

U. S. Captain Rescues Giraud

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, North Africa—(Delayed—AP)—Gen. Henri Honoré Giraud, commanding French forces in Africa, was rescued from Vichy France by a British submarine which a United States navy captain directed into a landlocked harbor under the guns of a Vichy fleet, it was revealed today.

The story was made public when Lieut. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Allied commander in chief, commended Capt. Jerard Wright, U.S.N., Washington, D. C., and said "the sound judgment and courage you displayed in this important undertaking are in keeping with the finest traditions of the United States navy."

It was revealed that Giraud fell into the water while boarding the submarine, that a rendezvous at sea with an Allied plane was delayed for hours, and that the presence of an unidentified plane when the Allied aircraft did arrive kept the submarine ready for a crash dive for 40 minutes.

Transfers to Plane
But the plane went away. Giraud, his son and four French army and navy staff officers who accompanied him were transferred to the Allied plane, and Giraud arrived at the secret headquarters of Gen. Eisenhower Nov. 7 to aid in the Allied landing in Northern Africa next day and to take charge of the French army there.

Eisenhower ordered Wright, attached to the naval aircraft section at Allied headquarters, to go by submarine to pick up Giraud and transfer him to a plane at sea. No American submarine was available and Adm. Sir Andrew Broomer Cunningham, commanding the British fleet, lent one.

It was the submarine under Lieut. N. L. A. Jewell, of the Royal navy, which had taken Lieut. Gen. Mark Clark of the American army to North Africa to make his secret agreement with French patriot leaders before the Allied invasion.

With Wright in command, the submarine lay off the French coast for days, awaiting word that all was ready for Giraud's rescue. The submarine kept under the sea by day and surfaced by night.

"It was a long wait—one of those things that makes time heavy," Wright said.

Douglas Orme Makes Final Appearance

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"Czardas" by Monti, portrayed all of the gypsy brilliance of the composition.

One of the most effectively rendered compositions on the orchestra's afternoon concert was "Legend" by Isaac. The composition, which is full of brass and percussion instruments playing with the strings, is said to suggest the story of love and adventure; telling the story of youth, dreams, and love and comradeship, then moving on to a stirring triumph, all of which the young musicians depicted throughout.

The opening number of the concert, like so many concerts by symphonies all over the nation at this time was "The Star Spangled Banner," played with the orchestra standing.

In conclusion and adding the Christmas atmosphere to the musical event, the orchestra played "Christmas Fantasia," a melody of several favorite Christmas tunes and carols such as "Silent Night," "Jingle Bells," and "The Hallelujah Chorus," arranged by Grossman.

Standardizing of car parts has been suggested to eliminate waste of vital materials such as rubber and metal.

St. Helens Woman Dies There Saturday

Mrs. Clara Brewster of St. Helens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Buffington of Eugene, died in St. Helens Saturday, Dec. 19, at the age of 42 years. She was born Sept. 13, 1900, in Cambridge, Colo., and was a member of the Evangelical church.

Mrs. Brewster is survived by her husband, Jess H. Brewster; one daughter, Gwendolyn of St. Helens; three sons, Wilford, Orville, Rawly, all of St. Helens; her parents; six sisters, Mrs. Alva Sumstine of Eugene; Mrs. Ina Lindsey of Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Frances Kirkland of Scappoose; Mrs. Dorothy Horsch of Superior, Wis.; Mrs. June Orre of Seattle; Mrs. Alice Wootton of Roscoe, Cal.; one brother, William Buffington Jr. of Denver, Colo.

Funeral services will be held at the Branstratter-Simon chapel on Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 2 p. m. Interment will be in the I.O.O.F. cemetery No. 2.

WPA Swan Song Lists Projects

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21—(AP)—The work projects administration, taking inventory before liquidating itself, today cited a long list of achievements as evidence that it has made substantial contributions to the public welfare.

WPA and its predecessor relief agencies—works progress administration, civil works administration and the federal emergency relief administration—altogether spent nearly \$15,000,000,000 (B) and probably have been subjected to more criticism than any other new deal agencies.

