

# RAF BOMBERS BLAST CRETE, GREECE BASES

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Smashing Col. Gen. Guderian's tank command and routing an estimated force of 250,000 nazis before Moscow, the red army claimed it had destroyed a brigade of Hitler's handpicked elite guards who had been flown 750 miles from Krakow to halt them and was beating its way forward on both the Leningrad and Crimean fronts.

**Pincers Ready**  
Germans, Moscow said, were leaving their wounded together with their arms in deep snow as they drew westward before the Russian offensive. Possession of the rail junction of Novy Kirishi was also claimed.

With the capture of Kaluga and that previously announced of Volokolamsk, 65 miles northwest of Moscow, British war experts said the Russians were in a position to close the jaws of a huge pincers—a favorite German practice—upon the nazi spearhead at Moshaisk, 57 miles west of Moscow.

**Air, Sub War**  
Besides an air ministry claim that the RAF now held air superiority deep into German occupied territory, the British information ministry in London asserted that Germany's submarine fleet had suffered such heavy losses as to be finding it hard to obtain and train fresh crews.

In North Africa the British pressed hard for a final battle with Gen. Erwin Rommel's remaining tank forces. Spokesmen said the consolidation of Britain's middle eastern forces along a line from Bengasi to the Caucasus was the major British achievement of 1941 and summarized defeats inflicted upon Italians with claims to the destruction of three armies totaling 650,000 men. Those were grouped thus: 250,000 in former Marshal Rodolfo Graziani's army beaten in the first British conquest of Cirenaica; 300,000 in East Africa, and 100,000 put out of action in the present Libyan campaign. In addition, British claimed the destruction of 47,000 Germans in North Africa.

## Episodes of 1918 Recalled by War Analyst for 1942

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Haig handed me a memento of allied triumph—a souvenir of the final collapse of the mighty Rhineland, as symbolized that day by the military occupation of the Rhineland. It was a small Union Jack, nailed to a rough staff which had been whittled with a jack-knife from a stick by the commander in chief's orderly.

I was looking at that little flag last night, and it said to me: "Tell your readers that they can look the year 1942 squarely in the eye without fear or doubt." "Tell them that Germany is very definitely on the down grade. It still has much power in hand, but its strength is far less than it was 12 months ago, and this winter bids fair to raise further havoc, what with the Russian debacle and the disease and the starvation and the general chaos in many parts of a war-shattered Europe.

"No matter what successes Japan achieves now in the Orient, they cannot greatly affect the European war—unless the allies allow this far eastern conflict to distract their attention from the paramount theater, which without question is Europe. But don't forget that conversely, when Hitler is smashed, Japan's fall is inevitable. In other words, the paramount job is to beat Germany, and when that is done, the rest will follow.

"So tell your readers that from me, and give them best wishes of the season from Haig's Union Jack."

Well, that's what the small flag said to me last night, and I pass the word on to you in the firm belief that it sizes the position up accurately. No, it's not guess work, but the result of careful analysis, and I believe presents the consensus among observers outside the axis nations.

**Japs Announce Capture of Malay Point**  
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Monday and Tuesday nights as well as at the Klang-Port Swettenham area on the Malaya west coast 250 miles northwest of Singapore.

I have four more sons. I would give all of them and I too would fight to put down such sneaking and deadly enemies as the Japs, Hitler and Mussolini.—V. A. Kennington, Humboldt, Tenn., who lost one son in World war I and two in the present war.

## Gas Rationing—In Honolulu You Get 10 Gallons a Month



Long lines of Honolulu citizens wait in turn before the Honolulu City Hall, where gas rationing cards are issued, permitting Mr. Average Motorist to go as far as he can—on 10 gallons a month.

## Greater Than Defenders of Alamo, Were Wake Marines

HONOLULU, Jan. 1 (AP)—Dispatches sent while death rained from sky and sea on virtually shelterless Wake island sketched tersely today how less than 400 marines, with only four planes aloft, held off numerically superior Japanese forces for 14 days, bagging 12 aircraft and five ships before being overpowered.

"Probably no military force in American history, not even the defenders of the Alamo, ever fought against greater odds nor with greater effect in view of those odds," acclaimed the navy in summarizing the reports for the first time.

Nor did those tough marines once admit defeat.

