

FIRE-ENGULFED BERLIN WILL BE EVACUATED

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New Aerial Attacks Punish Japs as Atrocities Stories Infuriate U. S.

Foe's Island Bases Lashed Effectively

22 Jap Planes Destroyed At Rabaul, Foray Against Marshalls Unopposed

(By the Associated Press)

Aroused forces of the United Nations, pledged to avenge wanton Japanese brutality to allied war prisoners, gave the Nipponese no letup in aerial smashes at their island bases throughout the Pacific.

While the leaders and the peoples of the democracies cried out against the murder and indecent treatment of thousands of their fighting men, widespread attacks from the air kept the Japanese guessing as to where the next invasion blow will fall.

South Pacific bombers returned to battered Rabaul for the 24th raid this month on the enemy's New Britain stronghold, blasting 22 to 30 interceptors out of the sky at a cost of four planes. Close to 400 Japanese aircraft have been destroyed or damaged at Rabaul during January.

Allied bombs—123 tons of them—smashed again at the Japanese staging bases in the Admiralty Islands northwest of Rabaul. Other planes pounded the invasion-marked northern coast of New Guinea, spewing fires and explosions in the Madang area toward which ground troops are now moving.

No Defense of Marshalls
The Marshall Islands came under aerial assault for the 22nd straight day, and little bombers pounded on the little phosphate island of Nauru, 800 miles to the south, for the first time since Dec. 28. The Japanese declined to

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

RAY CRONIN, former chief of the Associated Press bureau in Manila, who has just been exchanged and returned to the United States after spending 21 months in a Jap prison camp, has been in San Francisco for the past two days.

He doesn't take much stock in the theory that Japan will fold up and quit shortly after Hitler is licked.

It isn't hard to guess, for that matter, that he doesn't take much stock in the lick-Hitler-first theory of our war program. It gives the Jap too much time, he says—time to dig himself into the vast empire he has conquered.

We've had tragic evidence in the Solomons that once the Japs get thoroughly dug in he's a hard customer to blast out.

JAPAN, he says, is looking beyond this war—to another war 20 to 25 years hence, a war in which the yellow race (at the present moment in history dominated by the Japanese) will be arrayed against the white race.

For years this writer has read in sensational publications and heard from excitable people this talk of the coming war between the white and the yellow races. It has always seemed fantastic—the sort of stuff the Sunday thrillers are built of.

Talking to Cronin, listening to his precise, matter-of-fact words, uttered in a quiet non-excitable tone, remembering that he was watching and sizing the Jap up well ahead of Pearl Harbor, it doesn't seem so fantastic.

His casual statement that nearly a billion people are included within the present borders of

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Put Douglas in Front on Series War Bond Sales



The five men pictured above hold the explanation of Douglas county's top-ranking position in Oregon as being the first in the state to reach its quota for sale of war bonds to corporations in the Fourth War Loan campaign. Pictured are County Treasurer Oliver Johnson, Commissioner H. B. Roadman, Clerk Roy Agee, Judge D. N. Busenbark and S. J. Shoemaker, president of the Umpqua Savings and Loan company. The above picture was made as the county court completed purchase of bonds amounting to \$220,000, while the savings and loan company invested \$85,000, a total of \$305,000.

Surpassing of Previous War Loan Record, Which Won Treasury Award, Aim of Staff at Veterans Facility

Staff members and employees at the Veterans facility in Roseburg are making a most determined effort to excel their outstanding record of achievement made during the Third War Loan drive. Dr. George M. Melvin, manager, announced today. Simultaneously with the start of the Fourth War Loan campaign, Dr. Melvin has received an official report showing the facility at Roseburg to be first among the neuro-psychopathic hospitals of the nation in per capita bond purchases and fifth in the nation for all veterans hospitals.

