

# BILL OF RIGHTS MUST BE SAVED, IS ALLEN THEME

### Gathering at Holly Theater Hears Eloquent Plea For Cooperation in Defense.

Addressing a group of Medford citizens at the Holly theater last evening, Niel R. Allen of Grants Pass declared that the United States in fighting the axis powers is telling them that democracy and the bill of rights must be saved for our children and the generations to come.

Mr. Allen, vice chairman of the national committee of civilian defense for the American Legion, was guest speaker at the meeting marking the 150th anniversary of the signing of the bill of rights. He pointed out in his talk that America is not trying to force democracy on the world by her declaration of war but merely trying to save democracy for her citizens.

**All Have Duty**

The speaker said that the military defense of the nation rests in the army and navy and the support of the army and navy has become a civil defense. The 135 million citizens in the country can do their part by joining in support of government activities, he said, adding that the civil defense of the United States rests on the shoulders of every citizen.

Mr. Allen declared that the first job of the citizen is to exercise self-control, to live a normal life and to conform his life to cooperation with the county defense program. During war times the military man finds it necessary to give up some of the rights because he knows that in doing so he is saving them for his children upon the return of peace.

"The action of Japan Dec. 7 shocked a nation of 135 million persons into action and although America thought she had learned a lesson in the first World war citizens know now that there is only one way that the bill of rights can be safe and that is by crushing the force that denies it."

The time for speech is past, Mr. Allen said, and now action must speak. "We are confronted

with the threat to national existence" and now citizens must concentrate on their duties for national existence. He said that the Pacific coast during this war is the nerve center for production and if sections of the coast were bombed by enemies it would be a serious blow to American power.

**All Must Cooperate**

Mr. Allen stressed the point that nothing in the world approaches the concepts of liberties of American citizens and now that these rights are endangered it is necessary for all Americans to cooperate with the government in an effort to save them.

The program opened with several selections by the high school band after which the boys' quartet sang a number. The American flag and the American Legion flag were presented by the Boy Scouts of America and the audience repeated the pledge of allegiance. Rev. R. W. Coleman, pastor of the First Christian church, led the prayer after which the audience sang "God Bless America."

C. H. Hurd introduced the speaker and read a joint resolution of congress calling for observance of the 150th anniversary of the signing of the bill of rights. The closing prayer was given by Father Francis W. Black of Sacred Heart church. Present were representatives from patriotic and civic organizations in Medford and names of the representatives were read by Mr. Hurd.

### Three Fines Levied On Auto Infractions

Reuben F. Sloan, charged with having no operator's license, and no windshield wiper on his auto, was assessed \$1.50 and costs on the first charge, and \$1 and costs on the second charge in justice court yesterday.

Francis R. Klassen of Red Bluff, Cal., charged with driving a motor vehicle with inadequate brakes, was fined \$1 and costs.

Westley S. Davis, of the Annette, charged with having no registration card, was fined \$1 and costs.

**PT. ORFORD MAYOR**

Port Orford, Dec. 16.—(P)—Douglas Johnson, city councilman, has been named mayor to fill the unexpired term of Gilbert E. Gable, leader of the now defunct plan to create a 40th state out of California and Oregon border counties.

# ATTACK BY JAPS CAUSES JUMP IN BOND PURCHASES

### Post Office May Devote One Window Exclusively To Sale Defense Securities.

Defense savings stamps and bonds have been selling in such large volume since Japan attacked this country in the Pacific without warning December 7 that a window devoted exclusively to the sale of these securities might have to be opened at the postoffice, Postmaster Frank DeSouza said today.

A clerk at one of the windows is devoting most of his time now to the sale of defense savings stamps and bonds and if purchases continue on such a large scale a window for their exclusive sale will be opened, Mr. DeSouza said.

Meantime, he added, the public can help by buying any sizeable amount of savings stamps, say \$5 worth or more, at the central office rather than the sub-station, Mr. DeSouza said.

Patrons can help also by going to the central office rather than the sub-station for stamps and parcel post during the remainder of the Christmas season, Mr. DeSouza said. The central postoffice is equipped to handle a large volume of business and is sufficiently flexible so as to open an additional window for parcel post and stamp service whenever business warms whereas at the downtown station there is only one window for everything.

### Bad Check Suspect Is Lodged in Jail

Robert D. Foster, 29, is held in the county jail, charged with forgery involving spurious checks, following his arrest yesterday by the Ashland city police. He was brought here today by Deputy Sheriff Vern Smith.

The authorities say Foster admits attempted passing of two forged checks in Ashland, each purportedly signed by Austie Barron. Foster also admits serving two years in state prison on a horse theft charge.

# News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

Washington, Dec. 16.—No one seems to know the size of that French fleet which Hitler has been trying to extract from Britain for use against us in the Atlantic. Some of it was sunk at Oran, the rest has been in hiding. But a straight check was made within the past 60 days which indicated it had unexpected strength. It was composed of:



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4 battleships (3 building)  
1 aircraft carrier (2 building)  
14 cruisers (3 building)  
53 destroyers (27 building)  
59 submarines (22 building)

Some of these ships are already in German hands. The aircraft carrier has been bottled in Martinique, but all that stands between us and the remainder is the honor of the French nation, based upon the official promise never to let these vessels be used against her old allies.

None one can be sure of what sea-power Hitler may be able to use against us in the Atlantic

in view of these circumstances.

