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Weather Forecast

Partly cloudy today and tonight,
Sunday cloudy with rain west of
Cascades and snow late Sunday
east of them. Slightly colder in
valleys of south and east portions
tonight.

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Red Divisions Break Across River Barrier

Budapest Is Reported Scene of Grim Fight; Nazis Make New Stand

London, Dec. 30 (UP)—Russian armored divisions broke across the Hron river barrier and drove west through the Danube valley toward Bratislava and Vienna today while in Budapest thousands of Nazi and Hungarian troops fought on for the fifth straight day in a suicidal battle to delay the red army invasion of Austria. With major elements of their Second and Third Ukrainian armies still pinned down in the struggle for Budapest, the Soviet advance south of the Danube appeared to have been stalled momentarily about 90 miles from Vienna, where the Germans were making a determined stand on the edge of the Gyor plain.

Moscow Silent
The Moscow early morning communiqué made no mention of fighting along the 55-mile front from the Danube south to Lake Balaton, but Berlin said the Russians were reinforcing their lines after being stopped by strong German counterattacks. To the north, however, the Russians hurled the Hron barrier near its confluence with the Danube and shook their armor loose on the Bratislava plain after a savage, two-day battle that cost the Germans 11,000 casualties and 45 tanks.

The Hron, second of the six Danube tributaries covering the eastern approaches to Vienna, was forced by units of Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's second Ukrainian army yesterday with the capture of the west-bank towns of Nana and Parkan, 77 miles southeast of Bratislava and little more than 100 miles from Vienna.

Bridgehead Established
German spokesmen said another red army bridgehead was established 29 miles to the north around Kalna, 97 miles east of Vienna.

Soviet front dispatches indicated that Malinovsky's armored units were striking rapidly westward for Komarno on the Nitra river, 25 miles beyond the Hron. Vanguard units of Marshal Feodor I. Bobukhin's Third Ukrainian army below the Danube already were within 10 miles of Komarno at Tovaros.

Icy Pavements Cause Collision
Icy pavements were blamed by police for the collision of two automobiles late yesterday at the corner of Division and Olney streets, in which the drivers escaped injury.

A car driven by Mrs. C. A. Sutton, 147 East Olney, was struck by one being driven north on Division street by Amos Anderson, 111 Revere street, police reported. Anderson was unable to prevent his car from skidding into the Sutton machine, officers stated.

CHURCH COLLAPSES
MONTREY, Mex., Dec. 30 (UP)—A military rescue squad searched for bodies today in debris of a huge church that collapsed during construction yesterday, killing 23 workmen and building engineer Juan C. Doria Paz, brother of the president of the city council of Mexico City. Ten bodies had been recovered.

Fifth Army Front Alerted As Germans Renew Attacks
Rome, Dec. 30 (UP)—The whole Fifth army front was alerted today against the possibility the enemy may attempt to follow up the western offensive with a drive aimed at unbalancing the allied armies in Italy as the Germans renewed their attacks along the Serchio river near the Ligurian coast.

The new attacks were on a smaller scale yesterday and headquarters described the situation in the area as "fluid."

American troops, which were forced to withdraw in the first two days of the offensive, held commanding positions on high ground south of Galliciano and were maintaining active patrols.

Indications that the Germans may intend to increase the scope of the assault were seen in increased movements in the sector between the Serchio river and the sea.

Small Dugout Used By Hitler As War Home

(By United Press)
The worries of war are turning Adolf Hitler's hair gray, but he still appears "almost young" and his eyes "beam with youthful radiance," German Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels wrote in this week's issue of Das Reich. Goebbels' articles, broadcast by the German home radio and recorded by the FCC, praised Hitler as "the miracle of Germany" and "the greatest of personalities." "Never does a word of deception or of base intent cross his lips," Goebbels wrote. "He is truth itself."
Goebbels said Hitler lived a simple and frugal life in a "small dugout" whose bedroom is not much larger than a Pullman compartment and is equipped with a camp bed and small table on which statistics are piled high.

