

Post Office Mail Volume Up 300 Pct.

Immediate mailing of parcels for delivery before Christmas was urged today by Postmaster Carl S. Halverson.

Even parcel post mail for Bremerton, Kitsap county, Seattle, and other nearby points should be sent on its way at once, not to mention mail bound for the east and elsewhere in the U.S., which should be posted already.

So congested are the rural route facilities that only about one-third of the parcels addressed for delivery on the rural routes is being handled now, Halverson said. Most of the smaller parcels are being delivered, but the larger ones are being left behind at the time, for lack of truck space. Notices are being left by carriers in rural route boxes when parcels cannot be delivered within reasonable time.

"Business" at the Bremerton postoffice already is 300 per cent greater to date this month than for the same period last year, Halverson revealed. He expressed hope that this was an indication that residents are mailing early rather than that it will increase much further in the next two weeks.

The postmaster asked that persons coming to the post office use the newly installed Christmas emergency facilities in the basement of the building, which is on the 5th st. side. One stamp window and three parcel post windows have been added in the basement. Lines in front of windows on the main floor would be short, and if no residents would use the basement windows, he said, "the possibility of the postoffice to additional trucks is one of the more serious Christmas mail problems, and it is better to meet them in the office for complete information and the out-of-a-bid for the trucks during the peak mailing period."

New War Powers Measure Criticized

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 (AP)—The House today rejected a proposed war powers bill which would limit the president's freedom of the press.

The bill would require the president to submit a report to Congress on the state of the country, and would require the president to submit a report to Congress on the state of the country.



"She Never Fails Us"

A letter and a picture, shown here, came to a consolidated aircraft worker in Los Angeles whose name appeared on the fuselage of the B-24 Liberator piloted by Lt. Paul Fretzel, shown in the photo with two African brothers. Fretzel said, "If we had any part in my plane's construction—we want to thank you and all who did, for she has never failed us."

Ruling of Appeals Court Will Delay Execution of Trio

CHICAGO, Dec. 10 (AP)—Three German-Americans sentenced to the Jan. 22 for their connection with aid given to the German sabotage mission, will have a delay in their scheduled execution date at least beyond March 2 from the U.S. circuit court of appeals yesterday.

The appeals court granted a petition of Defense Attorney Paul F. Warmholtz for postponement of the date set for filing necessary appeals from Jan. 14 to Jan. 23 and ordered oral arguments in the case 30 days thereafter—about March 2.

Warmholtz is presenting the appeal on a paper a plea under which the government has agreed to suspend the death sentences for helping Hugo's saboteur son, Herbert and for their wives, who were sentenced to 25 years in prison.

U.S. District Attorney Albert W. Hill said the appeals court action would operate as a stay of execution.

Japanese Boy Scouts Defend Flag in Riot

MANZANAR, Cal., Dec. 10 (AP)—Fourteen Japanese-American Boy Scouts defended the American flag with rocks during the first mass demonstration at the Japanese relocation camp here today, said project director Ralph P. Merritt, project director.

One of the pro-axis sympathizers broke away from the mob and started for the flag pole of the administration building, Merritt said whereupon the 14 Scouts surrounded the base.

Displaying rocks the size of baseballs, the boys defied the agitators to approach.

The flag remained flying in the islands and that since his return he has had to borrow sugar from his wife, which leaves her

LOST HIM CARD

OAKLAND, Cal. (AP)—Chief Executive William H. Robertson just returned from fighting in the Solomon Islands has asked the Oakland police department to procure him a new sugar rationing card. He stated that he lost his original card during combat duty in

Army Field Surgeons Do Better Job

BY DON CASWELL
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SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA, Dec. 8.—Delayed—(UP)—Improved techniques and new drugs have enabled field surgeons at an American field hospital in the dusty New Guinea bush country to handle more than 200 wounded allied soldiers from the Buna battle front without performing a single amputation.

