HARVARD PROF REPORTED CHOICE FOR U. W. POST

Madison - (AP) - The Madison Capital Times said yesterday that Dr. Sumner H. Slichter, 52, professor of economics at Harvard university, had been offered the presidency of the University of Wisconsin to succeed Dr. Clarence A. Dyk-

The newspaper said that Dr. Slichter had been offered the post through the board of regents' personnel committee, the group named to select Dykstra's successor. At his home at Cambridge, Mass.,

Dr. Slichter declined to comment on the report, asserting: "There's nothing I care to say."

Dr. Siichter is an alumnus of the University of Wisconsin and is the son of Charles Sumner Slichter, dean emeritus of the University of Wisconsin graduate school.

One member of the board of regents said yesterday that no one had been offered the presidency and said that the names of about 20 possible candidates had been suggested. Six of these, he said, are now connected with the university.

announced purpose of studying qualifications of possible candidates. Dr. Dykstra will leave his post about February 1 to become provost of the University of California at Los Angeles.



Sgt. Henry Getzinger, Wisconsin Rapids, has been promoted to the Italy. rank of staff sergeant. He is serving with the marine air corps at Cherry Point, N. C.

ruary 12, 1942, and has been stationed at Fort Bragg, N. C., with the medical detachment of the 787th field artillery.

Graduates at Fort Knox

ions their speed of movement, a chanics were recently graduated Hood, Tex. He had served 29 The committee representative can from the armored school at Fort Knox, Ky.

and Mrs. Floyd Snodgrass, Wisconsin Rapids.

night patrol banged up against a regimental outpost manned by Cpl. Raymond R. Rickman, Wisconsin badge right off the bat.

As soon as the Germans had disclosed their position, they brought down upon them the terrific fire power of a BAR in the hands of Pearson.

The enemy patrol didn't stay around long enough to find out it was against only two Yanks.
Pvt. Chester O. Waller, Route 1,

tury) division in France.

army front in eastern France-but its members have the satisfaction of knowing they played an important part in the "squeeze play" so thoroughly applied to the German 19th

Fifteenth AAF B-24 Liberator bomber group.

His group has flown nearly 200 missions over strategically important targets such as Ploesti, Munich, Steyr, Schwechat, Regensburg, Vienna, Wiener Neustadt and Buda-

During the 12 months overseas, his organization has taken a leading part in the destruction of the vaulted Luftwaffe, and opened the campaign against Ploesti by leading the **aret day**light attack on April 5th.

Private Jacoby entered the service on January 20, 1943.

Cpl. Clayton L. Blonien, Rudolph, as been cited by the Eleventh arm-ared infantry battalion of the First



FIRE TOPPLES BUILDING-Fed by stored chemicals, flames toppled the upper walls of this building in Kansas City's \$2,390,000 wholesale district fire. Firemen from two cities who fought the blaze estimated the flames shot 200 feet skyward at their height.

WESTERN FRONT TODAY

(By the Associated Press) Canadian First army: No change

British Second army: No change reported officially. Germans said

divisions were being shifted to hold Ninth army front and to aid in First army sector to the south. U. S. Ninth army: No important

change reported on Roer river line n Germany. Berlin reported Amercans here being hurried to Belgium battle. U. S. First army sector: Ameri-

cans attacked heavily both on north and south flanks of German salient in Belgium and Luxembourg. Bastogne saved; neck of German bulge; at that point reported narrowed to 20 miles; German units thrown back from westernmost tip of pene-

armored division and awarded the Africa. The two soldiers are the combat infantryman badge for participation in combat against the enemy with Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth army in

Kenneth P. Pike, seaman 2/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pike, 1720 Chase street, is now somewhere in Pfc. Roger R. Rickhoff, son of Mr. the Marianas. He is serving with and Mrs. Edwin Rickhoff, 1920 Apri- the Fifth N. C. Brigade, motor pool. Seaman Pike entered the navy at Great Lakes, July 28, 1944. After three months there he was transferred to San Bruno, Calif., and went overseas November 12.

Marine Pfc. Allen V. Worth. prother of Mrs. Vern Alnes, 820 Market street, Nekoosa, has com-Three Sons in Service

Pfc. Levi K. Tiffany, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tiffany, Babcock, hospital were found to have been is now stationed at North Camp inspected nine months previously. months in the Aleutians.