Industrial Fund Response Good

Directors of the Bend chamber of commerce at their Friday meeting heard the report of a special committee, consisting of Carl A. Johnson, Sumner Deitrick and Frank H. Loggan, that has outlined to all Bend business and property owners a plan for raising an industrial fund for post-war development.
The committee, headed by Johnson, reported that it believed the plan as outlined in a special bulletin to those interested has met with the general approval of businessmen and that approximately one-fourth of the amount required has already been subscribed. No general solicitation up to the present has been attempted, Johnson reported. It was the recommendation of the committee that the total amount of the fund be raised in early 1945.

As subscriptions are received, the money is placed in trust funds in Bend banks. When the general drive is completed the donors will set up their own organization and administer the fund in cooperation with the city of Bend. The 1944 city budget provides for a fund of \$10,000 which is to be matched by a like amount from Bend business and property owners.

Plane Hits Wire, But Pilot Escapes

Wenatchee, Wash., Dec. 30 (UP)—Frances Williams, Chelan aviator, escaped with minor injuries late yesterday when a Piper cub seaplane she was piloting struck a 110,000-volt transmission line as it came in for a landing on Lake Chelan and sank upside down.
As the water poured into the cabin, Miss Williams escaped from the plane and swam to the surface. She was rescued by Kitty Williams, her sister-in-law, who landed in another plane.
The accident caused a brief interruption in electric service in the area through the action of a circuit breaker, although the transmission line itself remained intact.

French Novelist Sentenced to Die

Paris, Dec. 30 (UP)—Henri Beraud, French novelist and political essayist, was condemned to death last night for intelligence with the enemy.
Admittedly a bitter Anglophobe, he was convicted of writing anti-allied propaganda for the pro-German weekly *Gingroir* at a salary of \$12,000 a year.

NAZIS LOSE 15,000

London, Dec. 30 (UP)—The Germans lost 15,000 troops killed or captured in the fighting west of the Hron river in Czechoslovakia, a Moscow communiqué said tonight.

Patrol Activities Increased on Eighth Army Front

Patrol activities increased on the Eighth army front around Faenza. Four miles west of the city a German patrol crossed the Senio river and forced withdrawal of a British outpost which had been shelled previously.
British artillery repulsed several other German attempts to cross the river farther south-west.
North of Faenza, Eighth army units continued to reduce an enemy pocket east of the Senio river.

A Swiss dispatch from Chiasso reported that German military authorities had ordered all fascists with families between the front lines and the Po river to evacuate immediately to districts north of the river. The report said partial activities were impeding the war effort and that after the evacuation, the remaining population would be treated as enemies.)

Regent Named To Rule in War Torn Greece

Prelate Is Appointed To Head Government As King George Yields

London, Dec. 30 (UP)—King George of Greece, yielding to a blunt British demand, issued a proclamation today naming Archbishop Damaskinos as regent of strife-torn Greece.

The proclamation was made shortly after the archbishop's secretary announced in Athens that Damaskinos had received a cable from King George appointing him as regent.
The archbishop's secretary, John Georgakias, said Damaskinos probably would be sworn in tomorrow. He disclosed that the archbishop was confined to his home today and had been given a blood transfusion—the first word that he was all right.

No Details Given
Announcement of the proclamation said only that Damaskinos had been named regent, and did not elaborate.

In appointing a regent, the Greek king capitulated to a demand by Prime Minister Winston Churchill on his return from Greece.
Earlier an Athens report said the king had messaged Premier George Papandreu his approval of the establishment of a regency and the appointment of Damaskinos.

Damaskinos became archbishop of Athens soon after the Germans occupied Greece. Under him the church played its traditional role as the center of resistance to foreign suppression. He defied the Nazis many times and repeatedly lodged public protests against their activities.

Includes Own Name
On one occasion he was reported to have visited German authorities to protest against the execution of hostages. He was said to have offered another list of men ready to be shot in their stead. On the list were the names of himself and other church leaders.

The king called on Churchill at his 10 Downing street residence last night shortly after the prime minister had reported to his cabinet at a 90-minute meeting on his efforts to solve the Greek crisis. The cabinet met within an hour after Churchill's return from Athens.

