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### Russian Ring Around City Made Tighter

Disaster Nearing for 500,000 Axis; Rommel Pushed Back in Tunisia

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The CBS correspondent in Moscow said today that the Germans were reported setting fire to the entire city of Rostov.

### Marine Officer Of Glide Ends Advanced Course



Second Lieut. James R. Currier, 23, above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Currier of Glide, Ore., has completed his reserve officers' class training in the marine corps at Quantico, Va.

### Japs' Claim Of Better War Score Disputed by U. S.

Tokyo broadcast, apparently seeking to divert attention from Japanese disasters on the Papua peninsula and Guadalcanal, declared today the Mikado's forces had sunk 98 allied warships and damaged 42 against a loss of 19 warships sunk and 16 damaged in the last six months in waters about the Solomons and New Guinea.

### Ex-Playboy Webb, Who Flew Army Base, Captured

RENO, Nev., Feb. 13.—(AP)—Pujama-clad Pvt. Jacob L. Webb, former New York playboy who walked away from the Reno air base and a handful of army court-martial charges last night, was arrested today in a hotel.

Domel sponsored the figures—far out of line with allied tabulations—after the Japanese imperial headquarters had issued a communique purported to cover losses of both sides between August 7, 1942, and February 7, "which have not been previously announced."

The imperial headquarters communique claims, recorded by the Associated Press in New York, were relatively modest, even conceding that the allies had an edge of 215 to 205 in the number of planes destroyed which had not been previously reported.

### Threatener of Four Movie Stars Arrested

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The local FBI office has announced the arrest in Filer, Idaho, of Roger Barker, 19, on charges of writing extortion letters to former Governor Culbert L. Olson of California and four movie stars, Mickey Rooney, Bette Davis, Rosalind Russell and Deanna Durbin.

R. B. Hood, special agent in charge, said Barker had confessed writing the letters demanding payments ranging from \$1,500 to \$25,000. The letters, Hood said, threatened the lives of the recipients.

### Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein  
Joe Stalin's failure to appear at Casablanca was probably due to pressure of his preparations to visit Berlin.

### Tax and Milk Bills Wait in Legislature

7 Other Major Issues Also Linger; Slow Auto Driver Bill Is Killed

By PAUL HARVEY, Jr. SALEM, Ore., Feb. 13.—(AP)—With house leaders still hoping that the session might end two weeks from today, the Oregon legislature finished its fifth week today with its nine major pieces of legislation still unpassed by either house.

If the session should end in two weeks, it would be the 47th day, making it the shortest session in the 1941 session, longest in history, lasted 66 days.

Of the 528 bills which have been introduced, 116 have been passed by both houses. At this stage of the 1941 session, only 83 of the 730 bills had been approved by both houses.

The No. 1 legislation is the program to reduce income taxes and to amend the 1942 initiative giving surplus income taxes to school districts. Chairman French of the house revenue and taxation committee, which is drafting the program, said he doubts that the house will be able to act on it next week. And after that, it must go to the senate.

Bills to abolish milk control and to amend the unemployment compensation law are in both houses, and have been passed by neither. But these probably won't hold the session up very much, as the attitude seems to be to leave laws on these subjects alone.

Important senate bills, which have not been passed by either house, would bring occupational diseases under the workmen's

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### Oregon Cities Hampered by Pension Plan Lack

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Oregon cities are losing many competent employees because the cities are unable to finance pension systems. So said Howard R. Ennor, acting executive secretary of the League of Oregon cities, in a letter to Senator McNary of Oregon.

He asked the senator to investigate possibilities of getting old age annuity and survivors' benefit coverage for the employees through the social security act.

McNary advised Ennor to take up the matter with the house ways and means committee, adding that federal law requires a contribution from the employer and that the state constitution should be examined to determine whether there is any limitation that might prevent the cities from participating in the program.

### Jap Loss On Guadalcanal Put at 8,000

War Booty Also Heavy; Prisoners Bitter at Desertion by Officers

A SOUTH PACIFIC BASE, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The American conquest of Guadalcanal was officially described today as a "complete rout and utter defeat of a Japanese army which executed a non-ordered withdrawal."

The description came from Commander Ralph E. Wilson, a naval officer on the staff of Maj. Gen. Patch, commander of American troops on Guadalcanal. He spoke to amplify a report on the island campaign by General Patch.

Wilson said it would take days "to clean up the mess."

General Patch's report said 6,000 Japs were killed and 127 captured in the closing 25-day drive and added that equipment captured included 273 machine-guns, 80 field pieces, 18 anti-aircraft guns, nine anti-tank guns, 181 mortars, 385 rifles, 22 radios, 13 trucks, six small trucks and much miscellaneous equipment.

Wilson said that a late estimate indicated as many as 8,000 Japs had been killed on Guadalcanal and no more than 2,000 were evacuated by landing boats to enemy destroyers.

Bitter At Own Officers  
Wilson said some Jap pockets fought to the death and others softened up, adding:

"One lieutenant came in singing Tipperary, spoke good English and declared he was fed up on the whole mess."

