballs. On the hills in the southwest part of town several were out tobogganing Thursday morning.

The snow storm came following low temperature during the early week, the thermometer reading as follows: Monday, 12.7 degrees; Tuesday, 21.4 degrees; Wednesday, 24.1 degrees.

In the accident resulting in the death of George Cameron, Harris Lee Peter of Eugene was driver of the gravel truck and George Drake of the panel delivery truck. Mr. Cameron being a passenger with the Drakes.

Cameron was employed in a local cafe. The coroner and police officials were attempting to locate relatives Thursday. So far as known Thursday afternoon he had no relatives here.

## Lane Tax Collections Total \$3,356,999.04

Lane county tax collections in 1942 totaled \$3,356,999.04, which is a far greater sum than has been collected in previous years. It is revealed in figures released Thursday by A. P. McKinney, chief deputy in the office of Sheriff O. E. Crowe.

The extra large amount in 1942 is due to the change in the law which made two tax collections in the year, but even at that, the amount collected in the last half of the year was greater than the total in at least two different years during the past five-year period.

The collections from January, 1942, to June 30, 1942, amounted to \$1,406,534.70 and from July 1, 1942 to December 31, 1942, the amount was \$1,950,464.34, making the total of \$3,356,999.04 for the year.

Yearly collections in the four previous years were as follows: January 1, 1941 to December 31, 1941, \$1,860,469.75; January 1, 1940 to December 31, 1940, \$2,030,382.10; January 1, 1939, to December 31, 1939, \$2,133,934.36; January 1, 1938 to December 31, 1938, \$1,942,525.77.

## Newspapermen Here For Press Meeting

Representatives of newspapers throughout the state will begin arriving at the University of Oregon Thursday night for the 25th Oregon Press conference, which will officially begin Friday morning at the school of journalism. Registration will take place at 9 a. m., followed by the first general session at 9:30, with Mrs. Joe C. Brown, conference president, presiding.

Pre-registration information shows that attendance will be good for a wartime meeting, although representation is expected to be lower than in previous years, George Turnbull, professor of journalism and conference secretary, reported.

The effect of the war on newspapers will be the central theme of the conference. War prices and rationing, censorship, army public relations, and the works of the Office of War Information will be discussed by officials from those federal branches. Both editorial and advertising problems will be analyzed by experts in those fields. The conference will end with a luncheon Saturday noon.

Some shipyards said last night they might suspend operations today due largely to crippled bus service.

The Boeing Aircraft company's plant No. 1, a small unit, closed last night because of a power shortage.

Hotels were jammed beyond capacity as companies hired blocks of rooms for house employees unable to reach their homes.

Later in the month, the day after she and her mother made their first complaints to the district attorney against Flynn, they were instructed to return to juvenile hall the following day but went, instead, to Santa Barbara and later to Eugene, Ore., where Peggy went to work in a theater.

She said she believed she gave her age there as 18.

"When you went to Oregon, did your mother buy you a considerable amount of new clothes?" Giesler queried.

State objections were upheld before she had time to answer.

Returning to Hollywood, she said she went to work in a night club on swank Sunset strip.

"What age did you give?" asked the attorney.

"I don't remember, I believe it was 21."

Roseburg Dairymen Want Price Increase

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Roseburg milk distributors announced today that producers had threatened to halt deliveries Feb. 1 unless a demand is granted providing for a price of 85 cents a pound for butterfat.

The producers demand the benefit of the one-cent increase in retail prices authorized last week by the OPA. Distributors contend they are currently operating at a loss and are preparing to appeal to the OPA for a further advance in consumer prices.

## Dairymen Want 90 Cents Feb. 1; Retail Still 13

The Lane County Market Milk Producers, Inc., which includes 51 dairies providing some 55 per cent of table milk supply has forced the "lower cream line" issue here by its decision to raise price on bulk milk February 1 from 75 cents a pound butterfat content (\$3 per 100 pounds) to 90 cents butterfat (\$3.60 per 100 pounds).

