

Population Shows War II Death Cost

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(U.P.)—Statistics have placed the country's World War II casualties at 1,068,386, including 449 killed.

Department figures based on compilations up to last Dec. gave the total of army cas-

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Poultry Plant Concrete Soon To Be Poured

Pouring of concrete for the new \$400,000 Pacific Cooperative Poultry Producers' feed mill and warehouse at Third avenue and Madison street will begin in about a week, A. C. Berntzen, cooperative president, announced Saturday.

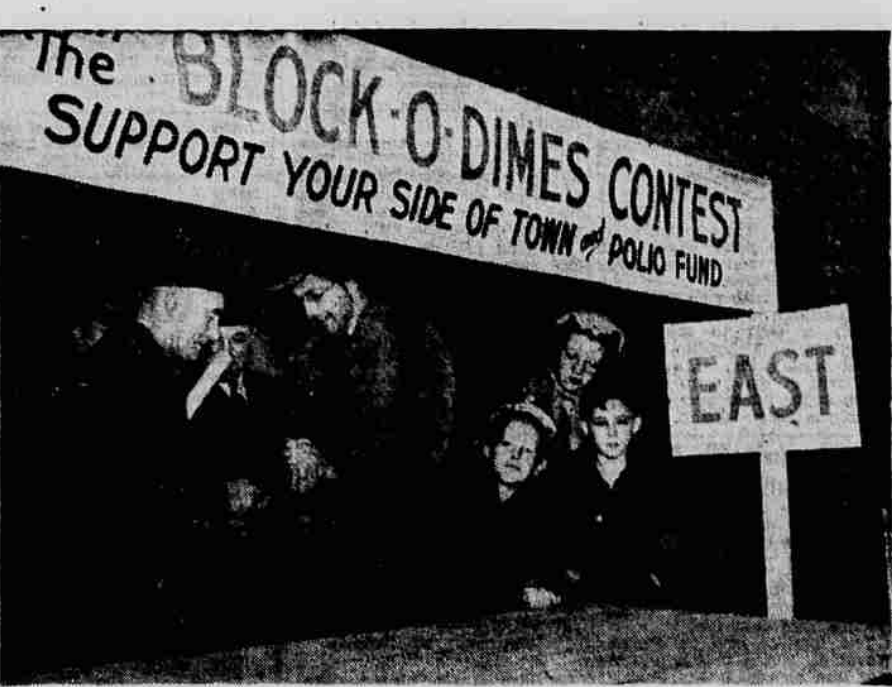
In addition to the new feed mill and warehouse, a \$100,000 egg plant will be constructed at the same site, Berntzen said, as soon as materials are available. Architectural plans are now being drawn for the egg plant. Berntzen pointed out that the additional facilities are badly needed here inasmuch as "Lane county is leading the state in egg and poultry production." He added that of the cooperative's 2600 members, more than 600 are in Lane county. Both figures will be increased radically, Berntzen said, when the facilities are available to take care of additional membership. However, he added, there is already a long waiting list.

The architect's drawing of the new feed mill, warehouses, and egg plant was reproduced in a special issue of the cooperative's journal, The Eggaminer, commemorating the group's 25th anniversary. The special issue outlined the cooperative's growth and development throughout the state during its 25-year history. It points out that the Eugene branch "is now second only to the main plant at Portland on feed volume. In 1943, the Eugene branch exceeded Portland in total egg receipts and still maintains that lead by a substantial margin."

At a meeting of the board of directors of the cooperative at the Osburn hotel, last Friday, construction of new branch plants at Medford and Salem was authorized. The Medford plant will cost about \$30,000, it was announced.

Plans were also drawn up for the cooperative's annual meeting to be held in Portland Friday, Feb. 15.

Members of the board of directors present for the meeting included: A. C. Berntzen, Eugene,



DIMES EVERYWHERE—Dimes and more dimes! Almost 750 in dimes were collected for the March of Dimes during the "Battle of Willamette street" at Broadway and Willamette Saturday. Here Merle Nash, member of the sponsoring junior chamber of commerce, gives change to a pedestrian who donated a dime for the east side of town. His dime helped fill the east side's table, but the west side won. (See story on page 1). (Redfearn photo, Wiltshire engraving.)

Dimes 'Tag Day' Is Set In Eugene For Feb. 2

Tag day, conducted annually in Eugene by volunteer women workers as part of the March of Dimes, will be Saturday, Feb. 2, Mrs. R. D. Bussey, Tag day chairman, has announced.

Additional volunteers are needed and are urged to telephone the chairman at 1679-M. "We hope that last year's workers will help again this year, and that members of women's organizations will be on hand," she said.

Tag day will be conducted downtown from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Saturday, when the women will solicit dimes for the campaign against infantile paralysis.

HIS 98TH BIRTHDAY

PORTLAND, Jan. 26.—(U.P.)—Wiley W. Wilcox, who remembers seeing Abraham Lincoln stride up the steps of the Capitol building at Washington, celebrated his 98th birthday today in the veterans' hospital here.

president; R. L. Harmon, Roseburg, first vice-president; Lewis G. Clark, Eugene, second vice-president; Morris Christensen, McCoy, secretary-treasurer; Grover C. Keeney, Portland, assistant secretary-treasurer and general manager; W. W. Abraham, Albany, director; Ambrose Brownell, Oregon City, director; A. H. Dowsett, Gresham, director; Ewald Ek, Oregon City, director; Henry Erickson, Tigard, director; James Hemenway, Cottage Grove, director; H. E. Lawrence, Astoria, director; Lawrence Luy, Medford, director; Herman Wendel, Junction City, director; H. R. Rehe, Portland, assistant manager; Dan Earle, Eugene, branch manager; and Grant Young, Medford, branch manager.

