

# Reds Crash Nikopol; Wipe Out Cherkasy

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continuing attempts by the German troops attacking outside the ring in an effort to rescue them had been smashed west of Zvenigorodka, 55 miles southwest of Cherkasy.

The Germans lost 800 killed, 32 tanks, 22 anti-tank guns, and other equipment yesterday in one such action, the bulletin said, while north of Zvenigorodka, inside the ring, one soviet formation killed 600 Germans as it methodically hacked its way into the circle.

At Vyazovok 11 miles northeast of Shpolia, an entire German garrison was wiped out and 200 survivors taken prisoners, the bulletin said.

The Russians converging on Nikopol pushed on south of Apostolovo yesterday to seal the trap on the Germans there, the midnight communique disclosed. Apostolovo, 34 miles west of Nikopol, had been seized Sunday to cut the railway leading out of Nikopol.

With the Germans' rail escape route severed and the highway leading out of the city raked by soviet artillery, the Russians were on the verge of reconquering one of the biggest military prizes still held by the Germans along a turbulent 1000-mile front.

Nikopol's mines are said to be the source of half of all the manganese the nazis now are getting. The Germans must have it to keep producing steel.

# Solons Send Tax Increase Bill to FDR

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tion statutes would permit some contractors to make excessive profits.

Rep. Knutson (R-Minn), said the tax laws must be simplified before any more revenue measures are passed.

Piled on top of existing revenue laws, the new bill will increase the government's annual income to an estimated \$42,239,200,000, without taking into account such non-recurring receipts as payments of the unforfeited portions of 1942 income taxes.

With the government planning to spend approximately \$100,000,000,000 in the year ahead—provided the war continues—this means that somewhat less than half the expenditures will be met out of current income.

# Three OWI Chiefs Offer Resignations

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The announcement came in a statement issued in Davis' name here, although Davis himself was in New York.

Davis said the three resigning officials had "loyally and effectively served the United States and are now leaving the services on account of an administrative realignment."

They are James P. Warburg, deputy director for propaganda policy; Joseph Barnes, deputy director for Atlantic operations, and Ed Johnson, chief of the editorial board.

Edward W. Barrett, former associate editor of Newsweek magazine, was named executive director of the overseas branch, directly under Sherwood and with headquarters in Washington.

# Congress Okchs Farm Labor Recruitment

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Congress gave final approval today to a \$30,000,000 appropriation to finance an expanded government program of farm labor recruitment in 1944.

By a voice vote, the senate adopted a conference report on the bill and sent it to the White House, after the house gave its okay. They compromised between the \$27,000,000 fund originally voted by the house and a \$35,000,000 sum the senate had authorized.

The appropriation is \$4,000,000 higher than last year's sum. It is to pay for importation of approximately 120,000 farm workers, mostly from Mexico, Jamaica and the Bahamas, for seasonal employment on American farms. There were 70,000 imported last year.

# Salem Police Book Zigzagging Soldier

Questioning whether the charge should be drunken driving or riding a bicycle without a license, the state police sergeant who went off duty in Salem at midnight Monday arrested the soldier who swayed and zigzagged across the street ahead of him.

# Ward's Employes Far Over War Loan Quota



Employees of the Montgomery Ward store in Salem had a quota of \$2706 in the fourth war loan. They have purchased \$4235 worth of bonds to date, far exceeding that quota. The company's home office also has made a substantial allocation to Marion county out of its purchase of bonds. In the front row, from the left, are Bruce Dixon, assistant manager; F. G. Leeper, manager; James Beard, chairman of the bond drive among employes; Gordon Herring, department manager, and Dana Henry, assistant manager.

# Fry Urges Better City Government

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street improvement and street repair tax funds were tabled until the next meeting. The money was received from rental of city street equipment.

By resolution, the council authorized creation of a special library fund from book rentals and payments for lost books, the money to be used in replacing books lost and worn out.

An ordinance by Alderman Albert H. Gille for reduction of the fee charged the Railway Express company to \$150, still more than four times the annual license fee charged against it a year ago, was given first and second readings.

Both Southern Pacific and Oregon Electric railways will be instructed, on order of the council, to install a streetlight at the intersection of Pine and Maple streets, for which residents of that area recently petitioned, was recommended by the lights committee with the provision that the work should be done when materials become available.

Of the 86 cases handled in January by the city juvenile officer, two involved larceny of cars; eight, other varieties of larceny; one, check forgery; four, fire-arms regulations violations; ten boys and ten girls were reported as runaways or as missing during the month and the police department was instrumental in the return of seven boys and seven girls, Chief of Police Frank Minto reported.

# Gen. Kenney Awarded DSM

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC, Tuesday, Feb. 6.—(AP)—High praise from Gen. Douglas MacArthur and the distinguished service medal "for meritorious and distinguished service" were given Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney, commander of allied air forces in the southwest Pacific, at an airfield today.