**YOUR** conformance with blackout instructions should be complete. Take nothing for granted in this war.

**THE** congressional notion of extending the draft to gather in all from 18 to 65 years, has war department backing, and will probably pass.

**ALL** Pacific war news has been stary-eyed with astonishment at the accuracy of Jap bombers. Even military men profess surprise. Not so the Chinese. They discovered it at Canton. Military objectives were only half a mile from the foreign settlement there. The Japs hit their objectives for weeks without letting a bomb go astray across the line where it would have caused diplomatic trouble to the no longer rising but now setting sun.

The story is simple. The Japs have had four years' experience in bombing China.

**THE** stupidity of news concealment and the value of free straight reporting of war were proved conclusive in the first week. Probably the worst blow to the British since Dunkerque was the loss of the Prince of Wales and Repulse. Yet the British not only announced the news immediately, but their censors allowed the world to obtain through International News Service and Columbia Broadcasting a complete eye-witness account by two journalists who had actually been allowed aboard the British

battleships. Their stories were better propaganda than any from the official mills here. No one could read them without itching to give his utmost energy to defeat the Japs.

But while the British were thus wisely publicizing a defeat, the Washington officials gave out that day only a dull three paragraphs concerning the heroic stand of our marines at Wake island, and refused to tell news-men even what the public appropriation was for the Island of Guam this year by congress. Simultaneously the state department, which is not a military institution, announced no news-men could see any employee of that department without a special letter obtained from the publicity section.

Britain started out the wrong way, too. News was suppressed until public clamor caused a ministerial ousting and several reorganizations.

**THE** Reds, who are getting a cool billion in materials from us, have always puzzled American officialdom, but never more than since the Jap attack on us. Apparently Stalin thought he could win this war by beating Hitler, and that Japan will fall with der fuhrer as an accomplice. This reason-

**A Gift Suggestion for "Him"**

**PHOENIX SOCKS for Christmas**



Glenn H. Utz Give Something to Wear

ing would have gone over bigger here if we were as sure as Stalin that he can beat Hitler in the spring.

You may assume, however, that Mr. Roosevelt asked Litvinoff for use of the Vladivostok air base which would open to us, the back door to Tokyo.

Salem, Dec. 16.—(P)—Ground glass reported found in Japanese canned shrimp in Los Angeles has proved to be magnesium ammonium phosphate crystals, which are entirely harmless, the state department of agriculture said today.

# Give 'Him' Something He Will Remember . .

### COVERAGE WITH COMFORT!

# SKIT Shorts

**MUNSINGWEAR**

Fine soft porous cotton knitted with the famous "fit that lasts." Streamlined to the nth . . . with the kind of comfort you've been looking for.

- No buttons or snaps
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- Special supporter feature
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# WE NEED YOUR HELP TOO!

The MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE Carriers have volunteered to Sell and Deliver Defense Savings Stamps to Your Home!

Most Americans have asked themselves what they can do to help the National Defense Program. There is one thing that everyone can do . . . BUY A SHARE IN AMERICA!

If you and the millions in the Nation like you invest as little as 10 cents a week in Defense Savings Stamps, there will be the "Millions for Defense" that America needs in this hour of emergency . . . And when the emergency has passed YOU will have a tidy nest egg that you might never have saved otherwise.

## HERE IS THE PLAN . . . IT'S SIMPLE—

Our Newspaper Carriers have volunteered to serve as "Official U. S. Defense Agents for Defense Stamp Sales." In so doing they have pledged themselves to call on you and solicit your order for a WEEKLY DELIVERY of DEFENSE SAVINGS STAMPS TO YOUR HOME.

Your Carrier will ask you for your Defense Stamp order. Fill out the ORDER BLANK on the lower left-hand side of this page and have it ready for him when he calls.

The important thing is to get started saving stamps and helping Uncle Sam. The boys will sell ONLY 10c Defense Savings Stamps, so if you want to save more than 10 cents a week order two, three, five, or ten, as many as you would like to buy each week . . . the more you save, the sooner you will be able to

convert the stamps into an interest-bearing bond, and the more you will have accumulated when the emergency ends.

As stated above, the Carrier will ask you for your order for stamps and will accept from you the filled-out order blank published below. The following week he will deliver the stamps which you have ordered and bring you a 10c Defense Savings Stamp Album, which holds \$18.70 in Defense Savings Stamps and when filled, can be exchanged with 5c in coin, for a \$25 Defense Bond. This weekly delivery of stamps will continue as long as you desire.

The boys will collect no money in advance for the stamps! you will pay for them when they are delivered. START NOW! Here is a simple, convenient way to save and an opportunity to help your Nation in its hour of need.

## HELP YOUR CARRIER BOY HELP UNCLE SAM!

**ORDER DEFENSE SAVINGS STAMPS DELIVERED TO YOU WEEKLY**

When your carrier boy calls \_\_\_\_\_ give him your order for as many 10-cent stamps as you will require each week. Your signed order will be all that is necessary to have him deliver and collect for as many stamps as you wish each week until ordered by you to discontinue.

**FILL IN THIS COUPON AND HAND IT TO YOUR CARRIER BOY**



**ORDER BLANK FOR DEFENSE SAVINGS STAMPS**

The Mail Tribune Carrier Boy:

I want to do my bit for defense by buying Defense Stamps of 10c denomination every week. Bring them on your regular collection day.

I would like to have \_\_\_\_\_ 10c Defense Savings Stamps each week until further notice.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_

State No. \_\_\_\_\_

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