

Finnish Continue To Repulse Invaders

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prelude to the big red offensive which the Finns have been expecting remained to be seen. The sudden renewal of fighting in the south followed what military experts said was the most important Finnish triumph of the month-long war. The Finns said the 163rd Soviet division fighting near Kiantajärvi could be regarded as destroyed. They added the claim that 120 Russian planes had been shot down since the start of the war. Stalemate or pushed back on the ground, the Russians took to the air in what developed into one of the heaviest bombing raids of the war. At Vaasa on the Gulf of Bothnia 31 Soviet planes dropped more than 200 bombs yesterday. At Byvinkka, nearly 38 miles from Helsinki, Russian planes dropped 100 bombs, 17 reportedly hitting a hospital which burned throughout the night.

The hospital, it was said, had been evacuated only the day before, hundreds of wounded soldiers having been removed to safer places. The battle of Kiantajärvi, experts said, had definitely halted a Russian attempt to cut across the center of Finland to the Gulf of Bothnia. Russian casualties were estimated variously at from 15,000 to 18,000 men.

In another less spectacular but important victory the Finns said they had frustrated an attempted Russian advance on the Lake Ladoga front. For the first time since the start of the war, they said, the Russians had tried to attack by crossing the ice of Lake Ladoga but had been repulsed.

Bombs Spilled
During successful Finnish land operations, Finland was subjected to intensive bombardment by the red army air force.

At least 11 planes were bombed yesterday, including Turku (Port Abo), Tampere and Hyvinkaa, 35 miles north of Helsinki. At Hyvinkaa a sanatorium was set afire and two persons were killed. The final Finnish communiqué of 1939 said:

"Dec. 31, land: Fighting in the Kiantajärvi country of the Suomussalmi commune on our eastern frontier resulted in a great victory for our troops on December 29 and 30. The enemy's 163rd division was definitely cut off and for the most part destroyed. Remnants of the division are partly scattered in the forests and partly fleeing, pursued by our troops towards Juntusjärvi (about five miles from the Russian frontier at the northeast end of Kiantajärvi)."

"Mopping up operations continue around Kiantajärvi. War material so far collected by us includes 27 guns of various calibers, 11 tanks, two armored cars, four anti-aircraft machine guns, 150 motor lorries, one transport column of 400 to 500 vehicles, 250 surviving horses, 12 field kitchens and an abundance of other arms and ammunition.

"Enemy losses in the fallen can be counted in the thousands. In the Salla sector (north of Kiantajärvi) the enemy launched an attack against our positions but was hurled back by a counter attack. Two tanks were destroyed. The battle northeast of Lake Ladoga which began December 29 continued all day yesterday. All of the enemy's attacks were repulsed and nine tanks were destroyed.

"On the Isthmus of Karelia, the enemy attacked along the ice of Lake Ladoga. The attack was repulsed. Elsewhere on the Isthmus there was chiefly artillery fire, which at some places rose to great intensity. Six tanks were destroyed in a day's fighting.

"On the site of fighting at Colossula (on the northeast shore of Lake Suanto) and at Kella

Four Tie In Rain Guess

HOQUIAM, Jan. 1.—(P)—Be-

cause an inch and a half of rain fell in the Grays Harbor district in the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m. last night four persons will split the \$468 first prize in the second annual Grays Harbor rain derby. The last minute storm gave the four, Miss Margaret Bezer and Mrs. Aurvulla Gren, stenographers, Rubens Fulseth, bookkeeper, and Claude Major, office worker, all employees of the Grays Harbor Electric Light company, correct guesses of 77.23 inches of rainfall for the year.

But what was more important to local weather observers this year's true forecast was made by residents of the neighborhood. Last year a Rhode Islander, 3,000 miles away, made the best guess.

