

Coast Guard Hunts Mines

SEATTLE, Dec. 24 (AP)—The coast guard renewed today its alert for floating Japanese mines after two of the 100-ton explosive devices were sighted off the Columbia river mouth and narrowly missed the anchored lightship at the channel entrance.

A warning radioed to all mariners expressed belief that North Pacific storms may have driven the war-time explosives closer to the coast. More than a score of mines were exploded by the coast guard during the early weeks of November off the Oregon-Washington coast.

The watch of the lightship anchored at the Columbia river entrance spotted one of the two mines reported yesterday as it drifted in dangerously close to the vessel. Riflemen opened fire but were unable to detonate it as it drifted rapidly north.

This and another mine, sighted earlier by a Norwegian freighter, was expected to lodge along the Washington coast.

WEDDING

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Dec. 24 (AP)—The Little Brown Church in the Valley here will be the site Saturday night for the wedding of Film Actress Janis Paige and Frank Martinelli Jr., San Francisco restaurateur. The Rev. John H. Wells will officiate.

Search Made For Wreckage

NEWPORT, Wash., Dec. 24 (AP)—A ground search party was to penetrate eight miles into the Huckleberry mountain area west of Tione today to investigate a hunters' belated report that he had sighted the wreckage of an airplane.

Sheriff Darrell Holmes, who flew over the area yesterday without sighting the reported wreckage, said the party of forest service, state patrolmen and sheriff's officers, would hike into the spot today after Royal Canadian air force officials in Vancouver, B. C., expressed "keen interest" in the report.

Four is about 35 miles south of the Crescent Valley, B. C., radio range station where a RCAF photographic B-25 Mitchell bomber and its nine occupants last reported October 18. The plane was en route from Calgary to Pentleton, B. C. Holmes said a hunter told him

he saw the wreckage last month but did not investigate or report his discovery until he heard that the Canadian plane was missing. Residents of the Colville area southwest of Tione heard a plane headed eastward at the time the bomber was lost, Holmes said.

Lumberman Dies At Age Of 47

SEATTLE, Dec. 24 (AP)—Warren G. Tilton, former head of the West Coast Lumbermen's association forest conservation department, died of a heart attack last night in his home on Mercer island.

Tilton, 47, left the association in 1942 to be commissioned a captain in the army engineers, served in the South Pacific, and was discharged in March, 1946, with the rank of colonel. He was a forest engineer for the Lumbermen's association at the time of his death.

His widow, Cora, survives.

Gifts for the boss or office. Pioneer Printing & Stationery Co.

Nisei Given Full Pardon

SEATTLE, Dec. 24 (AP)—Gordon Hirabayashi, Japanese-American and one of 1523 persons granted pardons and restored to full citizenship rights yesterday in a Christmas amnesty by President Truman, said today the pardons "restore a certain amount of our faith in the things we Americans believe in."

All of the pardoned persons, including 11 in Washington state, had been convicted of violating the wartime draft act.

Hirabayashi, a University of Washington graduate, was convicted of failure to report to a camp for conscientious objectors. During his trial at Spokane, he said his religious convictions that war was prevented him from participating in any form of military activity. He was sentenced to serve a year in McNeil island prison.

In July, 1944, Hirabayashi was married in a Quaker ceremony to

Miss Esther Schmoer, whose father was Northwest secretary of the American Friends service committee. Twins were born to them while their father was in prison.

No New Polio Cases In Vale

VALE, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Malheur county health officer reported today there have been no new cases of infantile paralysis reported in this vicinity since the high school and four district grade schools were ordered closed last Saturday.

Dr. Louis Maulding said Warren Mayhall, Vale high school student stricken last week, was in a respirator in St. Luke's hospital, Boise. The condition of another boy, Wayne Markham, stricken prior to the Mayhall boy, was reported improved with no paralysis developed.

A new device called a photographic memory will be able to read and memorize mathematical data at the superhuman speed of a thousand numbers of twelve digits each every second.

Youth Gets Big Christmas

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec. 24 (AP)—Santa Claus beat the deadline on his visit to 10-year-old Jackie Lockhart.

One of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lockhart's six young sons, Jackie, underwent an operation for a brain tumor three weeks ago and for a short time appeared to be coming back strongly.

