

SHANGHAI CRASHES KILL, INJURE 85

Bankruptcy Rate Drops

PORTLAND, Dec. 26 (AP)—Prosperity was general in Oregon this year, Estes Snedecor, chief of the federal bankruptcy office for the state, reported today in listing only 213 bankruptcy petitions for the year to December 24.

This was the smallest number for any year since a uniform system was established in 1898, he said, and was 100 fewer than 1945, the previous low year. The total is about 800 under the yearly average, he said. High point was reached the first year of the depression when 1500 were listed.

Snedecor said, however, that in recent months a trend suggests that in lines such as jewelry, night clubs and beer parlors an increase in bankruptcies is in prospect.

GOP Split In Ranks Widens

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Halleck (Ind.) generally has been conceded the inside in the floor leadership contest. Rep. Jenkins (Ohio) and Dirksen (Ill.) are the other announced candidates, and Rep. Brown (Ohio) declared himself "available."

As an example of the heat that has been engendered within the party, Rep. Hoffman (Mich.) lashed out today at what he called "a small clique" of house republicans "hogging all the jobs and trying to run things."

U. S. Spending Sets All-Time Record

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—Americans spent a record \$127,000,000,000 for goods and services this year, or an average of more than \$900 for every man, woman and child in the country. The commerce department's office of business economics which came up with this estimate today said the total is \$21,000,000,000 over last year's previous record.

Courthouse Records

Complaint Filed
Lillian J. Johnson vs. Charley W. Johnson, suit for divorce. Charge, cruel and inhuman treatment. Couple married, Reno, Nev., December 2, 1944. W. Lamar Townsend, attorney for plaintiff.

Marriage Licenses
JOHNSTON—WIGGINS, Charles Harold Johnston, 38, engineer, Native of Minnesota. Resident of Oakland, Calif. Sylvia Wiggins, 36, secretary. Native of England. Resident of Oakland, Calif.
PATYKZ—FAGAN, Patrick J. Patyke, 21, logger. Native of Minnesota. Resident of Bly, Ore. Annie Jewel Fagan, 16, Native of Mississippi. Resident of Bly, Ore.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I wanna report a missing house!"

In The Day's News

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better. They have just captured a village only seven miles from Peiping. Other communist successes have been reported recently.

It is just possible that the name "communist" applied to these northern Chinese rebels may be misleading. Reports from reliable sources have been suggesting that the communist faction in China represents more nearly what the Chinese PEOPLE want than the Kuomintang government.

What the bulk of the Chinese people want, these reports make clear, is a standard of living above the starvation level. It is a reasonable ambition.

Atomic Board Adopts Draft

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containing several comments on the United States proposal.

The commission's working committee will meet tomorrow in closed session to deal with the findings and recommendations. It will work on the United States plan for atomic control, which Bernard M. Baruch, U. S. delegate, has been urging the commission to include as the base of its report to the security council.

Holiday Traffic Toll Reaches 220

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from 6 p. m. Tuesday through Wednesday. A council spokesman said the eventual death toll in highway accidents for the period would be "considerably more than 300."

More than one-fourth of the traffic deaths—61—occurred in California. The heavy toll in highway accidents was blamed by a police traffic official on a "combination of wet streets and drinking." Forty-three of the 61 deaths were reported in a 10-county area near Los Angeles. Rain and fog were reported in the area.

Illinois' violent death toll ranked second with 27, including 22 in traffic mishaps. Nineteen of the fatalities occurred in the Chicago area.

The heaviest single toll on the holiday was the death of five persons in a head-on auto collision near Norristown, Tenn.

One Killed In Yule Eve Auto Wreck

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injured. It is understood that both Dellingers are former employees of the J. Frank Adams ranch at Merrill and the French Johnson place at Tulelake. They are thought to have been en route to spend Christmas Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heaton and the E. C. Lemler family at Merrill.

Five to Hospital

A second Christmas Eve accident at Altamont drive and the Great Northern tracks sent five persons to Hillside hospital. Driver of the car, according to state police, was Victor West Powell, 26, chief petty officer, USN, who told officers he did not see the Great Northern freight as it stood on the tracks across the road. In the car were Mr. and Mrs. Powell, her mother, Mrs. Gertrude Springer, 55, Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bradford Nichols, Bonanza. All were hospitalized but Mrs. Patricia Powell, 23 Bonanza, who was dismissed today.

Powell has head, leg and acute back injuries, Mrs. Springer has a badly bruised head, Elmer Nichols has body injuries, and his wife, 47, music teacher at the Bonanza grade school, was badly bruised. Officers said the highway was slick with ice but that two signs, a "stop" and a railroad sign, are at that crossing.

