

TED GAMBLE TO AID MORGENTHAU FOR \$1 A YEAR

Washington, Dec. 30.—(Sp)—Secretary of Treasury Morgenthau yesterday appointed Theodore Roosevelt Gamble, Portland theatre man, an adviser on promotion of the sales of defense savings bonds and stamps.

Gamble, administrator of the defense savings staff in Oregon, will come to Washington January 1 as a dollar-a-year man.

Gamble has made an outstanding sales and promotion record for Oregon, welding all 36 counties into a unit behind the defense savings program, and treasury officials state that his organization has been one of the most productive in the country.

Gamble was born in Nevada, Mo., in 1906, one of a large family of children. He worked his way through the University of Washington and was graduated with the class of 1928.

Not long after finishing college he became manager of the Portland group of J. J. Parker Theatres. He served in this capacity for nine years.

Late in 1940 he left the Parker organization and took over as his own enterprises the Capitol theatre and other show houses in the Portland territory. Mr. Gamble has long been active in promoting the famous Portland Rose Festival.

PET LOSS SPOILS HOLIDAYS FOR BOY

Grover Stevens, Jr.'s Christmas day was spoiled and he is afraid that New Year's day will be the same because his year-old springer spaniel, "Lady" has been missing since Dec. 24. Grover, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Stevens, route 4, corner of Spring and Wabash streets, wishes that anyone having information concerning his dog would contact the family.

The spaniel is a year old female and black and white and was reported Christmas day in the vicinity of the Craterian theater. His mother may be reached by telephoning 2281 during business hours and his father at Steve's Shoe Service, 137 North Central avenue.

BEER LICENSE OF ALIENS REVOKED

Portland, Dec. 30.—(P)—The Oregon Liquor Control commission revoked beer and wine licenses of 42 enemy aliens yesterday and today reviewed licenses of 40 more, the last aliens among the 3,500 licenses in the state.

The commission also was expected to make a decision on a request by Lieut.-Gen. J. L. DeWitt that men in uniform in the western states not be sold liquor, beer or wine except between the hours of 6 and 10 p. m. Commission action on licenses included:

Retail beer, class C license for 1942 granted W. M. Lemmon, Jack and Billie's Place, route 3, Medford.

TOUGH BIRD
Kendallville, Ind., Dec. 30.—(P)—A White Leghorn pullet on Eugene Treesh's farm near South Milford walked too close to a shredder and was buried under a heap of fodder. Thirty-seven days later Treesh dug the chicken out—hungry, thirsty and weak but still able to walk.

11TH SHIP LAUNCHED
Oakland, Cal., Dec. 30.—(P)—The Alcoa cruiser, eleventh new ship of the Aluminum Company of America's new \$25,000,000 maritime defense fleet, was launched from the ways of the Moore Drydock company here today.

100 Nazi Soldiers Executed in Paris; 50 Take Own Life

New York, Dec. 30.—(P)—The British radio said today that 100 German soldiers have been executed for mutiny in Paris since December 1 and 50 have committed suicide.

The broadcast, heard here by CBS, said two German colonels, a major and a junior officer of the Paris garrison were shot at Vincennes a week ago.

The bodies of suicides, the radio said, are "now rotting in the open in No. 12 ditch of the Cemetery Ivry-Sur-Seine."

Where War-Time Tires Will Come From



This is a part of a seven-acre pile of discarded rubber at the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio, which will be turned into tires made entirely of reclaimed rubber. The "war tires" cannot be driven over 35 miles per hour with safety, an official warned.



RANK In shakeup after attack on Hawaii, Admiral Ernest J. King (top), 62, of Ohio, became commander of entire U. S. fleet in charge of all operations; Rear Admiral Chester W. Nimitz (lower), 56, got command of Pacific Fleet.

PRIVATE FLIERS CURB TALKED IN PORTLAND

Portland, Dec. 30.—(P)—All private fliers will have to carry government-issued identification cards after January 8, R. E. Herr, CAA inspector, announced today.

Applicants must be fingerprinted and must present photographs and birth certificates, he said.

FIRST CITIZEN JR.

Portland, Dec. 30.—(P)—The Junior Chamber of Commerce named Russell H. Cobb Junior first citizen of Portland yesterday. Cobb is superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph company here.

