

Allied Troops Smash Forward On Apian Way

French Capture Peak to
Outflank Nazis—Cruis-
ers Shell Shore Batteries

Allied Headquarters, Algiers.
Jan. 21 (AP)—French troops,
crossing the Rapido river in dif-
ficult mountain fighting, have
captured the foot of Mt. El Lago,
north of Cassino, and are threat-
ening to outflank the Germans' "Gustav line" of defense in
Italy, allied headquarters an-
nounced today.

British forces of the fifth
army, supported by the fire of
cruisers and destroyers, smash-
ed forward along the Apian
Way, capturing Minturno, 76
miles from Rome, and taking
300 prisoners. They are assault-
ing the twin Nazi defensive vil-
lages of Castellforte and Centosa
on the slopes of 1,000-foot Mt.
Santi Cosma e Damiano, six
miles inland from the Tyrrhen-
ian.

Adolf Hitler Line
In weather which German
prisoners described as "worse
than Leningrad," American pa-
trols of Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's
fifth army slashed across the
river below Cassino in probing
expeditions and retired. Eight
army patrols likewise were ac-
tive in weather that was awful.
The French push from captured
Sant' Elia, north of Cassino, if
continued would allow them to
take Cassino from the rear, Ger-
man prisoners said there was
another German line of fortifi-
cations called the "Adolf Hil-
ler line," six miles behind the
Gustav belt which the allies are
now attacking.

Fleet Shells Germans

For the first time in many
weeks cruisers and destroyers
of the British navy engaged in
heavy action against Nazi shore
defenses along the western end
of the line, throwing several
hundred rounds of steel ahead
of the fifth army attack last
Tuesday and Wednesday. The
heaviest shelling was concentra-
ted on the Apian way where
the road runs close to the sea
near the village of Garracina.

"Opposition from the enemy
was slight," a naval communi-
que said. "One ship suffered
minor damage but no casual-
ties."

Allied destroyers also were
active in the Adriatic the same
night, shelling the harbor of
Korcula on the island of the
same name off the Yugoslav
coast.

Airfields Smashed

Minturno was taken by the
British after "hard fighting,"
the communique said. The Ger-
mans already had announced
evacuation of the town.

Heavy and medium bombers
again concentrated their full
power on German airfields and
communications in central Italy,
Flying Fortresses and Liberators
striking damaging blows at
Campino and Centocelle air-
fields near Rome for the second
day in succession, and blasting
Guidonia airfield, 14 miles
northeast of Rome, as well.

Clark Confesses Hatchet Slaying

Spokane, Jan. 21 (AP)—Police
Chief Ira Martin said today that
Woodrow Wilson Clark, 27-year
old former hotel elevator opera-
tor, had signed a complete con-
fession as the hatchet-slayer of
T. P. Dillon, Mrs. Charles Sta-
ples and Dillon's wife, Mrs.
Flora Dillon.

Martin related how Clark un-
der intense grilling which lasted
long into the night at first
maintained he was "too drunk"
to remember details of the
crime. But Clark finally broke
down when police offered to
bring the bodies from the morgue,
place the hatchet in his
hand and completely reconstruct
the scene, Martin said.

"Don't do that," Clark was
quoted as sobbing suddenly, "I'll
tell you how I did it."

"He then told us the whole
story," the chief said—"how he
picked up the hatchet and hit
Dillon when Dillon threatened
him because of Clark's atten-
tions to his wife during the
drinking party which preceded
the slaying. Then he told how
he attacked the others, who ap-
parently were asleep or in a
stupor."

Prosecutor Leslie M. Carroll
said he would file murder charges
today against Clark. The
prosecutor declined to state in
what degree the murder charges
would be filed.

The Weather
Partly cloudy tonight and Satur-
day with morning fog. High
24 hours; max. 51, min. 32. River
today 8 ft.

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Berlin Blasted by 2300 Tons of Bombs

Invasion Coast Also Pounded By U. S. Bombers

London, Jan. 21 (AP)—A great
armada of allied bombers, paced
by American Flying Fortresses
and Liberators, rocked the
French invasion coast with al-
most 2,000 tons of high explo-
sives today after a record fleet
of RAF night raiders had pound-
ed Berlin with more than 2300
tons of bombs.

