

CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL AWARDED SF COMMANDER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 (AP)—Commander Herbert E. Schonland, who was "too damned busy" fighting fire and water to take command of the badly damaged cruiser San Francisco when all his superiors were killed or wounded, received the congressional medal of honor today from President Roosevelt.

Schonland was damage control officer of the cruiser in her action against numerically superior Japanese forces in the battle off Savo Island the night of November 12-13, and he sent word to Lt. Commander Bruce McCandless on the bridge to take charge of the ship. From the interior of the vessel, he informed the bridge: "I'm too damned busy down here fighting fire and water."

The San Francisco, although heavily hit, survived a major battle off Savo Island November 12-13, and ultimately reached port.

Before the commander's wife and daughter Dianne, the president read this citation:

"In the same violent night engagement in which all of his superior officers were killed or wounded, Lt. Commander Schonland was fighting valiantly to free the San Francisco of large quantities of water flooding the second deck compartments through numerous shell holes caused by enemy fire. Upon being informed that he was commanding officer, he ascertained that the conning of the ship was being efficiently handled, then directed the officer who had taken over that task to continue while he himself resumed the vitally important work of maintaining the stability of the ship.

"In water waist-deep, he carried on his efforts in darkness illuminated only by hand-lanterns until water in flooded compartments had been drained or pumped off and water-tight integrity had again been restored to the San Francisco."

Sugar, Coffee Borrowing Okeh, But Pay It Back

"Over the back fence" borrowing of sugar and coffee between housewives who occasionally find themselves up against it is all right, said the state OPA today, provided the sugar or coffee is eventually repaid in equal quantity. Such loans do not require the surrender of sugar or coffee stamps.

Consumers who obtain sugar or coffee with their war ration Book 1 and then just give part of it away are defeating the "fair share" aim of rationing, and are also violating the regulations, the OPA points out. The only gifts permitted of these rationed items, it was explained, are to charitable or religious organizations.

Negro Private to Hang for Murder Of Polish Seaman

LONDON, Jan. 5 (AP)—Private Sammie Mickles, a 23-year-old negro from Citronelle, Ala., was sentenced by a general court-martial in Glasgow, December 30, to be hanged for the murder of Jan Ciapciak, a Polish seaman, United States army headquarters here announced Monday.

Mickles was the first American soldier to be given the death sentence in Britain since the war began.

All such proceedings are subject to review by President Roosevelt.

The court-martial found that Mickles had "deliberately, maliciously and unlawfully" killed Ciapciak on the night of November 18.

ALIBI
SAN DIEGO, Calif., (AP)—If you didn't receive Christmas greetings from friends and relatives in San Diego don't be too harsh.

Postmaster Don Stewart discovered thousands of letters—and probably many parcels—were placed in trash cans which newcomers took for mail boxes.

Stewart asked city officials to change the appearance of the cans.

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Twenty million meteors enter the earth's atmosphere every day. Of this number at least one a day reaches the surface of the world.

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OUR MEN IN SERVICE



BROTHERS — Lieut. Alfred E. Reed (left) of the U. S. Army air force received his silver pilot's wings December 13, in company with a large graduating class at Lubbock field, Tex.

Members of this class, who skipped entirely the primary trainers in which cadets usually learn to fly, are to become instructors at basic flying schools in gulf coast training centers. Lieut. Reed enlisted in the air force a year ago, is 27 years old. Pvt. Charles L. Reed (right) is now with a U. S. army infantry division somewhere in Alaska. He is 23 years old, enlisted in February, 1940. Both men are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cross of Fort Klamath.

PARATROOPER — Francis Durbin, son of Mrs. Robert High, 524 High street, is now at Ft. Bragg, N. C., member of the 504 paratroop infantry, 82nd division (airborne). The 82nd is famous as the former division of Sergeant York, World War I hero. Durbin is transferring soon to Benning, Ga., where he expects to enter the riggers school, and will take a course in the care and packing of parachutes. He is a former student of KUHS and spent a furlough in Klamath Falls during November.