(near Volossula) we have so far collected 450 rifles, 81 machine guns, 57 quick firing rifles, 50 automatic rifles, 16 rifles with telescopic sights, nine anti-tank guns, ammunition for these, wireless sets, telephones, etc. On other sections of the land front there was patrol and artillery activity. "Sea: Numerous air and artillery attacks by the enemy on a couple of our coastal forts occasioned slight damage. Our batteries, by a rapid burst of fire, inflicted losses on enemy detachments advancing on the ice of Lake Ladoga at the Isthmus and on enemy transport columns moving on roads. Elsewhere there was slight enemy air activity."

"Enemy aircraft carried out several raids in southwest Finland on December 30. Among other places Hangoe (Hanko) was bombarded with loss, according to reports received so far, of one civilian life, while several civilians were wounded and a few buildings were damaged. In the war zone enemy airmen machine gunned a hospital train clearly marked with Red Cross emblems. Our own aircraft carried out reconnaissance flights and drove off enemy planes. "One enemy plane was shot down."

Helsinki celebrated the eve of the new year calmly and soberly. A few restaurants and bars were open during the evening but they closed their doors at 11 p. m.—a half hour later than the usual closing time.

Even the traditional midnight service before the big market place church was cancelled. Where there were sober celebrations there was only one toast—Finland. There were no dance bands and no dancing. Most men and women in restaurants and bars were in uniform. None wore evening attire.

While what celebration there was was quiet there was no sign of depression. News of the latest triumphs at the front seemed to have increased the calm and confidence of the Finns.

British Guns Pick Nazi Ship From Sky

LONDON, Jan. 1.—(P)—One of

two German airplanes which flew over the Shetland Islands today was reported to have been shot down by British anti-aircraft guns. An air raid warning was sounded as soon as the planes were sighted and the "all clear" signal was given 45 minutes later. The plane reported shot down was said to have fallen into the sea.

The planes dropped several bombs but caused no damage, according to the report. The reported shooting down of the German plane was not confirmed, but a craft was reported seen in difficulty out at sea.

Search Is Continued For Eugene Bartges

PORTLAND, Jan. 1.—(P)—State county and city officers continued to search Portland and surrounding districts today for Eugene Bartges, Jr., 26, accused of commandeering the automobile of Mrs. A. R. Hüper, Salem, Saturday, and forcing her to drive him to Portland.

Tacoma is Interned By Uruguayan Officers

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ordered interned despite strenuous German efforts to obtain an extension of the government's order.

Time Expired
A 24 hours order to the Tacoma to leave port or submit to internment on the grounds that the ship was a German naval auxiliary vessel expired at 4:30 a. m. EST. She had aided the pocket battleship Graf Spee before the latter was scuttled two weeks ago.

Captain Hans Kanow made new protests against the Uruguayan government's departure order, issued yesterday morning, while British warships waited outside Uruguayan territorial waters for the Tacoma in case it should attempt to put to sea.

The protest of the Tacoma's captain, made to the prefect of the port, was in hopes of postponing an extension of the government's departure order despite a statement by the foreign office that there could be no extension of permission for the Tacoma to remain in port without being interned. Capt. Kanow, some quarters reported, would submit to internment rather than attempt to run the British blockade or scuttle his ship in the hope that later release of the Tacoma could be obtained on technical grounds.

It was understood that Kanow had contended that the government's 24-hour time limit, especially in view of the new year holiday, was too short to permit him to unload part of his cargo.

Britain and France, it was understood, had demanded that Uruguay expel or intern the Tacoma because she had served as a "mother ship" to the Graf Spee. Germany, however, insisted that the vessel be treated as any other merchant ship. Uruguay apparently took the British and French view and held that the Tacoma was an "auxiliary warship" and as such without rights of further refuge in neutral waters.

Norwegian Steamer Is Sunk by Torpedo

KOPERVIK, Norway, Jan. 1.—

(P)—The 1400-ton Norwegian steamer Luna was reported sunk today by a torpedo—allegedly without warning—25 miles off the Norwegian coast only two hours after it had left its home harbor of Bergen.

Another Norwegian ship, the Columbia, picked up the Luna's entire crew of 17 a half hour after the ship was sunk and brought them to Kopervik. The Luna sank so rapidly that the crew had time to launch only one lifeboat and a raft.

The torpedo reportedly struck the rear part of the ship.

