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# FAR EASTERN TENSION MOUNTS

# In The Day's News

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to continue negotiations with U. S. despite "great differences in viewpoints" of the two governments.

2. The Germans admit evacuation of Rostov in the face of superior Russian forces.

3. British observers predict final destruction of axis remnants in Tobruk sector within

business deal (or at the brittle edge of a fist fight), with both sides bluffing to the last received. sides bluffing to the last possible limit and yet each hoping secretly that a showdown can be avoided, you will understand the significance of the Jap decision not to SHOOT NOW.

DRESIDENT ROOSEVELT returns hastily from his vaca-tion at Warm Springs. Negotiations are resumed. After several hours, Nomura and Kurusu leave the conference room with "grave

A faintly hopeful sign (very faint):
Asked by reporters what Pre-

mier Tojo meant by saying the Orient must be "purged of U. S. and British influences," Kurusu answers that he thinks Tojo was "badly misquoted."

MEANWHILE the governor-general of the Dutch East Indies orders mobilization of the military and air forces of the colony. Volunteers in Malaya (British) are called up for service, and a state of emergency is proclaimed. Japs get out of Hongkong and all British army leaves are cancelled. U. S. mili tary and naval forces in the Philippines are held ready for ANY emergency. U. S. and Britain rush co-operation in establishing far-reaching naval and air bases in the South Seas.

THE nazis, admitting evacuation of Rostov, say it is done to avoid "unnecessary losses" and to take up more favorable positions to meet the Russian

assault.
Retiring to stronger positions an anciently accepted and nolly sound military maneuver, but is ALWAYS an admis-sion that the enemy is TOO STRONG to be resisted at the

Overwhelming superiority of the Russians at Rostov suggests that they are prepared and ABLE to defend the Caucasus. Also that Hitler is no longer able to maintain his strength at ALL POINTS at the same time.

IF the British are able to make good today's cautious claim that within three days the remnants of axis strength in the Tobruk area will be finally destroyed, it will be an encouraging sign that they have superior strength in Africa and have been able to prevent German and Italian reinforcements from reaching this important battle-

ALL we have today from Vichy is that Petain and Darlan are leaving for "somewhere in (Continued on Page Two)

#### Looking Backward By The Associated Press

One Year Ago-Greeks capture strategic points north of Konitza in fight against Ital-ians. Germans violently attack

Two Years Ago — Russian bombers raid Helsinki; fighting flares along 800 mile front

southern Transylvania.

# Nazis Eye Moscow

# RUSSIANS HALL Four Killed in Gas Refinery SLASHING GAIN

German Force Flees, May Be Cut Off, Say Soviets

4. Petain and Darlan leave Vichy for somewhere in occupied France to meet a "high German tling toward the Russian capital now "can see Moscow with the

front this approach had been made but previous reports indicated German forces were near est on roads running into Mos-cow from the west and northwest.

The Germans admitted that hordes of Russians along the southern front now blocked the Rostov road to the Caucasus.

MOSCOW, Dec. 1 (P)-The soviet information bureau communique broadcast here tonight declared violent German attacks on the Moscow front were re-pulsed curing the day and that Russian troops continued their pursuit of the nazis in the Ros-

tov area.

Much German field equipment is being captured as the Ger-mans beat a rapid retreat westward, the communique said.

MOSCOW, Dec. 1 (P)-Severe ly battered German troops, hurl-ed back through village after village in a retreat from Rostov that has become the biggest nazi reversal of the Russian campaign, have been unable to stem

from the southern front, the broadcast said the new soviet thrust developed yesterday morning in the shell-pocked Donets basin northwest of Rostoy, where the advance might

(Continued on Page Two) Dissension in

# Weed Striker Ranks Reported

Dissension among a section of the 1200 striking millworkers of the big Long-Bell Lumber company plant of Weed, Calif., cropped up Sunday in the California militown when a meeting called to discuss a return to work movement was allegedly broken

up by AFL unionists.

According to Weed reports, was called by a workers' com-mittee composed of Henry Kentz, Hoyt Lester and some 20 other long-time residents of Weed and

Long-Bell employes. The re-ports said that the scheduled speakers were booed down each time they attempted to talk.