A five-mile parade of allied
daylight raiders that included
almost every type of bomber in
the Anglo-American arsenal,
streamed across the Dover straits
to rip up the network of Ger-
man steel and concrete gun em-
placements in the Pas Del Calais
sector.

Fourth Major Raid

Swarms of American Thun-
derbolts and Lightnings and
RAF Spitfires covered the great
bombing formation, and the
Luftwaffe again stayed out of
their range.

It was the fourth major day-
light blow at the invasion coast
since the 3000-plane Christmas
eve attack. Varying cloud for-
mations obscured the bombing
results of some formations, but
returning airmen reported that
the target area was con-
cussed by violent explosions.

The bomb tonnage dropped
on Berlin (more than 2,576
American tons) about equalled
that of the Nov. 22 raid, for
which an identical figure of
more than 2300 British tons was
announced.

More British bombers than
ever struck at Berlin before
were understood to have carried
the knockout offensive back to
the Nazi capital last night. The
bomb tonnage, however, was
believed to have been short of
a record 2576 tons delivered
last Nov. 22.

900 Bombers Used

The size of the previous re-
cord fleet attacking Berlin never
had been announced. But in a
double-header attack on Berlin
and Ludwigshafen on Nov. 18,
the British estimated that nearly
1000 bombers were used. On
that basis last night's force was
believed to have numbered
around 900.

The Royal Canadian air force
announced that its units partici-
pating in the Berlin raid drop-
ped their heaviest bombload of
the war.

Other allied air formations put
the assault on Adolf Hitler's
European fortress back on an
around-the-clock basis with day-
light raids on the French inva-
sion coast today. Formations
swept over one southeast Eng-
land town in an almost contin-
uous procession for nearly an
hour.

Boilermaker Case In Supreme Court

The dispute over appointment
of a receiver for the Portland
local of the International AFL
Boilermakers reached the state
supreme court today.

In arguments before the court,
Wilber Henderson, attorney for
the union, asked the court to
compel Circuit Judge Alfred P.
Dobson to fix the amount of a
stay bond, pending appeal to the
high court. The action would
halt activities of Receiver Oscar
Furuset, who was appointed by
Judge Dobson.

YMCA Burns \$21,000 Mortgage And Receives Gift of \$15,000

The Salem YMCA celebrated its freedom from debt Friday
noon with a mortgage burning
ceremony, participated in by
members of the board, presided
over by Paul B. Wallace. The

group also cheered the presenta-
tion of a check for \$15,000, the
gift of an eastern friend of the
association, which will be held
in reserve in connection with a
proposed betterment program.

A few weeks ago the Centen-
nial committee, headed by Loyal
Warner, initiated a movement
to liquidate a \$21,000 mortgage
against the association. This
committee was successful in its
efforts and during a victory
luncheon Warner applied a
match to the paper. Immediately
thereafter Fred Lampert,
chairman of the endowment
committee, presented the \$15-
000 check which was promised
should the mortgage be cleared.
Beth Siewert, secretary to C. A.
Kells, chief of the Y staff, sang



American Indians Fight Japs in Jungle (AP)—American Navaio Indians, members of the 158th U. S. infantry, who have played a prominent part in breaking through the main Japanese defenses in New Guinea, pose in jungle grass in regalia they made on a South Pacific island in which to celebrate their traditional Christmas dances. (Left to right) Pfc. Dale Winney, Gallup, New Mexico; Pvt. Joe Tapha, Gallup, N. M.; Pfc. Joe Gishi, Holbrook, Ariz., and Pvt. Perry Toney, Holbrook, Ariz. (AP wirephoto from signal corps.)

Film Stars, War Heroes Feature War Bond Show

Steadily mounting enthusiasm in the Fourth War Loan drive
was evidenced Friday by announcement from war bond head-
quarters that the total of bonds sold by Friday morning had
mounted to \$372,000 with still a number of agencies to hear
from and indications that the first half million is well in sight.

All thoughts of the commit-
teemen were directed toward
the big war bond show being
sponsored by the American Le-
gion for the armory Saturday
night when it was revealed that
movie star Edgar Kennedy and
movie starlet Ramsay Ames will
be on hand with five wounded
war heroes, along with num-
erous other features being ar-
ranged by the legionnaires.
Cherries under Frank Chas.
King Bing, have been delegated
to the pleasant task of acting
as escorts for the movie stars
and war heroes.

