

WEATHER NO BAR TO AIR ATTACKS ON RAIL POINTS

London, Dec. 30.—(U.P.)—Nearly 2,000 American heavy bombers and fighters dropped thousands of tons of high explosives on rail yards and bridges at Mannheim, Kaiserslautern and Kassel today in the eighth straight day of attacks on communications of German armies in Belgium and Luxembourg.

Murky weather hampered the activity of lighter allied planes along the western front.

Striking through heavy clouds, more than 1,300 U. S. 8th air force Flying Fortress and Liberator bombers unloaded nearly 3,000 tons of high explosives on six bridges and six rail yards in western Germany between noon and 1 p. m. They were escorted by more than 650 Mustang and Thunderbolt fighters.

No enemy fighter opposition was reported. All the bombing was done by instrument in bad weather.

Eight bombers and three fighters were missing from these forces, a U. S. communique said.

Going as far east as Kassel, more than 150 miles from the fighting fronts, American bombers made one of their deepest blows to date against the supply lines feeding Field Marshal Gen. Karl Von Rundstedt's German armies. They also attacked railway bridges some 30 miles east of the Siegfried line.

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LOCAL and PERSONAL

Minor Fined—Bessie Geary, aged 14, of Trail was fined \$2.50 in local court Saturday for driving without a license.

Stolen—Fender skirts on a Chevrolet coupe owned by Dale Crouse of Phoenix, were stolen while the car was parked in front of the armory on Friday, a police report stated.

New Attendant—Miss Bernice Hage arrived last week from the United Air Lines' Chicago school to become ticket and radio attendant at the company's air field station here.

In Jail—Rodríguez Sebastian Rodríguez, a Mexican, was placed in the local jail late Friday for being drunk in a public place, according to police records. He was picked up at 120 South Central street.

To Salt Lake—Mr. and Mrs. Don Albin and their young daughter left Friday for Salt Lake City where he will be assistant station manager for the United Air Lines. Mr. Albin had been an attendant at the local U.A.L. station for the past year.

Liebman Home—Pvt. Ned Liebman is spending a 13-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Liebman, of South Peach street. Liebman, who joined the army in June, 1943, is a laboratory technician at Hammond General hospital, Modesto, Calif. He is a member of the hospital staff's basketball team.

Pig Trouble—Traffic Officer Dick Baize reports—1 p. m. Friday, in the daily report: "Chased a pig all over Westside and finally caught it on West Jackson. Tied him up and called City shop and Otis Foreman took him out to his sister's ranch—if no one calls for pig, he will keep the 'darn' thing."

Accident—Earl Owings, 335 West Second street and Mrs. C. E. Mercer, 603 North Bartlett were involved in a traffic accident at Front and Main streets Friday morning when the truck Owings was driving collided with Mrs. Mercer's passenger car. Damage was minor the report on file stated.

Monteith Promoted—Don Monteith, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Monteith, 531 Pearl street, has been promoted to first lieutenant, according to word received from Camp Blanding, Fla., where he is stationed. Monteith, who entered the army two years ago, was formerly employed at the United States National bank.

Register At Draft Boards—New registrants at local draft board number 1 during December included: Ronald Fred Weatherford, James Donald Parton, Wilburn Hugh Ward, Leland Elton Jones, Albin John Duda, William Maxwell Black, and Vernon Emerson Rush. At Jackson county board number 2, 12 persons were registered. They were: James Everett Hatfield, Bernard Harold Bommel, Richard Gaylord Kaegi, William R. Davis, Gene Uriah Gresham, Norman John Gay, Donald Arthur Dunstan, Arthur Charles Bostock, William Albert Hanscom, LaVonne Dwight Thomas, Darrell Wayne Barker and Hugh Edward Hagen.

Special Council—A special meeting of the city council was called Saturday to approve the city payroll in order that paychecks could be disbursed before January 1.

Milermoods Here—Sgt. and Mrs. Carl Wiltermood and daughter, Karlene, are visiting relatives in Medford and Ashland this week. Sgt. Wiltermood is stationed at Hobbs army air field in New Mexico.

In Grants Pass—The Rev. W. Shearburn, pastor of the local Foursquare Gospel church will speak morning and evening at the Foursquare church in Grants Pass today. He is substituting for the Rev. John Brown, who with Mrs. Brown is spending the week with her parents in Belingham, Wash.

Fined for Speeding—Charles W. Martin was fined \$10 Friday in local court for violation of the basic rule. Martin, whose arrest late Thursday night, caused considerable commotion around the post office building was made after officers trailed him there on his return trip from the airport hauling mail. He was driving 45 miles per hour the officers said.

Klamath Falls Guests—Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Hutchinson and daughter Shirley of Klamath Falls were holiday visitors with Mr. Hutchinson's mother, Mrs. Jennie Hutchinson, at her home, 522 West 10th street. Also guests for Christmas dinner were Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hall of Trail. Mrs. Evelyn Watson of Portland, Mrs. Stella Scott and Mrs. Florence Watson of Trail were Friday luncheon guests of Mrs. Hutchinson.