In Klamath Falls Monday. Wilbur Yeoman, representative of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL), said that he, with M. T. Pavolka, Harold Mackenzie and William Wedel, other unionists attended the meeting and attempted to quiet the throng. He said they were successful to some extent. The speakers then turned the meeting over to the AFL men, he

The speakers, Yeoman said, charged that a union negotiating committee which has been meet-(Continued on Page Two)

JURIST DIES

ing flares along 800 mile front in second day of Russian invalion of Finland.

Twenty-five Years Ago—Russians prosecute offensive against Austro-German lines on front stretching from Carpathians to confloar Transglusais.

# Plant Blaze

OKMULGEE, Okla., Dec. 1 (A) Four lost their lives and 17 others were injured, three critical-ly, today as an explosion set ablaze the gasoline department of the Phillips Petroleum company refinery.

The threat of explosion in a huge accumulator tank was relieved as workers succeeded in reducing the pressure in the chamber from 600 to 75 pounds. Hundreds of residents in the area had been warned to leave their

The tank ignited, firemen said, alleviating fears that it would explode and scatter steel and fire over a wide area. The dead:

Jim Hawks, an oiler; Hypo Decobert, C. J. Steichner, and Lew-Two stills exploded to start

the raging fire. Two ploded in a short time. Two others ex-Firemen reported they were almost helpless to battle the flaming tangle of steel and oil. They said cause of the blaze had

been immediately deter-

## REVIEW OF SMITH CASE REQUESTED

Criticism of Sentence Referred to New Grand Jury

Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg Monday directed the new county grand jury to investigate the case of Eugene Hugh Smith, the Medford service station operator sentenced the red army's counter drive and are in danger of being cut off by a new thrust from the north, the Marie Etta Russell, a 17-year-old high school girl. here to five years in prison in connection with the death of

Stating that there had been some expression of public dis-satisfaction over the sentence given Smith, Judge Vandenberg advised the jury to look into the case to determine if Smith could be indicted on a more serious charge than that to which he

pleaded guilty.
Smith admitted failure to stop at the scene of an accident in connection with the girl's death, and was given the maximum sentence permitted under that charge. He told the court, through his attorneys, that the girl leaped from his car as it

#### Klamathites Buy \$422,628 Worth of **Defense Bonds**

"Keeping Them Flying" in s big way, Klamath Falls and vithe gathering, attended by 500 cinity has backed the national persons in the Sons of Italy hall, defense drive with a total defense bond purchase of \$422,628 through the four agencies which are handling the sale of these bonds and of the saving stamps locally.

The total sales of defense stamps amount to \$7017.46. Re-lease of these figures given by the Klamath Falls United States postoffice, the First National bank, the United States National bank and the First Federal Sav-ings and Loan association, was made Monday by A. M. Collier, of the Klamath county national

chants his been exceptional, ac-cording to Fern Jensen, of the chamber of commerce staff, who is working for the committee. Miss Jensen is now engaged in distributing posters and other defense savings literature to stores and business houses of this city. Out of 48 stores visited thus far with material, only one

# PETAIN MEETS **GOERING FOR**

and miles southeast of Paris, and had a "long conversation on questions interesting to Germany and France," the Vichy government announced tonight. The announcement was made

by Fernand De Brinon, Vichy ambassador to Paris, who had returned from the scene of the

Destination Secret

Petain and Vice-Premier Dar-ian left Vichy last night for the oscupied zone without knowing their exact destination. Authorized sources had said the journey was comparable to the marshal's trip 13 months ago to Montoire where he met Adolf Hitler and agreed upon a policy of collaboration with France's conqueror.

by Gen. Charles De Gaulle's forces received sympathetic attention in Berlin today as Mar-shal Petain of France came over into German-occupied ter ritory, reportedly to me high German personality.

discuss the French chief of discuss the French Chile! of state's mission, however, nor give the slightest hint of the identity of the high German personality mentioned in the Vichy announcement.

