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ERE ARE SHOWN several members of the Eugene YMCA board signing the lease with Dr. Almack preparatory to the downtown YM and the newly organized downtown YWCA to r the second floor of the Almack building and operate and maintain it co-operatively as a ity center for downtown young people. Seated, left to right, Roy E. Morse, president of the rd; Dr. Almack, R. Grant Crakes. Standing, left to right, A. F. Holmer, general YM secretary L. Harpham, and Donald R. Husband. (Wiltshire engraving).

nes Blast ,000 Tons ap Shipping

PACIFIC FLEET HEADERS, PEARL HARBOR, —(U.P.)—Hard-hitting Amerrier planes destroyed or d an estimated 125,000 tons nese shipping in Formosa n last Saturday's attack nocked out at least 20 enps, Adm. Chester W. Nimnced today.

Pacific fleet headquarters hique which disclosed the inite results of last week's on shipping in at least four harbors listed 10 ships as d and 10 damaged.

attack, previously reported itz, cost the Japanese an d 60,000 tons of shipping d 65,000 tons damaged.

reports of the action had ed that 140 planes were d and approximately 100 d in raids by carrier air- eight Formosa fields the y, making the assault one nost successful undertaken . William F. Halsey's 3rd rriers.

g the enemy ships sunk x oilers and four medium hips. Ships damaged inthree destroyers, one troop rt, four large oilers, one argo ship and one medium essel.

MacARTHUR'S HEADERS, LUZON, SUNDAY, —(AP)—U. S. troops on the nk on Luzon are pushing from the west and south, Esperanza on the main while mopping up in the sector continues, it was ed today.

s continued to clear out southwest of Clark field nemy artillery has shelled ositions.

ft again attacked Corregd Bataan, Gen. Douglas our announced. Nine enes were destroyed on the at one airfield.

QUARTERS, LUZON, Sun- n. 28.—(AP)—Capture of the ga province town of An- 4 airline miles from Man- southbound 6th army was disclosed today in a patch after Gen. Douglas our's communique had re- the 14th corps was apg it in force.

WIN AGAIN

n Webfoots defeated the gton Huskies for the second game of their four-game ll series at McArthur aturday evening, the score: 1.

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Weather Bureau Forecast: —Generally clear west of and overcast or foggy Cascades on Sunday and Little change in temper-

Statistics: Minimum temre, Saturday morning, 22 maximum temperature, 43 degrees; stage of nette river in Eugene at 7 urday, -1.04 feet.

ise and Sunset (PWT): 7:27 a. m. and 6:16 p. m.; 7:26 a. m. and 6:17 p. m.; 7:25 a. m. and 6:18 p. m. w tides (PWT)—

1:03 a. m. 1:24 p. m.
7:04 a. m. 8:11 p. m.
3:24 a. m. 2:04 p. m.
8:20 a. m. 6:50 p. m.

Lumber's War And Post-War Jobs Viewed

"How can we better do the war job required of the lumber industry and at the same time prepare to take on our share of postwar responsibilities," Dean Johnson, Portland lumberman and president of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, said would be the keynote of the annual meeting of that group to be held here at the Osburn hotel next Wednesday, Jan. 31.

"Right now we're confronted with the terrific job of cutting billions of feet of rush war lumber orders, many of them difficult items to manufacture," President Johnson indicated, "and we will need all the brains and help in our industry to do the job for our government. At this fourth wartime annual meeting of our organization we must start mapping our peace-time job as well."

Dean Johnson indicated he would lead off the discussion by telling of lumber's job of 1945. Several headlines are billed to discuss postwar problems of the industry, among them Leonard Lampert, Minneapolis, Minn. retail lumberman, and 1944 president of the National Retail Lumber Dealers' association, who will discuss cooperation between retailer and manufacturer after the war. W. C. Bell, western retail lumber leader, will respond.

Carl Rishell, research coordinator for Timber Engineering company, Washington, D. C., will tell of new wood technologies and will give many demonstrations. The session will get under way at 9:30 sharp, according to H. J. Cox, Eugene, who has charge of the meeting, and will conclude with a luncheon.

Governor Earl Snell will discuss post-war problems and obligations at the luncheon and H. V. Simpson, WCLA Washington representative, will tell of the "Mirrors of Washington." J. P. Boyd, WPB lumber head, will also discuss lumber and the war picture. T. V. (Vic) Larsen, Noti lumberman ,will be toastmaster. Col. W. B. Greeley, secretary - manager, West Coast Lumbermen's association, with Dean Johnson will conduct the morning session.