Hospital attendants reported numerous accident victims treated for minor cuts and bruises Christmas Eve but that they were dismissed after treatment.

Passengers Hurt

Christmas Day saw several traffic accidents which hospitalized passengers. At 9 o'clock yesterday morning state police were called out on the Ashland highway to investigate a two-car crash which sent two to Hillside. The accident occurred near the McVey machine shop when officers said a car driven by George W. Hill, 41, route 3 box 1052, started to pass a machine operated by Walter Bernard Mulligan, 41, 1750 Hope, the Hill car skidding on the ice and striking Mulligan's car which overturned in the borrow pit. Hill was uninjured, but Mrs. Velma Mulligan, 38, and her mother, Mrs. S. H. (Anna) Rosemyer, 70, were taken to Hillside. Mrs. Mulligan was to be dismissed today, Thursday, but Mrs. Rosemyer has severe injuries including head and chest hurts and multiple bruises. Mulligan is a Kesterson employe.

Late Christmas afternoon, at about 4:15 o'clock, an accident at Shasta way and Arthur street injured two, not seriously. State police said the driver of one car, Glen Hart of 1610 Oak, was going toward Klamath Falls on Shasta way at about 40 to 45 miles per hour, when a sedan pulled out in front of his car and in attempting to avoid a crash the Hart car overturned twice and landed on its top. Passengers in the Hart car were Mr. and Mrs. Orville Sampson, route 1 box 1105, city. Both were treated at Hillside. Hart was uninjured.

State police were called out at 12:30 a. m. Christmas morning on highway 86, three miles west of the Lenox junction, where a parked car was struck by a passing motorist. Officers arrested Arlie Joe Sessions, route 1 box 609-A, Merrill, for parking on the highway. Sessions posted \$100 bail to appear in justice court at 2 p. m. today. Officers said Sessions told them he was sleepy and pulled his sedan to the side. He was asleep when a sedan operated by Virgie Arlis Walker, Tulelake, hit the rear of the machine. Walker said he did not see the parked car. Those involved suffered minor hurts but both cars were damaged considerably.

Five negro passengers of one car were injured and the passenger of another machine involved in a three-car collision at the viewpoint near the Klamath View auto court, was hospitalized, in a Christmas night accident, state police advised.

Officers said a car driven by Haig Chown, about 28, route 3 box 149, city, turned sideways on the slick pavement and skidded into a sedan driven by Na-

Three Chinese Airliners Pile Up In Thick Fog

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26 (AP)—Three Chinese airliners, loaded with more than 100 persons anticipating gay Christmas parties here, cracked up in the fog-blanketed Shanghai area last night, killing or injuring 85 persons. One American pilot was killed and another injured.

A fourth transport was missing and feared lost with at least 10 persons aboard.

Yesterday was the blackest in China's civilian aviation history.

The American-owned Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury reported 62 passengers and crewmen were killed and 19 were injured, some so critically they may not survive.

A Chinese woman was killed and her three children were injured when one of the transports crashed into her farm home near Woosung.

Shanghai papers earlier had reported 76 were killed aboard the three planes, but revised their figures downward.

The Post and Mercury said two of the victims were Americans—Capt. J. M. Greenwood, who was killed, and R. B. Preus, injured seriously. Their home addresses were not given.

U. S. Pilots

Greenwood and Preus were piloting two of the crashed planes, both owned by the Chinese National Aviation corporation, the country's leading airlines. It employs many Americans as pilots. The third plane was owned by the Central Air Transport corporation, also a Chinese company.

Another American, William H. Byrne, wing flight surgeon of the U. S. air transport command's Tokyo headquarters, nearly lost his life in a hero's role. He went into the burning fuselage of one of the planes in search of survivors. Overcome by fumes, he was pulled to safety by another American officer, who was not identified. Byrne is from Cookeville, Tenn.

All three of the crashed planes were from Chungking, loaded with passengers planning a Christmas night in Shanghai.

VITAL STATISTICS

MAUPIN—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 23, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Maupin, Merrill, a boy. Weight: 7 pounds 8 1/2 ounces.

WALKER—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 24, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker, route 1 box 585A, a boy. Weight: 6 pounds 15 ounces.

OLIVER—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 25, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Oliver, Mt. Helron, Calif., a girl. Weight: 7 pounds 10 ounces.

SAMPLAWSKI—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 25, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Emil Samplawski, route 3 box 531, a girl. Weight: 8 pounds 3 1/2 ounces.

JOHNSON—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 25, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Johnson, Tennant, Calif., a boy. Weight: 8 pounds 10 ounces.

Eskimos are said to bury a dog with a dead child, in the belief that the dog may guide the child in another world.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



THE BOOMERS

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