Six Lose Lives In Indiana Fire

Columbus, Ind., Dec. 30 (UP)—Firemen removed six bodies from a burning home today and began a search for two other persons who were missing and believed to be in the flaming ruins.
The dead were members of the family and relatives of Kay England, a foundry worker, who was absent from home when it was swept by the fire.
None of the victims was identified immediately, but Coroner Marvin Davis said the occupants of the four-room frame house had included Mrs. Opal England, 30, her four children, Bennie, 8, William, 9, Dale, 4, and Norma Jane, 1; Mrs. England's brother-in-law, Joe England, 18, his wife, Ruth, 19, and their four-month-old baby, Roger.

The fire apparently spread so rapidly that it caught the victims in their beds.
Anyways, a couple of days ago the doorbell at the home of Lt. W. C. Costello of the army rang five times and each time no one was there. But whoever rang the bell left behind a box of chocolate creams—five of 'em.
The mystery deepened intriguingly yesterday. The bell rang again, the Costellos ran to the door hoping to trap their anonymous benefactor and all they found was — one pound of butter, 24 red points worth.

Mother, Sisters In Wac Barracks

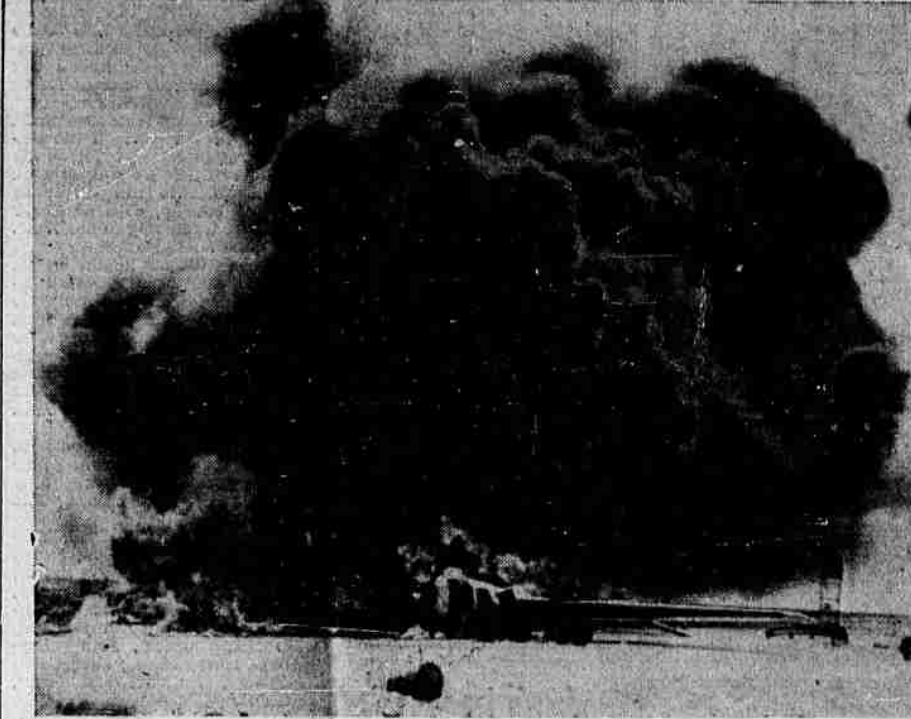
Fort Meade Md., Dec. 30 (UP)—Wac Pvt. Reba Heck of Damascus, Va., is a normal member of the armed forces in all but one respect — she never gets homesick.
—Her mother, Pvt. Blanche Heck, and her sister, Pvt. Hildreth Heck, are members of the Wac and occupy bunks in the barracks here on either side of her. Pvt. Reba was the last of the Hecks to be inducted.

Only 11 Counties Lagging in Drive

Portland, Ore., Dec. 30 (UP)—Only 11 counties in Oregon have failed to make their quotas of E bond sales, according to today's report of the federal reserve bank, but there is a good chance they will go over the top before the drive's end since each county has attained over 90 per cent of its respective goal.
Of the select list of 25 counties which have gone over the top, Sherman county stands far out in front with 210.4 per cent of its quota which means that it has more than doubled its quota.
Grant county, with 154.4 per cent and Hood River county, with 153.6 per cent of their quotas, are second and third in the race, bank officials reported.

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Jap Bombs Wreck Saipan-Based 'Fortress'



Japanese bombers paid a heavy price to set afire and destroy this Super-Fortress, caught on the ground at Saipan's B-29 airfield. But there will be one less Super-Port for the Tokyo run until American production lines can furnish another giant plane for the crew which escaped unharmed. Photo by Stanley Troutman, NEA-Acme photographer for War Picturepool.