Charles Rice, second class petty officer, machinists mate, in the U. S. naval reserves, is spending a two-week leave here with his brother, Merwyn Rice of Weyerhaeuser, and other members of his family. His station is Corpus Christi, Tex.

where he is a member of a Catalina crew. Rice has been in the navy for 14 months, and this is his first leave. He was employed at Weyerhaeuser before his enlistment.

SKIING SAILOR — Joe G. Paulazo, S. F. 3/c, now with Uncle Sam's navy, wrote in a letter recently to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Gruber, manager of Chilcoquin that he had spent a week-end skiing during the holidays at one of the many ski resorts near Boston, where he is stationed. "It's so snowy here today and it makes me homesick," wrote Joe. He is a former resident of Chilcoquin.

Art E. Anderson of Klamath Falls has enlisted in the navy and is now stationed at Farragut naval training station, Lake Pend Oreille, Ida. Before his enlistment last month, Anderson worked as a carpenter on the Farragut station, so he should feel at home in his new rating—carpenters mate third class. His wife, Lucile R. Anderson, will join her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Rozum at Tillamook, Ore. Both Mr. and Mrs. Rozum and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson lived in Klamath Falls for many years before leaving to take up defense work.

With seven members of her family in Uncle Sam's armed forces, Mrs. Charlie Dutton of Route 1, holds something of a record. Mrs. Dutton has four brothers in the service: Maurice Doyon, youngest of the group, enlisted in the army, December 8, 1941, and is now a mechanic gunner, battery E, stationed at San Francisco. Maurice lived here with his sister for a year prior to his enlistment at the Klamath Falls station and was employed by the Southern Pacific company.

Louis Doyon, who also lived here with his sister in 1934, is the only one in foreign service, with a medical battalion in Australia, where he went in March of this year. He enlisted in the army just a year previous to his sailing for the land down under. Second Lieutenant Eugene and

Emery Doyon, with the medical corps, complete the roster of the brothers.

Mrs. Dutton's sister, Ensign Almee Rose Goyon, enlisted in the nurses corps in May, 1942, and is now stationed at the U. S. naval hospital in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Dutton's step-son, Corporal Orin Dutton, is now stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., and her son, Henry David, is expecting his call to duty in the air corps reserve soon.

Cards received here during the holidays from Meredith D. Hutchens, son of Lula B. Hutchens of the Klamath Falls post-office, disclosed that he is now located in the accounting department at Kodiak, Alaska. Hutchens, a former Oregon State college student, was working in Alaska when he entered the service.

WAR-END TO SEE PROPERTY RETURN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 (AP)—Seventeen allied belligerent governments and the French national committee served notice on the axis and its beneficiaries today that property rights in countries now occupied by them will be restored to their rightful owners when the axis is ejected. The French national committee, state department officials explained, is the fighting French national committee headed by Gen. Charles de Gaulle in London.

In a declaration made public by the state department the signatories emphasized they had reference to all property rights or interests which have changed hands through enemy action "whether such transfers or dealings have taken the form of open looting or plunder or of transactions apparently legal in form." The declaration applies even to such transfers of property which "purport to be voluntarily effected," such as the disposal of homes, businesses or securities whose owners were terrorized into signing them away.

Rent it through the classified.

MISSIONARY WILL SPEAK AT DINNER

Young people of the First Presbyterian church will sponsor a dinner in the church dining room, Thursday, January 7, at 6:15 p. m., to welcome the Rev. Frederick Appleton, returned missionary from Cebu, The Philippines. The Rev. Mr. Appleton left the island just before the Japanese invasion. He is touring the Japanese invasion in the interests of the Presbyterian missions in the Orient.

Rev. Appleton is a graduate of Occidental college, Princeton Theological seminary and has received the degree of Master of Theology from the San Francisco Theological seminary, San Anselmo. While serving in the Philippines he filled various positions aside from missionary work such as trustee of Silliman university and superintending various construction projects. During his stay here he will speak and show colored pictures.