But WPA officials, preparing to wind up the federal work relief program after more than 10 years of providing subsistence for millions of destitute Americans, said today that the agencies had accomplished much more good than is generally realized, despite "boondoggling" and considerable admitted waste.

Projects Listed
To prove their point about concrete contributions to the nation, they said the various work relief programs have produced the following:

643,977 miles of improvements on highways, roads and streets, including 566,322 miles of rural roads, 66,392 miles of urban streets and 11,263 miles of other roads, chiefly through parks.

77,053 bridges and viaducts built, with 45,705 others being reconstructed or improved.

34,056 public buildings, not including utility plants and buildings at airports. The agencies also reconstructed or improved 83,170 other public buildings.

5,832 educational buildings, mostly libraries and schools, 8,579 recreational buildings and 1,628 auditoriums and gymnasiums.

1,476 office and administration buildings, 203 hospitals, 172 penal institutions, 1,382 dormitories, 316 firehouses and 328 armories.

Recreation Facilities
2,272 stadiums, grandstands and bleachers, 51 fairgrounds and rodeo grounds, 1,650 parks, 3,036 playgrounds, 2,980 athletic fields, 9,971 tennis courts, 791 swimming pools, 1,098 ice skating areas, 228 bandshells, 136 outdoor theatres, 249 golf courses.

Public utilities and sanitation projects, including 46 electric power plants, 132 incinerator plants, 1,298 pumping stations, 944 sewage treatment plants, 249 water treatment plants; water mains and distribution lines, reservoirs, storm and sanitary sewers, police, fire alarm and traffic signal systems, and electric power lines.

Hundreds of flood and erosion control projects.
Airports and airways facilities, including 285 new landing fields, and 1,139 airport buildings.

Around Oregon

By The Associated Press
Christmas shoppers' use of automobiles apparently has offset the effects of gasoline rationing in Portland, the city treasurer reporting a 5 1/2 per cent increase in parking meter revenues in the past week. . . The Oregon defense council warned western Oregon residents it would be a violation of dim-out regulations to place a lighted candle in the window for Christmas.

The OPA granted Portland industrial sugar users a quota increase in recognition of a population gain. . . Oregon State College reported 1209 students have entered in reserves of the armed forces. . . Seventy eight men arrived at Camp Wickup, former Deschutes river CCC camp, the first contingent of conscientious objectors from the middle west. . .

Rev. Charles M. Gullbert, vicar of Coos and Curry county missions of the Episcopal church, was named Dean of St. Stephens cathedral in Portland. . . F. M. Hunter, chancellor of the state system of higher education, said the state's colleges are ready to become military training centers, relegating regular students to secondary importance. . .

A Portland free lance writer, James G. Duff, 32, died of pneumonia Saturday. . . Dairy men said in Portland the army is taking much of Oregon's produce and for the first time since 1920 the state is unable to supply its own needs.

Production is expected to begin soon at the rebuilt M. G. Hitchcock mill at Sisters, destroyed by fire in August, and in the abandoned James Flanagan coal mine near Marshfield, which is being outfitted again. . .

At La Grande, Fred Lanning, 45-year-old barber hanged himself a few hours after accidentally wounding James O'Neal, about 70, on a duck-hunting trip. O'Neal was in a critical condition. . . The body of Ole Carlson, about 56, lumber grader, was found in his home at Redmond, and Sheriff C. L. McCauley said Carlson had shot himself.

Idaho Murderer Escapes from Prison

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 21—(AP)—Duncan M. Johnston, former Twin Falls mayor convicted of killing a Utah jewelry salesman, escaped from the Idaho penitentiary grounds last night, Warden C. Van Clark reported today.

Clark said "Johnston left a dummy in his bed" in a small house outside the prison walls, walked to the Boise residential area a few blocks away and was "contacted by an automobile."

The warden said Johnston was missed 15 minutes after he fled and expressed belief the hunt would be short. Officers throughout Idaho were asked to be on the lookout for the former mayor and political leader. Johnston, middle-aged, was a prison trusty.

