

# SWIFT GAINS ENGULF TOWNS, STOREHOUSES

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of the several dozen towns newly captured in the sweep toward Rostov were of high military value and declared that Timoshenko's legions were beating down resistance by masses of German reserves.

## EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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There are no new developments on the North African front, where the war on communications continues. Two axis warships and eight merchant vessels are reported sunk or damaged in efforts to get reinforcements across.

## SENATOR McNARY says today that Republican and Democratic advocates of economy in government will join forces in the new congress to "combat waste and bureaucracy."

More power to them. The more we WASTE in non-military activities the less we HAVE LEFT for our boys to fight with. They need all they can get.

## Chamber Committee To Study Proposed ODT Haul Order

Chamber of commerce directors referred to the transportation committee a proposed ODT order restricting railroads to long hauls and truck lines to short hauls. The committee was asked to make an immediate study, and representatives of the lumber industry will be invited to assist.

The chamber directors heard reports on activities of the aviation, education and legislative committees. The latter committee is working on proposed bills which may be brought before the next session of the legislature, and will hold its next meeting January 5.

Tree Exchange — Employees of the various offices connected with the county agent set-up in the federal building will enjoy a Christmas tree and gift exchange after office hours Thursday, Christmas eve. The decorated tree has been up for several days in the office.

## Potatoes

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23 (AP-USA)—Potatoes: 7 Oregon, 5 Idaho arrived, 13 unbroken, 18 broken cars on track; by truck 1 car arrived; market steady; Klamath Russets No. 1, \$2.60; No. 2, \$2.00-2.15; Idaho Russets No. 1 2-inch minimum, \$2.60-2.65.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23 (AP-USA)—Potatoes: 2 California, 21 Idaho, 2 Nevada, 1 Utah arrived, 48 unbroken, 12 broken cars on track; by truck 7 cars arrived; two cars diverted; market steady; Idaho Russets No. 1, 2-inch minimum, \$2.55-2.65.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23 (AP-USA) Potatoes, arrivals 73; on track 210; total U. S. shipments 519; supplies liberal, demand slow, market about steady on best stock, dull on other; Idaho Russet Burbanks, U. S. No. 1, \$2.75-3.05; Colorado Red McClures, U. S. No. 1, \$2.80; Nebraska and Wyoming Bliss Triumphs, U. S. No. 1, \$2.90-95; Minnesota and North Dakota Bliss Triumphs, U. S. Commercial, \$2.10-30; Cobblers, commercials, \$1.85; Wisconsin Katahdins, U. S. No. 1, \$2.00.

## CHRISTMAS MAIL CROWDS DWINDLE

The long lines of Christmas package mailers was dwindling Wednesday as but two days remained until Christmas day. The postoffice will probably set a record for postal receipts with hundreds of parcels and thousands of letters dispatched over a period of one month, Burt E. Hawkins, postmaster stated.

Thirty-four extra employees, clerks and carriers, were aiding Uncle Sam in getting his mail delivered promptly during the holiday rush period and packages will be brought to homes in the city until "dark" Christmas eve. Hawkins asked all residents to have some one in the home in order that they get their packages. There will be no second delivery and patrons will have to call at the postoffice for their parcels.

## Allies Slash at Supply Lines to African Front

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to be nearing Buerat El Hsun, only 180 miles from Tripoli, in pursuit of the remnants of Marshal Rommel's African corps. The Cairo communique did not indicate geographical positions, but said British patrols continued to harass the withdrawing enemy troops and commented that "the work of mine clearance and road repair is continuing satisfactorily."

In Tunisia, allied detachments felt out axis deployments in winter showers preparatory to the renewal of large-scale battles for the possession of Bizerte, Tunis and other bastions in axis possession.

The Italian communique broadcast from Rome said that axis forces also were active against allied communication lines. It reported that German planes had severely damaged five large merchant ships and a torpedo boat in attacks on British and American convoys in Algerian waters.

Visitors—Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wright of Mineral, Calif., are Christmas house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gardner of St. Francis park. Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Gardner are sisters.

# LEASING OF SUMP LANDS RECOMMENDED

The Klamath reclamation project office has recommended to administrative offices in Washington, D. C., the leasing of nine sections of land in the Tulelake sump area which is now being unwatered by pump and use of the Tulelake tunnel completed this spring.