The dinner will be potluck, the Rev. A. Theodore Smith announced, and is for young people, adults and their friends. Altamont and Mt. Laki young people are expected to attend.

DISEASE REPORT SHOWS FEW CASES

Communicable diseases for this season of the year are given an extremely low rating, according to Dr. Peter H. Rozendal, Klamath county health officer, who reports comparatively few "catching cases."

Three cases of diphtheria are being treated at the isolation hospital, including two adults and one child. There was one death from diphtheria during the past 10 days, the victim a four-year-old child. The cases were reported from the Malin area but no new ones have occurred this week. A mild type flu is prevalent, Dr. Rozendal said, but the cases of mumps and chickenpox are below normal.

Brig.-Gen. Praises Strides Made by Oregon State Guard

(Editor's Note: The following article was written by Sgt. O. J. Horns of the Oregon State Guard.)

Recently Brig.-Gen. Cowgill, commander of the Oregon state guards, spoke at a Rotary luncheon here. He expressed a great deal of pride and satisfaction that the state guards had made such progress. In number of men enlisted our strength is now greater than the national guard was at the time it became part of the regular army.

Although the guards are chiefly composed of infantry companies, there are a number of mounted companies and three companies of engineers made up entirely of employees of the state highway department. These last named companies, the engineers, have made surveys of every bridge, road and culvert along

the coast and have been practicing demolition, by day and night, so that in the event of invasion the bridges would be destroyed immediately.

General Cowgill made a special trip to Klamath Falls to solicit the aid of the people in support of the state guard companies here. Oddly enough, Klamath county, which has always "gone over the top" in every war effort to date, has not provided enough men to bring the local state guard companies to full strength.

Company C meets every Wednesday evening and needs more men. The military training will do anyone a lot of good and every patriotic citizen should give a hand in this work of providing military protection for this area. Join up with the guards this Wednesday.

Intensive Anti-Disease Program Nears Completion

An intensive diphtheria-smallpox program involving hundreds of school children in both city and county schools, is nearing completion for the year, it was learned Tuesday from Dr. Peter H. Rozendal, county health officer.

Dr. Rozendal said he had finished the work in the county but due to several cases of diphtheria which have appeared recently in the Malin area, he will return Wednesday of next week to Malin and give the

Schick test and toxoid shots to those who had not taken part in the earlier program.

The health officer will go to Fremont and Fairview city schools Wednesday to give the second toxoid shots, to Mills Thursday morning and Conger in the afternoon, and next Monday will wind up at Pelican and Riverside.

Next week Dr. Rozendal has made plans to start an industrial tuberculin test program starting in the mills of the county.

BEN LAWSHE WILL ADDRESS ROTARY

Ben Lawshe, in charge of organization divisions of the United States chamber of commerce, Washington D. C., will be the speaker at the Friday noon meeting of the Klamath Falls Rotary club at the Willard hotel.

All directors of the Klamath county chamber of commerce

have been asked to attend and any other chamber of commerce members are invited and may make reservations with the Rotary secretary, R. D. Eller.

The January war savings program, under the direction of Rotary, will be outlined by Mitchell Tillotson, chairman.

PHYSICAL STANDARDS RISE

Standards of physique and cleanliness are at least hundred-fold better now than they were 30 years ago, and at least 50 per cent better than they were 12 years ago.

SECOND SEMESTER DRAWS TO CLOSE

This week ends the second semester in both elementary schools of the city and Klamath Union high school and grades will be issued by Wednesday of next week, according to Superintendent Arnold L. Gralapp.

A check on pupil enrollment Monday was more than satisfactory, Gralapp reported, with a better attendance than the week prior to Christmas when colds held many children at home.

The three first grades at Roosevelt school, excused early in the holidays due to the appearance of scarlet fever in one of the rooms, have resumed studies and no new cases have been reported.

Several Klamath Union high school with the opening of the new semester, these courses to be announced next week.

COMMON MAN

SALT LAKE CITY, (AP)—Business on the Western Airline flight yesterday was too good for the convenience of W. A. Coulter of Burbank, Calif., president of the company.

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