March Of Dimes Gets Going At Fast Pace

The March of Dimes campaign got off to a good start in Lane county last week with organizations and private citizens mailing generous contributions to the fund for infantile paralysis. More than $1600 alone has been collected by the "Mail-A-Buck" drive in the Eugene Register-Guard under the direction of Sports Editor Dick Strite.

Marvin T. Warlick, chairman of the Lane county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, points again to the necessity of creating an adequate fund that will remain in Lane county to provide hospitalization, treatment and necessary equipment for any victim of the disease.

"Two years ago such funds

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Union Makes Contribution To Park Fund

PARK-PLAYGROUND FUND

	Participants	Amount
Last Week	845	$2,452.36
This Week	974	2,522.36
Pledged	8	315.00
Totals	982	$2,837.36

Local 481, Journeyman Plumbers and Steamfitters claims the honor of being the first union in the Eugene - Springfield area to take out "a share" in the Park and Playground Fund, started shortly before Christmas by the Business and Professional Women and the Officers' Wives.

"Our union," said J. H. Vickary, secretary, Saturday as he deposited its checks with the U. S. National bank, "is one of the smallest in the city at the moment, on account of the men away in service, "but we hope that all unions will have a part in this undertaking. After all, we probably have more kids and more reason to support parks and playgrounds than any other part of the citizenry."

Another unique gift of the week is in memory of Lt. Colver Waller, Lt. Bob Everett, Lt. Joe Jackson and Cadet Peter Ben Howard from friends who admire

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Planning Group Holds Annual Meeting Monday

The first annual meeting of the Central Lane Planning Council will be held in Eugene Monday evening, with reports of each of the 13 major committees comprising the council, it was announced Sunday.

Besides election of officers and audience discussions of a "program of work" projects, a special survey committee will report on a master plan for Eugene and the six-mile area covered by the Planning Council.

The meeting will be held in the Eugene hotel at 8 p.m.

Ward Decision Held Threat To WLB Program

CHICAGO, Jan. 27—(U.P.)—The decision by Federal District Judge Philip L. Sullivan that President Roosevelt was without authority to seize possession of Montgomery Ward and company properties was so far-reaching that at Washington Chairman William H. Davis of the war labor board said that unless it is reversed by a higher court or unless congress takes action to make WLB orders enforceable the ruling will collapse the whole plan of peaceful settlement of wartime labor disputes.

Judge Sullivan's ruling was received jubilantly at Chandler, Ariz., by Sewell Avery, board chairman of the mail order and retail firm who has waged a long fight with the war labor board and the justice department over legality of the seizure of Ward properties.

"The Constitution has been sustained, and today is a great day for labor," Avery said.

Injunction Denied

The judge gave his opinion in denying the government's petition for an injunction to prevent Ward officials from interfering with the army's operation of 16 Ward plants seized in seven cities. The properties were taken over Dec. 28 under the order of the president for failure to comply with a war labor board order. Judge Sullivan also denied the government's request for a judgment declaring the seizure was legal.

The government moved immediately for an appeal. U. S. Dist. Atty. J. Albert Woll said the appeal would be taken before the U. S. circuit court of appeals in Chicago Monday or Tuesday and would be presented in the U. S. supreme court within a month.

Meanwhile, the army will continue to operate the seized properties until the high courts give a final decision. Judge Sullivan entered an order maintaining the army's right to continue in charge until the case finally is settled.

Woll said he would ask the circuit court of appeals to forward the case immediately to the supreme court. If heard first in the appeals court, the dispute might not be settled for 18 months or more, he said.

"The war labor disputes act authorizes the president to seize a plant or facility only when it is equipped to produce articles necessary or useful in the war effort," Judge Sullivan said, referring to company claims that Wards is engaged in distribution only.

The union issued a statement that it was pleased with the government's intention to appeal, and at New York, Henry Fruchter, the union's educational director, announced that the union's executive board and Ward organizers will meet Monday to intensify organization of Ward employes.

The stock market in New York responded to the ruling with a burst of orders for Montgomery Ward stocks which forced suspension of trading on company issues while books were adjusted on Ward listings.

The seizure Dec. 28, ordered by President Roosevelt when strikes at Detroit and Chicago Ward

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Yanks Open New Drive For Rhine, Says Berlin

PARIS, Sunday, Jan. 28—(U.P.)—Berlin broadcasts reported today that American forces had opened an offensive in the Moselle valley east of the Luxembourg border, striking for the Rhine in the vicinity of the manufacturing city of Koblenz, 70 miles away.

Berlin identified the attacking units as part of the U. S. 7th army but placed the scene of operations as "southeast of Remich," a sector held by Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's famous 3rd army, according to allied dispatches as late as Saturday.

