

Cold Relaxes Grip on State

Death Toll Three;
No Forecast Given
For Region Today

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got milk by hiking to neighbor-

hood stores.

The weather bureau released no forecast Friday, but announced it did not expect to issue new storm warnings. The weather bureau also disclosed the third lowest barometer reading in its history was taken in Portland Thursday, but that the snowstorm and cold prevented high winds from sweeping into the low-pressure area.

Snow had practically disappeared from coastal cities as mild weather displaced the storm. In southern Oregon, warm winds and rain cut the white blanket. Even at Klamath Falls in southeastern Oregon, a thaw relieved the cold wave but did some flood damage. The Willamette valley still was snow-covered, however, and the mighty Columbia river was frozen over at The Dalles. The mid-Columbia city, used to severe winter weather, was carrying on much as normal and schools were open in contrast to most of the western portion of the state. Pendleton, familiar with cold weather, also was making out all right.

Trains, buses and planes operated on something approaching normal schedules in western Oregon. Curtailled shipyard production schedules were being thrown off. Most transportation in Portland functioned again but a few buses and streetcar lines still were closed.

Many logging camps, however, were down.

SEATTLE, Jan. 22—(AP)—Winter life returned toward normal in frost-bitten western Washington Friday after the heavy snowfall of Tuesday and Wednesday had virtually paralyzed Seattle's war industries.

Lumber and logging operations were crippled throughout the region.

The Boeing aircraft plants remained the only major war industry idle here Friday. Employees were ordered back to work there for the day shift Saturday. The closing was attributed to transportation difficulties, primarily.

The snowfall, most of it coming Tuesday and Wednesday, ranged from one inch on Grays Harbor to 16 and 18 in some parts of western Washington. The total fall in Seattle was about 16 inches.

Japan Loses 11,000 Men

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—Japan has lost more than 11,000 men in the last fighting on Guadalcanal island, a marine officer fresh from the battlefield reported Friday, and the remaining enemy force of less than 4,000 is so weak that it probably could be smashed entirely in ten days by a full-scale American offensive.

"Of course, I can't say what the plans of the commanding general Lt. Col. Lewis B. Puller, 'but I down there now are,' declared believe that in a ten-day operation using the available men there, we could clean the Japanese out."

Some hours before Puller was interviewed, the navy issued a communique on latest developments in the Solomons fighting, reporting that ground forces on Guadalcanal were "mopping up pockets of enemy resistance" and on Thursday had made small advances in some sectors.

In the air, the communique said, American aircraft had made harassing raids on Ballale island, about 300 nautical miles north-west of Guadalcanal airfield, but results were not observed. The Japanese, meanwhile, sent a lone plane against Espiritu Santo, an American base in the New Hebrides islands, and several bombs were dropped but did no damage nor injury to personnel, the communique said.

Other enemy planes, in a series of single raids, bombed the American position on Guadalcanal on Thursday night. They caused minor damages to installations, killed three Americans and wounded one, and lost one plane to anti-aircraft fire.