During a visit to the hospital today, it was told that in the last war at least 20 amputations would have been expected among the same number of cases. The current record is the more remarkable because the wounded often have spent two or three days in swampy jungles before they could obtain primary dressing.

Capt. Frank Nickle, chief surgeon of Colonel Springs Cole's, believed the hospital's success resulted largely from the careful work of front line dressing stations. These stations use a wide variety of miltanamide drugs and blood plasma, and provide the soldiers with incisions which are activated with wettable ointment when they enter the combat zone and again after they are wounded.

Nickle paid tribute to the front line doctors who were working under conditions more primitive than those at his hospital. He said one surgeon near Buna recently completed a delicate operation under emergency fire, during which a shell fragment tipped a flying hole in the surgery tent.

This base hospital has screens to keep out the ever-present swarms of disease-carrying flies and mosquitoes, but has virtually no protection from the blazing New Guinea sun. Nickle said the surgeons, who must wear operating gowns, masks, and caps, had just many pounds working in the sweltering building.

Builders' Hardware Will be 'Simplified'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 (AP)—The War Production Board in its most extensive simplification order, yesterday reduced to approximately 2,500 the number of items that can be manufactured for builders' hardware. The present output is estimated at 27,000.

The order becomes effective Jan. 15, 1943, and limits the sizes, types, grades, finishes, weights and standards of such hardware. Articles as lock sets, door trims, hinges, door knobs, key plates, ash balances and padlocks.

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Midnight 'Sneak Preview' of Film to Benefit Red Cross

New Hollywood Production Will Be Presented at Benefit Friday

Bremerton will lay it on the line for the soldiers and the sailors tomorrow night.

Hundreds of Bremertonians will attend the "sneak preview" motion picture at the Admiral theater Friday midnight, with all proceeds to go to the camp and hospital fund of the Red Cross.

On the Admiral theater screen will be one of the latest Hollywood productions, a picture which has as yet not been released to the public. Thus the need for censorship of title of the attraction. It will be the first time the picture has been shown in the northwest.

The sponsors of the event have promised that it is one of the best of the Hollywood releases and brings the biggest stars of the entertainment world to the screen.

In addition to the motion picture, there will be a variety band and three heavy Broadway players on hand to perform for the patrons.

The midnight show begins at 11:45 o'clock. The army band will play several selections, and the radio vocalist, accordionist and pianist will present their acts.

Tickets for the big show are on sale at \$1 apiece, including tax. Denney Gilvins of the Teamsters' union is in charge of ticket sales.

Entire proceeds of the evening will go to the Red Cross. The camp and hospital fund, under the local chairmanship of Mrs. Harold Lebo, provides for the recreational needs of the boys of the armed

Local K. of C. Will Initiate in Seattle

Joint initiation of the Bremerton and Seattle councils, Knights of Columbus, will be held Sunday at the Seattle council clubhouse. The ceremonies will begin at 8 p.m., followed by the conferring of the "major" or "patristic" degrees.

Candidates and members from Bremerton planning to attend will meet at the ferry terminal to take the 11:40 a.m. ferry from here, according to Thomas Forhan, grand knight of the Bremerton council.

4-PAGE LETTER IS TOPS

CAMP McQUAIDE, Cal. (UP)—Pvt. William Enger holds the record here for the longest letter received—a 40-page epistle written by his wife, Pvt. Barney Barnhardt, formerly held the record with a 40-page letter.

services stationed here. Another important work of this group is to provide entertainment and recreational facilities for the wounded men in service hospitals.

Was He Drunk—or Just in Gay Mood?

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—When he is a man intoxicated? Policeman J. E. Chandler, testifying in Corporation Court, was sure a man he arrested the night before was drunk.

"What made you think my client was drinking?" Defense Attorney Joe Mills demanded.

"Well," testified Officer Chandler, "he wobbled up, blew his breath in my face and asked if I wanted to play hide-and-seek."

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