There are 93 hospitals in the group, in which the Roseburg facility took fifth place, while the Roseburg unit heads all of the 3 N-P hospitals, Dr. Melvin states. In recognition of the achievement, the facility has been awarded a certificate for "distinguished service on behalf of the war savings program," by the U. S. Treasury department. Dr. Melvin, in addition, has received a personal letter of congratulation and achievement from General Frank T. Hines, administrator of the Veterans bureau.

The record shows participation by 98.5 per cent of the personnel and 13.9 per cent of payroll, Dr. Melvin reports.

The campaign now under way is considerably ahead of the mark established during the Third War Loan drive for the same elapsed time, and every effort is being made, it was stated, to surpass the record established during the last campaign.

Ray O. Tannlund, serving as

Match Shortage Boosts Price in Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela, Jan. 29.—(AP)—A critical match shortage had developed in Venezuela and virtually all stores are displaying the sign "no hay." (There is none.)

Prices have skyrocketed to as high as 25 centimos (about seven and a half cents) for a box that costs a penny in the United States. The most logical explanation of the shortage is that shipments from the United States have been delayed.

Kimmy Resigns Post With O. & C. Service

The Oregon and California Revested Lands administration today announced the resignation of Ray I. Kimmy, district forester of the Roseburg office, effective February 1. Mr. Kimmy plans on entering private business. Pending the appointment of Mr. Kimmy's successor, Harry I. Nettleton, associate forester in the Portland office, is being detailed as acting forester for the Roseburg district.

chairman, is being assisted by Adrian Fisher, Dave A. Mosier, Margaret Fields and Mrs. Edith Houck, as minutemen.

PORTLAND, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Women doorbell ringers took the spotlight today as Oregon's \$99,000,000 Fourth War Loan chest

Dillard School Sets Pace in War Bond Sales

The Dillard school district has set other schools throughout Douglas county a really tough mark to shoot at during the Fourth War Loan campaign. H. O. Pargeter, chairman of the County War Finance committee, announced today. The Dillard school today reported war bond sales amounting to \$13,275. The report was made by Mrs. Alice R. Cummings, principal of the school.

The rural schools of the county were given a quota of \$16,750. Pargeter stated, and Dillard is out to equal the goal set for all the schools of its class combined.

became nearly one-fourth full. Mrs. Elmer McManus, La Grande, sold \$7,012.50 in E bonds to become the first woman outside Portland to receive the army award for sales in excess of \$5,000.

Wasco county women, led by Mrs. Francis Seufert, The Dalles, led upstate counties with \$301,611.50 in sales.

Baker, 4 Below Zero, Nation's Coldest Spot
(By the Associated Press)

Baker, shivering under an early morning temperature of 4 degrees below zero, was the coldest city in the nation today. The cold wave clung stubbornly to most of Oregon, easing only to the southwestern corner of the state. At Medford and Roseburg the mercury inched up from a below-freezing level to 33.

Scattered rain was forecast for the southwestern part of the state. Mountain roads remained slick; although only the McKenzie pass and Tollgate road were impassable.

Improvement Noted in Sen. McNary's Condition

FT. LAUDERDALE, Fla., Jan. 29.—(AP)—Continued improvement of Senator Charles McNary (R-Ore.), who is convalescing here, was reported yesterday by Mrs. McNary. The minority leader, however, declines to discuss political questions, preferring to issue statements through his secretary in Washington.

4th WAR LOAN Let's All Back The Attack

Arrangements have been made with the management of the Rose hotel whereby 24-hour service will be maintained for handling applications for purchases of war bonds during the period of the Fourth War Loan campaign. Clerks at the hotel desk will accept applications at any hour of day or night.

Industrial firms in Douglas county will account for \$349,460 in Fourth War Loan bonds, H. C. Berg, payroll savings chairman, was advised today by William A. Bingham, state director of payroll savings. This is 39 per cent of the county's quota. Most of the money will be invested in E bonds. Approximately 200 firms in Douglas county are represented in the total.

H. O. Pargeter, chairman of the County War Finance committee, reported today receipt of notice of two additional allotments credited to Douglas county. They include the Shell Oil company, \$20,000, and Crown-Williamette company, \$21,000.