2 Navy Planes Said Overdue

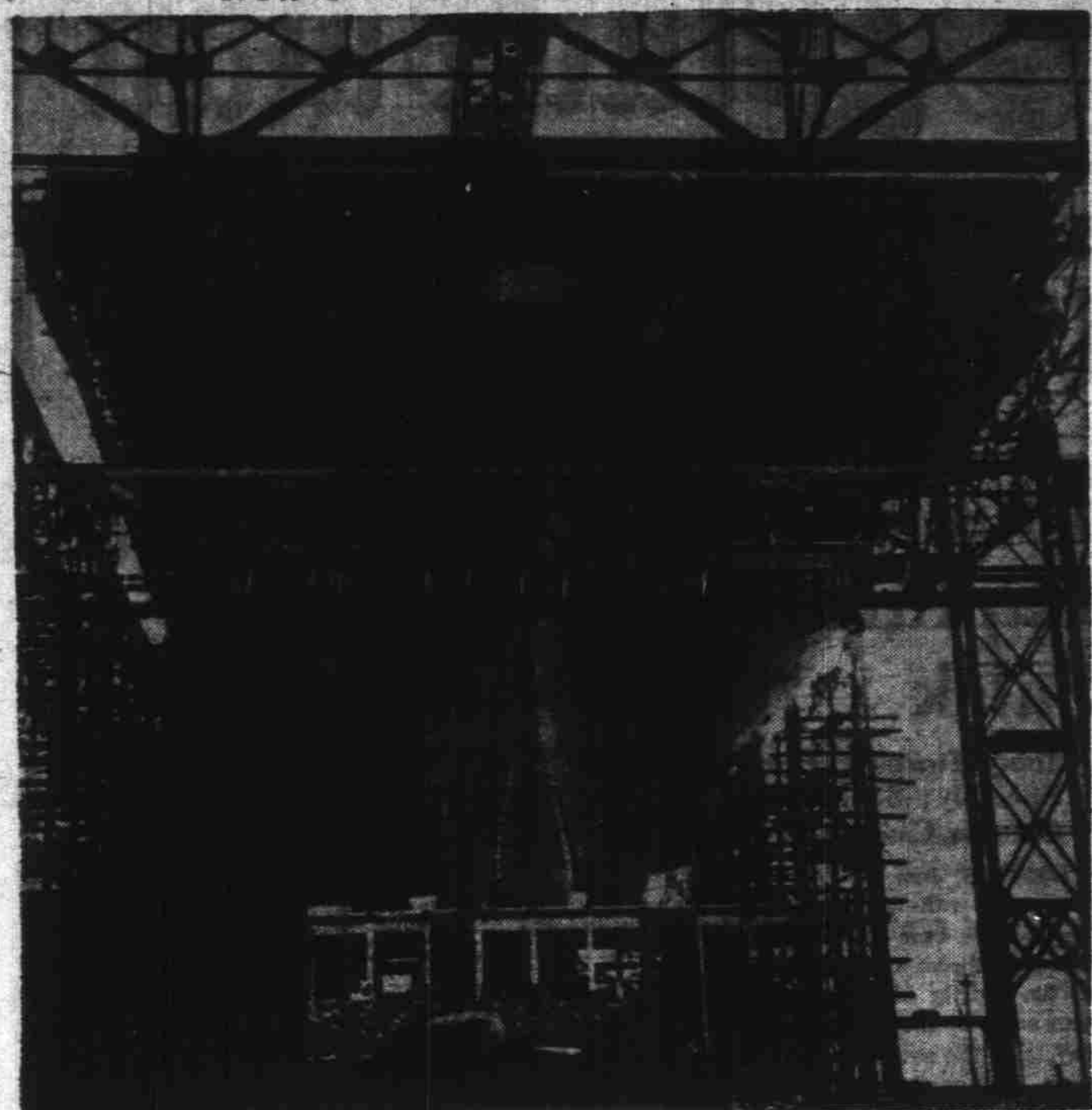
WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—The navy reported Friday that a transport seaplane, with 19 persons aboard, was overdue on a flight from Pearl Harbor to San Francisco.

The navy also reported that one of its twin-engine cargo transport land-type planes was overdue after taking off at 5:40 p. m., Pacific war time, Thursday, from Winslow, Ariz., for San Diego, Calif. Aboard the cargo plane were three officers and three enlisted men, cargo and mail.

DANCE TONIGHT

Veterans' Hall
640 Hood St.

New Carrier Yorktown Launched



It beat the gun—and the speeches—but was properly christened by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt. The aircraft carrier USS Yorktown (above) was launched at Newport News, Va., Thursday, one of the largest American vessels ever built. It replaces the Yorktown lost in the battle of Midway.—JIN Photo.

Russians Capture Salsk

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huge annihilation fight as they did with the 22 German divisions trapped at Stalingrad.

The Stalingrad liquidation still is going on against less than 50,000 of the original total of some 220,000 axis troops.

The Russians also reported gains extending from Salsk 200 miles almost due south to the Caucasian mountain range.

On the lower Caucasian railway skirting the mountains soviet troops are driving northwestward and last were reported about 42 miles from Armavir, rail gateway to the Maikop oil fields in the west.

For the first time Friday the German high command admitted that its divisions at Stalingrad were "closely encircled," and also acknowledged a retreat in the Caucasus.