The Yanks were attacking with battalions of infantry, each supported by some 20 tanks, the enemy broadcasts said, and had achieved some penetrations in the area of Butzdorf. Butzdorf lies in the Saar basin 15 miles southeast of Luxembourg city and was reported captured by 3rd army troops Friday in allied reports.

British Plunge Ahead

The enemy report of the Moselle valley drive came as British troops plunged to a point 15 miles inside Germany and brought the Rhineland factory centers of Rheydt and Munchen - Gladbach within artillery range. Troops on the western flank of the 3rd army at the same time drove to the reich border at the northern tip of Luxembourg after knifing through the last three miles of the Ardennes bulge.

The 7th army, which Berlin said was attacking along the Moselle, had eased for the moment the German attacks on its eastern flank near Haguenau and Strasbourg as the bitterest blizzard of the winter whipped that area. The 7th army was known to have taken over the 3rd army's front as far west as the Saarbrucken area but Patton still was in command on the Moselle front, according to latest allied reports.

Territory Forfeited

The Germans forfeited without a fight virtually the entire buffer territory west of the Roer river, giving the British 2nd and U. S. 9th armies a springboard 50 miles broad from which to unleash the supreme drive for the Rhine expected before spring.

Field Marshal Sir B. L. Montgomery's Tommies drove another mile eastward and captured Hilfarth on the Roer, 12 miles southwest of Rheydt and an easy artillery shot from that textile center of 70,000 population as well as adjoining Munchen-Gladbach, a foundry city of 146,000.

East of the Roer and through the Ruhr basin stretched long columns of German tanks and trucks, continuing the general northeastward withdrawal of Marshal Karl Gerd von Rundstedt's forces from the collapsed Ardennes bulge.

Confirmation Of Wallace Held Unlikely Even If RFC Dropped

By CHARLES B. DEGGES
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27—(U.P.)—Senate confirmation of former Vice President Henry A. Wallace as secretary of commerce appeared highly improbable tonight.

This appeared to be true regardless of whether or not the commerce secretary is permitted to hang on to the vast lending powers which have been exercised by Jesse H. Jones.

Senate sentiment against confirmation shaped up as a little band of democratic senators maneuvered behind the scenes to persuade Wallace himself to take some step to placate his opposition.

These senators have no intention of voting for confirmation unless they are assured that the Reconstruction Finance corporation will be divorced from the commerce department.

Could Be Embarrassing

If it is, they said, they will vote for confirmation. That is the way they would like it to be, because it would be embarrassing for them to have to vote against their party leaders choice for the post.

They have asked Wallace to send an emissary to the commerce committee—which yesterday voted against Wallace and for divorcement of the RFC—or to senate leaders with the suggestion that his nomination be held up until the RFC bill can be enacted.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27—(AP)—Sen. Pepper (D.-Fla.) predicted today that Henry A. Wallace would be confirmed as secretary of commerce "when the people are heard from."

These senators, who never objected to the dual job of commerce secretary and loan administrator as long as Jones held it, said Wallace also might ask President Roosevelt to inform senate leaders that he would sign the George bill taking the RFC away from the commerce department.

Businessmen's Support

That Wallace would do either of these things did not seem likely, however. One of the more articulate groups supporting him, the businessmen for Wallace committee, declared today that he should get the commerce post with all its RFC trimmings.

Mother Receives Medal Awarded Son

Mrs. Hazel J. Dawley, 968 Alder street, Eugene, has received the mariner's medal awarded posthumously to her son, Virgil Homer Dawley, Jr., 24, who lost his life while on duty in the merchant marine, last March.

He served aboard the Standard Oil company's flagship, the H. D. Collier, which was torpedoed on March 13, 1944, while on a special mission.

Dawley had previously served in the air corps, but was given a discharge following an attack of rheumatic fever. Later, he joined the merchant marine and had served in this branch for three years.

Mrs. Dawley has another son, William, 20, who also has been in the merchant marine for three years, and her twin daughters, Jane and Josephine, 21, both with rating of yeoman, 3-c, are stationed in San Diego, in the WAVES.

Mrs. Dawley moved to Eugene last spring, after her son's death, to be near relatives living here.

Ice Revue Benefits Children's Hospital

Figure Skating Club Brings Joyce King To Direct Feature Event

Under the direction of Joyce King, expert skater formerly with the Sonja Henie troupe, the Eugene Figure Skating club will present the "Ice Revue of '45" Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 2, 3 and 4, at the Eugene ice arena, 1850 Sixth Avenue west.