Edgar Kennedy, the movie
star, is being currently featured
with Olsen and Johnson in their
new comedy, "Crazy House,"
and has appeared for years on
the screen. Ramsay Ames, movie
starlet, advertised as a "blonde
charmer" is widely heralded as
one of the most promising of
the crop of new screen possibili-
ties and she also is featured
with Kennedy in the Olsen and
Johnson show.

Wounded war heroes who will
be here to tell their actual ex-
periences on the far flung fronts
of the great global war will be
Capt. John S. Young, U. S. ar-
my; Sgt. Lloyd B. Sweeney,
U. S. army; Boatwain's Mate
1c J. P. Nixon, U. S. navy; Sgt.
Edward J. Burmah, U. S. marine
corps and Seaman's Mate 1c
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Shipyard Also Repair Center

Portland, Jan. 21 (AP)—A Port-
land shipyard, which ostensibly
has been concentrating on
building new vessels, disclosed
today that it is a major repair
center as well.

Until now, waterfront restric-
tions have obliged Albina En-
gine & Machine Works to keep
a public silence on the 432 ships
its tinnahs have repaired
since Pearl Harbor.

Crews working 12-hour shifts
and on call seven days a week,
have put 161 damaged Russian,
British and Greek merchant ves-
sels back into seaworthy condi-
tion.

With high-pressure work
which sometimes runs 16 hours
without a break, tinnahs have
made additions to 249 Liberty
freighters, repaired tankers,
tugs, mine planters. Repair
gangs have worked on 15 ships
at a time, berthed here and at
Oregon coastal ports.

Albina, which has been oper-
ating since 1904 and is the old-
est ship repair company in
Portland, plans to concentrate
on repair jobs in post-war years.
"When new ship construction is
finished," L. A. Hussa, vice
president, said, "we will con-
tinue ship repair operations with
more and better equipment and
with personnel that has many
more years—war years—of ex-
perience."

In addition to caring for the
usual activities of the YMCA,
the building is the rendezvous
should the mortgage be cleared,
present its dormitory rooms are
occupied by navy trainees from
Willamette university.

Japs Lose 49 Zeros, 10,000 Tons Shipping

Advanced Allied Headquar-

ters, New Guinea, Jan. 21 (AP)—
Japan was reported rushing
strong aerial reinforcements to
her threatened Southwest Pa-
cific strongholds today as an
allied communique announced
the sinking of 10,000 tons of
enemy shipping and the destruc-
tion or damaging of 49 aircraft
in new raids on Wewak and
Rabaul.

A warning that Japan constan-
tly was reinforcing her air
strength over New Britain and
New Ireland was issued by Ma-
rine Gen. Ralph J. Mitchell, air-
craft commander in the Solo-
mons, after new allied successes
were disclosed in the daily com-
munications from Gen. Douglas
MacArthur's headquarters.

Japs Strengthened

"There is every indication
that Japan considers Rabaul
and Kavieng very important and
that she is going to do every-
thing to hold them," Mitchell,
speaking at an advanced air
base, said.

Mitchell revealed that since
Nov. 20 Japan has lost 350
planes defending Rabaul's air-
dromes and shipping, but added
that enemy interception failed
to decrease.

He said that each time Ameri-
can planes venture toward the
big New Britain base, they meet
from 70 to 100 intercepting
fighters despite the fact that the
allied airmen often knocked
down as many as 31 of the
planes.

8 Ships Blasted

Feeling the strength of the
latest allied attacks, the com-
munique said, were the Boram
airfield of the Wewak area, 375
miles above Madang, chief ob-
jective of allied ground forces
advancing up the New Guinea
coast, and Rabaul, where eight
cargo ships were hit by allied
planes Monday.

Fighter - escorted medium
bombers from the Solomons
carried out the third attack on
Rabaul in four days Tuesday,
and shot down 21 enemy fight-
ers and probably one other.

On New Guinea

One Japanese plane was de-
stroyed on the ground, and 12
others were damaged as the
bombers rained explosives on
the Tobera airdrome from low
altitude.

