

### WELDERS DISPUTE THREATENS AGAIN DEFENSE EFFORT

Los Angeles, Dec. 20.—(AP)—Disputed claims of effectiveness cropped up late today as independent welders, with many members employed in shipyards, launched a nation-wide stop-work movement.

Ship building companies declared effects of the stop-work movement were negligible. Spokesmen for the union, the United Welders, Cutters and Helpers of America (Independent), claimed that 250 or 300 men quit work before noon and said they expected the movement "up and down the coast to gain momentum."

The union has been at loggerheads for some time with the AFL International Boilermakers union. Main issue is to gain separate identity and bargaining power.

Center of activity in the Los Angeles area was the big California shipyards plant. Thirty-five welders laid down their tools and were summarily dismissed.

"The policy of the company is down his tools," said General to dismiss any man who lays Manager John A. McCone. "Such action is insubordination. We have a closed shop with the AFL."

Welders have persistently refused to pay AFL dues.

National President Karl V. Morris, after attending a meeting of welders, declared:

"It is not a strike. The men will just leave their jobs and get work elsewhere unless permitted to work without paying toll to the AFL and the CIO."

"It might take a couple of days for the action to gather full swing," he added.

The office for emergency management in Los Angeles said it had made a survey with the navy and believed less than 70 workers in yards from here to Seattle had quit work.

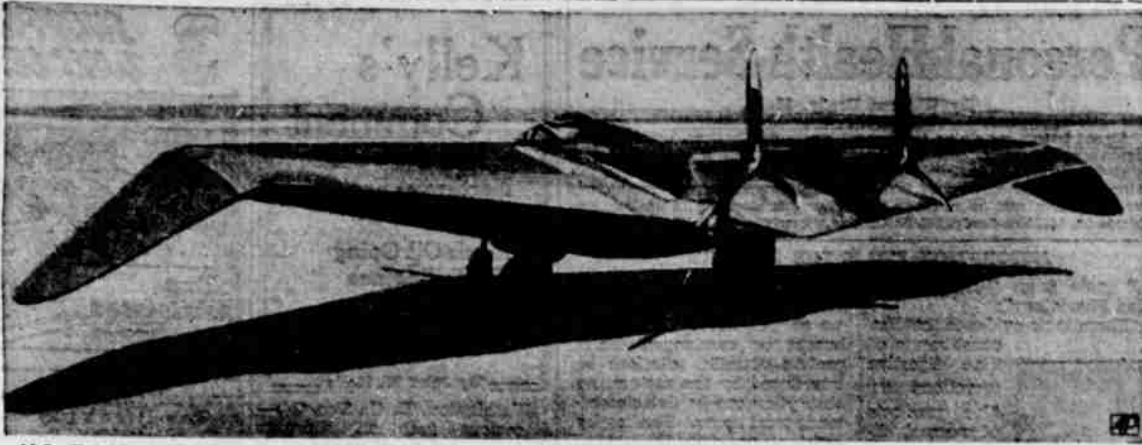
The union claims to have some 7,000 members in the Los Angeles area.

### QUERY SOLDIER IN WEIRD SHOOTING

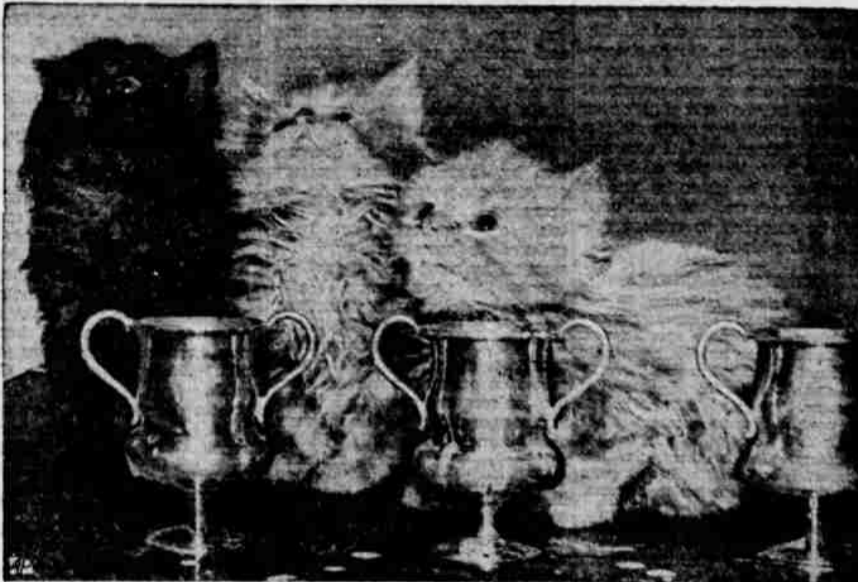
Aberdeen, Dec. 20.—(AP)—A 21-year-old sergeant from Portland was held in city jail here today while police and the prosecutors office sought to determine whether the shooting last night of Mrs. Grace Whitesel, Aberdeen, was accidental or intentional.