The antelope's eyes are placed far apart, so that the animal can see danger approaching on all sides.

IWA Delegates Confer On Notice

PORTLAND, Jan. 26.—(U.P.)—International Woodworkers of America delegates representing plywood and veneer industries in Oregon and Washington were reported here today to be meeting in Aberdeen to consider notification by Aberdeen operators in the Douglas fir industry that union contracts will expire April 1.

Ernie Smith, president of the Aberdeen IWA local, said action of the operators was a complete surprise to the union, adding "we recently negotiated a wage increase mutually satisfactory to all parties and we had believed that labor in this area was embarking on an era of industrial peace."

Cancellation of the contract by employers is believed a step to bring up for discussion some provisions that were not considered when the pact was signed last November.

The contract negotiated in November gave workers a rise of 12½ cents an hour and later an additional 2½ cents was added by operators.

Senators Urge Use Of German Lumber

FRANKFURT.—(U.P.)—Two senators have recommended to the U. S. army that most of 71,000,000 feet of surplus lumber in Italy be sent to the United States to ease the housing shortage.

Sens. William Knowland (R., Calif.) and James Tunnell (D., Del.) were heard for three hours at headquarters here. They emphasized the necessity of using German supplies as much as possible to save further drains on U. S. reserves.

Kaiser Contemplates Western Steel Merger

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—(U.P.)—Henry J. Kaiser today confirmed reports that he is contemplating a merger of a number of steel companies into what would be a \$1,000,000,000 organization.

Kaiser, in a formal statement, acknowledged that joint operation of his Fontana, Calif., steel mill, Republic Steel Corp., the Geneva Steel plant in Utah, Colorado Fuel and Iron company and the Wickwire Spencer Steel company has been under discussion.

Moreover, he added, "just this morning two additional small steel plants have been suggested as logical additions to the list." He did not name them.

When The Wife's Kisses Cost \$5; That's To Much

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—(U.P.)—His wife's kisses cost him \$5 each, Sidney Raskin, bakery executive, charged in domestic relations court.

High, confirmed it. "I did it to discourage him," she told reporters as she left the courtroom. "He was always buzzing and pecking around. It was annoying."

"If he didn't have \$5 with him, I'd take what he had on account."

Their contested divorce suit is set for trial next summer. Meanwhile, Judge Kurtz Kaufman denied her request for alimony.

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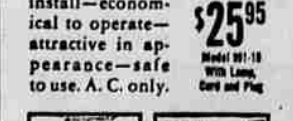
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Forest Officials Find Tree Within A Tree

BEND, Ore.—(U.P.)—A scorched tree within a giant pine cut in the eastern Cascades near here received the attention today of Deschutes national forest officials.

Foresters estimated the fire that scorched, but did not kill the big pine, occurred about 360 years ago. W. L. Self, Bend, discovered the "tree within a tree".

He said the young pine about 30 years old, was making rapid growth when a fire swept the eastern Cascade woods, burning the young tree, but not killing it. Some of its smaller limbs were turned to charcoal and eventually the tree resumed growth and new wood formed around the burn, hiding the scorched bark and the charcoal branches. Eventually, the tree was five feet in diameter. Woodmen cut down the aged pine, one of the "giants" of the area, and found the ancestral tree, with its burned bark and charcoal branches, in the very heart of the pine.

Foresters estimated the tree received its burns in the year 1586.

Why Take A Chance With Your Eyes

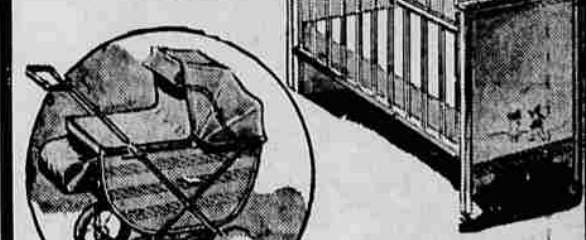
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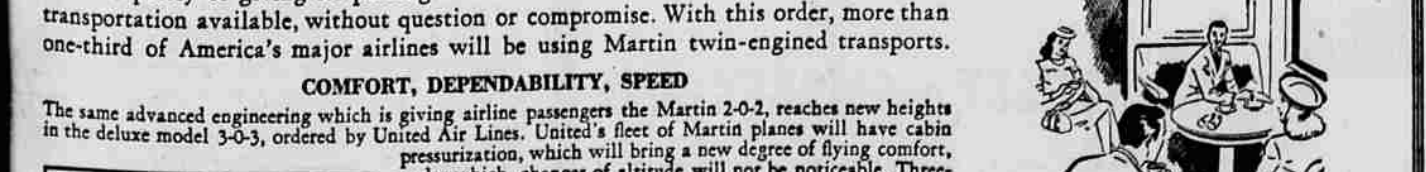
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