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Hill Defenses Near Bamban

U. S. Forces Continue To Press Over Plains; Manila 50 Miles Away

By William B. Dickinson (United Press*War Correspondent

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General MacArthur's ricadquarters, Luzon, Jan. 24 (IP)—Japanese forces have abandoned new, well-prepared defenses in the hills northwest of Bamban, 53 miles from Manila, and the fall of that last bastion shielding Clark field appeared imminent today.

Maj. Gen. Oscar W. Griswold's 14th corps already may be within 50 air miles of Manila at a point east of Bamban. Concepcion, 53 miles northwest of the Philippines' capital and six and a half miles northeast of Bamban, was overrun yesterday.

United Press War Correspondent Frank Hewlett reported from the front that the 40th (California) division was closing in late yesterday on both Bamban and the Bamban airfield, three miles northeast of the town and the first of the Clark field airstrips.

Japanese opposition to the frontal advance on Bamban stiffened yesterday afternoon, Hewlett said, but dual purpose antiaircraft-anti-tank guns silenced enemy batteries and most enemy snipers soon afterward fell back farther south.

The enemy's abandonment of fense positions completed only few months ago northwest of mban was taken as a sign that e will not attempt a strong stand wen at the Bamban river, which bisects the Luzon plain a mile south of the town, Hewlett said.

bisects the Luzon plain a mile constitution of the town, Hewlett said. It is been supported by the constitution of the Bamban airstrip eagerly. With hundreds of acres of dispersal area, the field offers unlimited possibilities for aerial support of the final assault on Manulla, only a little more than 50 miles to the south.

Filipino civilians told American officers that American planes destroyed scores of Japanese planes on the runways and revetments at Bamban with the result that the enemy seldom had used the field since last September. The remnants of the Japanese base force were evacuated to Manila nine days ago, they said.

Army engineers were expected to have the field in operation within a few days of its capture. The other 10 Clark field airstrips lie south of the Bamban river.

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Hewlett said the advance on
Bamban was being spearheaded
by units commanded by Col. Edward J. Murray of Sacramento,
Calif., former state highway engineer, while his subordinates included Maj. John McSweeny (8925)
West 24th street), Maj. Harry
Chittick (1821 West 143rd street),
Lt. Col. Maurice Stratta (3172)
Casadore street), all of Los Anxeles, and Maj. Rex Stout, Eagle
Rock, Calif.
California national guardsmen

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California national guardsmen predominate in the 40th division.
Other American units strengthened the east flank of the American beachhead with thrusts into Zarazoga, 19 miles northwest of Bamban.

2. County ownership with a arrangement with the state.
3. Joint county-state or state ownership.
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General Ben Lear Given High Post

Paris, Jan. 24 (P-Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, commander of all U. S. army ground forces, has been appointed deputy commander of American forces in the European theater, it was announced today.

Lear was named commander of army ground forces last sum-er, succeeding Lt. Gen. Leslie McNair, who was killed while witsacvair, who was killed while witnessing the aerial bombardment preceding the American break-through at St. Lo in Normandy. (Washington sources have been speculating that Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, former American commander in China, Burma and India, wantid be alway the ground

preme allied commander and con-currently American commander in the European theater, already has delegated Lear to direct the

Japs Abandon Practice Bomb Chief of RFC Strikes Tavern In Umatilla

Pendleton, Ore., Jan. 24 (IP) — Military and Umatilia county authorities today investigated the apparently accidental dropping of a practice bomb from an airplane, which plunged into a Stanfield tavern Monday night and endangered the lives of a dozen men inside.

Not Qualified

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A four-foot hole was bored through the floor and the partial explosion of a five-pound powder charge buried the missile six feet in the earth.

Army officers were checking the possibility the bomb dropped from a plane on a routine flight from the Walla, Walla air base nearby.

Klamath, Lake Standing Pat On Exchange

courts not only persisted today in protesting a proposed land ex-change transaction between The Shevlin-Hixon Companyof Bend, but extended their opposition to another deal in prospect and against any other federal forest

against any other federal forest land acquisitions in the counties until the basic issues involved are ironed out.

The courts in conference here discussed possibility of state or county ownership and management of lands which the Bend company proposes to transfer to federal forest ownership in exchange for an equal value of timber from the national forests.

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Forester Present

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W. F. McGulloch, assistant state forester, was present at the direction of Nels Rogers, his chief, and in response to a request from the county courts for assistance in analyzing the problems involved in the Shevlin-Hix on deal. The courts have protested the land exchange, mainly on the grounds that such non-cash transactions deprive the counties of their share of the 25 per cent of forest revenues which they get from normal cash sales of national forest timber.

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Court members said they reject the theory that their protests are jeopardizing Shevlin-Hixon war production of lumber, as was as serted by a WPB official here last week. They pointed out that the company is already cutting national forest timber, under a bond, even though the current land transaction has not been officially closed. They indicated an opinion that the company will get what timber is available, in any event, if its production is needed for the war effort.