MacArthur termed Kenney "one of the world's outstanding air leaders."

Seldom, if ever, has Gen. MacArthur spoken so highly of one of his generals. In concluding the presentation, he said, "no living man will contribute more to the air which is now upon us."

The citation said: "As commander of allied air forces, Kenney revitalized the air arm in the southwest Pacific."

Initially his dynamic leadership made inadequate resources effective out of all proportion to their size, and as the force was built up, his constant bold extension of activity kept all the elements of his command at a high pitch of aggressive effort.

Gen. Kenney also holds the distinguished service cross and cluster, the silver star, purple heart, and Knight of the British Empire Military Division.

# Montgomery Ward Buys 50 Million in Bonds

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Montgomery Ward and company announced today the purchase by the company of \$50,000,000 worth of government securities in the fourth war loan drive.

Sewell Avery, board chairman, said the purchase will be proxiated and credit allowed to the cities in which the company's 650 retail stores and nine mail order houses are located. The company investing \$32,000,000 in US securities in the third war loan drive.

# ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

Their faces were rosy; their eyes sparkled, and the baby's plump little hands clutched at the neck of the man while the infant voice cooed and the older one boomed out in a hearty laugh.

The proudest man in Salem he was.

And why shouldn't he be? he might well have asked me. Wasn't the state going to let him sign the papers? And then, wouldn't the little girl he held in his arms be his and his wife's? Theirs to teach to walk and to talk, theirs to send to school and to college—theirs to "give away" some day in white satin under a shower of rice.

She will cost more than a new car, he agreed. But new cars aren't to be had at the moment—and besides she should last longer.

# Million Dollar Club to End Bond Drive

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bonds will give out tickets. The reserved seats as far as they last will go to buyers of \$100, \$500 and \$1000 bonds.

This will be the Million Dollar Club's first program outside of Portland, and the committee made known that KOIN will defray the substantial cost of transportation and setting up for the broadcast.

Meanwhile an earlier special event, Wednesday night's war bond premiere at the Elsinore theatre featuring "The Desert Song" in technicolor, continues to stimulate bond purchases; a full house is assured and the county total in bond sales Monday reached \$3,348,000, leaving the present deficit at six figures instead of seven; \$798,900. However, the committee won't be satisfied with less than \$5,000,000, and that is still quite a stretch.

It was announced Monday that in the "Schools at War" program the rural schools are over the top with \$25,053.25 against a \$25,000 quota. This news was supplied by Mrs. Carmalite Weddle, chairman for the rural schools. Pupils in the Aumsville school, Principal Roy E. Hough reported, had bought over \$1200 worth of bonds and stamps against a "jeep" pledge of \$1185.

# Ewing Foresees FDR Landslide

PORTLAND, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Oscar Ross Ewing, vice chairman of the democratic national committee, predicted today that the recently-realized possibility of a long war will sweep President Roosevelt on to a fourth term.

"In the middle of a storm you don't discharge the pilot and fire the crew because some passengers would like to run the boat," he said. The New York man will speak at the democrat's Jackson day dinner here tomorrow.

# Union Hill School Closed for Year

UNION HILL.—Union Hill pupils started to school at Silver Cliff Monday. The Union Hill school has been discontinued for this year.

# HOLLYWOOD Last Times Today BOB HOPE & LAMOUR

"They Got The Camera"

# US Planes Strike Blows At Lakunai

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shot down and four more probably destroyed. The allies lost four aircraft.

At the other end of New Britain, American marine patrols ranged east of Borgen bay to the vicinity of Cape Gaultre, expanding their activities in the Cape Gloucester sector where the leathernets won outstanding victories last month in driving the Japanese, veterans of Bataan, from the Cape Gloucester airdrome and Hill 960.

Australians pushing up the Huon peninsula coast, northeast New Guinea, are only 16 airline miles from outposts of American invasion troops below Saidor. The Australians reported little opposition to their advance, but said abandoned enemy dead littered the trails.

Heavy bombers dropped 81 tons of explosives on Momoete airdrome and supply areas in the Admiralty islands, and Boston medium bombers with fighter escort struck another blow at the enemy base at Wewak, this time destroying over 30 barges and a 2000-ton freighter believed carrying troops. This was the fourth consecutive day of attacks on Wewak.

Mitchell medium bombers piloted by Dutchmen struck at Tanimbar island 300 miles north of Darwin, Australia, Sunday morning, and Australians flying a Catalina bomber hit the airdrome at Kavieng, New Ireland.

# Boilermakers Name Candidates

PORTLAND, Feb. 7.—(AP)—A. E. Jordan and Chester R. McAllister became candidates for the presidency of the AFL Boilermakers' Portland union today.