Medford Girl Visiting Home—Mrs. John T. Allen, formerly Miss Kathryn Shelley, arrived in Medford Thursday with her four months old daughter, Sharon Kay, for a visit of a few weeks at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. E. Randler, 19 Vancouver avenue. Lt. John Allen, her husband, plans to join his family here next week. He is stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash. They have been making their home in Tacoma.

Home After A Year—Carol Carkin and Nadine Davis who have been visiting the past two weeks at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Carkin, 111 Washington street, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Davis, 704 West Second street, respectively, left Medford Saturday night for Berkeley, Calif., where the two have an apartment. Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Carkin honored their daughter and friends at a dinner party in the family home.

Wimer Promoted—Donald Wimer has been promoted to junior grade lieutenant in the navy according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wimer, 410 North Ivy street, and his wife, who resides at the same address. Lt. Wimer is stationed on an aircraft carrier. Lt. and Mrs. Wimer, the former Peggy Garlock, are the parents of a daughter born recently and the infant has been named Valerie Ann. The lieutenant's brother, Second Lt. Alvin Wimer, is now an instructor stationed at Kirtland Field, Albuquerque, N. M.

In Navy—William Norton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil B. Norton, has enlisted in the navy and is now stationed at San Diego, Calif.

Daughter Leaves—Mrs. Virginia Lemire of Portland has returned home after spending the holidays in Medford with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fick, 608 South Newtown street.

Mrs. Murray Leaves—Mrs. C. C. Murray, 27 South Grape street, left yesterday morning for Oxnard, Calif., where she will spend the remainder of the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Lucile Finch.

Alexander Leaves—Pfc. Alvin A. Alexander returned to his station at San Diego Monday morning after spending a brief time in Medford with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Alexander, 108 Almond street. The Alexander's daughter, Mrs. Thomas Rogers of Portland, was also here, returning to Portland Tuesday.

Sergeant Here—Staff Sgt. George R. Roberts left Wednesday for Oklahoma after spending Christmas here with his mother, Mrs. Hazel Roberts, and his sister, Miss Rosalie Roberts, at the family home, 109 Geneva street. He is stationed at Ardmore, Okla. Sgt. Roberts returned in September from England where he completed 35 missions with a Flying Fortress crew. The sergeant holds the distinguished flying cross, the air medal, two unit citations and five oak leaf clusters.

Parke Returns—Warren Parke, soundman first class in the navy, has returned to this country after spending 27 months in the south Pacific. Parke met his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Parke, in LaCrescenta, Calif., and the three came to Medford together. Upon expiration of his leave Parke will report to school for advanced training. The young man was erroneously reported missing in action a short time ago, causing much anxiety to relatives and friends. The Parkes will leave Medford tomorrow for Portland to visit other relatives. Another brother, Francis Parke, is also in the navy.

To Have Dinner—The annual New Year's day dinner of the Get Together club will be held at the Eagles' hall, 217 West Main street, at 1 p. m. tomorrow. It is stated that all members in good standing and the members of their immediate families are invited to attend. Special arrangements must be made for guests. Dinner will be followed by a card party.

Truck Accident—A truck owned by the Younger Service Appliance company was in a collision with a passenger car driven by Jack Forde of 314 South Holly street Friday. The accident occurred at the Stewart avenue and King street intersection. The truck was travelling at 30 miles per hour as it approached the intersection according to the report filed at the police station. Name of the truck driver was not known.

Bus Accident—A Greyhound bus bound for Medford was sideswiped by a truck after midnight Friday, about seven miles southeast of Ashland on U. S. highway 99, according to a traffic report filed at the police station. Both vehicles suffered minor damage but none of the bus passengers or drivers were injured. Hugh Colhouer, 808

West Jackson street, was the bus driver. The truck was operated by Edward P. Schwerds of Portland.

RUNAWAY GIRL, 15, LEAVES FOR HOME

Lois Skillingstad, 15-year-old daughter of a Mrs. Skillingstad of 1351 27th street, San Francisco, who was confined in the Medford county jail Friday evening, went home with her mother Saturday night without further ado after an unsuccessful runaway.

The child's mother phoned Medford police authorities long distance that Lois had left San Francisco on a Greyhound bus at 9 a. m. bound for Tacoma. She requested the girl be taken off the bus here and held in jail until she arrived Saturday night to take her home.

OPA Eviction Rule Differs For Vets

Portland—Veterans purchasing homes on borrowed funds guaranteed by the administrator of veterans' affairs do not have

to meet the OPA requirement that 20 per cent of the purchase price must be paid before a certificate for the eviction of a tenant can be issued, E. B. McCutchan, district OPA rent counsel, advised today.

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