Prosecutor Stanley J. Krause said the shooting occurred while the soldier was sitting in the back seat of a police patrol car parked in front of the El Paso tavern here. The woman was in the front seat. The gun went off, Krause said, just as Patrolman David Auer started to climb in to the back seat to sit with the soldier. Police Chief Pat Gallagher said the soldier was not under arrest at the time and that therefore "the officers had no reason to take his gun."

**POWER TRANSFER**  
Washington, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The federal power commission conditionally authorized today the transfer of all properties of Inland Power and Light company to the Pacific Power and Light company. Principal offices of both companies are in Portland, Ore., and both operate in Washington and Oregon.



**NO TAIL MAKES A PLANE TALE**—Fuselage and tail surfaces are eliminated in above Northrop "flying wing," an airplane of startling new design in which propellers are at the rear. The war department released above rear view.



**ALL THIS FOR NOTHING**—Because they're only six weeks old and the minimum age for competition is five months, these Persian kittens are putting on their best airs in vain: they couldn't win a prize, no matter how much they tried at a show in Chicago. They were exhibited by Miss Ellen Larson of St. Joseph, Mich., and watch out about four months from now.

### WILLKIE ADVISES NATION BE READY FOR SACRIFICES

New York, Dec. 20.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willkie declared tonight that to win the war "our industrialists must make their every facility available to the people of the United States" and said that "labor must be prepared to work a 55-hour, even a 60-hour week."

In an address prepared for delivery over the Columbia Broadcasting System, Willkie asserted that the nation was still relatively unprepared for the immensity of the conflict it faced, despite warnings given by President Roosevelt and other leaders.

"We had over nine years of repeated warning," Willkie said. "But we spent our substance in public expenditures which could have been devoted to employing our people in building airplanes and ships and tanks."

Pointing out that the United States undertook a year ago to become "the arsenal of democracy," Willkie added that "stripped to actual fighting materials the American effort is still very slight—only a mere fifth of the German effort."

"We do not know the extent of Japanese and Italian expenditures," he continued. "But even to match Hitler on his own terms, even to produce at the rate of 30 billions of war materials a year, we must face the most profound dislocation in our lives—a dislocation far

surpassing that of the first world war. "We must dedicate ourselves henceforth, not to luxury and ease, but to Spartan simplicity and hard work. In no direction that we turn do we find ease or comfort."

Realization must be brought home to the American people, he said, that "the administration and congress must cut non-defense expenditures to the bone" and that "new political experimentation must be eliminated during this emergency."

yesterday's clash at Grik, a highway settlement in the mountains northeast of the main British line.

In this sharp encounter, a communique said, 60 Japanese

were killed. There were 15 British casualties.

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### MILLWORK TRUST BAY AREA FINED

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The government's "trust-busting" case involving the millworking industry in the bay area reached a climax today when 48 construction firms, unions, and individuals were fined a total of \$114,000 by Federal Judge A. F. St. Sure. The defendants were convicted last week on charges of violating the Sherman anti-trust act.

Twenty-three of the defendants were found guilty by a jury and the others pleaded nolo contendere. Judge St. Sure refused the prosecutor's request that consideration be given those who pleaded nolo contendere.

The government charged the firms, unions, and individuals involved with restraint of trade in banning pattern lumber ship-

ments to the bay area from the Pacific northwest. The defendants denied that "even so much as a toothpick" ever was barred.

**BEAVERS STRETCH LEGS**  
Boise, Idaho, Dec. 20.—(AP)—Coach Lon Stiner and his Oregon State college footballers stretched their legs today, then reboarded their train for another lap enroute to the transplanted Rose Bowl game at Durham, N. C., Jan. 1.

**NAZI SHIPPING HIT**  
Moscow, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The Moscow radio announced today that a Russian submarine had sunk three German transports, totaling 25,500 tons, in the Arctic.

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