But the Russians said "fierce fighting is taking place at every populated place and on every advantageous line."

One village, the communique said, changed hands three times in one day, the outcome finally being decided by soviet tankmen who attacked the enemy from the flank and again sent the Germans reeling backward.

The entire front from Voronezh on the upper Don river to the Caucasus mountains was in motion, and nowhere did the Russians acknowledge any reverses. Whenever their troops were held up by axis "hedgehog" positions, the red army surrounded them and began whittling them down.

Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Wide World War Analysis for The Statesman

The impending fall of Tripoli to the British portends an important change in the aerial aspects of the battle of Tunisia even if Rommel's remnants escape to join nazi forces in northern Tunisia.

Axis airfields that have come in for furious allied east-west bombing to hamper Rommel's retreat lie to the south and west of Tripoli. They are now highly important to the allies for their own use in the coming battle of Tunisia.

The quicker those fields within 300 miles or less of Tunis and Bizerte can be taken, repaired and put back in service as allied air bases, the sooner a triple bomb fire at relatively short range can be opened on axis defenses of the Tunisian foreland. The rainy season in northeastern Tripolitania where those air fields lie is virtually over now, although at least another month of frequent downpours is to be expected in eastern Algeria and northern Tunisia. Weather conditions should not greatly hamper stepped-up allied short-range air attack on the Tunis-Bizerte targets and land or sea communication lines from the southeast once Tripolitania has been cleared of the foe.

The fight for control of the Mediterranean waistline, confined largely to air operations except for the Eighth army advance and nazi efforts to hold open and widen Rommel's escape corridor, must therefore enter a new phase soon. Eisenhower's American and

Committee Aims at Tax Relief by Cutting Costs

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revenues over appropriations of only \$244,544.

The supplemental requests include deficiency items of \$125,906 for the biennium now ending; among them \$50,000 for the state hospital, \$30,000 for the penitentiary, \$20,000 each for Fairview Home and Eastern Oregon state hospital, \$25,000 for return of prisoners, \$800 for the state budget division and \$2606 for the capitol building account.

Other supplemental requests for the new biennium are \$89,104 for the state hospital, \$63,075 for the Eastern Oregon state hospital, \$1190 for Hillcrest school and \$165,000 for the education of physically handicapped children.

C. E. Chapman of the budget advisory committee submitted a report estimating biennium revenues at \$32,989,680 and requirements at \$32,300,859, leaving an excess of \$688,821.

Tax receipts within the 6 per cent limitation were set at \$10,287,388; receipts from the state liquor control program at \$10,311,283; miscellaneous receipts \$7,625,394; from tax levy outside 6 per cent limitation, \$4,085,614. (Additional legislative news to-day on page 5.)

New Power Head Faces Gas Lack

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—A former TVA official, J. A. Krug, was named the country's power administrator Friday and responsible officials predicted that one of his major problems will be averting a natural gas shortage next winter.

Milk Market Rules Tighten

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make consumer price increases unnecessary, or at the most much smaller than otherwise would be the case.

The deposit must be not less than 1 cent for each glass container of 4 quarts or less used in the sale of milk or cream for consumption off the premises of the handler. The deposit on milk cans and cases must be not less than 25 cents each.

The economies, which must be started February 1, follow:

(1) All package sizes for milk below one quart are eliminated except where the milk is to be resold for consumption on the premises. This requirement will remove pints and one-half pints from retail stores and home delivery wagons.

(2) Purchases must be confined to not more than two handlers unless the delivery from each handler is in excess of 300 quarts. This applies to retail stores, hotels, etc.

(3) Delivery truck loads are limited to advance and standing orders. This is designed to save time of delivery men.

(4) Milk returns from stores, hotels, etc., are eliminated. This requirement will end consignment sales and should, Wickard said, result in fuller use of delivery space and time.

(5) Deposits must be collected on all glass bottles, milk cans and cases. This is designed to lengthen the life of the containers and reduce replacement costs.