The bullet-pierced body of George L. Olsen, Salt Lake City salesman, was found in a parked automobile beside a Twin Falls, Idaho, hotel on May 24, 1938.

Johnston, a jeweler, was arrested after some of Olsen's samples were discovered in his basement.

Convicted of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment, Johnston appealed and won a new trial. Once more he was convicted and sentenced, entering the prison June 6, 1941.

Tanks Arrive To Help Crush Japs at Buna

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advanced base 350 miles by bomber from Rangoon, and within hitting range of Japanese supply routes across Burma to the Yunnan front, back door to China.

On the Buna front in New Guinea, an Allied communique described the enemy's casualties as heavy, and said the Japanese commander, Lieut. Gen. Tomotora Horii, "is reported to have been killed in action."

Closing in At Buna
Tanks and infantry were said to be closing in with a general assault on the invaders' weakened foothold at Buna mission.

This was the first reference to tanks on the Buna front, and field dispatches identified them as light American-made General Stuarts, manned by Australians.

"The enemy's position is deteriorating," the Allied communique declared.
Buna mission is one of the last two centers of Japanese resistance in the Buna area after the capture of Buna village, Gona, and of the Italian troops last Friday. The other Japanese pocket is at nearby Cape Sanananda.

Alleged Murderess Wins Speedy Acquittal

BISBEE, Ariz., Dec. 21—(AP)—It took just long enough for a jury of leathery faced westerners to find out whether to sign the verdict with pen or pencil before they acquitted pretty Margaret Herlihy of killing Capt. David D. Carr, father of her unborn child.

Immediately the jurors were dismissed they crowded around the 21-year-old, red-haired girl and shook her hand.

More than one said that if he had been in her position he would have dealt with Carr in the same manner.

As Margaret, smiling through tears, departed, courtly, kindly county attorney John F. Ross, the chief prosecutor, shook her hand and said:
"Now you get some rest. If I had been on the jury, I would have acquitted you, too."

The jury had heard Margaret, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. E. G. Herlihy, tell how she fell in love with handsome Captain Carr at first sight, married him in Mexico while under the influence of drinks he pressed upon her, and killed him when he made a beastly attack upon her while in a frenzy over his complicated marital affairs.

Margaret tearfully related that she knew little or nothing about the ceremony until Carr revealed to her the next day that the marriage not only had been performed but consummated.

Services Tuesday For Eugene Woman

Mrs. Lydia M. Moore died Sunday, Dec. 20, at her home, 968 Hilyard, at the age of 78. She was born in Potton, Quebec, on Sept. 25, 1866. Her marriage to Philander Moore took place in November, 1911. Her husband died in 1926 at their home in Holyoke, Mass. Since that time Mrs. Moore had made her home in Eugene with her niece, Bertha F. Comings.

She attended the Congregation-

Barkley Urges United Support

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21—(AP)—Senate Democratic Leader Barkley of Kentucky called on the new congress today to bury factional differences in a harmonious support of the war effort which would leave the country united when the times comes to write the peace.

Republican minorities will climb to the highest point in years with the convening of the new session on Jan. 6, but Barkley expressed confidence that would make no difference toward prosecuting the war.

While he conceded it was difficult to say that any political organization or group would not be politicized in the presidential year of 1944, he hoped and believed that it would be possible for Democrats, Republicans and others to work more closely than ever in these critical times.

"The closer we come to victory and the visualization of the kind of peace we all hope for," he told reporters, "the more essential it is to have a united country."

No one could forecast when peace would come, he added, but none could escape projecting his mind into the future in contemplation of that event.

"It is very important that the country be prepared in every way it can to write a just peace and to organize world opinion for the attempt which must be made to provide both peace and post-war conditions that will make another such conflict as this impossible," he said.

'Million Dollar Kid' Reported Suicide

PALM BEACH, Fla., Dec. 21—(AP)—The life of Byron D. Chandler, made glittering in his days as Broadway's "Million Dollar Kid," ended here yesterday. A justice of the peace said it was suicide.

The body of the 62-year-old man who squandered two million dollars along a primrose path in a spendthrift career that began in the early 1900's was found yesterday floating in Lake Worth. There was a bullet wound in the chest.