Snow Piles Up on Summits; All Major Highways Open

White New Year's in Prospect, With Storm Forecast for Late Sunday; Skiing Improves

While snow had reached considerable depths along the summits of Central Oregon's highways, and further snow was forecast for late Sunday, officials of the state highway department in Bend today said that they believed all major routes would be open to traffic over the New Year holiday period. Maintenance crews were busily engaged in clearing the snow from the highways, and were following the plows with sanding equipment.
The heaviest snowfall was reported on the Santiam summit, where three feet was noted in the morning. Plows were engaged in clearing the road, and in the afternoon were widening and sanding the traffic lane. The thermometer dipped to 6 degrees above zero on the Willamette highway, where 29 inches of snow fell. Twelve inches was recorded on the Wapinitia highway. In all cases the snow was packed, but motorists were advised to carry chains.

Escaped Convicts Are Taken North

Arthur Maynard, alias Harry Milton, 33, and Marwood Dally, alias Thomas L. Springer, 25, escaped convicts from the Washington state prison at Walla Walla, who were captured here early yesterday morning, today were enroute back to the penitentiary. The two men, who were said to have escaped on Christmas day, were turned over by Sheriff Claude McCauley to Warden Bert A. Webb and Capt. E. E. Erte of the Washington penitentiary this morning.
Maynard and Dally were arrested by Officers Walt Greissinger and Chester Nordstrom who found the men asleep in the cab of a truck at the local terminal. A comparison of the men with descriptions of the escaped convicts brought an admission from the pair that they had fled the prison Christmas day.

Hard Year Ahead, Goering Warns

Berlin, Dec. 30 (UP)—Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering said in a New Year's proclamation today that 1945 would bring "tough and terrible times" to Germany, but predicted that under Adolf Hitler "we shall achieve victory and also the peace for which we long with all our hearts."
Goering said the slogan for next year should be, "Defense or attack, we shall fight like true Germans."
"The Fuehrer's will inspires the fighting front and the working home land," the proclamation said. "Through him the tremendous strength of the German people, which he has united, reaches its supreme pitch."

WPB Places Ban On Ammunition

Washington, Dec. 30 (UP)—In a move to meet suddenly increased military demands for small arms ammunition, the war production board today stopped production of civilian ammunition and froze manufacturers' stocks pending development of distribution controls.
The agency also ordered ammunition sales halted to hunters and reduced to farmers and ranchers, effective tomorrow. The order affects both wholesale and retail sales of ammunition.

Tokyo Says American Convoy, Under Heavy Attack in Sulu Sea, Anchors at Mindoro Isle

(By United Press)
The Tokyo radio said today that an American convoy had put in at Mindoro after sailing westward through the Philippines to the Sulu sea under Japanese air attacks which sank 70 per cent of the ships.
Japanese broadcasts said the reported convoy—the existence of which has not been confirmed by any American source—was bent on supplying and reinforcing the Mindoro garrison rather than making a new invasion venture.
A Tokyo broadcast in Italian, beamed to Europe, said the convoy had reached Mindoro, and that "only eight or 10" transports of an original "about 30" made port.

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Nimitz said he did not know to what extent the Nipponese home islands will be occupied.
Giving a speedy interview to war correspondents on the pier after a quick tour of this Saipan fortress base in a jeep freshly painted with five stars to match his five-collar insignia, the white-haired commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet said he didn't know how much bombing the Japanese homeland could take.

Will Fight To End
"I do believe this—they will fight to the very end," he declared.
Nimitz said he expected the Japanese to use the remainder of their battered fleet to the best advantage, citing the recent raid on Mindoro island in the Philippines, where, he smilingly added, the Japanese suffered losses and caused little damage.
American air action, submarine attacks and surface vessels victories have gradually reduced Japanese naval strength, he said, but warned that the enemy will continue to attack when conditions are favorable.
"But we will be ready for them," he declared.

Fatalities Due For Week End

Salem, Ore., Dec. 30 (UP)—Between five and eight persons are due to die in traffic accidents over the weekend, if past experience is any indication Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr., warned today before the New Year's holiday.
He appealed to drivers to eliminate this hazard by paying particular attention to driving conditions, to use extreme care, and not to drive while intoxicated.