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Alternatives Discussed
At today's conference, several
alternatives for the current land

atternatives for the current land exchange were discussed. These included:

1. Continued private ownership of the Sheviin-Hixon land.

2. County ownership with a arrangement with the state.

3. Joint county-state or state.

the state would manage the land, and the national forest would sell timber to Shevlin-Hixon for cash. Shevlin-Hixon officials, at previous conferences here, said they are especially concerned about the forthcoming land exchange program involving 13,000 acres in Klamath county.

The Korean capital, Kanko and Hanan.

Other Superfortresses made a heavy attack on Japanese military installations on Iwo, stepping stone island mildway between Tokyo and Saipan.

LIFE STILL NORMAL

(By United Press).

Hints Wallace

Washington, Jan. 24 (Pi—Retiring Secretary of Commerce Jesse H. Jones, testifying in favor of legislation to curb the powers of his designated successor, Henry A. Wallace, said today that the government's loan administrator "should be a man of proven and sound business experience."

Jones made a public appearance in a jammed senate caucus room before the senate commerce committee to state his reasons for believing the former vice president is not qualified to succeed him as head of the government's multibillion-dollar lending agencies.

Wallace will be given a rebutal opportunity tomorrow.

Jones gave his views on a bill by Sen. Walter F. George, D., Ga., which would remove from the commerce department all control over the Reconstruction Finance corporation and its affiliated agencies.

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Superfortresses attacked the main Japanese island of Honshu and Korea in the last 24 hours.

Two B-29's in separate flights dropped bombs on the industrial city of Nagoya, and a third attacked Hamamatsu on the southeast coast of Honshu, the Japanese radio said.

Three Superfortresses were reported to have flown over northern Korea, setting separate courses over the citles of Keijo, the Korean capital, Kanko and Hanan over the course of the Colman capital of the Korean capital over the course of the Colman capital over the capital over the course of the Colman capital over the capital ov

The United Press listening post

Yanks Race Toward Siegfried Barrier Of Such Stuff Are G.I. Dreams Made

Sixth Red Army Strikes

Foe Reported Moving Troops To East Front

Air Forces Strike at Nazi Convoys Moving Out of Bulge Region

Paris, Jan. 24 (IP) — American forces plunged forward toward the German Siegfried positions east of the almost vanished Ardennes bulge today amid gathering signs that the Germans were hastily drawing strength from the hastily drawing strength from the western front to meet the crisis in the east.

The American advance was roll-

ing steadily, and ahead of the ground forces U. S. tactical air forces struck at fresh targets —

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Up To Congress

There was no question, however, that he would apply such a description to Wallace, the idol of the new deal democratic left wing.

Jones asserted that it is well within the authority and responsibility of congress to determine whether the RFC and its affiliated agencies are to be separated from the department of commerce.

"It seems to me that the paramount issue before this committee in consideration of the resolution of fered by Senator George," he said, "is not the location of the powers which the congress has, from time to time, delegated to the confidence of the solution, with the assistance of the 508th infantry of the 82nd air to the said."

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The American Seventh armored division, with the assistance of the 508th infantry of the 82nd airborne division, shoved east of recaptured St. Vith in a push to drive the nazis, back into their Siegfried positions from which they launched the Ardennes drive Dec. 16.

Nip Home Isles

Pearl Harbor, Jan. 24 (IP—
Tokyo reported today that six Superfortresses attacked the main Japanese island of Honshu and Korea in the last of Honshu and Islands. The extent of the last of the la

The extent of the forces being pulled out of the western front by pulled out of the western front by the Germans was not yet certain. One front report suggested that the German Sixth panzer army was being sent east hurriedly. Another speculated that the Fifth panzer army also was headed that way. These two armies were the spearhead of Von Rundstedt's Ar-denes forces

London, Jan. 24 (17)—The Berlin radio said tonight that the Russlans had broken through the OPPELN CAPTURED in New York today recorded the London, Jan. 24 (IP) — Marshal following news bulletin from the Stalin announced tonight that the German radio: "Life in Berlin continues to be to cut the last rail line out of the

A U. S. Army Signal Corps photographer took time out from shooting battling G. I.'s and their machinery of war to immortalize this idyilic scene in which enlisted WACs and their guests loll on a white-sand, palm-fringed beach and refresh themselves in the moving waters of a wide bay somewhere in Dutch New Guinea U.S. Still Faces Its Greatest Japs Plan New

Struggle in Far East Will Exceed Conflict Of Quarter of a Century Ago, Says General

War in History, Harmon Says

By WILLIAM F. TYREE
(United Press War Correspondent)
Pacific Headquarters, U. S. Army Air Forces, Jan. 24 (U.P.)
—The United States still faces the greatest war in its history in the Far East, and Japan will still be "on her feet and fighting in 1946," according to Lt. Gen. Millard F. Harmon, chief of American army air forces in the Pacific.

Appealing to the American home front for increased war production, Harmon said in a radio broadcast that Japan's main fighting strength has not yet been engaged and warned that the war will still be "a long way from ended" even when the enemy's home islands are

Frank O. Minor,

Pioneer, Is Dead

invaded.