"The issue is in doubt," read the last dispatch sent on December 22.

Attack after attack was hurled back. Beset by 200 planes during those 14 days, the little garrison, knowing there could be no reinforcements from Hawaii 2500 miles away, loosed such deadly fire that the Japanese had to abandon low-flying assaults for a time.

The navy's account, pieced from the dispatches, laid bare a gripping struggle.

**Two More Raids**  
Dec. 8—Between 20 and 30 twin-engine bombers in the opening attack caught eight of the garrison's 12 planes on the ground, put eight out of action and killed 25 of the marines.

Dec. 9—There were two more raids by planes which also carried incendiaries but "due to vigorous plane and anti-aircraft defenses, damage was less severe than on Dec. 8."

Dec. 10—There was a fourth air raid at dawn while for the first time enemy warships "started pumping shells onto the flat, virtually shelterless atoll."

Nevertheless Wake's guns replied with such good effect to this double attack that a light cruiser and destroyer were sunk. The defenders also had the satisfaction of chalking up a total of six enemy planes destroyed and including this third day of the battle.

"The effectiveness of the Wake shore batteries... evidently impressed the enemy." Two transports, escorted by cruisers and destroyers, kept out of range and made no attempt to land while 18 planes came over for the fifth air raid. Only 16 departed. The marines still had three planes aloft.

**One Plane Left**  
Dec. 11—A four-engine seaplane attacked. "Marine fliers were ready for it and promptly shot it down." The convoy reappeared. Marine fliers damaged one vessel and sank a submarine.

Dec. 12—"The enemy did not appear."

Dec. 13—By moonlight, four-engine bombers came over. Anti-aircraft fire discouraged them from dropping bombs.

Dec. 14—Fifty bombers unleashed the heaviest air raid. "Anti-aircraft and planes brought down three and damaged several others."

The marines' three planes were reduced to one—but during the brief night hours they managed heroically to patch a second one together.

Dec. 15—At night a ninth air raid caused "no serious damage."

Dec. 16—More than 16 bombers attacked.

Dec. 17—They came back again. "By now practically every installation on the island was heavily damaged. The storehouse with spare parts and other material was gone, burned to the ground. The machine shop and blacksmith shop were wiped out."

**Heroic Tradition Upheld**  
Dec. 18—Two-engine bombers devastated the few buildings left standing.

Dec. 19—There was no raid.

Dec. 20—Dive-bombers, evidently from a carrier, roared down on the dwindling group of marines.

Dec. 21—"The enemy withheld his hand."

Dec. 22—"Land-based and carrier-operated planes attacked in large force—how large was never reported." Wake's two planes gave battle. "Several enemy planes were shot down but one of the Wake pilots was lost and the second forced down, wounded." Wake's air defenses were lost. The enemy at long last landed in force.

There came finally what the navy praised as "a bit of understatement."

"The issue is in doubt." Even that last dispatch made clear the marines were in there and fighting. It told of the disabling of two Japanese destroyers.

## KLAMATH AIRBASE HOPES NOT DEAD

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by Senator McNary, after several interviews with air corps officials, that the Walla Walla development does not preclude the construction of other airbases on the Pacific coast, and that Klamath Falls is still under consideration. The importance of the Klamath Falls airport as a base for use in defending the mid-Pacific area has been urged before air corps officials by this committee, working through Senator McNary, and by direct contacts with various members of the air corps.

The report from the airbase committee discloses several months of steady effort to present Klamath Falls as a site for military aviation development. This began in August, when an army air corps board notified the Klamath county chamber of commerce it would survey this city for a possible airbase location. An extensive brief was prepared for the board's use while here. After the visit of the board, the committee continued its work, and is still carrying on.

The committee stated that a question arose as to whether migratory birds in this district might be a hazard to aviation. Committee members convinced themselves that no such hazard exists, and obtained statements to that effect from William Randall, seasoned aviator and former manager of the Klamath airport; Captain Paul Sharp of the army medical corps, former chairman of the state board of aeronautics, and Harry K. Coffey, Portland, vice chairman of the National Aeronautics association. Senator McNary wired the committee from Washington his belief that the bird hazard theory had been "annihilated."

In its report, the committee states that city, county, school and other officials, as well as representatives of utilities and railroads have given the army air corps every requested commitment in connection with possible airbase development.

