

Supporters Of Merger Await Truman Views

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Senate supporters of a single department of national defense turned a hopeful ear today toward President Truman and a cold shoulder in the direction of the house.

Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross said yesterday Mr. Truman probably would send his views on the subject to Capitol Hill before next week's Christmas recess. And at least one proponent of plans to consolidate all land, sea and air forces under a single cabinet post said he was confident the White House message would favor the idea. He asked not to be quoted by name, however.

Potent Voices
Meanwhile, two potent voices in the senate were raised against identical bills introduced in the house earlier this week calling for an independent air force with cabinet status. The bills were offered by Chairman Andrew J. May (D-Ky.) and Carl Vinson (D-Ga.) of the house military and naval committees as their answer to army-navy merger suggestions.

Senator Hill (D-Ala.), democratic whip and staunch advocate of unification, said the May-Vinson proposals "would make the present situation worse."

"Under it instead of two separate commands at Pearl Harbor, we would have had three," the Alabama senator told a reporter. "There would be more lack of coordination, more separatism, and more lack of team play."

Legion Heads Attend Meet

TULELAKE—Al Houseman, Redding, commander of district No. 2, American Legion and Mrs. Helen Sherman, Yreka, district president of the auxiliary, were official visitors at a district meeting held here Sunday, December 9. Delegates were present from Dunsmuir, Weed, Yreka, Greenview, Weaverville and Tulelake.

Ruth Kadous, rehabilitation chairman for the auxiliary, reported that the box sent annually at Christmas time for veterans had been sent to the distribution center at Redding.

Olny Rudd, commander of Tulelake post No. 184, presided at the Legion session with Mrs. Naomi Kurtz, president of the auxiliary in the chair.

Following the business meetings, 100 hosts and guests gathered for dinner at the Roosevelt. Toastmaster for the evening was Clark W. Fensler, past commander of the post.

The annual Christmas party attended by 200 was an event of Tuesday night, planned by both organizations. Potluck at 7 o'clock was followed by an exchange of gifts from the tree.

War Vets Invited To Attend Meeting

A special school of instruction for all fourth district American Legion post service officers will be conducted in Klamath Falls Thursday from 1:30 to 5 p. m. under the supervision of Harry Stengel, state chairman of the rehabilitation commission.

Following the special class will be a banquet at the Willard hotel with a general meeting at 7:45 in the high school auditorium. Veterans and their families and friends are invited to attend the meeting.

The average capacity of American oil refineries is about 5,000,000 barrels a day.

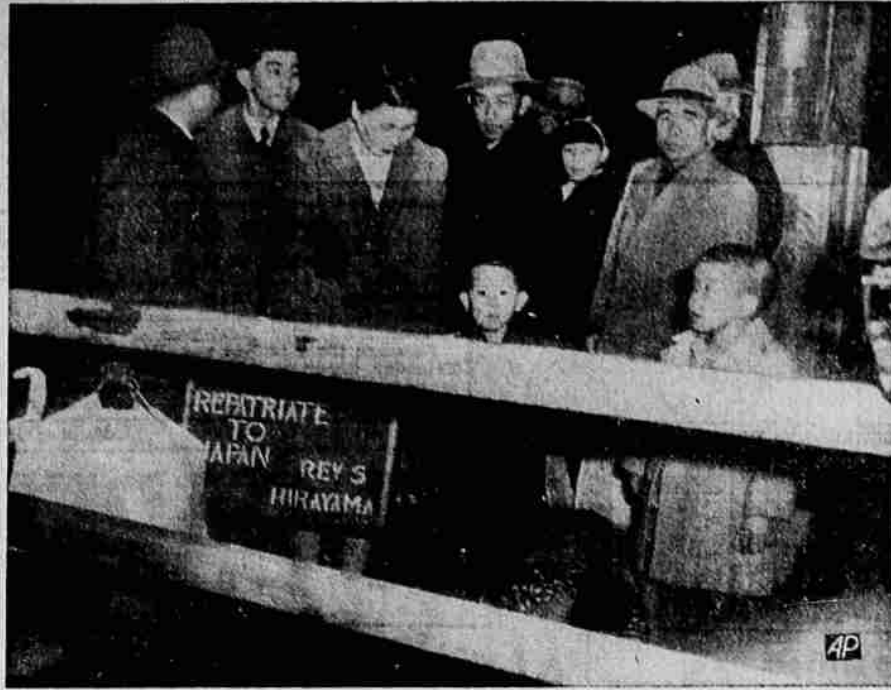


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Jap Repatriates Board Liner Enroute Home



This is the Hiyaroma family and friends, one of the groups of Japanese repatriates who boarded the liner Matsonia in Seattle for removal to Japan. Most came from Texas internment camps. (AP Wirephoto).