The sparkling program, which bills 26 acts and includes 75 skaters, is for the benefit of the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in Portland. Tickets are available at the ice arena and at downtown booths in Miller's mercantile company, J. C. Penney company, and F. W. Woolworth and company stores and at the First National bank. The show will start at 8:15 o'clock each evening.

Representatives of the Medford, Salem, Portland and Tacoma clubs will be guest artists, presenting specialty acts. Services of more than 100 people are required to stage the revue.

Program Shown

This is the program:

Overture, dedicated to the club's members in the armed forces; "Star Spangled Banner,"

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WILLIAM HOADLEY, above, is chairman of the Eugene Shrine club committee named to take care of the Shriners' part in the "Ice Revue of '45," which the Eugene Figure Skating club is presenting here this next week end for the benefit of the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in Portland.

Shriners Support Big Hospital For Crippled Children In Portland

By EDITH MADDRON

On northeast 82nd avenue at Sandy boulevard in Portland stands a handsome building, within whose walls almost 5000 children have been given a chance to live more helpfully, more happily, more hopefully, and more courageously.

It is the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, which opened its doors in January, 1924, and has seen nearly all the helpless, malformed, suffering children who have passed through its doors emerge either permanently cured or materially improved.

Now, with a capacity of only 50 beds, the hospital has a waiting list of almost 130 children. The Shriners, who support the institution, and the staff which serves so faithfully, hope to raise $175,000 needed to increase its size to care for 75.

Patients are restricted to children under 16 years of age, who are capable of improvement and have a normal intellect so they are able to keep up with school work. The hospital's services are available only to people who cannot afford proper medical care for their children, but there are no

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Vanport Woman Hit - Run Victim

Mrs. Flora Clause, 53, who came here from Vanport recently to care for her mother, Mrs. Short, 664 Charnelton, Eugene, was fatally injured Saturday evening when struck by a hit-run car on McKenzie highway, a mile and a half east of Springfield, near the Marvin service station.

Mrs. Clause died a few minutes after she was found by passing motorists, Eugene Edgar of Blue River, Harry Hampton and Sam Norman of Vida. She had been hurled 22 feet off the highway at a point about 200 feet from Douglas Gardens road.

Mrs. Clause, who was identified by Coroner Phil Bartholomew from letters found in her handbag, evidently had alighted from a bus that makes a nearby stop at 8:37 p.m. and was on her way to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ethel Madison, with whom she had spent the preceding night, then returning to Eugene Saturday. Another daughter, Mrs. Violet Nelson, also lives in that vicinity.

Other survivors are her husband, Joseph, of Vanport; a daughter, Mrs. Pearl Cram, McMinnville; PFC George Clause, overseas; Jesse Clause, Eugene; Mary and Harold Clause, Portland.

COUNTY chairman for the annual Red Cross war fund opening soon will be Acting Sheriff O. E. Crowe, above, having been named by William Lush, general drive chairman; while Loy W. Rowling, below, will be chairman of special gifts division in the campaign. (Wiltshire engraving).

Two Red Cross Leaders Named In Fund Drive

Appointment of two important division chairmen and setting up of drive headquarters were announced Saturday by William Lush, general chairman for the 1945 Red Cross war fund.

Acting Sheriff O. E. Crowe has been named chairman for the county division and Loy W. Rowling has been named head of the special gifts department of the drive.

Headquarters for the drive will open Monday morning in the offices of the Lane county chapter, American Red Cross, 43 Eighth Avenue west. The east side office, used regularly by the executive secretary of the chapter, will be turned over as the drive headquarters, and Mrs. Helen Van Duyn will serve as office secretary.

Several other steps have been taken by Lush and workers to all preliminary organization set up and functioning. The county division will start out first, followed closely by the special gifts division. The drive starts officially, nationally, on March 1, the entire month of March to be given over to the war fund.

A call is issued to volunteer workers to sign up for assisting with the drive, and those wishing to aid in the cause may register at the Red Cross headquarters office.

An assistant chairman, or deputy, is being named for each key chairman this year, under a plan worked out by Lush to train leadership for such campaigns. Three of these assistant chairmen have been named.

Ralph Kindler is to serve as assistant chairman to Lush in the over all direction of the campaign. County Commissioner Allen P. Wheeler is to be assistant to Sheriff Crowe with the county organization, and Calvin R. Smith is to be assistant aiding Rowling in the special gifts division.

Two Lane Men Named To Lumber Group Posts

The West Coast Lumbermen's association elected officers at its annual meeting Friday, an Associated Press dispatch from Tacoma stated Saturday.