Jordan, who claimed to have been elected last year but never was installed and McAllister were nominated yesterday at the first of two meetings ordered by the court-appointed receiver who is supervising the election.

Additional nominations can be made Feb. 20, and the election will follow March 6-5.

# Find Army Overcoat

City police Monday turned over to military police a soldier's overcoat found in the First Methodist church where entry had been made some time Saturday night through an east window. No money was left in the church and apparently nothing was missing, Dr. J. C. Harrison, minister, said. The overcoat carries identification.

# NOW! —Cont. From 1 P. M.— TWO BIG FEATURES! ON ONE FUN AND THRILL PROGRAM!

The Great Gilly had a way with women... until that f's cinematic window came along!

# HAROLD PEARY GILDERSLEEVE ON BROADWAY

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# Predict Pork, Beef Famine In 60 Days

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ment predicted, will run about 25,000,000 pounds in 1944, or eight per cent more than 1943, but non-civilian requirements will take the larger chunk of it.

On a per capita basis, the department estimated the supply for each person will be 122 pounds against 131 pounds in 1943.

The department said military food purchases last year increased about 75 per cent over 1942 and accounted for about 19.3 per cent of the total production. Lend-lease and other exports showed a 57 per cent increase over 1942 and amounted to about 12 per cent of the total.

Civilians last year consumed a record amount of chicken eggs, fluid milk, margarine, potatoes and dried peas, the survey showed, while consumption of fish, butter, cheese, deciduous fresh and canned fruits and fresh and canned vegetables were substantially below the 1942 level. From a nutritional point of view, the department declared, the civilian diet in 1943 was superior to the prewar diet in 1935-39.

A table showing estimated apparent civilian consumption in pounds this year as compared to last year.

Eggs, 44 and 43.2 or 349 eggs, 345 eggs; chickens, dressed 26 and 28.4; dressed turkeys, 3.1 and 3.5; cheese, 4.02 and 5.1; condensed and evaporated milk, 15 and 19.7; fluid milk and cream, 401 and 405; butter (farm and factory), 12 and 12.4; lard, 14 and 14.3; shortening (fat content), 7.9 and 9.1; margarine, 3.6 and 3.3; other fat and oil products, 6.5 and 7.3.

Fresh citrus fruits, 63 and 57.2; other fresh fruits including apples but excluding melons, 75 and 37.4; canned fruits, 7.4 and 10.6; canned juices, 7 and 7.4; frozen fruits, 1.9 and 1.4; fresh vegetables, 228 and 229; canned vegetables 30 and 33.4.

Frozen vegetables, 1.4 and 1.1; potatoes, 131 and 141.6 (the department said consumption of potatoes on the calendar basis were expected to be as large as last year); sweet potatoes 30 and 23.6; dry edible beans, the same as last year or 8.7 lbs.; sugar, 77 and 79.6; wheat, 229 and 224.3; rye, 4.9 and 5; rice, 5.9 and 5.9; corn, 7.4 and 7.1; oats, 8 and 8.2; barley, 26 and 25.9; coffee, 16 and 11.5; tea, .6 and .5; cocoa beans, more than 3.5.

The department said food prices had increased 43 per cent above the 1935-39 average of January to May, 1943, and that in January of this year were 27 per cent above the prewar average. Prices of fresh fruit and vegetables have jumped more than any other food, with the 1943 average 78.78 per cent above the 1935-39 average. Meat prices in 1943, the department said, averaged 35 per cent above the 1935-39 average.

# Two Convicted At Oregon City

OREGON CITY, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Henry W. Merten and Walter L. Wilson, convicted serving life sentences under the habitual criminal act, today were sentenced to die in the state's lethal chamber on March 10.

They were convicted recently of first degree murder in the shooting of Ralph Dahlen during a hold-up of an Oak Grove tavern last July. They were convicted of the robbery last fall, and charged with murder after Dahlen succumbed to bullet wounds.

# Smokes-for-Soldiers Funds Snowballs

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y., Feb. 7.—(AP)—"Just to see what would happen," women workers on the assembly line at Bell Aircraft corporation pasted \$18 on the skeleton fuselage of an Airacobra P-39, for smokes-for-soldiers fund.

Six days later when the plane rolled off the assembly line it bore contributions ranging from pennies to a \$100 bill, and totalling over \$4000.

# US Naval Force Shells Paramushiro

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the attackers. Seven of them were —the "Tokyo short line express"—did hit Paramushiro and Shimushu tonight, striking in two sections shortly after the naval bombardment. All planes returned safely.

Cdr. Harry Smith, veteran of Coral sea and Midway battles, skipped the destroyer on which I rode as the only war correspondent accompanying the task force. A destroyer division under Cdr. Hunter Wood led heavier ships of the task force shelling poison along the eastern side of Kurabu point. The remainder of the force, led by Capt. H. L. Gearing, swung westward toward the Sea of Okhotsk and struck from the southern side.