B. E. Hayden, project superintendent, said that when the acreages are ready for use, probably in early January, it will be leased in 180-acre lots and bids called at that time.

Rich Land The land, which will be put into grain, will be leased out to the highest bidder. One of the terms is that successful bidders be required to provide the cost of drains and dikes for putting the land in shape for cultivation. Cost of the project to cover the entire area of 5760 acres which will be reclaimed for agricultural purposes is estimated at \$38,000 by reclamation engineers.

The land is part of the Modoc project from which water is being pumped through the 6600-foot tunnel to Lower Klamath lake on the west side of the ridge. It is considered some of the richest agricultural acreage in the basin.

## DAVIS ENCOURAGED BY SPANISH ACTION

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war effort and allow the studios to make such changes as they wished to adopt.

Advertising Steps As to the fear of film piracy reported felt in Hollywood if OWI did not use the strictest privacy in dealing with the scenarios, Davis commented smilingly, "God forbid that we should introduce into Hollywood any practices that are unknown there presently." He added that he thought OWI could guarantee full security to the producers.

Dealing with questions arising from the recent suggestion of a group of economists that advertising be reduced during the war to conserve materials and manpower, Davis said that "apparently nobody even thought the question was serious enough to bring it to OWI's attention."

## No Subsidy

On being informed the group had proposed that government subsidies be paid newspapers to make up for reduced advertising revenue, he declared such an arrangement would be "very unsatisfactory," and added: "The whole idea of the press in this country is that it operates free from government subsidy. That is what gives strength and freedom to the American press."

Gardner Cowles, associate OWI director, remarked at this point that OWI felt the war production board should cut publishers' supplies of newsprint to the extent necessary to deal with shortages of pulpwood, power and manpower, but that the use of the newsprint allotted "should be left to each newspaper."

## FUNERAL

ALBERT SCOTT HARRISON Funeral services for the late Albert Scott Harrison, who passed away in this city on Tuesday, December 22, 1942 following a brief illness, will be held in the chapel of the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth on Thursday, December 24, 1942 at 10:30 a. m., with the Rev. T. P. Casey officiating. Commitment services and interment Mt. Calvary Memorial park. Friends are invited.

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## New Manager



Meet J. E. Hawkins, the new manager at Sears. Hawkins comes here from Seattle, where he was superintendent of the big "A" store. He was also manager of the Roosevelt store in Seattle, and the Aberdeen store. Mrs. Hawkins and their three children will join him here shortly.

## OFFICER SHOT BY TWO YOUTHS DIES TUESDAY

THE DALLES, Ore., Dec. 23 (AP)—John Gulden, 34, Goldendale, Wash., state patrolman who was shot in the lung when he attempted to arrest two young Yakima holdup men early Tuesday morning near Goldendale, died at The Dalles hospital at 6:15 this morning.

The youths, arrested on the Oregon side of the Columbia as they attempted to cross the river on a ferry while hidden in the bin of a fuel truck, waived extradition last night and have been returned to Goldendale, Wash.

## Shooting Confessed

They are Robert C. Jennings, 18, and John W. A. Windmayer, 16, both Yakima. Jennings verbally confessed to the shooting of Gulden, Oregon State Police Sgt. Charles U'Ren said. The youth told the Oregon officer he shot Gulden with a .38 caliber revolver after Gulden stopped the boys in the third car they had stolen Monday night after holding up a grocery store at Yakima.

## Hit All Day

After the shooting the youths admitted taking Gulden's car. Officers Dow Simpson and Tom B. Helvey of the Oregon state police made the capture at the ferry landing last night at 8 o'clock. The youths had been hiding all day yesterday in an old building on the Washington shore of the Columbia river directly across from The Dalles, while possemen had been combing the Klickitat hills in search of them.

Christmas Tree—The Suburban league is giving a Christmas tree and party tonight (Wednesday) for children and grown-ups. Time is 8 p. m. in the Shasta school gym. Everyone is invited.

## TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

OIL TO BURN — For Union heating oils phone 8404, Klamath Oil Co., 615 Klamath ave. 12-31m

OIL BURNER SERVICE, PHONE 7149. 12-23

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# PLANES TAKE CRACK AT JAPS ON SUMATRA

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Akyab during the daytime yesterday and last night and strafed an enemy motor transport column in the Myittha valley north of Akyab.

On the New Guinea front, allied troops chalked up small new gains yesterday in hammering at Japanese forces trapped in the Buna sector.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said the Japanese were fighting desperately in "intricate and thoroughly prepared positions" along a narrow strip of beach.

Still another Japanese attempt to bring sea-borne supplies to the beleaguered forces at Buna was frustrated when American Flying Fortresses sank an enemy ship disguised with tree branches and foliage to make it resemble an island. Sunk off New Britain, the vessel was apparently en route to New Guinea.

## Motorists Warned To Keep Windshield Clear; Arrests Made

With winter definitely under way in the Klamath basin Chief of Police Earl Heuvel issued a warning to motorists who have been in the habit of scratching a "peep hole" on their windshields and driving with obstructed vision.

Several arrests were made by police during the last cold spell. Heuvel said, these persons charged with operating their cars without sufficient vision. Some accidents occurred in which windshields were not cleaned of collected frost and snow.

## OBITUARIES

CHARLES MESSICK Charles Messick, for the last 36 years a resident of Macdoel, Calif., passed away in this city at the home of his daughter on Wednesday, December 23, 1942 at 4:00 a. m. following an illness of one month. He was a native of Grant county, Indiana and at the time of his death was aged 81 years 3 months and 11 days.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Dora May Messick, one daughter, Mrs. Nettie Schimmesky of Klamath Falls, and one son, Roy Messick of Monterey, Calif. He remains rest in the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth, where friends may call. Notice of funeral to be announced Thursday.

## ALBERT SCOTT HARRISON

Albert Scott Harrison, for the last 40 years a resident of Klamath Falls, Ore., passed away in this city Tuesday, December 22, 1942, at 12:30 p. m. following a brief illness. He was a native of Ridgeville, W. Va., and at the time of his death was aged 81 years and 23 days. Surviving is his wife, Mrs. Frances Harrison of this city. The remains rest in the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth. Notice of funeral will be announced at this time.

Book Missing—Virgil Stewart of Bonanza reported to officers that his gasoline rationing book, issued to a 1941 GMC truck, was missing this week.

# Christmas Cards Held Up, But It's Nothing Very New

If you haven't heard from Aunt Mammie back in Oshkosh, or Uncle Otto, who always remembers you with a card from the old home in Missouri, don't be surprised. On the postoffice shelf there are some 4000 Christmas cards not yet delivered and one or more may have your name on it.

Burt Hawkins, Klamath Falls postmaster, said the pile of undelivered Christmas cards was nothing new. All carry the one and one-half cent stamps and cannot be returned to the sender for that reason.

After the Christmas rush is over, clerks will sit down and go through the mail and attempt to direct some of the thousands of cards. Those not in the directory will be opened and in the event they carry money or valuable contents, an effort will be made to return the material to the sender.

Hawkins said it was a wise trick to put a two-cent stamp and a return address on Christmas cards or holiday notes. It's safer, he observed.

## Oregon News Notes

By The Associated Press School Superintendent Ralph E. Dugdale of Portland said today the federal office of education is planning to ask Portland schools to set up 30 nurseries to take care of the children of the

35,000 women who will be employed in war plants by March 1. . . . North Bend and Marshfield city councils have called a joint meeting January 6 to consider petitions to merge the two towns into a community to be known as Coos Bay. . . .

The skeleton of an elderly woman found near Portland was tentatively identified as that of Mary M. Cox, presumed to have died a year ago. . . . Named by the ODT to assist truck drivers in making appeals for more mileage were John Schmick, Bend; Andrew Smith, Salem; Robert Ebersole, Eugene; Chester Phillips, LaGrande, and Ben Hoice, Astoria. . . .

Carl C. Donaghy, U. S. district attorney, was named chairman of the Oregon committee for the national foundation for infantile paralysis' celebration of President Roosevelt's birthday. . . . Henry H. Young, Hillsboro, was elected president of the Northwest Oregon Funeral Directors' association. . . .

