

HOOD RIVER POST SILENT ON JAPS' RETURN TO COAST

Hood River, Ore., Dec. 18.—(U.P.)—Members of the Hood River American Legion post, which recently erased the names of 16 Japanese-Americans from its roll of honor, were silent today in face of news that Japanese of proved loyalty would be allowed to return to their west coast homes.

Jess Eddington, post commander, said he had no comment to make when informed that exclusion orders against west coast Japanese had been revoked, and that those of proved loyalty would be allowed to return to their homes after Jan. 2.

Action of the post here in removing the names of the Japanese-American soldiers evoked widespread storms of protest from labor and church leaders and from other legion posts.

The post here had previously explained its action by pointing out there was bitter opposition in this area to the return of Japanese from inland relocation centers.

Eddington said the post's executive committee would meet tonight, but he declared the new western defense command order was not on the list for discussion.

Griffin Creekers Invited to School Christmas Program

All residents of Griffin Creek district are invited to attend the Griffin Creek school Christmas program at the schoolhouse gymnasium at 8 p. m. Thursday. It was announced today by Mrs. Myrna Frink, principal.

The program, presented by students and directed by members of the faculty, includes Christmas carols by a chorus, and songs by children of the first four grades. Three short plays will be given, by students of the third and fourth grades, fifth and sixth, and seventh and eighth grades.

THE GRANGE

Eagle Point Grange
There will be a Christmas program at the Eagle Point Grange hall Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 8:15 p. m. Grange members and their friends are cordially invited.

To prevent forest fires caused by cigarette flippers, every auto in Washington state must have an ashtray.

Getting Well



Three-year-old Forrest (Nubbins) Hoffman is shown with his mother at Mercy Hospital, Denver, where he is recuperating from an operation that apparently was successful. "Nubbins" had a pre-dated Christmas party last month because it was feared death would intervene before Dec. 25.

PORTION OF SCU MEN GET HOLIDAY SEASON FURLOUGH

Camp White—Up to 25 per cent of the assigned strength of each section of service command unit 1913 stationed at Camp White, will be allowed furloughs during the Christmas holiday season, Col. John J. Young, post commander, has announced.

As explained in the announcement, up to 15 per cent of the furloughs will be for 15 days plus travel time. The additional 10 per cent, however, may get furloughs for not more than six days, including travel time, between Dec. 21 and Dec. 27, it was explained. Personnel taking the six-day furloughs can not travel by public carrier, but must have other means of transportation or take their furlough in nearby towns such as Medford, Ashland or Grants Pass.

The announcement states, "the length of furlough of each individual will depend upon the number of days already taken by the person and the date of the last furlough."

Furloughs given during the holiday season "will be arranged so that travel will not commence on Dec. 24 or 25, nor on New Year's day, either on the going or return trip," the announcement says.

COINS FOR FILIPINOS

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—(U.P.)—Fifty million Q-centavo pieces in copper and 50-centavo pieces in silver, have been minted and shipped to the occupied sections of the Philippine Islands, Peter J. Haggerty, superintendent of the San Francisco mint, disclosed today.

Long before supplies of oils and minerals become tight, says the secretary of agriculture, different forms of wood will increasingly be used to supplement them.

THREE HELD FOR BOGUS GAS RING

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—(U.P.)—Two men and a 17-year-old girl were under investigation today by Office of Price Administration Officers who suspected them of connection with nationwide bogus gas coupon operations.

Earl Sutton, 36, Don Hunt, 39, and Barbara Drake were booked on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon, suspicion of escape and suspicion of attempted murder after a chase and gun battle with deputy sheriffs.

Deputies said they were blind-

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geoned at a north Hollywood ranch where they arrested Sutton and the girl after negotiating for the sale of 25,000 gallons worth of B-3 coupons.

New York City lost about 25,000 over-mature trees in the September hurricane. City dwellers, short of fuel, learned for the first time how the word, "windfall," got its meaning.

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Sleeping At Wheel 'Negligence' Rules Pennsylvania Court

Harrisburg, Pa.—(U.P.) Falling asleep while driving a motor vehicle in Pennsylvania constitutes "negligence," according to the state supreme court, which held in a recent opinion that any other rule would be "contrary to the facts of life."

"In a normal human being, sleep does not come without warning," the appellate court found. "Before sleep there is drowsiness and before drowsiness there is usually great fatigue or at least a desire to sleep."

"Human affairs would be in a precarious state if locomotive engineers, aviators, chauffeurs, motormen and others in charge of machinery in motion were liable to 'fall asleep' at any time without first becoming consciously aware of sleep's approach and taking immediate steps to bring to a stop the mechanism under their control or placing it in the hands of one

who is completely awake and alert."

NEWBURN SENTENCING DELAYED TO TUESDAY

Passing of sentence upon Woodrow Wilson Newburn, 38, millworker, found guilty of statutory rape by a circuit court jury last Thursday, was postponed today until next Tuesday. The delay was granted upon motion of O. H. Bengtson, attorney for Newburn, who said he desired to file a motion for a new trial. District Attorney George W. Nelson agreed to the postponement. Sentencing was originally scheduled for this morning.

Timber felled 35 years ago furnished good plywood this past summer. Logs had been on the ground all that time, but rot had touched only the outer few inches.

The ordnance department must provide the guns, cannon and bombs for new U. S. aircraft that are rolling off production lines faster than one every five minutes.

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