Only "Essential" Cars To Receive New Tires

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The "most essential" low-mileage motorists will be eligible for new synthetic tires next month.

That does not mean a big new supply of tires, a high government authority explained last night. Quotas of local rationing boards will remain about the same with some 750,000 tires available for March and the boards must determine how essential is the driving of an applicant with an "A" or "B" card. The mileage ration basis will be eliminated. Presently only motorists in essential jobs or car-sharers who are allowed to drive more than 601 miles a month are allowed new tires.

All that others can get are pre-war used and recapped tires. The Washington Post reported that supply was reduced to "merely a dribble."

Less Cheese Decried For Civilians in 1944

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—A reduction of about 15,000,000 pounds of the scheduled 1944 civilian share of specialty types of cheese—including brick, limburger, cream, Roquefort, Italian types and others—has been ordered by the War Production board. Officials said last night that the step was taken to divert a larger share of limited milk supply to the production of dairy products deemed more important from the war standpoint, such as cheddar cheese, butter, evaporated and dried milk.

Torture Halt By Publicity Is Hoped For

Opposite Effect Is Also Feared; Disclosure Ban Blamed on Army Heads

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Hope that relentless publicity may force Japan's warlords to cease the torture and murder of helpless American prisoners was tempered in high quarters of the government today by grave concern that it might have an opposite effect.

These two reactions, inquiry revealed, stem from a fundamental disagreement involving chiefly the armed services and Office of War Information over the wisdom of making public the Philippine atrocity story, jointly issued by the war and navy departments yesterday after being held secret for many months.

But whatever the reason behind the disclosure, so far as its effect on the Japanese may be concerned, officials agreed that no single announcement had so infuriated the American people or produced such bitter determination for vengeance since word flashed over the wires two years ago that Pearl Harbor had been attacked.

Whether the announcement signaled a new policy with respect to atrocity stories remained uncertain in the absence of any official commitment on that point. It was considered certain, however, that other heart-sickening incidents were still to be told in the suffering and death of those for whom no spokesmen have yet escaped to this country.

Army Opposed Publicity.
The question of fundamental government policy was further

Data on Proposed 2nd Avenue South Extension Planned

Plans for immediate collection of data concerning the cost of extending Second Avenue South to connect with the Pacific Highway, to provide an outlet for logging traffic, were made last night at a meeting of the post-war planning committee. The county court offered the services of Floyd Frear, county engineer, in preparation of preliminary estimates, which will cover the cost of right of way as well as road construction. The committee also will gather information on present logging traffic as well as anticipated increases in volume.

It is planned to enlist the aid of the state highway commission in the matter of location of the proposed extension in order that any improvements may be coordinated with eventual development of the route as a state secondary highway. The committee was informed that the school district is making plans for construction of a school building in Edenbower and that negotiations are in progress for property to be used for school grounds. Federal aid in the construction of a building is anticipated.

Morse Quits WLB Job For Senator Race, Report

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—War Labor board public member Wayne L. Morse is reported to have resigned his war agency post to run for senator from Oregon.

The 43-year old WLB member, who has been serving on leave of absence as dean of the University of Oregon law school, is a republican. He would oppose Senator Rufus Holman as a primary candidate. Morse declined comment on the report.

Battles Take Allied Forces Nearer Rome

Warships Aid in Blasting Troops, Transport; Foe Loses 36 More Aircraft

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Jan. 29.—(AP)—American beachhead troops, striking toward the Apennine way and the main rail line to the Cassino front, have advanced to within light artillery range of Cisterna astride both arteries 14 miles northeast of Anzio, it was announced today.

At the same time other allied forces pushing north from Anzio captured a bridge two miles beyond Carroceto where the British routed a German unit Thursday. The allied force was about 19 miles southeast of Rome, and 12 miles north of Anzio.

