

# War Department Reports 229,238 Dead In Battle

Casualty lists for World War II released by the war department set the number of army deaths at 229,238 for all theaters, and the total number of battle casualties of all types, including wounded, injured, captured and missing, at 948,418. The figures cover the period from December 7, 1941, through February 28, 1946.

The difference of 719,180 between the total casualties and the total deaths represents 691,700 returned to duty, 16,273 currently carried as wounded, 3083 former prisoners of war not yet accounted for, 7814 missing in action still subject to search, and 310 who died while in captivity and were already counted in the total deaths figure. The figures do not include such non-battle casualties as illness not the result of action, training accidents, domestic plane crashes, and traffic deaths and injuries traceable to civil life.

The war department cautioned against considering the total casualty figure of 948,418 as representing that many individuals. Many persons were injured or wounded twice, and other individuals fell into two or more casualty categories; for example, a man wounded and then captured is counted as two casualties. Figures on the number of separate persons who became casualties were not available.

The European theater, with the greatest manpower, suffered the highest number of casualties in all brackets. Of the 592,074 total battle casualties recorded in the ETO, 106,261 were killed in action; 306,075 were wounded in action, of whom 16,240 later died; 76,671 were captured and 778 of this group died, and 23,067 became missing of whom 8798 later died or were declared dead. The Mediterranean theater, with 178,602 total casualties and 43,200 deaths, was second in total casualties followed in order by the Pacific theater commands, the China-Burma-India theater, Africa-Middle East, United States army strategic air forces (the B-29 command in the CBI and Pacific areas), Alaskan department and the Caribbean and South Atlantic areas. A total of 835 battle casualties, including 548 deaths, were listed as "en route and not chargeable to any command."

The total number of persons killed in action reached 173,441. The other 55,797 included in the battle-deaths total of 229,238 were broken down as follows: 26,908 died of wounds or injuries suffered in action; 9617 died while captured as prisoners of war or as internees of neutral countries; and 19,272 on whom an administrative of death was made under Public Law 490, 77th congress, while in a missing status, or were reported dead. Missing persons total 51,115, but the end of the war has solved many of these cases. A total of 24,029 persons missing in action were returned to duty, and 19,272 were determined to have died. The dwindling list of persons still carried as missing

## 3 Reeder Boys Back From War

The three Reeder boys, Gerald N. Allen, A., and Lyle W., are all home from the war now to join their brother, Artias D., of Klamath Falls, who was refused by the service because of an injured eardrum.

Gerald enlisted in the army in Vancouver, Wash., February 20, 1941. He served first in Alaska and then in Europe and was discharged July 25, 1945. Allen was inducted in the army July 14, 1943 in Portland. He was sent to the South Pacific war zone and got to Tokyo before returning to the United States where he received his discharge in January, 1946.

Lyle joined the army October 23, 1943. After training at Fort Lewis he went to Alaska and returned to receive his discharge, May 8, 1946.

The four men are the sons of Mrs. A. N. Reeder, Homedale road. Their father passed away about a year ago.

## Basin Rates Bureau Will Meet Tonight

A meeting of the Klamath Basin rates bureau is scheduled for tonight, Monday, at 8 p. m. at the Klamath County chamber of commerce. Purpose of the meeting is to organize and prepare a constitution and by-laws for incorporation, according to Paul Taylor, rates bureau head.

## Crook County Co-Op To Get Warehouse

PRINEVILLE, May 20 (AP)—The Oregon Construction company, Eugene, has started building a 160-foot long warehouse for the Crook County Co-operative, replacing a feed mill and warehouse destroyed by fire. The \$12,000 structure, to be completed soon, is the initial unit in an \$83,000 expansion program to include a new feed mill.

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## Canadian Spy Trial To Start Wednesday

MONTREAL, May 20 (AP)—Fred Rose, communist member of parliament, will go on trial Wednesday on a charge of conspiracy in the Soviet espionage case. The trial was set for today but was continued because certain documents were in use in the Ottawa trial of Edward Mazerall, another defendant. The 38-year-old Polish born labor-progressive is accused of operating as an intermediary in collecting secret information—some of which dealt with atomic research—from other Canadians and forwarding it to Russian agents during the latter part of the war. He also is accused of helping recruit a network of agents in Canada for the purpose of collecting such information.

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## Houston Gets Highest Honor

John H. Houston, Klamath Falls insurance man, Saturday received the highest honor it is possible for his company, Equitable Life Assurance society, to give when he was awarded a medal as Honor Agent for the year at the society's meeting in Chicago last Saturday.

In 1939, the Equitable General Agents and Managers association awarded a medal to the Honor Agent for the year, and each year since they have repeated the award. In 1946 honor went to Houston, Million Dollar producer of Klamath Falls and member of the T. Howard Groves Agency. Houston has been the leading agent of the society in Oregon for many years.

The award was presented to Houston at a special luncheon meeting in Chicago Saturday, attended by delegates from all agencies in the central and western departments of the Equitable.

## DOUBLE TROUBLE

LOS ANGELES, May 20 (AP)—Giving up hope of finding another apartment after receiving an eviction notice, Kenneth Gruse, 22, marine veteran, started loading his trailer, preparing to go back to his home town, Tulsa, Okla.

He made the last trip into the house to get his radio. Gruse is still here, listening to that radio, wondering who drove off with his car, his trailer and his household goods.

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There has been a great deal of speculation, conversation and rumor regarding the bread question and we believe it is necessary that our customers know the facts.

The United States Government Famine Relief Committee is offering a premium of 30 cents a bushel above ceiling prices for all wheat in the hands of the farmer and announces it will continue this offer until late in May. This, of course, makes it impossible for flour mills to purchase wheat for the grinding of flour at the ceiling price and therefore no flour is being sold by flour mills to bakery operators.

In view of the uncertainty of our future flour supply we felt it wise to immediately take steps to be sure that our customers would be taken care of as well as possible during the emergency period which will probably continue through the months of May, June and July.

After reviewing our present stocks of flour on hand and the amounts en route to us from the flour mills we believe we can stretch our supply over the emergency period and continue to supply you with Fluhrer's bread providing no bread is wasted and each consumer will eat just a little less bread each day. To make the bread go 'round as far as possible we are restricting our production as far as practical to small loaves. If you have been buying a large loaf, we ask that you try to make the small loaf do instead.

If we can all cooperate in this great humanitarian effort, no one need go without bread.

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Have you bought your share of Northwest Chemurgy Co-op stock? (Funds go immediately in escrow, and will be disbursed by a local trustee during construction). If you haven't bought stock, remember—the plant may buy only 15% of the potatoes it processes from non-members, and in low-price years when supplies for processing are great, the plant will pro-rate buying according to stock owned.

Assure yourself of a permanent market for your low grade potatoes by buying your stock NOW!

# Have you seen your banker?

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