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The Old Homestead
WITH THE
WEAVER BROS. & ELVIRY

Nazis Gloomy Over Russia

Admit Reds Break
Stalingrad Hold
With Huge Force

By The Associated Press

Gloomy assessments of the situation on the eastern front came from German military commentators Friday night following the high command's official admission that the German army at Stalingrad had been forced back several kilometers by a Russian break through from the west and that other nazi forces were retreating in the Caucasus.

Capt. Ludwig Sertorius went so far as to draw a parallel between present Russian operations and the smashing German offensives through the low countries and France in 1940 when they cut allied armies into ribbons by their blitzkrieg encirclements.

Referring to the German breakthrough from the Meuse to the English channel, he said "It becomes ever more plain . . . that the Russians had similar strategic intentions."

"The German command is trying partly to strangle these attempts by determined counter attacks," he said, "and partly to check them in rear positions" — a possible reference to hedgehog positions manned by virtual suicide groups as at Stalingrad.

A hint that high quarters in Berlin fear that large slices of soviet territory will have to be yielded before the soviet offensives are brought to a halt was seen in Sertorius' comment that "German defense for the first time will probably profit by the vastness of the eastern territories."

This description of the conquered soviet lands as a broad space in which to retreat — something new in German military comment — was followed by the observation "territory is of comparatively slight significance."

The plight of the "Stalingrad defenders" was acknowledged about ten days ago when the Germans, after two days of exhorting the troops to fight, said the Russians were attacking from all sides.

The communique, broadcast by Berlin and recorded by the Associated Press Friday, said the Russians broke the wall well before Stalingrad and "are storming with far superior forces." They claimed large numbers of soviet tanks were destroyed.

Admitting reverses in the Caucasus as well, the communique said:

"In the eastern Caucasus German troops detached themselves from the enemy according to plan in the course of mobile fighting."

Longest Coal Strike Ends

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Jan. 22 (AP)—The longest strike in the anthracite field in 17 years dragged to an end Friday.

United Mine Workers members at the Susquehanna Collieries company's No. 7 and the Payne Coal company's Exeter collieries—

ON the HOME FRONT

When you go to jail you lose a few of your rights—among them privacy.

So it was with the not-so-old, not-so-young fellow who last fall put in some time in Marion county's courthouse basement quarters. He wrote regularly to his mother, a pleasant custom, you may say, but wait. Each loving epistle contained a request for money—and he got it, or at least some of it.

I know, because the same officers who are required to read all outgoing mail are also supposed to read all the incoming correspondence and they apparently saw some of the money. Each letter the prisoner sent to the poor old lady contained hopeful remarks about how much money, "10-\$15 a day," he would be making when he got out, and often there was a promise to send home to Ma at least \$10 and probably \$20 a week.

Three weeks after he was released, the sheriff's office received a query from Ma: Where was her wandering boy? Had they committed him to the state hospital? Was he one of the roach powder poison victims? It was an idea, but that wasn't where sonny was. Except for three days spent in a Seattle jailhouse, he was free—free to earn \$10-\$15 a day and to send as many uncensored letters as he pleased to his mother.

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This same man was, for a while, a trusty. He was out from behind the bars, splitting wood, working around the kitchen—and urging the judge who had sentenced him to shorten the period during which he must be the county's guest. The judge laughingly passed the buck to the sheriff and when the prisoner told the sheriff just how much time he expected to have taken off because of the hard labor he was performing, the sheriff became militant, "busted him back to just plain ordinary prisoner" and let someone else be trusty.

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Then there was the time a youthful prisoner was visited by his "old man," and I am not just sure whether this visit preceded or followed the "old man's" own six-month stay in jail, but the elder had some good advice to give his boy:

"Why don't you," queried he in fatherly fashion, "straighten up? Get out of here? Get on your own feet? Get on the WPA and amount to something?"

last holdouts among 23,000 who walked out during the past three weeks demanding 50 cents a month union dues cut and a \$2 a day pay increase—voted to go back Saturday and Monday respectively.

Production, down nearly 1,000,000 tons already as a result of the miners' revolt against UMW leadership, was estimated at 80 and 90 per cent of normal Friday, 24 hours after the time President Roosevelt said the strike must end under threat of government action.