Justice of the Peace T. H. Rickards, who said Chandler had shot himself, deemed an inquest unnecessary. Police Chief L. O. Ecklund said the shooting apparently took place on a dock at Chandler's Palm Beach estate, and the body fell into the water. A newsboy discovered it.

Chandler was said to have been despondent because of ill health and a conviction at Miami last year on a charge of sending a lewd letter through the mails. He was fined \$1,000 and given a suspended sentence of a year and a day.

Chandler was married four times, each wife an actress and each marriage ending in divorce. He was born at Nashua, N. H., in 1879 of a banking family and inherited a million dollars from his father and another million from his grandfather. At 23, fresh from Harvard, with charming manner and infectious smile, he burst upon Broadway. His antics were spectacular.

Easterners Shiver As Mercury Dives

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at Mt. Kisco and 21 below at Yorktown Heights.
Albany reported 18 below, Boston 5 below, and Buffalo 5 below. The temperature dropped to 8 below in Cincinnati, compared with 9 above reported yesterday, but farther west there was a general trend to higher figures. At Duluth it was only 5 below, instead of the 21 below reported yesterday.

Owl's Head, N. Y., where the mercury plunged to 45 below, still held the week-end record.

The frigid weather was expected to abate somewhat in the east today.

Chicago had a low of one above last night, compared with 10 above the night previously. But at Bismark, N. D., the mercury had risen to a low of 10 above, considerably warmer than the 19 below reported yesterday.

Other low temperatures reported today: Albany, N. Y., 18 below; Detroit, 10 above; Philadelphia, 1 above; Pittsburgh, zero; Washington, 1 above. Albany's minus 18 passed all low marks since weather records were started there 68 years ago.

In New York city more than a score of fire alarms were sounded between midnight and 7 a. m., today when freezing temperatures in office buildings which had been closed for the week-end played hob with automatic sprinkler systems.

Some deaths and numerous injuries were attributed to exposure.

There were widespread transportation delays, the Pennsylvania railroad reporting at New York that some of its trains from the west were arriving from one to five hours late.

Pedestrian Injured; Hit-Run Reported

An injury to a pedestrian and a hit-and-run case were in the records Monday after city police made their reports on two traffic accidents taking place in Eugene on Sunday.

Ernest Potts, 535 Fifteenth avenue east, had his right shoulder bruised and injured the right side of his head, in an accident Sunday night at Eighth and Willamette. City police say that Kenneth W. Jordan, 258 1/2 Thirteenth avenue east, was driving the car and failed to see the pedestrian.

Called early Sunday morning to Sixth and Charnelton, police found that the car of Charles Shirey, 684 Charnelton, had been hit on the left front fender and bumper. The left front tire was punctured. The bumper guard of the car which hit the Shirey vehicle was left at the scene of the accident.

Holiday Travel Jams Rail, Bus Services

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and some were over eight hours behind. To facilitate movement of homeward bound service men, furlough tickets were honored on all railroad lines. Air lines were booked through Jan. 1, and only bus lines were able to accommodate all passengers.

In Salt Lake City, railroads were handling nearly twice last year's load but so far were taking care of all travellers. Some trains were reported nine hours late.

Travelling space in Portland and Seattle was at a premium and in some cases lines were booked through Jan. 6.

Bus lines alone were accommodating all passengers, but as the load grew heavier, officials expressed concern that they, too, will have to turn away travellers.

Christian Science

"Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ.

Scientist, on Sunday, Dec. 20. The Golden Text was, "Unto God are all his works known from the beginning of the world" (Acts 15:18).

Among the citations comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that all things which do appear are of things which do appear" (Heb. 11:3).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "God creates and governs the universe, including man. The universe is filled with spirit ideas, which He evolves, and are obedient to the Mind makes them" (p. 285).

Rubber is as old as civilization itself—rubber balls have dug up in 900-year-old Maya ruins.

More than 3000 varieties of soybeans have been imported from the United States from the Orient.

It is estimated that only six of Europe's autos are in operation.

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