No Arrests Made In Portland Because Of Dancing 'Blue Law'

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 1.—(P)—

Portland police and leaders of the city's entertainment places battled down to the end of the new year as to whether thousands of revelers could or would go on dancing after 1 a. m. this morning.

The police said they couldn't and wouldn't. City ordinances put a stop to all public dancing at 1 a. m. They said it would be enforced. Club operators said it would ruin their usually heavy New Year's business. They would, they said, find some way to puncture the law.

The argument ended with this cryptic report on the police blotter today: "No arrests for dancing."

Britain Extends Assistance to Finns

LONDON, Jan. 1.—(P)—Great

Britain officially went on record as being determined to give Finland generous and substantial assistance to combat the Russian invasion. The government reaffirmed Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's promise of aid to Finland in a telegram to Joseph Avenol, secretary general of the league of nations.

It was understood that Britain was informing Washington and Paris of the help it is granting the Finns. The assistance, it was said, in usually reliable quarters, does not involve British troops, but it was assumed that there would be an increase in supplies of war material and vital raw products.

It was believed Sweden and Norway were facilitating transportation of allied provisions destined for Finland.

FRUIT DROPS

PORTLAND, Jan. 1.—(P)—Sharp

drops in shipments of flour, wheat fruit from Portland cut the value of December exports to \$1,253,214 but the year's total went 10 per cent over the 1938 figure.

LICENSES DROP

PORTLAND, Jan. 1.—(P)—Mar-

riage licenses issued in Portland in 1939 dropped to 1914 from 1938's total of 2100, county records showed today. The drop was ascribed to the new state law requiring both applicants to submit to physical and mental examination.

1940 to Bring Nose Count

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(P)—

One of the major events of 1940 that you can look forward to is the census which Uncle Sam has taken every 10 years since 1790.

But you'll have to stick around until April 1 to be counted. Census officials declined to guess about the census total, but they sometimes use a formula which indicates about a 132,000,000 count, compared with 124,000,000 in 1930.

Illinois Train Wreck Kills One, Hurts 40

ARCOLA, Ill., Jan. 1.—(P)—The

Illinois Central railroad's crack Panama limited ploughed into another New Orleans-Chicago train at the Arcola railroad station today. The station agent reported one dead and about 40 injured.

The dead man was Thomas V. Talmadge, Evanston, Ill. He was a passenger on the first train, which had stopped to take on a passenger at Arcola. Nathan Hill, Chicago, a porter on the Panama limited, was said to be most critically injured. Injured were taken to hospitals at Tuscola and Mattoon.

Most of the passengers were asleep when the accident occurred. The locomotive of the Panama limited partially telescoped the rear car of the standing train.

British Army Boost Looms for New Year

LONDON, Jan. 1.—(P)—In the

expectation of intensified land warfare, informed sources today foresaw possible increase of the British army to 2,500,000 men. A royal proclamation expected early in the year is to provide registration of men from 23 to 28, adding about 1,000,000 men to the 1,500,000 now under arms, or technically mobilized.

Correspondents with the royal air force in France said preparations had been made to meet "possibly more vigorous hostilities."

Arrival of a second contingent of Canadian troops at a western British port was announced today. Artillery units from Winnipeg and Montreal, engineers from Toronto and Halifax, kilted Scottish regiments, infantry brigades and ambulance units were included. First Canadian troops reached Britain December 18, and Australian aviators and Indian troops arrived later.

Oregon Leads Coast States In Volume Of Northern Tuna Catch

ASTORIA, Jan. 1.—(P)—Oregon

led Washington and California in albacore tuna landings from north Pacific waters in 1939, compilation of reports from fisheries authorities of the three states showed today.

The total catch was 12,965,137 pounds. The Oregon landings were 6,450,000 pounds, Washington 1,437,575 pounds, California (from northern waters) 4,078,562 pounds.

PNEUMONIA FATAL

PORTLAND, Jan. 1.—(P)—Feder

J. Pederson, 80, injured when struck by an automobile December 26, died yesterday but physicians said his death was due to pneumonia.