The retail price of milk remains unchanged at 13 cents, the ceiling which OPA has refused to alter. (Although 5 per cent milk may stay on the market at 15 cents a quart).

Effect of the dairymen's move is to pass over to the creameries who do the processing and retailing the problem of absorbing the losses which the dairymen have been carrying. The dairymen who also distribute have both ends of the "hot iron."

Two major steps are contemplated to solve the problem for distributors:

1. Cut the "cream line" (butterfat content) from 4 per cent to 3.5 per cent, a change strongly urged by OPA to spread supply, and correct "luxurious tastes."

2. Further reorganizations in delivery service which may take much time to work out.

Dr. Blair Stewart, OPA's state price officer told the Register-Guard over long distance that he thought both steps proper and pointed to the terms of OPA's price ruling last Saturday which stated:

"Milk means cow's milk, processed, distributed and sold for consumption in fluid form as whole milk having a butter fat content of not less than 3.5 per cent, EXCEPT THAT WHERE A LOWER MINIMUM MILK FAT CONTENT IS PRESCRIBED BY LEGAL AUTHORITY, then the term milk shall include milk of a milk-fat content not less than the legal minimum."

Since Eugene is under a city ordinance which copies exactly the U. S. Department of Agriculture's much advocated "federal code" the minimum here has long been 3.2 butterfat, although 4 per cent has been general practice under the Oregon milk control board (although it prescribed maximums and not minimums in each price bracket).

In the mixing of skim with high content milk to stabilize market milk at a specific point 3.5 is considered a better point than 3.8 for practical purposes, although the "savings in butterfat" may not net

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## Local Boards Name Draft Delinquents

Lane county local boards No. 2 and No. 3 Thursday released names of delinquent registrants whose present addresses are unknown.

"Anyone having information concerning any of these registrants should transmit that information to the local board, and advise the men that it will be their best interest to contact the board voluntarily." It is announced.

The groups include the following, listed with their order numbers and addresses at time of registration:

Board 2: Frank Peterson, 375 Mapleton; Harry Cook, 1475, Horton; Robert Audley Frost, S838, 44 Cleveland avenue north, Eugene; Harry Wilks, 2176, Cabin City, Eugene; Jack Williams, 10640, General Delivery, Eugene.

Board 3: Edward Charneski, 500, 1140 Sixth south, Cottage Grove; Roy Johnson, 10245, Diston route, Dorena; George Charles McFadden, 2819, 811 Main, Cottage Grove; Chester Dan Southern, 3127, 1830 Ash, care of Art Funk, Cottage Grove; Philip Kelley St. Clair, 1402, Westfir.

## Big U. S. Transport Plane Crashes In Dutch Guiana, 35 Killed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—The crash of a transport plane under contract to the army, with 25 passengers and nine crew members killed January 15 near the coast of Dutch Guiana in South America, was announced today by Major General Harold L. George, commander general of the air transport command.

There were no survivors of the crash, which General George said occurred in a remote section of the Guiana coast. The next of kin of all the military personnel aboard the plane have been notified, he said, and the announcement of the crash was delayed only because of the time required to reach the scene and determine the extent of the casualties.

## Last Piece Of Italian Empire In Africa About To Collapse

### Reds By-Pass Rostov, Aim At Encirclement

LONDON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—The Russians announced tonight the capture of the city of Voroshilovsk in the Transcaucasus.

MOSCOW, Thursday, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Russian forces plunging westward into the Ukraine bypassed Rostov 120 miles to the north yesterday, capturing a string of towns down within 28 miles of Voroshilovgrad, big industrial capital of the Donets basin, the Red army reported today.

Soviet communiques revealed that troops striking 45 miles beyond the lower Rostov-Voronezh railway had advanced well west of the north-south line through Rostov and captured Bolsho-Chernigovka, 28 miles north of Voroshilovgrad.