Accused of commandeering a taxicab in Portland and forcing the woman driver to accompany him to Roseburg, Virgil Ray Kaufman, 18, Portland, was indicted by the Clackamas county grand jury on charges of kidnapping and assault and robbery.

## Temporary 1943 Auto Licenses Available Here

Temporary 1943 auto license stickers may now be obtained at the auto license and examiners' bureau in the basement of the courthouse, according to Sheriff Lloyd Low. He said applications are coming in slower than usual this year.

Those who make application for 1943 licenses through the courthouse office pay \$5.25. Permanent stickers for the year will be sent them from the secretary of state's office. No licenses will be issued at the courthouse on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

To Marshfield—Mr. and Mrs. James Hawkins and son, Douglas, plan to leave soon after Christmas for Marshfield where they will remain until Hawkins receives a call for service. He has recently completed the CPT course offered here. Hawkins is a former employe of the First National bank.

Library to Close—The city library will close at 6 p. m. Christmas eve, Thursday.

## PINE TREE

Doors Open at 1:30 & 8:15

NOW! 2 Grand New Stars You'll Cheer — in 2 Rave-Provoking Hits!



Your "Sister Blain" JANET BLAIR with GEORGE RAFT PAT O'BRIEN in BROADWAY



Introducing Gloria Warren the 16 year old bundle of sunshine who sings like a million!

"ALWAYS IN MY HEART" with Kay Francis Walter Huston

# 22 PERISH AS ROCKS CRUSH MOTOR COACH

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bus behind. I got my legs through a broken window and they pulled me out. Outside I saw that huge rock resting where the front of the bus should have been.

Manko is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh. His pal, James Burger, who was riding beside him on the rear seat, died after being taken to a hospital.

Woman Dies John A. McCarthy, of Monaca, regaining consciousness, asked the undertaker driving him from the wreckage to the hospital: "Oh, where am I? What happened?"

Helen Phillips, 27, of Aliquippa, suffered severe shock and lacerations and is in the Rochester hospital.

Miss Martha L. Gearing, 33, of Pittsburgh, a traveling supervisor for the federal public housing authority, the only other woman rider, lost her life.

Hans Norland Insurance.

## NOW TOWER

SHE'S TNT! MEET THE WOMAN BEHIND THE NEWS FLASHES!

STAND BY ALL NETWORKS

with FLORENCE RICE

PLUS RUSSELL HAYDEN

TWO TAXI

## ESQUIRE

Last 2 Days! MEET TISH... AND HOW!



YEAR'S COMEDY SURPRISE! 'Tish' with Marjorie MAIN

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Advertisement for Philip Morris cigarettes: "This Christmas—CALL FOR PHILIP MORRIS America's FINEST Cigarette Holiday Wrappings"

Advertisement for Rainbow musical: "Now! RAINBOW Now! THE HAPPINESS Hit! There's Magic In Music SECOND BIG FEATURE HE CLIMBED FROM THE CELLAR OF CRIME! BOWERY BOY A Republic Picture with DENNIS O'KEEFE LOUISE CAMPBELL JIMMY LYDON"

Advertisement for Sin Town musical: "The Glory Hole of the Booming Oil Towns! SIN TOWN starring CONSTANCE BENNETT BROD CRAWFORD ANNE GWYNNE ANDY DEVINE WARD BOND Extra — Pete Smith Brevity — Color Cartoon"

Advertisement for Broadway musical: "Your 'Sister Blain' JANET BLAIR with GEORGE RAFT PAT O'BRIEN in BROADWAY Introducing Gloria Warren the 16 year old bundle of sunshine who sings like a million! 'ALWAYS IN MY HEART' with Kay Francis Walter Huston"

Advertisement for Holiday Inn musical: "SING! DANCE! LAUGH! WHAT A HAPPY HOLIDAY! Irving Berlin's HOLIDAY INN starring FRED CROSBY - ASTAIRE with Marjorie Reynolds Virginia Dale Walter Abel A Mark Sandrich Production LYRICS AND MUSIC BY IRVING BERLIN Screen Play by Claude Rinyon Adaptation by Elmer Rice A Paramount Picture"