AWOL Navy Man Arrested in Bend

Described as a habitual deserter, William George Tackett, 20, seaman 2/c, last night was taken into custody by city and state police at the home of his wife, 2305 Aubrey road, and today was being held for naval authorities on a charge of desertion. Said by officers to have deserted three times before, Tackett was reported to have been absent from his post on the receiving ship in San Francisco since July 15.
A representative of the navy's shore patrol will be in Bend the first of the week to take Tackett into custody, according to Chief Paul H. Connet, in charge of the navy recruiting station here. Tackett was arrested by Sgt. L. L. Hirtzel and Officer Earl Huff of the state police, and Officer Fred Painter of the Bend police department.

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Nazi Forces Launch Attacks Against Patton's Corridor; Bastogne Route Under Fire

Supreme Headquarters Says It Is Now Time For German General to Try for New Gains Or Withdraw From Belgian-Luxembourg Area

Paris, Dec. 30 (UP)—German forces launched coordinated attacks from the east and west today on Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's corridor to Bastogne in the south flank of the Luxembourg-Belgian salient.

The Third army was reported to have pushed the corridor well beyond Bastogne to within 12 miles or less of a junction with the First army attacking the north side of the salient. First reports of the German attack on the Bastogne alleyway did not indicate the scope. It was reported both at supreme headquarters and in field dispatches.

To the northwest above Aachen, other German forces temporarily recaptured Trippstrath, originally overrun by the British Second army in its drive past Gelsenkirchen. Later today they were thrown out of all except the north section of Trippstrath.
Supreme headquarters spokesmen said that the time was at hand for Marshal Karl Von Rundstedt, after four days of indecision, to make up his mind whether to pull out of the Belgian-Luxembourg bulge or renew his onslaught.

Tanks Herded Back
Under relentless American pressure the Nazis were reported herding their tanks back from the perimeter of the salient and replacing them with infantry, but whether the armor was merely regrouping for new attempts was a matter of conjecture.
Lt. Gen. George S. Patton expanded the frontage of his Third army attack on the southern flank from 35 to 45 miles and seized a six-mile stretch of the German border at the base of the salient, according to official reports as of yesterday morning.
Battering forward as much as six miles north of the Bastogne-Libramont railway line, Patton's troops seized five towns grouped southwest of Bastogne and threatened to nip off the southwest nose of the pocket.

One of Patton's spearheads probed northward in the Compogne sector beyond Bastogne, where it was a dozen miles or less from Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' First army troops chewing into the northern flank of the salient in the Grandesnil area.
A German Transocean dispatch from Rundstedt's headquarters said the pressure on the salient was being increased from both sides by the appearance of reinforcing divisions.
"The American counteroperations are aimed at bringing a decision and hitting the German offensive wedge at its base," the dispatch said.

Buildings Tremble
Buildings in Manchester were shaken violently and many residents were tumbled from their beds.
Houses in Bramhall, 14 miles from Prestwich, were lifted two or three times during the brief tremor, some of them raising two to three inches from the ground.

Shaw expressed the belief that the tremor originated in the so-called Pendleton fault, a crack in the earth's crust running from northwest to southeast in northern England.
Senators Oppose Ceiling on Cattle
Washington, Dec. 30 (UP)—Western states senators and cattlemen will carry to Economic Stabilization Director Fred M. Vinson on Monday their campaign to prevent imposition of price ceilings on live cattle, a step they contend would cause serious meat shortages.

The meeting was scheduled for today but weather conditions grounded planes on which some of the cattlemen were traveling to Washington.
They were to meet Vinson in a conference arranged by Sen. Kenneth S. Wherry, R., Neb., a leader in the fight against livestock price ceilings. Urban spokesmen have demanded the ceilings on grounds that ceiling-less live cattle prices combined with regulated meat prices are forcing retailers out of business and preventing an equitable distribution of meat.
The conference coincided with issuance by two government departments of reports painting a dimmer prospect for civilian food supplies in 1945. Speaking of food generally, the commerce department said there will be enough for all in 1945 but it probably won't be the kind people want.

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