The committee acknowledged the financial assistance given by the Klamath Retail Trade bureau, the helpful cooperation of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, and many other individuals and groups.

The report states that if an airbase is developed here, it will probably be upon the present municipal airport. Steady development of the airport, where a \$600,000 construction project has been undertaken by the city, was "viewed with satisfaction" by the committee, as was the establishment of a full-time government weather bureau at the field.

Individuals mentioned as members of the sub-committees helping the program included E. A. Thomas, H. P. Bosworth and Chet Stinson as site committeemen; Lawrence Slater, Ted Medford, Robert A. Thompson and Louis Serruys, E. B. Hamm, Cliff Hogue, Matt Finnigan, E. B. Hall, Frank Jenkins, and others. Ed Bell headed the committee of the Retail Trade Bureau which raised a fund to defray expenses in collecting information asked of the committee and the chamber of commerce, and in carrying on the activity.

Members of the city-wide airbase committee are Lee Jacobs and Malcolm Epley, co-chairmen; Elmer Balsiger, G. C. Blohm, Earl Reynolds, Nick Long, G. A. Krause, Dr. F. C. Adams, City Engineer E. A. Thomas.

## Tornado Kills One In Mobile Suburb

MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 1 (AP)—One man was killed and more than a dozen persons injured today as a tornado dipped into suburban Theodore, leveling four buildings and damaging six others.

The dead man was identified only as Mr. Summerlin, from a Brookley field (Mobile) worker's badge which he wore.

There is no longer such a thing as junk—Leon Henderson, price administrator.

## Aims to Chill Fordham



Harry Ice, Missouri's fine running back, shows how he intends to wave to Fordham Rams as he scoots by in New Orleans Sugar bowl.

## SHELLING OF HAWAII ISLES DOES NO HARM

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were no casualties and practically no damage caused by any of these attacks.

Of other areas of the vast Pacific war zone, the war department said there was nothing to report.

The communique was read at his press conference by Secretary Stimson who praised General Douglas MacArthur's defense of the islands as "masterly" and at the same time commented that the invaders were veterans, hard fighting soldiers and ably led.

Stimson told an inquirer the war department had not instructed General MacArthur to quit the Philippines in the event of a forced capitulation to the Japanese.

The secretary said reports that the invaders were a "mob of badly trained youths" were "as erroneous as they were well-intentioned."

He said "we have to face the facts" of Japanese strength, and added:

"I am confident we can and will defeat the enemy in the end but we cannot by looking through rose colored spectacles."

He expressed belief that the enemy had suffered heavy losses, since the fighting had been "very well sustained" by the American-Filipino forces and the Japanese had to carry the attack to capable defenders.

Stimson declined to comment on criticism of the order making Manila an open city, observing that "when our people are fighting under a most skillful commander in a struggle which it would be extremely uphill when it came, there should be no criticism from us."

Nothing has occurred to indicate that General MacArthur's defense has been other than masterly, he added.

## Enemy Aliens to Turn Over Arms By Next Monday

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1 (AP)—Attorney General Biddle today ordered enemy aliens—approximately 1,100,000 Germans, Italians and Japanese in the United States, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands—to surrender all their firearms to local police authorities by 11 p. m. (local time) Monday.

At the same time, the attorney general issued travel regulations, effective immediately, for all axis aliens under which they must give notice one week in advance of any trip beyond the community in which they reside.

Read the Classified page.

## Transportation News

### RAILROAD PERSONALITIES

To San Francisco—John M. Budd, superintendent of the Klamath division of the Great Northern railroad, was in San Francisco on business Monday. He was expected to return Tuesday night.

From Spokane—A. B. Colville, superintendent of motive power for the Great Northern railroad, was in the city Tuesday on business from Spokane.

To Los Angeles—T. W. O'Brien and Mrs. O'Brien have been called to Los Angeles by the illness of their son. O'Brien is an engineer for the GN.

## STIFF TIRE SLASH SET FOR JANUARY

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The Oregon quota for January will be 1546 tires and 1294 tubes for passenger cars, motorcycles and light trucks and 3209 tires and 2683 tubes for trucks and buses.

County-quota breakdowns will be released by the executive director of the state defense council in the near future.