Other prisoners, he said, were bitter over the evacuation of great numbers of their officers. Among the quantities of loot captured from the Japs was a brigadier general's personal belongings, his Chevrolet automobile and linen and other loot from Malaya.

"They certainly were fixed up to stay a long time on Guadalcanal, but in their hasty departure they left plenty behind," Wilson said, pointing out that the beaches were strewn with abandoned and wrecked equipment.

A captured artillery trailer had new American made tires in front and British-made on the rear wheels. Dental surgical equipment seized at an abandoned Jap

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### Republican Party Leaders Ask for Coalition With "Real Democrats" To Resist "Arrogant Bureaucracy"

(By the Associated Press)  
A call for a coalition of republicans and "real democrats," coupled with an attack on "arrogant bureaucracy" and criticism of the administration's conduct of the war, highlighted the traditional Lincoln day gatherings of republicans last night.

Alf. M. Landon, the party's 1936 presidential candidate; Governor John W. Bricker of Ohio, mentioned as a republican presidential possibility for 1944; and Rep. Joseph Martin of Massachusetts, minority leader of the house and former national republican chairman, joined in assailing what Martin described as "expanding, arrogant bureaucracy."

Secretary of the Navy Knox, emphasizing he was a republican, struck another note, however, at Springfield, Ill., scene of Lincoln's tomb. Recalling that Lincoln had been subjected to criticism, Knox said:

"We see history repeating itself. Our president, our leaders have been subjected to all the same familiar charges of 80 years ago. We have seen again in these hours of another supreme struggle the same temptations of partisan advantage obstruct our

## Allies to March Through Streets of Berlin, Rome, Tokyo, in Their Plan For "Actual Invasions," Roosevelt Vows

### Autonomy Promised To All Peoples

President, in Broadcast, Also Scores Reports of Discord on Home Front

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—President Roosevelt held out to an embattled world today the promise of "actual invasions" of Europe following the battle of Tunisia and of "great and decisive actions—instead of island-by-island drives—against the Japanese in China and over Japan itself."

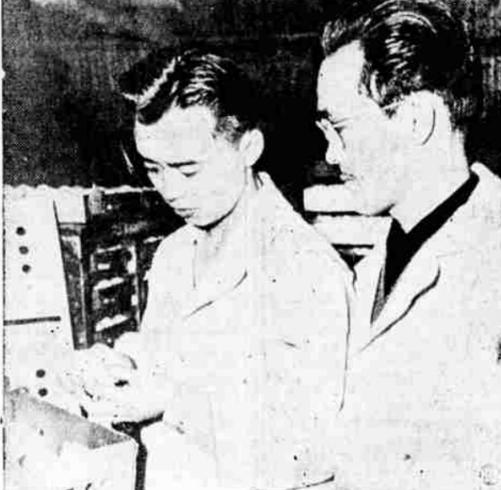
He also gave assurance that the united nations were in this war until they march in triumph through the streets of Berlin, Rome and Tokyo and were determined that the Nazi, fascist or Japanese warlord form of government shall "never again" dominate a nation guaranteed post-war self-determination.

The chief executive made these declarations last night in a radio address. His first war review since his Casablanca "unconditional surrender" conference with Prime Minister Churchill.

He spoke of world-wide offensives stemming from that conference and of the developing battle of Tunisia with its expected "heavy" losses on the allied side in the attempt to push the enemy into the sea and open the way for what he called "invasions" he used the plural twice—of the European continent.

He described the whole world today as "one neighborhood" and said unless the peace that follows this war recognizes this and does justice to the human race, the germs of another world war "will remain as a constant

### Ask "C" Card to Solve Sex Question



American-born Japanese Michael Azuma, left, and Henry Nakashima, right, of Joliet, Ill., have requested "C" gasoline rations for business of determining sex of chickens. Thirty widely separated hatcheries support the claim that the two men have a secret of separating future egg-layers from newborn rooster chicks.

### 19 Convicts Flee Mississippi Pen

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 13.—(AP)—Nineteen white convicts, several described as desperate, escaped from the state penitentiary at Parchman early today after overpowering a night-watchman and seriously injuring a guard.

Four of those in the break, largest in the penitentiary's history, were involved in a recent escape which ended when one was killed and three caught near Corinth.

Superintendent M. P. L. Love of the penitentiary said the men rushed the night-watchman at the camp when he opened the door of the dormitory type cage so the cooks could go to the kitchen to prepare breakfast.

After overpowering the watchman, the prisoners then took his keys and shot their way from the one story building. They went to the home of the guard, a Sergeant Upchurch, just outside the wire barricade, and forced him to give them the keys to his car. When he sought to resist, they hit him over the head with a gun taken from the night-watchman.

The convicts also commandeered a state truck, Love said.

### Air Raiders Blast Nazi, Italian Areas

(By the Associated Press)  
Overnight, Britain's bombers again blasted German war factories in the western reich and powerful RAF formations streaked across the English channel toward Calais this morning in one of the earliest daylight starts in weeks.