That town and others captured in the area marked the course of a southwestward sweep from the northern Donets, its direction suggesting that the Russians might try to swing in behind Rostov and cut off the German forces to the south and east.

By The Associated Press  
Russia—Red army troops, now driving 50 miles into the Ukraine, were reported forging a new pincer threat to the big steel city of Kharkov, the Soviet "Pittsburgh," after a 17-mile advance to the southeast.

Other Soviet columns were reported sweeping through the southeastern Ukraine toward the sea of Azov in a move to close a steel arc around Rostov, whose fall would cut off the land "escape corridor" of perhaps 500,000 axis troops fighting in southern Russia.

Manych River Covered  
Below Rostov, Red army shock troops were reported pouring westward across the Manych river within 15 miles of the rail junction at Salsk in a drive to cut off Adolf Hitler's Caucasian armies.

Salsk lies about 90 miles southeast of Rostov.

Field dispatches said feverish German efforts to establish a stable line along the left bank of the Manych were failing and declared Russian troops were capturing point after point while the Germans were blowing up bridges in rapid retreat.

Many of the Nazi slain fell and are still falling in the Soviet trap before Stalingrad, where the Russians say less than 50,000 Germans survive out of 22 divisions tightly sealed in the Don-Volga corridor.

Hitler headquarters today said "large masses" of Red army troops were attacking constantly to wipe out the encircled remnants and declared that the Nazis, offering "extreme resistance," repulsed the Russians in bitter fighting.

## Grocery Chains Face Anti-Trust Charges

KANSAS CITY, Kans., Jan. 21.—(AP)—The nation's second and third largest grocery chains—Safeway Stores, Inc., and Kroger Grocery and Baking Co.—were charged with alleged violations of the anti-trust laws in indictments returned by a federal grand jury here today.

The indictments charged that the companies conspired to control prices and policies in the production, processing, manufacture and distribution of food and that they secretly "enhanced their actual prices above advertised prices by 'short changing, short-weighting and marking up prices on store tags and purchases.'"

The charges were similar to those brought against the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, the nation's largest grocery chain, in Dallas recently.

## Five Axis Subs Sunk In South Atlantic

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Rear Admiral Jonas H. Ingram, commander of United States naval forces in the south Atlantic, announced today that five axis submarines have been sunk in the last month.

Ingram said a German surface raider had been intercepted in these waters and scuttled by her crew in the same period.

### U.S. Getting News Of War, Says AP Writer

"The American public is getting the news and all the news—although it may be delayed and for good reason," Wendell Webb, Associated Press correspondent who covered the battle of Midway, told a joint luncheon meeting of the Active club and the chamber of commerce Thursday noon at the Eugene hotel.

There has been "some semblance of reasonable censorship worked out" for adequate coverage of warfront news, Webb said, pointing out that the "real news" sent by a correspondent is from official communiques, that a correspondent's chief reason for personal coverage is to give eyewitness accounts.

Navy communiques regarding Japanese losses at Midway were "very

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## Compensation Bills Brought In

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.  
SALEM, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Employers and labor submitted their workmen's compensation programs to the legislature today, and both groups were not very far apart in their requests.

The labor bill, introduced by the senate industries committee, would give compensation to employees in hazardous industries who are stricken with occupational diseases, which have increased at a tremendous rate because of the coming war of industries to Oregon. Employers have offered no opposition to the plan.

The measure is similar to laws of 25 other states.

The two groups, however, each had their own bills to compel all employers to be covered by industrial accident insurance.

The employer bill would allow employers to insure with private companies, to self-insure, or to take out insurance with the state industrial accident commission, but it would force them to be covered by one of the three systems.

This measure would create a board, under the accident commission, to fix rates and to police the private companies and the self-insurers. A bad risk fund would be set up, the cost to be borne by the state, the self-insurers and the private insurance companies.

The labor bill, however, would compel all employers to be covered under the state system, laborers believing the state system will break down unless there is universal coverage by the state industrial accident system. They said the state gets all the bad risks, while the companies get the good risks.