## 61 Killed in Holiday Mishaps Over Nation

By The Associated Press

Violent death brought tragic endings to New Year celebrations of at least 61 persons, victims of automobile crashes, homicides, falls and other causes.

Traffic took the larger share of the toll, 40 deaths, while miscellaneous causes accounted for the other 21.

The national safety council said the degree of care exercised by motorists and pedestrians on New Year's eve might mean the difference between a new record traffic death list of nearly 40,000 for 1941 or a total short of 1937's mark of 39,643.

The national death total over the Christmas holiday was 431, consisting of 334 traffic and 97 from other causes.

Illinois and Ohio led the list of states with eight New Year's dead each. Seven of Ohio's and six of Illinois' deaths occurred in traffic.

The airplane, which in the hands of barbarous men has been doing the world inestimable harm, will yet be instrumental in establishing for the entire world a guarantee of human liberty and of lasting peace.—Orville Wright, co-inventor of the airplane.

## JAP SUBS MAY SHELL TOWNS, SAYS ADMIRAL

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teered this assertion at the end of the conference.

"You asked several questions about the future, many of them no doubt pressing. I'm a Kamaun (old-timer in Hawaii) myself and I'd like to reply in a Hawaiian word. This word is hoomanawani, meaning 'let time take care of the situation.'"

Hawaii-wise reporters also offered these alternative translations: "Time will tell." "Be patient."

Asked about the possibilities of an attack on Hawaii if Japan succeeds in taking Manila and the Philippines, Nimitz took a long pause and replied:

"An attack on these islands is always possible. We will do our utmost to keep them from falling into enemy hands. The Pacific fleet is doing and will do the utmost possible."

## Proposed Slash in Farm Payments Draws Protests

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1 (AP)—A joint congressional committee's preliminary recommendation for sharp reductions in farm appropriations and expenditures drew fire today from house agriculture committee members.

They were virtually unanimous in their criticism of suggestions for savings made in a report by the joint committee on non-essential expenditures, especially regarding possible cuts in the farm program.

Approximately \$400,000,000 of the \$1,300,000,000 joint committee said could be shaved from the federal budget during the emergency would come from the department of agriculture or agencies operating through that department.

The committee's recommendation for abolition of the farm security administration was unanimously opposed by agriculture committee members who remained in the capital during the holidays. The FSA has a direct appropriation of \$70,500,000 and authority to borrow \$120,000,000 additional.

Representative Pierce (D-Ore.), a high-ranking member of the

## Editorials on News

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bombing attacks on war industries, submarine bases and dromes in Greece and Crete. There are repeated reports of massing of German air power in Greece and Crete (hence the British bombing of these points). The Germans have been building new airfields in Greece and the Greek islands close to Turkey (the islands of Mytilene, Chios and Samos are less than 15 miles from air from Turkey and the Dardanelles.)  
An axis submarine force is reported to be concentrating in the Aegean sea.  
SOMETHING is cooking in the Mediterranean. It will be over soon.  
TEN days after Hitler fires (and perhaps liquidates) his generals and takes supreme command himself the Russians capture the important rail center of Kaluzh southwest of Moscow, smash General-Guderian's tank command and rout a German army of 250,000 men in fighting south of Moscow.  
Germans, putting two and two together, MIGHT come to the conclusion that Hitler isn't the military genius he has been touted to be.  
GERMAN troops, Moscow says today, are throwing away their arms and leaving their wounded behind in the deep snow as they flee before the advancing Russians.  
Significant, if true.  
(And, you will probably feel, too good to be true.)  
Don't be too pessimistic. The Grand Army of Napoleon in his day as world-shattering potent as Hitler) threw away its arms and abandoned its wounded in its retreat from Moscow.  
Russia has been poison to powerful invaders before, and what has happened once can happen again.  
Disabled Plane Kills Workmen  
LANGLEY FIELD, Va., Jan. 1 (AP)—Swerving off a concrete runway after losing a wheel, a plane at Langley field crashed into a group of laborers today, killing three and injuring one.  
The dead:  
Frank L. Callicott, 70, Newport News; Cossie Clayton, 71, Hilton Village, and Floyd Edwards, Elizabeth City county.  
agriculture committee, said he would vigorously resist abolition of the FSA and the farm tenancy program.

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