F. A. Graham, Jasper, was elected district trustee and K. L. Carlisle, Cottage Grove, was chosen trustee for the special industry group.

Safety Trophy Won By Umatilla Forest

PENDLETON, Ore., Jan. 27.—(AP)—The regional forester's safety trophy for 1944 has been awarded to the Umatilla national forest in competition with 18 forests in Oregon, Washington, and northern California, Forest Supervisor Carl Ewing reported today.

Siuslaw forest won the plaque in 1943.

Soviets Capture Five Big Mining Cities In Poland

LONDON, Sunday, Jan. 28 — (UP) — Onrushing soviet armies yesterday encircled the great Polish fortress city of Poznan on the direct road to Berlin, drove to within four miles of the East Prussian capital of Konigsberg and smashed within eight miles of the border of West Prussia.

Moscow announced that Russian spearheads were within 100 miles of the great German Baltic port of Stettin and that the Vistula river fortress of Torun, 88 miles south of Danzig, has been encircled and its trapped nazi garrison is being wiped out.

Swiftly following up the seizure of the German cities of Gleiwitz and Hindenburg in extreme southeastern Germany the reds captured the five neighboring mining cities of Sosnowiec, Bedzin, Dabrowa-Gorna, Myslowice and Czeladz in Polish territory.

A late Transocean agency dispatch said soviet vanguards had reached the Obra river "on the old Polish border of 1939," which would place them in the area of Bentschen, 93 miles east of Berlin, which an enemy broadcast said Friday was being approached by tank units.

Red army forces also squeezed 200,00 trapped nazi soldiers in East Prussia into a pocket that was reduced to 3,500 square miles.

Counterattack Smashed

Bitter enemy counterattacks launched in an attempt to break out of encircled East Prussia were smashed with heavy losses, Moscow said. Far to the south, southwest of Budapest, Russian troops shattered all nazi efforts to break through to Budapest, regained several lost towns and "considerably improved its positions," Moscow said.

Poznan, 136 miles east of Berlin and 97 miles from Frankfort-on-the-Oder, the next big city on the direct route to the refugee-packed German capital, was encircled after a four-day battle by troops of Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's 1st white Russian army. They captured the town of Buk, only 122 miles east of Berlin. This was the closets approach to the German capital announced by the soviet high command. But Berlin broadcasts said tank vanguards already had reached the Obra river border of Germany and Poland and a Wilhelmstrasse spokesman, quoted by the DNB agency, said they had been checked at the river at Bentschen, 93 miles east of Berlin.

Straight Toward Berlin

Zhukov's army was advancing straight toward Berlin on an 86-mile front stretching north and south of Poznan, to Dolzig, 28 miles south of Poznan and four miles from the Obra river. The river, at that point is 147 miles from Berlin.

Chodziez was captured in a 17-mile overnight advance. Its capture carried Zhukov's army within eight miles of the border province of West Prussia and within 12 miles southeast of the big German rail center of Schneidemuehl on the Berlin-Danzig railroad.

Chamber Heads And Solons Talk Bills

An informal, round-table discussion on pending and possible legislation before the state legislature now in session featured the closing meeting Saturday afternoon for the Oregon Chamber Executives' association two-day conference.

Eight members of the legislature were here from Salem to meet with the chamber heads and secretaries attending the conference, the lawmakers including State Sen. H. C. Wheeler of Lane county, State Sen. Angus Gibson of Lane and Linn counties, State Sen. Earl T. Newbry of Jackson county, State Sen. Marshall Cornett of Klamath Falls; State Representatives Earl H. Hill, John R. Snellstrom, and Truman A. Chase from Lane county, and State Rep. Henry Semon of Klamath county.

Only action taken by the chamber group was approval of a motion to ask for a hearing on state tax investigation, the motion referring to SR-2, the discussion pointing out such legislation is of vital interest to business and industry of the state.

Elect Officers

Earlier in the day, the chamber association elected the following officers: Frank Hull, Medford, manager of the Jackson county chamber of commerce, re-elected as president; C. D. Richey, president of the Pendleton chamber of commerce, vice-president; Mrs. Lucille Archer, secretary of the Coos Bay chamber of commerce, secretary-treasurer; and the following six directors: Charles Stark, manager of the Klamath county chamber of commerce; Frank McCaslin, president of the Portland chamber of commerce; Robert Ferguson, president of the Albany chamber; Walter Nelson, The Dalles chamber of commerce manager; Loyal Warner, president of the Salem chamber; and Fred M. Brenne, secretary of the Eugene chamber.

Sen. Newbry, chairman of the senate assessment and taxation

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