The Germans launched heavy air attacks against shipping on the beachhead yesterday and again suffered badly at the hands of the allied air forces which shot down 21 enemy planes over the area.

Fourteen more planes were shot down during a heavy bomber raid on Ferrara. The day's total bag was 36 Nazi aircraft for a loss of five allied planes.

Violent fighting raged north of Cassino where American tanks and infantry hacked out gains against fierce opposition and repeated counterattacks. Farther north, French troops seized two hills north of Belvedere mountain and smashed down three German counter-thrusts.

Warships Batter Nazis
Action on the fan-shaped invasion front brought spectacular artillery fire from British and American warships supporting the drive as well as great aerial duels.

The communiqué said, "during a daylight heavy and accurate bombardment by his majesty's ships silenced German batteries, broke up attempted movements of enemy troops on roads and inflicted damage and casualties on enemy transport."

The accuracy of the salvos from the long-range naval guns was evidenced by one direct hit which cut a supply train in half.

The navy reported that the Germans had been pushed back out of range of the guns of destroyers, but still were being hammered by cruisers, which can reach between seven and eight miles inland. Naval guns also blasted at Formia, on the Gulf of Gaeta to the south, and continued their

Russians Closing In On Last Supply Line of Germans

MOSCOW, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Red army units west of Novgorod were but 20 miles from the Leningrad-Pskov railway today and were smashing forward across a country white with a deep new snowfall toward that last supply artery for all Germans pinched between Lake Ilmen and Lake Peipus.

(Lake Peipus forms part of the Estonian border.)
With the Leningrad-Moscow line almost completely in Russian hands, the Leningrad-Vitebsk railway severed by Gen. Meretskov's forces, and Gen. Govorov's units astride the Leningrad-Reval (Tallinn) east-west line, red army ski-men pushed the drive to close the last bottleneck below Leningrad.

Already cut off were the Germans in the Chudovo sector on the Leningrad-Moscow railway, while to the south of Lake Ilmen another large body of the enemy at Staraya Russa faced the distinct possibility of being isolated likewise.

Meretskov's mop-up operations on the Moscow-Leningrad railway won a citation from Premier Stalin in a special order of the day. Moscow said complete occupation of the railway was expected hourly with the capture of Chudovo, last German-held station 75 miles southeast of Leningrad.

Wm. A. White, Famous Kansas Editor, Passes



William Allen White

EMPORIA, Kas., Jan. 29.—(AP)—William Allen White, 75, famous editor of the Emporia Gazette and widely known as "the Sage of Emporia," died today.

A sarcastic editorial, "What's the Matter with Kansas?" written in 1896, skyrocketed him to national fame.

Frequently he was called on to aid in drafting republican national platforms. In 1936 he laid down his editorial pen and worked for the presidential nomination of Alf M. Landon, a fellow Kansan, who was defeated by Franklin D. Roosevelt. That year he was chairman of the party's resolutions committee.

Only once did he seek public office and he was unsuccessful. That was in 1924 when, in the midst of a bitter fight against the Ku Klux Klan, which he branded as un-American and cowardly, he ran independently for governor of Kansas, because the Klan had endorsed two other candidates for that office. While he finished third in the race, the Klan soon died out and he felt he had won his objective.

War Casualties Removed During Italy War Truce

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY IN ITALY, Jan. 28.—(delayed)—(AP)—Two men—an American captain and a private—carrying a Red Cross banner tied to two sticks marched through battered "No Man's Land" to the brink of the bloody Rapido river yesterday and crossed into German territory amid a deadly silence.

They walked on across the stricken land—scene of the heaviest fighting since Salerno—until they came to a barbed-wire barrier, where they were soon greeted by a German officer.

They were there in response to a German request for a battle lull to evacuate casualties, and after terms were agreed upon locally both sides withheld their fire while 75 Yankee medical officers and a smaller number of Germans removed the dead and wounded. Some had been lying under heavy artillery fire for three days.