NO. 1 DIES

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 1.—(P)—

A hit-run driver killed Portland's first traffic victim of 1940 early today.

Accident Toll Mounts For New Year Holiday

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most of the fatalities in 41 states and the District of Columbia. Other causes included fire, shooting, stabbing, falls and gas.

California led the states with 24 dead, 13 of them in traffic accidents.

The deaths by states: Alabama 1; Arizona 3; Arkansas 4; California 24; Colorado 4; Connecticut 6; Delaware 2; District of Columbia 1; Florida 3; Georgia 4; Illinois 13; Indiana 5; Kansas 1; Kentucky 6; Louisiana 6; Maine 1; Maryland 3; Massachusetts 3; Michigan 14; Minnesota 4; Missouri 11; Montana 1; Nebraska 1; New Hampshire 1; New Jersey 7; New Mexico 1; New York 12; North Carolina 5; Ohio 9; Oregon 4; Pennsylvania 19; South Carolina 2; South Dakota 1; Tennessee 11; Texas 12; Utah 2; Virginia 2; Washington 4; West Virginia 3; Wisconsin 1; Wyoming 4.

Japanese Bombers Continue Attacks

SHANGHAI, Jan. 1.—(P)—The

Japanese navy reported today its planes had shot down 21 Chinese aircraft in a big-scale battle in South China and bombed the Haifeng-Kunming railroad near the border of French Indo-China. The railroad, built, owned and operated by the French, is one of China's "lifelines" for the import of materials.

(Damage to the line was reported slight, but Chinese were said in Hongkong to consider the bombing significant, since it followed a Japanese request to discontinue transporting Chinese supplies.)

The Japanese said that in the battle over Luichow, in central Kwangsi province, they lost only one plane while bringing down the 21 Chinese.

Reports from the Chinese provincial capital, Chungking, said Japanese air raids had caused more than 200 Chinese casualties Saturday at Ichang, 175 miles west of the central China city of Hankow.

(The Chinese army news organ, Saofang-Pao, said at Chungking the Japanese had suffered 400,000 casualties in 6,200 engagements during 1939. Neutral observers said the estimate was at least 50 percent too high.)

Meanwhile, from the northwest China frontier towns of Paotouchen in Suiyuan came details of a savage battle of 10 days ago in which Chinese got inside the walls in a daring effort to retake the place.

The Japanese said they enticed 10,000 Chinese into a trap and slew 3,000, mostly north of Paotouchen, with the aid of bombing planes.

The Japanese reported their own dead were 10 officers and 200 men, but Chinese sources said 10 times that many Japanese were killed.

Tennessee Attorney On Way to Congress To Fill Vacancy

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 1.—

(P)—Victorious by more than 5,000 majority, John Jennings, Jr., of Knoxville, 59-year-old attorney, prepared today to leave for Washington to fill the vacancy in congress created by the death of Rep. J. Will Taylor.

Jennings, a Republican, will take the oath of office Wednesday as representative from Tennessee's second congressional district.

Unofficial returns from virtually the entire 11-county district showed Jennings defeated his Democratic opponent, Hammond Fowler of Rockwood, 16,670 to 10,978 in the special election Saturday.

MAN IS SUICIDE

TILLAMOOK, Jan. 1.—(P)—An

autopsy indicated that Barney Mitchell, 28, Tillamook restaurant operator, committed suicide Saturday. Dr. H. J. Brown, autopsy physician, said yesterday.

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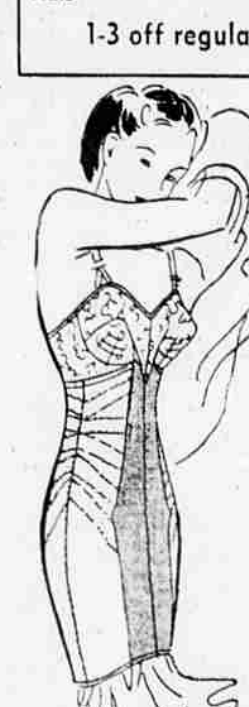
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