Pfc. Lafey A. Tiffany, another son, is stationed somewhere in Bel-

A third son, Robert L. Tiffany, seaman 1/c, gave the parents a pleasant surprise Christmas morning by coming home unexpectedly. He had been stationed in the south Pacific since April, 1944 and his parents had not heard from him since August 26.

T/Sgt. John P. Carnlin, nephew of Martin and Claus Hoeneveld, Vesper, has completed 50 missions with the Fifteenth air force in Italy and is now at a hospital in Richmond,

Lt. Clarence J. Wandrey, Wautoma, a member of the U. S. Tenth army air force, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying cross, acnouncement today.

tration. Southern flank reported sagging under heavy blows; weath-

U. S. Third army: The Germans reported virtually all Third army thrown into battle on southern flank of Belgian-Luxembourg bulge, and eating into German sector south of Bastogne. The Germans acknowledged withdrawals in Luxembourg near the frontier. No

change reported on Saar fronts. U. S. Seventh, French First armes: No major changes reported.

Army Hospitals Have Clean Slate

Washington -(AP) -- Except for of ancient eggs, army hospitals got. a clear bill of health today from to spend Christmas day with his the house military committee. the house military committee.

A preliminary report prepared by H. Ralph Burton, general counsel, said that generally speaking sick and wounded soldiers are receiving; the best of treatment, their food is excellent, recreation facilities are adequate and equipment is of the

Of one hospital the committee had this to say: "No air conditioning of any kind

in operating rooms; windows must be kept closed even in the hottest such conditions. Patients often befluids in order to assure recovery." The report continued:

"Eggs served in one convalescent attest to their odoriferousness when opened. Catsup was used to disguise their evil taste."

LaCrosse Flier One of Hard-Hitting Group

London-(AP)-Lt. Robert K. Alfliers of a Mustang group that bagged 29 German planes yesterday. Lieutenant Allen was credited with two and one-half planes.

The same outfit-the 364th fightplanes encountered near Trier Sat-

in World War I was 11.9 per cent. gross receipts.

New Shortages In Metals May Hit Civilians

Washington-(AP)-Shortages of wo important war metals, copper and lead, threatened today to cause further civilian belt-tightening in

Because of the sharply rising army demands for bullets and artillery shells, the office of civilian requirements may be called upon to give back half the tonnage of copper brass mill products allotted to it for the manufacture of civilian goods next quarter, WPB officials

A 40 per cent cut in civilian use of lead, required in a war production board order announced last night, was explained as necessary to protect the government's stockpile of that metal, which has dwindled to less than one month's warime consumption. The lead curtailment will affect

storage batteries, paint, tetraethyl for civilian gasoline, and other important items. The copper deficit sexpected to hit hooks, eyes, fas- Fate of Two Boys in Balance portant items. The copper deficit teners, and—to a severe degree civilian shotgun shells and cartcivilian shotgun shells and cart-ridges used by farmers and ranch- After Father Flanagan's Plea ers to protect livestock nd crops. Steel supplies were reported

fairly well balanced" with prospective demand, and aluminum "relatively easy." Only about half the country's plant capacity for producing ingot aluminum now is being

Plane Enables Rapids Soldier to Spend Christmas at Home

The tremendous advantage in speed of travel by air over that by boat is readily attested to by T/5Harry Steinke, son of Henry Steinke, Route 1, Wisconsin Rapids. The Wisconsin Rapids soldier ar-

rived home on furlough the day before Christmas, largely because he was able to make the long trip back by plane from India, where isolated cases of such things as "dehydrated" patients and the use and the use plane meant that he would be able of the time for that trip than it had taken him going to the huge Asiatic country by boat.

Technician Steinke has been attached to the medical department in that "the boys themselves are ignora hospital in India. He had spent almost three years in that far-distant theater of operations, having going overseas March 19, 1942. He tainly would not want to be the one entered the army two days after to convict them and say they should the Jap attack on Pearl Harbor.