Day's News

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present methods of handling industrial disputes results in sweeping changes, it may be taken for granted that they will be RADICAL changes—changes that ultra-conservatives WON'T like.

IF it is gone, into honestly and sincerely, with the welfare of the WHOLE public the guiding motive, this idea of a fact-finding board has great possibilities—IF the boards are made up of men able enough, fair-minded enough and COURAGEOUS enough to get the facts ACCURATELY and present them to the public FEARLESSLY.

IF that were done, the LARGE and INFLUENTIAL body of unprejudiced public opinion that really does exist in this country would be pretty certain to FORCE a settlement that would be fair and decent.

THIS much should be understood: The public—meaning by "public" this large and influential body of unprejudiced good citizens that really DOES exist—is becoming FRIGHTENED by the direction industrial disputes in America are taking. It is too close to civil WAR—and we're fed up by now with war in all its forms.

SOMETHING is pretty likely to be done, and without wise leadership it may take shapes that will be acutely unpleasant.

"Blue" Baby's Condition Grave

BALTIMORE, Dec. 12 (AP)—The condition of Judy Hickman, 2, Buckley, Wash., "blue" baby was described as critical today by Dr. Erwin L. Crosby, assistant director of the Johns Hopkins hospital.

The child was operated on Saturday morning by Dr. Alfred Bialock, professor of surgery at Hopkins, in an attempt to augment her deficient supply of oxygenated blood.

METHODISTS LEAD
SALEM, Dec. 12 (AP)—Students at Willamette university belong to 22 religious denominations, Prof. John L. Knight, university religious counsellor, said today.

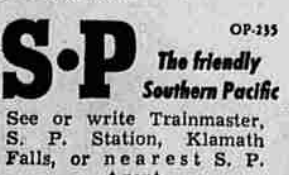
Methodists lead with 218 members on the campus. Other leading denominations are Presbyterian 92, Episcopal 35, Catholic 32, Baptist 30, Congregational 22, and Lutheran 21.

Anise seed, now baked in rolls and found to be good for colicky babies, is mentioned in the Bible.



SKILLED MECHANICS WANTED!

Southern Pacific, the West's biggest railroad, has plenty of good jobs open at many places along the line for skilled machinists, carmen, pipfitters, signalmen, plumbers, boiler-makers, and sheet metal workers. Good pay, good working conditions, plenty of big extras, like insurance and pass privileges, hospital and medical care, fine retirement pension plan. See S.P. today—a good outfit to be with. Plenty of work.



Johnson Freed On \$1000 Bond

Robert Earl Johnson, 33, who was booked at the county jail for assault while armed with a dangerous weapon after a shooting fray at Lucca's cafe Monday night, has been released on \$1000 cash bond.

Although the complaint against the ex-serviceman has been signed by Ray McKay, a whom Johnson fired one wild shot, no formal charges had been placed against him this morning.

Johnson was arrested by state police shortly after the shooting. He had fired at McKay but missed when Mrs. Lilly May McKay leaped between the two men and grabbed Johnson's arm.

Government Has Town For Sale

PORTLAND, Dec. 12 (AP)—The government has a town for sale.

The reconstruction finance corporation office here announced that a surplus town—complete with churches, stores, factory, and homes for 1000 families—is on sale.

The town lies midway between Las Vegas and Boulder dam, Nev., and covers the facilities operated by Basic Magnesium, Inc., during the war.

Roosevelt Tavern Changes Ownership

TULELAKE—Roosevelt tavern on the Alturas highway near Hatfield, changed ownership effective this week.

Sale of the tavern by William Butcher, formerly of Redding, to Clarence Spilato, James Brownfield and Harry Hein, all of Klamath Falls, was announced today. No consideration was given. The new owners stated they would offer bar service daily and dining service each day except Wednesday.

Christmas Mailing Picks Up Here

Christmas mailing is picking up at the Klamath Falls post office as December 25th draws nearer.

Long tables have been placed in the lobby for the convenience of patrons, in case packages need to be re-wrapped.

Four more veterans have been added to aid with the season's extra business. They are Rollin A. Sparrocks, clerk, Lewis H. Luking, Martin D. Froid and Oren C. Lewis, carriers.

TO DIE

THE HAGUE, Dec. 12 (AP)—Anton Mussert, leader of the Dutch Nazi party, was sentenced to death by a special court today following his conviction on charges of collaborating with the Germans.