BERLIN, Dec. 1 (P)— A French editor's suggestion of military action to recapture France's African colonies held

Berlin spokesman would not

Discussion of action to regain De Gaullist-held colonies was brought into the open by Mar-cel Deat in his Paris L'Oeuvre. observers expressed the belief that his call for action possibly foreshadowed ac by France's colonial army.

ANGOO

### This unusual aerial view shows a section of the Burma Road, the "dragon's tail" Japan would like to twist to cut off allied supplies for the Chinese war forces. Arrow indicates a RAIL FACT-FINDERS **House Begins** MAKE NO PROGRESS

Discussions Continue After 23 Hours; Morse Glum

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (P) President Roosevelt's special fact finding board continued sessions today in efforts to mediate the threatened strike of 350,000 railway operating employes after a marathon ses-sion of nearly 23 hours brought no results.

The board members made no comment as they went back together after about a three-hour recess. As they broke up their day and night meeting earlier Chairman Wayne L. Morse said he was "not so hopeful as I

During the night Morse had indicated he believed progress was being made toward averting the strike but when the board recessed at 8:25 a. m., he declared:
"The situation hasn't looked

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## Discussion of Strike Laws

fense industry opened late to-day as Rep. Smith (D-Va.) a member of the powerful rules committee, called up a resolution which would provide for two days of general discussion on the floor to weigh the mer

its of several proposals. Administration leaders in the house hoped to win agreement on some bill by Wednesday.

The tentative first claim on the house's attention was held by the bill of Rep. Smith (D-Va.) which would outlaw jurisdictional strikes, ban mass pic-keting, freeze the open or keting, closed shop status and require a majority vote by secret ballot before strikes could be call-

If this were beaten or side tracked, next on the agenda was the labor committee's bill which would force a 60-day "cooling off" period in defense labor disputes, during which the national defense mediation board would seek settlement by mediation or volforeshadowed action so good for the last three hours untary arbitration. As a last resort it would authorize the overnment to seize and ate the plant. This measure ate the plant. This measure was reported attracting considerable bipartisan support as a middle-of-the-road solution of the problem.

Next in line was a bill by (Continued on Page Two)

### Large Convoy **Troops Bivouacs** At Fairgrounds

Another army contingent was here Monday, with bivouac head-quarters at the county fair-In Monday's unit were 859

nen and 30 officers of the 161st infantry.

Because arrangements could

not be made, no public dance will be held in honor of these visitors. All other hospitality features will be carried out, and local people providing "taxi service" were asked to pick up returning soldiers near the First Federal Savings and Loan associ-ation building at Sixth and Main

### American Officer's Plane Fired on

CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 1 (P)— The airplane which bore Major General George H. Brett, chief of the United States army air corps, was fired on by axis decorps, was fired on by axis de-stroyers as it crossed the Medi-teranean Saturday, the general himself disclosed here tonight. General Brett flew here from England to speed United States plane deliveries to British forces in the middle east.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (P)—
House debate on controversial British Forces Drive statesmanship to save the situ-West of African Hump, Report

> LONDON, Dec. 1 (AP) - An authoritative source decluared today that the British had counter-attacked German forces which penetrated their positions around Rezegh, in the main Libyan war theater, and that "our positions is re-established

once more." The report of a British counter-attack was said to be based pardoned Jan Valtin from a prison information later than that on sentence for assault during a holdup.

Carman-born writer,

CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 1 (P) — British forces which have driv-en westward beyond the hump of Libya are continuing their operations, British headquarters said today, but it acknow-ledged that German infantry and tanks have broken into the defenses of Rezegh.

In that main sector of the 14day-old desert struggle, the communique said, one axis tank thrust from the west was reIf returned to Germany, he said, he would be be a said, pulsed south of Rezegh and British armored units, turning on Italy's ariete—"spearhead"
—division "destroyed about half the remaining tanks of this formation which then fled northward pursued by British

mobile columns,"

The British reported yester-day reaching the Mediterranean coast along the Gulf of Sirte, between Bengasi and Agedabia, more than 300 miles west from the Egyptian frontier and across the axis' one supply road from Tripoli.