On New Guinea, Liberator
bombers, escorted by fighters,
ran into more than 50 Japanese
fighters Wednesday when they
dropped 133 tons of bombs on
the Boram airfield and de-
stroyed many planes on the
ground.

Escorting fighters shot down
12 and probably 14 enemy
planes, and three allied fighters
were lost. All the allied bomb-
ers returned.

Other allied aircraft blew up
a 5000-ton enemy ammunition
ship and sunk a 2000-ton
freighter in the Admiralty is-
lands sector, 270 miles north-
west of Wewak.

New Courthouse Placed as Part of Post-war Program

The Marion county court Friday morning adopted a resolution
leading up to a plan for erection of a new county courthouse as
a probable postwar project and set March 6 at 10 a.m., as time for
a public hearing on the propo-

sition. The resolution calls for
a tax levy of \$75,000 a year,
starting with the 1944 county
levy and running for 10 years,
or as long as may be necessary
prior thereto. Construction of
the courthouse may start at any
time funds are available so that
if additional funds are secured
at any time by government
grant, gift, or otherwise it will
be possible to start erection of
the new structure at once. The
resolution was made extremely
elastic to meet any contingency
and it was indicated by the
meeting the probability of hav-
ing to wait until 1954 when
the last of the 10-year levies
has run, is extremely remote.

The court met with Ray Glat-
t of Woodburn and Leo N. Childs
of Salem, as members of this
year's county budget commit-
tee. The third member, M. G.
Gunderson of Silverton, was un-
able to attend.

In an address to the annual
conference of mayors, read for
him by Mayor F. H. La Guardia
of New York, Bowles dis-
closed that 18 cities already
have ordinances providing fines
up to \$100 and jail sentences up
to 90 days for such violations.

Chicago, Jan. 21 (AP)—Price
Administrator Chester Bowles
called upon United States may-
ors today to sponsor ordinances
providing fines or jail sentences
for price and rationing viola-
tions.

Red Armies Roll on Inflicting Staggering Casualties on Nazis Trapped in Lake Ilmen Area

Greatest Battle of Extermination Since Stalingrad
Progress as Russians Advance in Twin Drives to
r Capture 300,000 Germans

Moscow, Jan. 21 (AP)—Red armies fanned out through tremen-
dous gaps in the outflanked 110-mile Nazi defense line between
Leningrad and Lake Ilmen today, massacring tens of thousands
of panicky Germans in the greatest battle of extermination since
Stalingrad.

The strongest German defenses in Europe appeared to be
crumbling away as the Russians advanced with irresistible mo-
mentum south of Leningrad and west of Novgorod in twin drives
to kill or capture 300,000 Nazi troops on the northwestern front.

Thousands of Germans, cut off from their main forces in the
snow-covered forests by the speed of the Soviet thrusts, surren-
dered rather than face certain death. More than 3000 submitted
to captured around Novgorod, which fell yesterday.

The toll of enemy dead on the two fronts already was approach-
ing 45,000. More than 40,000 were slain in the first six days of the
coordinated offensives, all but
15,000 of them south and south-
west of Leningrad.

Red Bombers Active

Swarms of red air force
bombers, fighters and attack
planes joined in the campaign of
annihilation, blasting and straf-
ing strong points, transport and
columns of reinforcements
ahead of the advancing Siberian,
Ural, Volga and central Russian
divisions.

Gen. Leonid A. Govorov's two

Leningrad columns joined forces
south of Krasnoye Selo, doom-
ing enemy troops remaining in
the Gulf of Finland beachhead
west of Leningrad, and smashed
southward in a drive that threat-
ened momentarily to engulf
Krasnogorodsk, five-way rail-
way junction controlling all
lines running into Russia's sec-
ond city from the southwest.

Many Towns Captured

The two columns presumably
met at Mikhailovka, nine miles
south of Leningrad, and also
captured the railroad junction of
Uritsk, three miles west of
Leningrad; Strelina, seven miles
southwest, and Nikkorovo, 33
miles west southwest.

Front dispatches said the Rus-
sians had cleared the entire Gulf
of Finland coast from Oranien-
baum, 15 miles west of Lenin-
grad, to a point only a couple
of miles from the larger city.

(Radio Berlin said the Ger-
mans also had evacuated a 17-
mile salient reaching east of
Leningrad from Kolpino, com-
pleting the lifting of the siege
that began August 21, 1941.)