PROMOTED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—President Truman today nominated Capt. Jack Duncan of Tacoma, Wash., for promotion to the rank of rear admiral.

The porcupine is slow and stupid and these characteristics have been the salvation of more than one lost hunter and woodsman. Of all the forest animals the "porkey" is the only one which an unarmed man, sick from hunger and exposure, can kill with a stick or a stone.

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Ford Rejects Wage Demand

DETROIT, Dec. 12 (AP)—The Ford Motor company informed the CIO United Auto Workers today that it did not believe this was "the time" for settling their general wage problem.

"We feel that a general increase such as you propose," a Ford statement to the union said, "would amount to a very heavy mortgage on the future of all of us."

Ford gave its statement to the union on the latter's demand for a 30 per cent wage increase a few hours after President Truman had named his fact-finding board to inquire into the General Motors strike based on the same union demand.

The Ford answer to the UAW-CIO said the company felt any discussion on wages must "consider our joint ability" to increase and attain full production.

The company said it would need further time to study the union's "company security" proposal providing for discharge of leaders of wildcat strikers and financial penalties against participants.

Old Man With White Beard To Take Christmas Orders

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of handling it was a ticklish one, Hal Ogle, KFPA superintendent, reported, as the limbs were stiff with ice and snow and the least jar would snap them off.

California Oregon Power company has offered to furnish help in erecting the tree.

An SOS for outdoor lights and decorations is being sent out by the tree committee and anyone having such to lend for this occasion is requested to call 3283.

The chamber of commerce urges everyone with the necessary paraphernalia to decorate and light Christmas trees this year. Due to incomplete supplies of wiring, sockets and colored lights there will be no contest in home decorating for 1945, but again in 1946 this tradition will be resumed, it was announced.

ANTI-RACKETEERING ACT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—The house today approved legislation applying the 1934 anti-racketeering act to labor unions.

The action, taken by a voice vote, sends the bill to the senate. That chamber once before had refused to approve a similar house-passed bill.

RAINBOW
Box Office Open 6:45
★ ENDS TONITE! ★

SWAMP WATER
Walter Brown
Walter Huston
Anna Baxter
Dana Andrews

SWANEE
DARRELL
FAYE
LARRY PARKS

★ Starts Thursday! ★
SHIP OF SHADOWS and WHISPERS!

DANGEROUS PASSAGE
Robert LOWERY
Phyllis BROOKS

PLUS!
"LOUISIANA GAL"

Grand Jury To Meet Monday

Originally slated for tomorrow, the grand jury for the December term of circuit court will meet Monday to consider cases which have come up since the last meeting in June.

The same men, with one exception, who were on the last grand jury have been held over for this term. D. F. Lawton, who is no longer a resident of Klamath county, has been removed from the panel and another jurymen will be selected to take his place Monday.

Charles Thomas is foreman of the jury and other members are Clinton Landis, Donald Smith, Edward P. Ivory, George Biehn and C. C. Colvin.

At present the district attorney's office has 29 cases to bring before the grand jury. Witnesses in the cases are to be called and the state's evidence outlined. The jury will then decide whether to return indictments or not true bills.

Some of the 29 cases may be cleared up before the jury meets.

Jap To Testify In McVay Trial

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Commander Ike Hashimoto, former Japanese naval officer, will testify tomorrow in the court-martial of Captain Charles B. McVay, third, prosecution officials announced today.

Hashimoto was skipper of the Japanese submarine I-58, which Japanese sources have said sunk the Indianapolis as she was en route from Guam to Leyte shortly after midnight last July 30. He was flown here from Tokyo for interrogation in connection with McVay's trial.

McVay, the skipper of the Indianapolis, is being tried on charges of inefficiency and negligence in the loss of his ship.

Klamath Spuds Travel To Japan

Klamath Falls potatoes travel far.

Today the Klamath County chamber of commerce received an empty spud sack stamped "5th Marine Division, Kyushu, Japan," together with a letter.

The letter was from Col. Bernard Dubel, former commanding officer at the Klamath Falls Marine Barracks. He said he was poking around the galley of headquarters service troop, 5th marine division, when he spied the 100-pound sack of Klamath Russets, packed by Cal-Ore Packing company.

He returned the empty sack to the chamber of commerce to let the people know they are helping to feed the marines in Japan.

Mercury Hits Seasonal Low

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an additional hazard: There was a total snow depth this morning of 72 inches at Odell lake, 75 at Sun mountain, and 44 at Government Camp.