But then he began to weaken and the doctor gravely shook his head, so Christmas was moved up a few days.

There were plenty of toys and a tree with all the trimmings. Jackie wasn't strong enough to play with the toys, but he picked out his favorite—a shiny pistol.

He asked that it be placed beside

his head on the pillow, where he caressed it and spoke of the happy days ahead when he would romp and "shoot it."

Yesterday Jackie died.

FREE TIME

PORTLAND, Dec. 24 (AP)—An attempt to sell a Salvation Army ticket for a free turkey Christmas dinner brought a \$40 fine for Paul O. Dunning and an invitation by Judge J. B. Seahook to have dinner in the city jail in lieu of payment.

Fourth largest state in the union, New Mexico, has an area of 121,000 square miles.

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ARE YOU TELLING LITTLE DEANER SOME OF YOUR TALL STORIES, OLD TIMER?

WELL, MAYBE I DO EXAGGERATE A MITE—BUT JUST A MITE.

HELLO, DUCHESS. WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?

DID YOU THINK I'D FORGET MY FAVORITE NEPHEW DURING THE HOLIDAYS?



I BROUGHT A TURKEY FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER.

WHOOO! MY MERRY CHRISTMAS, YOU BETCHUM!



WHEN YOU'VE EAT EVERYWHERE LIKE I HAVE, YOU LEARN TO APPRECIATE GOOD COOKIN'.

YUMMY, YUMMY! I'M READY TO BUSHFUM OUT ALL OVER!



WHEN I WAS AT SEA, I LINED ON HARDTACK AND SALT FORK FOR 18 DAYS; AIN'T NEVER HAD NO USE FOR SALT SINCE!

UGH! COWBOY! TELL US ABOUT IT—O-O TIMER!

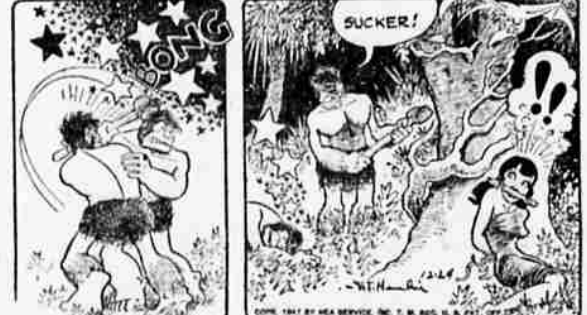
Alley Oop



IF YOU TRIED TINTERFERE WITH OOOO! AN' HER KIDNAPER, SHE SLUGGED YOU!

YEEH! AN' IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME, JUST LOOK! SHE SLUGGED ME!

THERE, YEEH! SHE REALLY LAID ONE ON YOU, NO JOKE!



SUCKER!



WELL, YOUNG LADY, I GUESS NOW WE CAN RESUME OUR TRAVELING!

SORRY TO LEAVE YOU PARTLY TRUSSSED UP, BUT WE'VE GOT SOME PRETTY TOUGH GOING UP AHEAD...



AND I WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO GET HURT!

Boots and Her Buddies



I'D BETTER GO UP NOW AND TUCK DAVEY IN; POOR LITTLE FELLA—HE'S HAD A BUSY DAY!

6 NIGHT DAVEY! DO YOU SPOSE HE UNDERSTANDS ABOUT SANTA CLAUS' ROD?



S-U-R-E HE DOES! SANTA IS ONE OF THE FEW THINGS NOWADAYS THAT MOST EVERYONE DOES UNDERSTAND! HE'S A GREAT OLD GUY!

MERRY CHRISTMAS



MEY C'S MAS; THAT'S RIGHT, DAVEY...



YEP!

Wash Tubbs



THANKS, MY FRIEND...THOSE OFFICERS CAN'T IDENTIFY ME NOW! I'LL GO WHILE THEY'RE OUT OF SIGHT!

BUT YOU CAN'T RUSH INTO A MAN'S LIFE...KISS HIM TENDERLY, AND WALK RIGHT OUT AGAIN!