Japanese Are Fighters, Cruel Because of Small Stature

By Lucrece Hudgins (Associated Press Feature Writer)
Washington.—They call it "Little Japan." But is it? There are 148,756 square miles of it. That's about a hundred thousand more square miles than there are of England.

The population is 72,697,700 in Japan proper. That's seven million less Japanese than there are Germans.

And the Japanese don't concentrate on Sukiyaki either. Mostly they concentrate on fighting. They are known as natively belligerent. They have a reputation for being sadistically cruel, possibly because their small physical stature has developed within them an inferiority complex.

Every Japanese boy goes into military service for two years when he reaches the age of 20. After that he is liable for service until he is 40 years old.

When not fighting, the greater part of the Japanese people are farming. Rice is, of course, the main food of all classes but fish is so plentiful that it, too, is a staple diet.

Here are some other things that you may not have known about Japan:

She produces three-fourths of the world's total output of silk.

Until the war with China, Japan's largest import and export trade was with the United States.

They have compulsory elementary education and only 10 per cent of the nation is courted illiterate. In the United States there is 16.3 per cent illiteracy

among negroes and 1.5 per cent among native whites.

For more than a year Japan has had a eugenics law, which compels the sterilization of mentally deranged and physically unfit persons.

Japanese athletes have made worldwide reputations. In the last Olympic games held in 1936 in Berlin, Japanese won the marathon, three swimming events and one jumping event.

There is no such thing as state religion in Japan. Theoretically, all faiths are tolerated. However, during the past year, considerable pressure has been brought to bear on Christianity and most American missions have already withdrawn.

Predominant faith is Shintoism, which is the worship of imperial ancestors. Buddhism is next in popularity.

RADIO CONTROL GIVEN

Washington, Dec. 30.—(P)—The defense communications board today authorized the navy department to use, control, supervise, inspect, or close all ship radio stations and facilities. The board granted the authority to the navy under a recent presidential executive order.

Acme Dry Cleaners

Will REMAIN CLOSED

Thurs. Jan. 1	Fri. 2nd	& Sat. 3rd
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Will Open Monday, Jan. 5th.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

DOUGLAS RANCHER SHOOT'S STEP SON

Roseburg, Ore., Dec. 30.—(P)—Dexter Baughman, 64, rancher of western Douglas county, today faced a charge of involuntary manslaughter as the result of a hunting tragedy in that snow blanketed area yesterday forenoon. The victim was his stepson, Gerald White, 31.

The accusation was filed by District Attorney J. V. Long, following Baughman's voluntary appearance here with the report that he accidentally shot and killed White when he mistook him in his khaki clothes for a bear when he emerged from a thicket which the two men were circling.

The bullet, from an old style 40-82 rifle, struck White in the heart killing him probably instantly, stated Sheriff Cliff Thornton, after White's body was brought to this city for examination. White is survived by his widow and three small sons.

Pardon Advised For Harry French

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—(P)—The state advisory pardon board recommended today that the life sentence of Harry A. French, 32, for killing a rival newspaper publisher, be reduced to 25 years.

French killed Claude L. McCracken in Alturas four years ago, at the height of a feud between McCracken and the French family. He has asked for a pardon or commutation of sentence.

Flag officers of the U. S. navy have the rank of rear-admiral, vice-admiral and admiral.

New Year & Thank-You Cards

Start the New Year with a bit of extra thoughtfulness. Send New Year Cards.

SWEM'S GREETING CARDS

THE RUBBER SITUATION

And How It Affects Tires For Your Car

With the declaration of war between the United States and the axis powers, the long-threatened danger of our principal sources of rubber supply has become an unpleasant reality. From Malaya and The Netherlands East Indies comes 75 per cent of the world's rubber and these two countries are now under attack by our enemies. Today, Japanese troops are attempting to penetrate southward through the jungles of Malaya and to land by parachute on the island of Sumatra in a desperate effort to occupy these vital rubber-producing areas and thereby slow the wheels of American industry.

Rubber in Modern Warfare

Rubber is indispensable in modern warfare. Airplanes and scout cars, tanks and trucks, barrage balloons and gas masks are only a few of the many essential war materials that require rubber.