In July, 1943, Steinke had a pleasant surprise when he met Cpl. Albert Mertz of Kellner. The latter many requests made upon him for geon and staff to operate under had come to the hospital for an eye justice. But justice is a word often-

Small Plants Receive Many War Contracts

Wausau-Nearly 4,000 war and guilty of." essential civilian contracts, totaling \$341,117,349, have been placed with small plants in the Chicago region Skunk to Be Mascot during 1944 by the Smaller War Plants corporation, Thomas Burton, regional director, announced today. The Chicago region includes the four states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa skunk will be aboard the submarine and Wisconsin.

About 50 of these contracts, total- placed in commission at the Portslen of LaCrosse, Wis, was among ing approximately \$1,960,000, were mouth navy yard tomorrow. placed in small plants of the Wausau district, according to J. A. Voss, district manager. This district, in duty in November as a recruit from number of industries served, is one the Wisconsin state game commisof the smallest districts in the er group-downed 20 of 85 German United States, and comprises twelve north central Wisconsin counties. TEA, SPEAKEASY DRINK

"Because of the fact that our industries are more or les well estab- chocolate once was considered wick-The profit margin before taxes lished and financially sound, the ed in Europe, and speakeasies Wausau district office has had few sprang up where people went to cording to a war department and In 1943, it was 7.7 per cent of requests for financial assistance," drink in secret. Chocolate drinking Mr. Voss stated.

Military Urges Use of V-Mail

YANK TENANCY FOR MINDORO-Deficted here are U. S. army

engineers instituting repairs on wrecked roadbed of the railroad line

between San Jose and St. Augustin, shortly after the invasion of

Mindoro island in the Philippines.

Jackson, Miss.—(AP)—The fate

of two teen-aged sailors for whose

lives the founder of Boys Town.

Father E. J. Flanagan, came here

from Nebraska to plead with Gov.

Phomas L. Bailey, was in the bal-

The two youths, Murice Shimnick

of Madison, Wis., and Joseph M.

Leemon of Maylene, Ala, are under

Sentence to die in the electric chair

tomorrow for the slaving of Sheriff

Thomas S. Boykin of Wayne county

The governor, after a long inter-

view yesterday with Father Flana-

gan, said he would announce his de-

cision after "conferring with one

more person," whom he did not

The boys killed Boykin after he

had picked them up and given them

a ride. The death sentence by a low-

er court was upheld by the Missis-

After the interview Father Flana

gan said he came to Jackson at his

own expense "to speak a word in

behalf of two youths who have com-

mitted a terrible tragedy that is in-

explainable." He added he believed

"Who can say whether they are

"I realize the great responsibility

of the governor and realize the

better if they were given time to

rehabilitate, mediate and to think

over the terrible tragedy they are

Portsmouth, N. H.—(A)—A pet

USS Quillback when the vessel is

The animal adopted as mascot by

The drinking of coffee, tea, and

was considered especially evil.

For New Submarine

responsible for their acts?" "I cer-

ance today.

in December, 1943.

sippi supreme court.

ant of why they did it."

die in the electric chair."

times abused."

Sion.

Washirgton — (P) — The army and navy today uzged greater use of V-mail in writing to service men overseas in order to conserve transportation space.

The services expressed concern over recent drops in the use of the microfilm service by both service men overseas and civilians at home. The army and navy want

civilians to use V-mail for four out of five letters, reserving air mail for an occasional long letter or one requiring enclosures.

Committee Wants to Know How Gallup Does It—and Why

Washington — (A) — Pollster George C. Gallup, political trend bees have licked what the navy call: forecaster, went up to Capitol Hill the toughest military construction today to tell a house campaign in- job in history-building of advancvestigating committee how he does ed naval bases fast enough to keep Chairman Anderson (D-N. M.)

said Gallup uses five methods of sampling vote trends. "We want to know why he uses one system in one state and another system elsewhere," the congressman added.

Anderson said he is interested in the fact that the Gallup poll under-The street in the anti-aircraft artillery the administration of intravenous in the mainten.

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I will best be served for them to die stim at ed President Roosevelt's course in the anti-aircraft artillery the administration of intravenous in the mainten. the electric chair," he continued. cast more than a million votes. "I feel rather that it would be There were pre-meeting indications that the questioning would turn largely on Gallup poll reports for New York, New Jersey, Maryland and Massachusetts.