OH, CAN'T I! WELL, THAT'S JUST WHAT I'M—

BUT THINK ABOUT MY CONSCIENCE! I'LL LIE AWAKE NIGHTS, WONDERING IF I UNWITTINGLY HELPED SOME HATCHET WOMAN TO ESCAPE!

I SEE, DO I LOOK LIKE A HATCHET WOMAN TO YOU?

WELL...A VERY ATTRACTIVE ONE, OF COURSE, BUT I'M IN A JAM MYSELF, AND NEED YOUR HELP! I'LL HAVE TO RISK YOU!

I'VE RACKED MY BRAIN...PUT IT OFF TILL THE LAST MOMENT!... YOU'VE SIMPLY GOT TO HELP ME SELECT SOMETHING FOR NINT AGATHA!



I DON'T KNOW WHY I LET YOU ROPE ME IN ON A JOB LIKE THIS! HERE...HOW ABOUT THIS FOR YOUR AUNT AGATHA?

HMM...TOO FANCY!

NOW LOOK! THIS HAS GONE ON FOR OVER AN HOUR! EVERYTHING'S EITHER TOO FANCY OR TOO FLAIN! I'M BEGINNING TO DOUBT IF YOU'VE GOT AN AUNT!



THAT SOUNDS MIGHTY UNGRATEFUL AFTER ALL I DID TO BRING YOU FROM A PRETTY EASER POSSE THAT!

ALL YOU DID! JUST STOOD THERE IN A STUPOR WHILE I KISSED YOU! AND GET THIS! POLICE WERENT AFTER ME FOR BREAKING ANY LAWS! NOW WHAT ABOUT THIS FOR FANICKY OLE AGATHA?

Freckles And His Friends



THAT'S ALL, BROTHER!

WELL, IF IT ISN'T MY OLD FRIEND, LARD THE LUG!

HOW COME YOU AREN'T HONKING AROUND BETHANY WITH THE REST OF THE WOLVES?

I CAN'T CUT IN ON HER UNTIL THE NEXT DANCE... I MEAN... UH...



GOOD OLD TAG DANCES! THE OBJECTS A GIRL GETS STUCK WITH WHEN SHE ISN'T WATCHING!

PARDON ME FOR LIVING!

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYBODY!



WHY THE BIG BLUES ACT, CHUM? YOU'LL CATCH PNEUMONIA OUT HERE!

I HOPE I DO! ON MY DEATH BED, MAYBE I'D AT LEAST SEE SOMETHING OF MY DATE!... EVERY TIME I START DANCING WITH BETHANY, SOME LUG WHOPS ME ON THE BACK AND CUTS IN!



A COUPLE OF TAG DANCES A NIGHT MIGHT BE OKAY, BUT NOT ALL EVENING!

WHERE YOU GOING?

I'M GOING TO DANCE WITH MY DATE! AND FROM NOW ON, I'M MAKING THE RULES!

Little Orphan Annie



WELL, THE SUPPER DRIBBLES ARE ALL DONE—AND I'LL BE GOING TO BED ANY MINUTE—

YES—I GUESS IT'S REALLY CHRISTMAS EVE NOW—WELL, HAVE OUR OTHER PRESENTS IN TH' MORNING—BUT THIS ONE FROM 'DADDY'—HEE-GOO—



LEADIN' LIZARDS! A ELSA COAT—LEADIN' LIZARDS! IT'S BEAUTIFUL—WHAT KIND IS IT?

RUSSIAN SABLE!

EH? YOU MEAN TO GAY OFF TH' REAL RUSSIAN? HEH! HEH!

WELL, FROM WHAT I'VE HEARD, I GUESS MR. WARBUCKS IS 'SMART ENOUGH TO SKIN 'EM ALIVE—

RUSSIAN SABLES—IF HE'S OVER THERE—NOW—



OH, ANNE! AND THIS HERE CAME IS THE FINEST I EVER SEEN! THANKS, ANNE—

AND THESE TIES AND BOOKS! THEY'RE BEAUTIFUL—YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE IT FOR ME, ANNE—

LEADIN' LIZARDS! WAS SANTA GOOD TO ME! JUST LOOK AT ALL THE SWELL THINGS I GOT—WOW! THANKS, EVERYBODY!



WHY, IT'S THE HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS EVER—EH, FOLKS?

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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