## German Planes Raid London Again; Few Get Through Barrage

LONDON, Thursday, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Anti-aircraft guns in the London area opened fire again on German planes last night, less than 12 hours after fighter-bombers in a lunch-hour terror raid on the capital killed at least 68 persons, including 34 children trapped in a bombed schoolhouse.

The night raiders turned back without penetrating London's anti-aircraft barrage, and no reports of bombing were received. The alert lasted only about 20 minutes, the all-clear coming shortly before midnight.

Rescue squads early today still were digging in the wreckage of the London schoolhouse wrecked in yesterday's raid and it was feared that the death toll there might reach 60. Authorities said 25 persons still were missing, while the number of injured was placed at 25. The school accommodated 600 children, but most of them had gone home for lunch.

## New U. S. S. Yorktown Hits Water Too Soon

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Jan. 21.—(AP)—As though impatient for battle, the U. S. S. Yorktown—second aircraft carrier to bear that illustrious name—jumped the gun five minutes at her launching here today.

In so doing, the mammoth "flat top" interrupted one speech in her honor and effectively cancelled the ceremony's main address by Artemus L. Gates, assistant secretary of the navy for air.

The only explanation navy officials gave for the premature launching was that "something went haywire."

## 8th Army Takes Tarhuna, Homs; Tripoli Next

LONDON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—A Reuters dispatch quoting a communiqué from Brig.-Gen. Jacques LeClerc's headquarters indicated today that the Fighting French troops had made contact in Tripolitania with forces under Gen. Henri Giraud's command from Tunisia.

By ROGER GREENE  
Associated Press War Editor.

Final collapse of Premier Mussolini's African empire appeared to be only a matter of hours today amid signs that Field Marshal Erwin Rommel was hastily abandoning the burning city of Tripoli, as the British 8th Army stormed forward.

Tripoli is the last citadel of Italy's dark continent domain which once embraced Eritrea, Italian Somaliland, Abyssinia, Cilrenaica and Tripolitania.

Two Towns Taken  
A bulletin from Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's 8th army headquarters said British troops yesterday captured the towns of Tarhuna and Homs, respectively 40 and 56 miles from Tripoli, and continued their pursuit of Rommel's fleeing armies.

Frontline dispatches said Rommel's troops and equipment were already streaming westward from Tripoli toward the Tunisian frontier, 100 miles away, with allied planes making a shambles of the enemy's line of retreat.

A 50-mile stretch of coastal road between Tripoli and Zuara was described as littered with the bombed and bullet-smashed wreckage of trucks and other equipment.

British headquarters indicated that Tarhuna and Homs fell early yesterday and said that "during the day our troops were in close contact with the enemy retreating to the west."

For the moment, the downfall of Mussolini's once proud African realm eclipsed other events, but vital developments were shaping elsewhere in the global war.

## Army Man Takes Over On Guadalcanal Front

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Undersecretary of War Robert Patterson disclosed today that army ground troops have replaced the marines in the Solomons and are commanded by Major General Alexander Patch, who has moved his headquarters from New Caledonia to Guadalcanal.

"The marines who fought so long and so well in the Solomons are now getting a chance to rest," Patterson said at a press conference.

Patch, who commanded the army troops which landed in New Caledonia last year, relieved Major Alexander A. Vandegrift of the marines not quite a month ago, Patterson said.

The army troops and Patch are under the general command of Major General Millard F. Harmon, who commands all army troops in the south Pacific, but the operations in that entire area are still under the command of Admiral William F. Halsey, Patterson said.

The American position in the Solomons has improved further during the last week, Patterson said, but the Japanese are expected to make new efforts to reinforce their troops on Guadalcanal.

## Axis Partners Sign

TOKYO, Jan. 21.—(Japanese Broadcast Recorded by U.S. at San Francisco)—Japan, Germany and Italy have signed new agreements designed to substantiate the tri-partite pact "in the field of economics," the board of information announced today.

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