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ROAD ACCIDENTS TAKE 500 LIVES IN WISCONSIN

Madison - (A) - Traffic accidents in Wisconsin during the last year took approximately 500 lives, the safety division of the state motor vehicle department announced

This brings to 2,300 the number of lives lost on highways and streets since Pearl Harbor.

About 160 pedestrians were numtims were servicemen, most of them involved in accidents while home on furlough.

Five of the state's 71 counties ucceeded in remaining on the honor roll for the past 12 months. No traffic deaths were reported in Bayfield, Florence, Grant, Pepin and Washburn counties. During the fiscal year of 1943-44

a total of 853,124 vehicle registrations was noted in Wisconsin. Registrations totaled 863,042 during the preceding fiscal period, and 933,653 during the 1941-42 period.

Ben L. Marcus, acting commissioner of the motor vehicle depart-

ment, said the decrease was anticipated with the stoppage of private car manufacture. He pointed out that car and truck owners generally have cared for and operated their vehicles with more respect than in pre-war years. Marcus said the department col-

lected \$14,765,065 in the last fiscal period, a drop of half a million dollars attributed to the preceding two years. The cost of the department's operation was \$745,824. An estimated 3,000 persons were

deprived of their driving privileges through revocation or suspension of licenses during the last year, it was reported.

Seabees Celebrate Their Third Birthday

Washington —(P)— The navy's seabees celebrate their third birthday today with a record of having participated in every major amphibious invasion launched by our forces in both hemispheres. Since December 28, 1941, the sea-

pace with the needs of our expanding fleet.

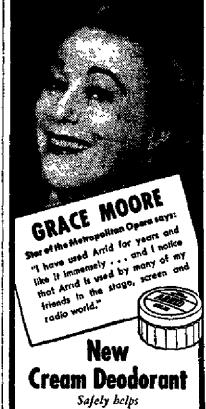
Wiley Wants Study of Proposed Laws

Washington — (AP) — Senator Wiley (R-Wis.) urged last night that the next congress establish an "independent research and investigative arm" to study legislation requested by the executive branch.

Under present conditions, he said in a statement, "the very bureaucrats who are supposed to execute the laws have had virtually a free field in originally conceiving those laws."

15.000,000 YULE TREES

The United States in normal times uses about 15,000,000 Christmas trees annually, about 60 per bered in the group killed in 1944, cent of which are balsam firs cut it was reported. Twelve of the vic- from areas where thinning is bene-



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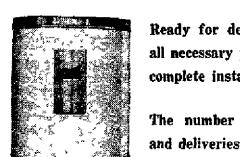
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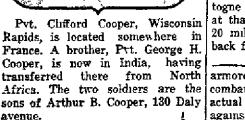
All winter hats must go, including feather trims.

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The committee is scheduled to meet about January 10 in Madison. The committee's last meeting was

in Milwaukee December 15 for the





cot street, recently arrived in Eng-He entered the armed forces Feb-

ance and repair of the peeps and jeeps, scout cars and trucks that give the hard-hitting armored divis-

Among the graduates was Pvt. Kenneth F. Snodgrass, son of Mr. gium.

He received thorough instruction in the theory of automotive mehanics and fundamental shop practice in the school's wheeled vehicle department, studying actual engines, skeleton vehicles and visual aids of

The wheeled vehicle department is one of eight in the huge armored school, headed by Brig. Gen. P. M. Robinett, commandant. The school formerly was commanded by Brig. Gen. Joseph A. Holly, a native of Wisconsin Rapids. Earns Combat Badge When a bunch of Jerries on a

Rapids, and Cpl. Myrl Pearson of Seminole, Okla, they got such a hot reception they must have thought they were up against an entire platoon. It was the first night on the front lines for Corporal Rickman and he earned a combat infantry

Corporal Rickman and a light submachine gun manned by Corporal

Arkdale, and Pfc. George A. Hamm. Milladore, are members of the 397th infantry regiment of the 100th (Cen-The 397th is one of the newest units fighting on the U. S. Seventh

Overseas a Year Pfc. Franklin Jacoby, Wisconsin Rapids, Liberator supply clerk, has been overseas one year with the