War Strategy Said Brewing

Four-Power Council
Thought Plan for
All-Out Assault

LONDON, Jan. 22—(AP)—A war-winning strategy for the United Nations in 1943 is believed by London observers to be in the stage of final settlement at this moment, with formation of a four-power "ABCR" supreme war council as one of its main bases. Although they are without official confirmation, negotiations are reliably reported under way to complete arrangements for a round-the-world offensive which began in 1942 with the war's first major allied land victories in Africa, the southwest Pacific and Russia.

The belief here is that the discussions are primarily concerned with the defeat of the axis in Europe this year or in 1944, with the full power of the United Nations then to be turned to the far east in a gigantic assault against Japan and every part of her empire.

The war obviously is entering a phase in which dovetailing the programs of the United States, Britain, Russia and China no longer can be left to luck, and the establishment of a supreme war council is thus viewed as a logical next step.

The other principle objectives toward which the United Nations' leaders are believed aiming are: Elimination of all points of possible conflict between the allies, such as the squabble over control of French Africa.

Consolidation of British and American commands all the way from Scotland to Iran.

A full-scale offensive against the U-boats, widely regarded as Hitler's last and best chance of negating all the other allied efforts.

Lastly, in connection with the matter of supply lines, a determined effort to furnish every one of the United Nations—especially Russia and China—with weapons needed to make them fully effective partners in the war-victory operations of 1943—and possibly 1944.

Prime Minister Churchill's broadcast of last November 29 is recalled in connection with the possibility that a smashing offensive against Hitler's Europe is in prospect for this year, with full-scale cooperative blows at Japan to follow.

Indictment Goes Back to Jurors

One secret indictment brought in Wednesday by the Marion county grand jury was returned Friday on motion of the district attorney, who said a typographical error had been discovered in it and that the matter would have to be resubmitted to the grand jury.

At the same time, Ralph Leroy Warren, indicted on two morals counts, withdrew his plea of innocent to one of the charges and filed a demurrer, maintaining that the indictment charged two rather than one crime and that facts insufficient were related.

The AP reports America's wars - 1



Modern war reporting began with the Mexican war and The Associated Press grew out of the experience.

Never had the world seen such initiative in news gathering up to then. The newly invented "electro magnetic" telegraph was in operation in a dozen or more cities and in addition American newspapers employed pigeons, ponies and boats to speed the news of the fighting at Monterey, Vera Cruz, Buena Vista and Mexico City.

A New York newspaper offered \$500 an hour for every hour that a pigeon could deliver the news ahead of its rivals. Two others set up a dispatch system using "60 blooded horses" to cover the 2000 miles to the Mexican front. Often, riders were ambushed by Mexican guerrillas. Fast

boats equipped with composing rooms were sent out to meet the slower steamers. Large sums were spent to get news beats.

Yet the news arrived weeks late. It had to move by boat across the Gulf of Mexico and thence by pony express across the hostile southern plains before it reached the telegraph at Richmond. A "bulletin" on the victory at Buena Vista arrived in the east fully five weeks after the battle, moreover, such coverage proved costly.

So it was that the first real cooperative news gathering organization was formed. It was called The Associated Press.

America was to learn to look for Associated Press news thereafter.

AP-FIRST AT THE FRONT FOR A CENTURY

IN

The Oregon Statesman

Esther Rogers Service Today

WOODBURN, Jan. 22—Funeral services are to be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the Ringo chapel for Esther Matilda Rogers, 78, who died Wednesday morning at her home, 344 Bradley street, Woodburn. Rev. D. Lester Fields is to officiate and burial is to be in Belle Pass cemetery.

Mrs. Rogers came to Woodburn eight years ago from Colorado. She was born in Butler county, Neb., December 21, 1865.

Survivors include the widower, Albert H. Rogers, at the home here; sons, Wilbur Rogers of Los Angeles, Daniel and Albert Rogers of Woodburn, Howard of San Diego; daughters, Mrs. Blanche Popejoy of Portland, Mrs. Esther May Turner of Loma, Calif., Mrs. Millie E. Clifford of Gavilan, N.M., Mrs. Evelyn M. Ford of Center, Colo., Mrs. Frances Terwilliger of San Diego; 23 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren; one sister in Colorado and two brothers in the eastern United States.

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