I stood on this destroyer's director platform above the bridge with Lt. (jg) Eli Hill of Dawson, Ga., communications and assistant gunnery officer. At 2:30 a.m. (9:30 p.m. Japan time) Dawson said "Here we go."

Instantly star shells illuminated the snow-covered shore. The Japanese, obviously befuddled, began firing skyward. Our bombardment quickly began in earnest, centering on buildings ashore and on a merchant ship which star shells illuminated against the white shore.

The vessel got under way and dodged desperately but suffered several hits and was left apparently beached and badly crippled.

The wind blew choking smoke into our faces as ships guns roared and spouted flame. Red and yellow tracers seemed to drift gently shoreward, and the flashes of enemy guns and tracer streams added to the fireworks.

After the first confused firing into the air, the Japanese began shooting wildly along their own beaches — perhaps at shadows of imaginary landing barges — and toward the sea. As our task force moved away fires blazed behind us, one appearing to explode periodically as if from gasoline or ammunition.

The invasion-conscious Japanese wouldn't have been any happier had they known that aboard Adm. Baker's flagship as observers were Maj. Gen. Davenport Johnson, commander 11th air force, and Brig. Gen. E. D. Post, chief of staff to Lt. Gen. Simon D. Buckner of the Alaskan department, whose troops just now are engaged in assault maneuvers.

# Asks Ward Realignment

Forerunner of the realignment of the new Marion county precinct No. 27, a resolution adopted Monday night by the Salem city council asks the county court to arrange it so that only one city ward is included in the precinct and henceforth to stay within one ward when creating new voting areas.

Sections of both ward six and ward two are included in new 27, which was trimmed away from precincts two and 19. The court is cognizant of the fact but needs the city action for the record. It plans to do the slight tailoring job necessary, Alderman David O'Hara told the council.

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# Nazis Recoil, Prepare Next Onslaught

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head, though they have brought in a most continual reinforcement and the 3-by-14 mile area now bristles with men and guns. The American and British infantry that have borne the brunt of the German counterattacks during the past week are tired, De Luce wrote, and "The strain of combat shows in their clipped speech and taut glances." He said, however, that their morale remained high.

American and British troops threw back two minor German sorties early today as the reinforced enemy constantly tested the strength of the allied defenses, a DeLuce dispatch said.

The tightly-ringed beachhead defenders were again subjected to bombing, strafing and heavy artillery fire while long-range German guns probed for ships offshore and for motor convoys in an effort to disrupt the constant stream of allied supplies.

Grim house-to-house fighting still was in progress at Cassino on the main Fifth army front 59 miles east of the beachhead. The Nazis after six days continued to fight fiercely, from iron and concrete pillboxes, foxholes and machinegun bunkers.

Allied artillery pounded enemy positions all along the Monte Carlo heights and in Cassino in a daylong gun duel. The allied guns concentrated terrific fire on an ancient, turreted castle situated on a hillock just behind the center of Cassino, from which American troops were forced to withdraw Saturday night.

The nazis still are reinforcing their last-ditch fighters around Cassino. Almost every day a new enemy unit is identified. Some German engineering units are fighting as infantry. The leaders of the tenacious defense are parachute troops.

American troops battled up the slopes of Mt. Cassino, which overlooks highway and railway routes into Cassino from the north along which supplies must pass to the last-ditch Nazi fighters in the town. Allied infantry also was pushing up a steep 1600-foot crag a mile west of the town, on which is situated the centuries-old Benedictine monastery.

British Eighth army troops near the Adriatic sea drove into the villages of Pizzoferrato, two and one-half miles northwest of Santa Angelo, and Montenerodomo, four miles south of Torricella. Medium and fighter bombers of the allied 12th air force hammered Nazi transportation lines in the Rome area, while allied fighters four times ripped into German planes which were intervening in the fighting about Cassino.

Important highways converging at Frascati on the Apennian Way nine miles southeast of Rome were heavily bombed by American Mitchells and invaders. Thirteen allied planes were missing for the day, against 10 Nazi craft destroyed.

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# Chagrined German Takes Wrong Turn

THE FIFTH ARMY BEACH-HEAD, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The most chagrined "guest" of the allied forces here today was a German lieutenant of a smoke-mortar company who drove in to captivity in a Volkswagen before daylight.

The officer failed to make a turnoff from the main highway and motored into an American infantry position. Three Nazi non-commissioned officers in the car also were taken prisoner.

# Miller Rite Set

PORTLAND, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Funeral services for John W. Miller, Portland lumberman who died suddenly yesterday, will be held here Thursday. He is survived by the widow and four children.

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