Liquidating Germans

"Disrupted and isolated
groups of Germans are being
liquidated," the Soviet high
command said in its midnight
communique. "Many German
soldiers and officers have laid
down their arms and surren-
dered. Enormous quantities of
various equipment and war ma-
terials were captured."

Gen. Kyril A. Meretskov's
army, ripping into the German
eastern flank, swept six miles
beyond Novgorod, 100 miles
south of Leningrad, and cap-
tured Naschi on the railroad west
to Batetsk. Dolgovo, 13 miles
northwest of Leningrad, also
was captured.

Booty Seized

Prodigious booty was being
seized by the Russians in the
wake of the demoralized enemy.
The Leningrad and Novgorod
armies together in the past six
days have seized 447 guns, in-
cluding 85 super-shell artillery
that have been shelling Lenin-
grad; 270 mortars and 30 tanks,
while the Novgorod forces alone
destroyed 178 guns, 16 tanks and
350 trucks.

The only activity reported in
the Soviet communique from
the Ukraine was the slaying of
1,500 Germans and the wrecking
of 32 tanks in the repulse of
counter-attacks north of the
Khrystinovka railroad junctions.

Russia's Baltic Fleet Freed

Moscow, Jan. 21 (AP)—The
red army's great surge to the
south from Leningrad has vir-
tually freed Russia's Baltic
fleet. Locked in port for two
years or more, the Baltic fleet
is now free to operate in the
Bay of Kronstadt and possibly
beyond.

To the south of the Baltic
shore the Russians are driving
deep into German positions
capturing thousands of Nazis cut
off from their commands and
communication lines, and are
speedily closing in on the rail-
way and highway junctions that
are the key to the entire Baltic
front.

Large isolated groups of Ger-
mans, either already surrounded
or about to be cut off, are re-
ported in sectors west of cap-
tured Novgorod, between
Oranienbaum and Leningrad
and east of the Moscow-Lenin-
grad railway.

A huge system of railway
and highways is located within
a radius of 25 miles south, south-
west and southeast of Leningrad
and through this web the red
army was driving steadily for-
ward. The task of clearing this
area already is half accomplish-
ed.

These great successes are
coming to Leningrad on the 20th
anniversary of Lenin's death.

Liberation of the city which
bears the beloved leader's name
gave the Russians a big emotional
uplift, especially as they read
again today the details of his
long and arduous labors on behalf
of the country.

The army newspaper Red Star
declared that the Germans sacked
Peterhof—the brilliant and
elaborate summer residence of
the czars where two centuries
of architectural tastes are re-
flected.

Tito Recaptures Town of Jajce

London, Jan. 21 (AP)—Marshal
Josip Broz (Tito) announced
today that his Yugoslav partisan
troops had recaptured the town
of Jajce, headquarters of the
patriot army in the mountains
of western Bosnia, which the
Germans said fell on January
12.

Smashing on to the west, the
partisans cleared the area be-
tween Mrkonjgrad and Glat-
mo, 30 miles southwest of
Jajce, of German troops, in-
cluding units of the first Ger-
man Alpine division and a mo-
torized division, and drove them
back toward the Dalmatian
coast.

Jajce occupies a strategic po-
sition at the confluence of the
Vrba and Pliva rivers, 32 miles
south of Banja Luka, and is a
chemical center. Tito's head-
quarters are on the summit of a
conical hill overlooking the
Vrba valley, 100 feet below.

Tito's war bulletin, broadcast
by the free Yugoslav radio, said
the partisans had gone over to
the offensive on several other
sectors of the widely-scattered
front.

Partisans smashed back at a
strong force of Germans who
had penetrated the town of
Prozor in the Rama sector and
threw them out with a loss of
more than 300 killed.

2 Jap Ships Sunk Off Coast of China

Chungking, Jan. 21 (AP)—Li-
bertators of the 14th United
States army air force sank a
1,700-ton passenger-freighter
and a 1,500-ton tanker in a sea
sweep off the southeast coast
of China yesterday, Lt. Gen.
Joseph W. Stilwell's communi-
que announced tonight.

Both vessels were set afire
before then sank as their crews
abandoned them, the communi-
que said. All aircraft returned.