On that and the report that imperial forces are hacking down German-Italian strength in well-defined fighting areas, British observers confidently (Continued on Page Two)

#### **Pilot Parachutes** As Plane Crashes Near Hillsboro

HILLSBORO, Ore., Dec. 1 (P)
A single-seated P-43 Republic
pursuit plane crashed three
miles southeast of here this
morning but the pilot, Lieut. Arvid E. Malmstrom, parachuted to

Major Milton W. Kingcaid of the Portland air base said Malmstrom, whose home is at Divi-dend, Utah, bailed out after the plane went into a spin while engaged in routing formation maneuvers. The cause of the spin was not immediately deter-

England to speed United States plane deliveries to British forces in the middle east.

He said his plane was not hit but the pilot dipped to within a few feet of the water.

England to speed United States mined.

The crash was the first acclident involving a Portland air Mann base plane, Kingcald said, Malm Mistrom was assigned here from Pa Stockton field, Calif., Sept. 30.

# JAPS CONTINUE PARLEYS W HOPES FADING

Dutch, British, U. S. Bases in Orient On Alert

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (AP) legotiations on the delicate Far Eastern situation were resumed today by Secretary of State Hull and the Japanese Ambassadors, after which the secretary nurried across the street to the White House to report to President Roosevelt, who had cut short a southern holiday.

The president and Hull conferred by themselves in Mr. Roosevelt's oval study immediately after the secretary concluded his talk with the Japanese, which concerned only subordinate phases of the Pa-cific situation. The envoys bought no reply to the document in which the United States last

week delineated its position.

Looks Grave

Ambassador Kichisaburo Nos mura looked grave when he and the special envoy, Saburo Ku-rusu, emgerged from Hull's of-fice. When a reporter asked him whether there still was a wide gap between the American and

MANILLA, Dec. 1 (P)—United States army and naval forces in the Philippines were held in ess for the emergency today as war fears in the Far (Continued on Page Two)

### Jan Valtin Gets Pardon From Term On Assault Count

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 1 (P)—Governor Culbert L. Olson has pardoned Jan Valtin from a pris-

German-born German-born writer, "Out of the Night"—a

purported expose of communist and nazi activities—is a best-sel-ler, said at Dallas, Texas, when informed of the pardon yester day: "The first round of the fight against deportation is won."
Valtin, whose true name is
Richard Krebs, is on a lecture
tour. Seized last March for de-

he would be beheaded.

Krebs pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with a deadly weapon upon Maurice L. Good-

#### Senator Adams of Colorado Dies of **Heart Ailment**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (P)—A heart ailment caused the death of Senator Adams (D-Colo.), 66, shortly before 4 a. m. today. He had been confined to his bed at

had been confined to his bed at his home in the Wardman Park hotel since a heart attack which he suffered Tuesday night, Adams, whose home was in Pueblo, Colo., was born in Del Norte, Colo., in 1875.

After long practice as an attorney, he entered the senate in May, 1923, by appointment from the governor to succeed Senator the governor to succeed Senator Samuel D. Nicholson, who died in office. Adams remained in the senate until December 1, 1924.

He was elected a full term in 1932 and was reelected in 1938. Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Matty Adams, two daughters, Mrs. Joseph A. Uhl and Mrs. James W. Booth, and two sons, Alva B. and Wil-liam H.

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# A HUNGKING

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Gulf of Siam

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BRITISH

MALAYA

SINGAPORE

This area of the Far East, centering around Thailand and

Far East Trouble Zone

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FRINDO.

war savings defense committee, with offices in the Klamath county chamber of commerce. Cooperation of local mer-

has been unwilling to cooperate in displaying the posters and folders in this campaign to sell defense bonds and stamps, it was said. the Chinese province of Yunnan, commanded the news spotlight as Japan's next move was awaited in the Far East crisis.

### Questions of German, French Interest Talked, Claim VICHY, Unoccupied France, Dec. 1 (P)- Marshal Petain Reichs-Marshal Goering met today at St. Florentine in the department of Yonne, 80