The two Americans were Capt. David Kaplan, 30, a medical officer, of Sioux City, Ia., and Private Arnold Fleischman, 20, of Wood Haven, L. I., a German-born student who acted as interpreter. The Americans brought back 25 bodies and four wounded men, one of whom was a medical officer. When he was lifted into a litter, the latter grinned feebly and said: "Look, I have got mald service—you can't beat this battlefield."

Extra Sugar Allotted For Early Canning

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—To take care of the needs of housewives who wish to can early fruit, stamp No. 40 in war ration book 4 will be valid for five pounds of sugar beginning Feb. 1, the OPA announced today. The stamp, good through Feb. 28, 1945, will be the only one issued this year for buying sugar for home-canning, but additional amounts will be made available later on application to local boards. Last season, two five-pound stamps were validated for home-canning.

The complete plan for allotting sugar for 1944 canning will be announced later.

Latest Bomb Rain Wreaks Awful Havoc

RAF's Knockout Raid Trails Record Yankee Smash at Frankfurt

LONDON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Eighth American air force sent the greatest number of heavy bombers in its history—well over 800—in a thunderous assault against industrial Frankfurt today even as Berlin smoked and burned anew from last night's second heavy RAF blow in a row.

Fighter escorts probably numbering several hundreds accompanied and assisted the Liberators and Flying Fortresses in the blow at the highly-industrialized German city.

Swedish reports said the complete evacuation of burning Berlin was contemplated, and the nazis clamped a tight censorship on details of the second successive RAF blow to mop up the rubblestrewn capital.

"We have gone through one of the most horrible nights since the English raids of annihilation began against Berlin," said the Stockholm newspaper Aftonbladet's Berlin correspondent.

"Disastrous fires" are blazing in the shattered city, he wrote, adding that the nazi censorship prohibited him from giving a detailed picture of the damage and the number of victims.

Terrific Havoc Wrought
"One felt the ground shaking as the result of the enormous air mines which crashed wh le apartment house blocks," one correspondent reported, and a rain of incendiaries was followed by a "hurricane of fire."

The explosions, the heavy anti-aircraft fire and the RAF's "Christmas tree" flares made a "concert of hell," he said.

When the sirens announced the last bomber was gone the correspondent said the streets were full of incendiaries and Berliners were racing through the streets trying to stamp out the blazes.

Berliners "by the hundreds could be seen carrying what they had saved—a suitcase, or a bundle wrapped in blankets and sheet," he added.

Forty-seven bombers failed to return from the Berlin and other night blows—the heaviest RAF loss in the 72-night battle to erase Berlin but less than the losses of some of the earlier attacks on the capital. American losses in the Frankfurt raid have not yet been announced.

City To Be Evacuated
Travelers reaching Sweden, apparently even before last night's terrific blow, said women and children were pouring from Berlin and that the capital's complete evacuation was planned. The German-dominated Scandinavian telegraph bureau said tersely that "details of the huge raid are not allowed to be published."

One Berlin broadcast said that "as in the previous night, bombs were dropped indiscriminately."

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Vets Facility at Capacity Service

The U. S. Veterans facility at Roseburg is filled to capacity, except for emergency beds, Dr. George M. Melvin, manager, reports. Population totals 598 patients, as compared with a total of 623 beds. As 20 beds are kept reserved for emergency use, the facility is considered to be at full capacity, and, in fact, is housing more patients than the existing plant was designed to accommodate.

Patients include a considerable number of men from the current war, the exact number, however, being withheld from publication.

The prompt treatment being given men suffering wounds or mental disturbances in the present war is greatly reducing the total of permanently disabled men, Dr. Melvin reports. In fact, more than four times the number of men now being treated have passed through the facility here with the majority being discharged as completely cured.

Loivity Fact Rent

By L. F. Rosenstain
Don't waste your breath a ravin' in your fire of indignation Over atrocities committed by the Japs; To get revenge you're doubtless craving, Just dig deeper in your savings; An extra bond will speed the kayo whacks.