The Reserve Supply of Rubber

Keenly aware of this strategic importance of rubber and anticipating the day when the United States might be cut off from the Far East, our government, in co-operation with the rubber industry, began more than two years ago to build up a reserve supply. After Pearl Harbor, it became necessary to take drastic steps to protect this precious store of rubber and on December 11 our government issued an order prohibiting the sale of tires and tubes to anyone not having a priority rating of A-3 or better.

These temporary restrictions will end on January 5, and they will be superseded by new regulations which are now being formulated. How long such restrictions will remain in force will depend upon the course of future events. Naturally, when our allied forces are victorious in the Far East, shipments of rubber to the United States will be resumed. But in the meantime, steps are being taken to relieve the present situation.

Facts About Synthetic Rubber

The first of these is the expansion of facilities for the manufacture of synthetic rubber. There are a number of large plants now under construction, and the one for which we are responsible will be ready for production in the first part of 1942. Nearly ten years ago, our organization began experimenting with various types of synthetic rubber, and in May, 1933, we produced the first synthetic rubber tires ever manufactured for Uncle Sam's armed forces. As more synthetic rubber became available, we consistently increased our production of synthetic rubber tires. The most important elements needed for the manufacture of synthetic rubber are butadiene and styrene, both by-products of petroleum, which commodity the United States is fortunate in having available within its borders in unlimited quantities.

Brazilian Rubber Available

Another possible emergency source of rubber is the valley of the Amazon river in South America. From that area, 45,000 tons were shipped in 1912, and it has been estimated that perhaps as many as 300,000,000 wild rubber trees exist in this region. These are not being tapped at the present time because the price of rubber is lower than the price which would provide the incentive for the natives to blaze the jungle trails, tap the trees and bring the rubber to market. In addition, there is a possibility that some rubber can be obtained from guayule shrubs, which can be raised in this country and Mexico.

Americans Should Produce Their Own Rubber

In this critical hour, when rubber assumes a position of prime importance to our national welfare and to our ultimate victory, I cannot help thinking of the statement made by my father more than 20 years ago when he declared that "Americans should produce their own rubber." To him the dependence of this country upon a single, concentrated area for any basic raw material was economically unsound and it was his premonition of difficulties in the future that led to the establishment of the Firestone rubber plantations in Liberia, which are now being worked to the very limit to produce every possible pound of rubber for our country.

Naturally, it is going to take time to develop these additional sources of rubber. In the meantime, it is the patriotic duty of every loyal American to help conserve the present supply by making the tires that are now on his car last longer. You can add as much as 50% to the life of your tires by observing such simple precautions as keeping them inflated to recommended pressure, driving slowly and avoiding quick starts and sudden stops.

Nation-wide System of Factory-Controlled Retread Plants

For a number of years, the Firestone organization has recognized the merit and economy of retreading tires, and as a result, we have built up a nation-wide system of 132 retread plants, strategically located, to provide retreading service for our dealers and stores and their customers. To meet the present emergency these plants are operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. By the process of retreading which we have developed, as much as 80 per cent of the mileage built into the original tread is added to the life of the tire and the quality of workmanship and material is such that we are able to extend our life-time guarantee to every Firestone retread.

New Victory Tire

Still another step which we took some years ago and which will serve our country well today, was the establishment of extensive facilities for reclaiming scrap rubber. Today the Firestone organization has the largest rubber reclaiming capacity in the world and we have the advantage of long experience in developing products made from this material. One of these is a new type of tire made from reclaimed rubber, which will give reasonably satisfactory service when driven at moderate speeds. We have named this product the "Victory Tire" and it is now in production in our factories. We also have in work a new type of tractor tire made from reclaimed rubber to help agriculture continue to play its vitally important part in the war effort.

The Patriotic Duty of Every Car Owner

In the laboratories of the Firestone factories, our scientists and engineers are working night and day to find ways of using to best advantage the present rubber supply. Equally important to the successful conservation of rubber is the co-operation of American car owners, whose patriotic duty it is to get the maximum amount of service out of their tires. Ever mindful of our responsibilities to our country and to the car owners of America, the Firestone organization is making full use of all its experience, all of its resources and all of its technical skill to meet the needs of both.

HARVEY S. FIRESTONE, Jr.
President.

The Firestone Tire and Rubber Company

*Firestone has just published a new booklet entitled "How to Get More Mileage From Your Tires." You can secure a free copy from your nearby Firestone dealer or store, or write to the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio.

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