The scope of the night assault was not disclosed immediately in London, but the German radio, acknowledging damage in one center, said the raid was of the "nuisance" variety.

British bombers also struck at northwest Germany yesterday afternoon while American-built fighters attacked railways and other war installations in northern France, Belgium and the Netherlands. One fighter failed to return from these daylight forays.

Allied planes also bombed and machine-gunned towns and passenger trains on the island of Sicily and in Calabria province on the Italian mainland, the Italian high command reported. The broadcast, recorded by the Associated Press, said three were killed and 12 injured in an attack on a passenger train.

### Higher Output of Farm Machinery Ordered

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The war production board has authorized an increase in production of farm machinery in the first quarter of this year.

Senator McNary said an additional 50,000 tons of steel has been allocated and the quota for repair parts has been raised from 130 per cent of 1940 to 160 per cent.

McNary said he learned from Paul H. Appleby, under-secretary of agriculture, that this will not meet the demand, but that it should maintain essential food production.

### Wife, Son of Convict Bund Leader Arrested

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Elsa Kuhn, wife of Fritz Kuhn, former national leader of the German-American bund, and her son, Walter, 16, have been taken into custody in a roundup of enemy aliens, it was learned today.

Denaturalization proceedings against Fritz Kuhn are pending in federal court.

Kuhn is serving a five-year prison term for stealing bund funds.

### Train-Bus Collision Injures 30 Persons

GARY, Ind., Feb. 13.—(AP)—A slowly moving three-car Pennsylvania railroad passenger train, westbound from Valparaiso to Chicago, struck a crowded bus and an empty street car in Gary today, injuring 30 of the bus passengers.

Police Captain Thomas Koss said two of the injured were seriously hurt.

The train hit the front end of the bus and the rear end of street car.

Railroad spokesman said the company was investigating to learn why crossing gates had not been lowered.

### Named After Lincoln, Dies on His Birthday

SEATTLE, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Abraham Lincoln Knisely, 68-year-old Seattle chemist and former Oregon State college professor and chief of the pure foods laboratory at Portland, died here last night on the birthday anniversary of the great emancipator for whom he was named.

His father was a boyhood friend of Abraham Lincoln's son, Thad, in Illinois.

### In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
THE dispatches on the day this is written are not the kind that thrill the writers and the readers of headlines. They lack the punch of IMMEDIATE achievement.

But the wires throb with suppressed excitement. One has the feeling that coming great events are beginning to cast their shadows across the path of the news.

### MONTGOMERY'S 8th Army Is STILL MOVING.

U. S. Secretary Stimson forecasts heavy fighting in North Africa, with many casualties. He says we're moving into position FOR A SHOWDOWN.

General Eisenhower says: "We're going to throw every American soldier we can get in to the fight."

CHURCHILL tells us the allies have moved nearly HALF A MILLION MEN into Africa. That's an army.

THE Russians are moving on Khar'kov from three sides. Unconfirmed reports say they're within 10 or 12 miles of the city. Moscow dispatches report a break in the stubbornness of German resistance.

Vatutin is still pushing southward toward the Sea of Azov, having taken five more towns. The Russians have landed troops at Novorossisk (see map) to cut off German flight from the Caucasus by way of the icy Kerch strait.

BRITISH Field Marshall Dill, U. S. Air General Arnold, British Commander in India Wavell and Chiang Kai-Shek, after

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### Military Inductions For February Quota Completed by Douglas Board; Several Volunteer Ahead of Call

Inductions for military service called for in the February quota have been completed, it was announced today by Percy Croft, chairman of the Douglas county selective service board. Practically all of the men called for induction have already been sent to induction stations, thus completing all calls until March.

Men who volunteered for induction ahead of their call were Rockland Patrick Shannon, Seattle, Wash.; Victor Carl Backlund, Melrose Rt., Roseburg; Robert Carl Langhoff, Melrose Rt., Roseburg; Frederick Notton Debolt, Elmo, Wash.; Welcome William Pyle, Roseburg; Frederick Marion Carpenter, Roseburg; Robert Dean Parris, Roseburg; Jack Leroy Weaver, Roseburg; Kenneth Clair Abbott, Roseport; Frank Lee Walters, Sutherlin.

Douglas county men transferred to other boards for induction included Lawrence Alvin Perdau, Drain; Wilbur Fred Maiman, Drain; Rudy Oliver Tollefson, Roseport; John Feleh Snow, Oakland; Orman Neil Peavey, Roseburg; Virgil Raymond Lee, Drain; Russell Anderson, Cumas Valley; James Henry Butler, Oakland; Leland Grant Means, Yoncalla; Gerald Raymond Albright, Roseburg.

Freelin Edwin Collins, Bering, Oregon; Leslie Harvel Gates, Roseburg; George Wilbur Mallett, Lake Grove, Ore.; Alfred Spencer Buckle, Roseburg; Robert Wickham Bissell, McMinnville; Clinton Ancil Hamblen, San Diego, Cal.

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