Minimum temperatures reported by the commission today include: Odell lake, 15; Santiam junction, 20; Government Camp, 18; Grants Pass, 32; Bend, 19; Roseburg, 36; Eugene, 34; The Dalles, 32; Portland, 28; Salem, 24; Astoria, 31; Coquille, 33; Pendleton, 34; John Day, 19; Burns, 13; Meacham, 14; Baker, 20; La Grande, 26.

The reading here is from the state highway department at Altamont. The CAA report here was 15 degrees above zero.

CITY BRIEFS

To Bremerton — PhM 2/c Clyde McCraw, USN, left Monday for the navy separation center at Bremerton, Wash., to receive his discharge. Mr. and Mrs. McCraw and daughter, Barbara Jean, 14, will return to their home in Hannibal, Mo. They have resided in Klamath Falls the past 14 months. Barbara Jean is a member of the KUHS band and also of Jobs Daughters.

Discharged — T/Sgt. Jim Wright has recently been discharged from the army separation center at Fort Jackson, S. C. Sgt. Wright was inducted in April, 1943, and advises that he will return to work at Weyerhaeuser Camp 6, Beatty, on his return.

Home — Donald Foster, recently discharged from the navy, is visiting his mother, Letha Foster, 303 Prescott. He joined the navy in June, 1941, and served before his discharge on the USS Portland.

Radio Program — The League of Women Voters will be featured on a radio program to be broadcast December 13, 8:30 to 9:30 p. m. over the American Broadcasting company.

Shopping — Mrs. Hazel Kallma of Malin was shopping in Klamath Falls yesterday.

PINE TREE
Continuous Daily, Open 12:30

★ NOW PLAYING! ★
A THRILLING SALUTE TO OUR FAMOUS LEATHERNECKS!

PRIDE OF THE MARINES

John GARFIELD
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PLUS! The Surprise Hit of the Year!

LOVABLE! LAUGHABLE! LIVELY!

THE CHEATERS

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IT'S GOT that SWING

SWINGIN' ON A RAINBOW

JANE FRAZEE
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★ STARTS TODAY! ★
2 SMASH HITS!

TOWER

FREE PARKING PHONE 8484
—DOORS OPEN 6:45—

A great drama of the human heart!

Dorothy MCGUIRE
Robert YOUNG
HAROLD MARSHALL

The Enchanted Cottage

with Mildred NATWICK
Spring BYINGTON
Richard GAINES

PLUS!
"LOUISIANA GAL"

3 Planes Seek Missing Helicat

Improved flying conditions permitted three patrol planes to leave the Klamath naval air station this afternoon to continue the search for the Helicat and pilot, missing since December 3.

A report from Francis Brown, Crystal rancher, that he heard a plane in distress at about 1 o'clock the afternoon the Helicat was last reported, sent planes into that area. Just how long the navy will continue the search was not made known today.

Shopping—Among the Christmas shoppers in Klamath Falls Tuesday was Mrs. Hugh O'Connor of Merrill.

From the Valley — Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Thomas of Langell valley were shopping in Klamath Falls Tuesday.

Store Party — The staff of Whytal's shop will hold its annual Christmas party Thursday evening at Sari's.

Highway Commission Will Open Bids

SALEM, Dec. 12 (AP)—The state highway commission will meet in Portland Thursday and Friday to open bids on 19 projects costing \$3,000,000.

The commission said a record number of bids might be submitted, because 225 sets of plans and specifications have been mailed by the commission to contractors at the latter's request.

ESQUIRE
—Doors Open 1:30-6:45—

★ HURRY! ★
LEAVES TODAY!
RHAPSODY in BLUE

with ROBERT ALDA
as George Gerhardt
JOAN LESLIE
ALEXIS SMITH
CHARLES COUBURN

THURSDAY!

THE PRIVATE LOVES of a PUBLIC FIGURE
(...and what a figure!)

TIGER WOMAN

ADELE MARA
KANE RICHMOND
RICHARD WEAVER
PRODY STEWART

IT'S GOT that SWING

SWINGIN' ON A RAINBOW

JANE FRAZEE
BRAD TAYLOR

★ STARTS THURSDAY! ★
The Story of a Woman Every Woman Fears!

DIVORCE

KAY FRANCES
BRUCE CABOT
HELEN MACK

MYSTERY!!

Shanghai COBRA
with SIDNEY TOLIER
Benson Fong
Joan Barclay

★ STARTS TODAY! ★
2 SMASH HITS!

PLUS!

Riotous 2nd Hit!
... The Bulliest Fun-Fiesta Ever!!

A COUPLE OF TORRID TOREADORS!

★ LAUREL HARDY ★
★ OLIVER ★
The Bullfighters
with MARGO WOOD
RICHARD LANE

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