Japan's biggest, best-trained and toughest army— the Kwantung army—is still in Manchuria, he said, and there can be no peace in the Pacific until it has been besten Frank O. Miner, 80, Bend plobeaten. neer and one of the city's early

"If every ship in the Japanese navy were sunk and the Kwan-lung army in Manchuria still was day postmasters, died yesterday at the Eastern Star and Masonic home in Forest Grove, according in being, we'd have to fight that army and lick it," Harmon said. "Even after the European war to word received by friends here today. The funeral will be held to-

morrow at 3 p. m. at the Hollywood mortuary, 48th street and say when that will be, we are Sandy Blvd., in Portland, with the services being in charge of the Masonic service bureau.

Mr. Minor, aside from being active in Bend civic affairs during his residence here, also was a ever fought in history up to 1941. To Talk in Russia

Named Cashier Coming to Bend in 1904, Mr. Minor soon thereafter became cashier for the Central Oregon Banking and Trust company, when this firm had a banking institution at the corpary of Franklin stitution at the corpary of Franklin

Portland, Ore., Jan. 24 CP—Lt. Richard J. Trienen, of Remsen, Iowa, was killed when his P-38 crashed 13 miles northeast of Pine mountain, near Bend, Ore., Satur-

Hitler's Oder **Defense Lines Under Attack**

Polish Bastion, Poznan, 136 Miles From Berlin, Besieged By Muscovites

London, Jan. 24 (P)-Marshal Stalin announced today that he had hurled a sixth Russian army into his unprecedented offensive paced by assault forces now storming Poznan, Konigsberg, and Germany's Oder river defense

Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's Second Ukrainlan army extended the offensive front another 100 miles southward into Hungary with an attack along the Hungar-

with an attack along the Hungarian-Slovak frontier which broke
through on a 25-mile front and
carried westward 12 miles.

Swinging forward in line with
Gen. Ivan Y. Petrov's forces in
Slovakia and lower Poland, Malinovsky's forces captured the fortified border towns of Joisvatapolca and Rozsnyo, respectively 45
and 38 miles west of Kassa.

Oder Defenses Battered

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To the north other Russian forces were battering the Oder defenses along a broad front and fighting into Poznan, Polish bastion 136 miles east of Berlin, and the East Prussian capital of Koenigsberg.

Tokyo revealed today that Premier Gen. Kunilaki-Koiso has yleided to pressure from critics of his war and home front policies and agreed to the formation of a new, all-powerful political party that would try to shape a "national structure for victory."

A Domei news agency broadcast intercepted by FCC monitors in New York sald Koiso had agreed to support the new party advocated by the Imperial Rule Assistance association, Japan's totalitarian party.

Domei offered no details on the scope and nature of the new organization, which presumably was being created by the influential control of the scope and nature of the new organization, which presumably was being created by the influential City Attacked.

being created by the influential IRAA as a "front" for a stronger direction of the Japanese war ef-City Attacked
Soviet field dispatches reported
the attack on Koenigsberg and
said that other Russian forces At yesterday's session of the DIET, Koiso and his munitions minister, Shigeru Yoshida, were said that other Russian forces pushing up through the western belt of East Prussia were within 15 miles of Elbing, the fall of which would slam the door on some 200,000 nazi troops in the criticized sharply for their failure to increase production of planes and munitions during the past six

imminent.

and munitions during the past six and munitions during the short age of shipping that has hampered the flow of raw materials from China and other Japanese-con-china and other based capital of Breslau, opened a shat-tering bombardment of German defenses across the river, and closed against a number of key towns in the industrial "Ruhr of

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Harmon asserted that American successes in the Pacific thus far have "not seriously unjointed the Japanese war effort."

The battle of Silesia swiftly neared a decision as Konev, alward in the likelihood that the big three meeting would be held anywhere but on Russian soil, and the present Red army offensive makes this even more likely.

Takes Flier's Life

Minor soon thereafter became the Central Oregon of Remsen, of Rems

would visit American troops in fanaticism unparalleled for the Italy and France after meeting Germans in a desperate attempt Marshal Stalin, "if circumstances to defer if not avert the doom of (Continued on Page 2)

Propaganda Broadcasts Clog Airways as Reds Move West

Big "3" Expected

Political Party

(By United Press

By Robert Dowson
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
London, Jan. 24 (IP — Moscow broadcasts today reported mass evacuations of Germans from Si-Berlin with trenches in apparent lesia, northeastern Germany and preparation for a last ditch de-western Poland, and said unrest fense. A Brussels broadcast quot-in the ranks of the Volkssturm led ed Swedish reports that the evacu-

dia, would be given the ground forces command.) Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, su-

American Troops Bogged Down in Apennines

Chilled By Severe Cold; Canned Food Used

By Eleanor Packard
(United Press War Correspondent)
Rome, Jan. 24 (10)— American troops on the Fifth army front are shivering in their foxbles below freezing in the coldest spel litaly has seen this winter. And the Americans It is getting more than the American G.I.'s are bogged down in the Apennine mountain, which are rugged almost beyond imagination.

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