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'DINNER DATE'

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YEARS HENCE **Re-Routing of Trucks Brings Heavy Traffic** 

**T**ransportation

News

By FRED VANDERSCHMIDT Wide World News Service I have a dinner date in Am sterdam about seven years from

now with a flying Dutchman. There is a fair chance that we will keep it. I have reason to believe that my friend escaped from the Netherlands after those few tragic days of battle in May of 1940 and made his way to the Dutch East Indies, and that he now is flying one of the Ameri-can-built planes with which the Dutch have made such a shining record in four weeks of Pacific war.

The story of my dinner date with this Netherlands air force captain may heip to show why he and others like him are we have got.

I reached his station not far from the eastern Netherlands city of Groningen with difficul-ty a few months before the in-The road signs to the vasion. airport had been pulled down, in the naive belief that this would invaded, but the old man who had inherited the toll concession on a sharp bend of the highway was still collecting tribute.

It was a small airport former ly used by civilian planes and it had been taken over completely by the military. It was in flat, unfortified country which was completely undefendable. It was blasted out of existence by the

German air force within a few minutes in the early morning of May 10, 1940, and overrun with in a matter of hours by German tanks.

The Dutch air force unit based at the airport was a lost equadron in anybody's future book. Even before the invasion, the captain and his colleagues And about the most futile job ever have run across. It was not quite a thankless job, however, because a shining little medal just conferred by Queen Wilhel mina, dangled against the pale green of the captain's tunic. We sat in the lounge of the

airport building and talked about the German planes which had come across the Dutch border that morning, and every morn-ing, on their way to the British coast to reconnoiter and some- weather to cool a 30-ton army times to bomb. It was the cap-tain's job to intercept them in

defense of Holland's neutrality. "What do you do when they come over?" I asked. "We chase them, all of them," said. "But they usually are

he said. we get in the air. Sometimes we get them on their way back. Then it is very difficult." He explained what he meant.

A few days before he had forced fight. a German bomber down onto one of the Frisian islands, off the Groningen coast. The nazi Groningen coast. The nazi crew, furious at what they considered the effrontery of an insignificant neutral, were nasty and arrogant and put up a fight hefore they could be interned. He told me goodbye outside the airport and stood for a moment beside my car, one ear cocked toward the sky.

conditioner has been tried, they "Come and have dinner with finish the work with faces still reasonably clean, and with less me in Amsterdam when this is over," I suggested.

signs of fatigue. The military conditions are "Thank you," he said, "I will --about nine years from now."

A re-routing of Mitchell Freightways trucks from San Francisco north has resulted in an unusually heavy traffic through the Klamath depot of Consolidated Freightways, it was said Tuesday.

According to Orrin H. Fraley, manager of the local Consoli-dated depot, the Mitchell line has been granted permission to ship northward by way of Klam-ath Falls instead of Medford. The Mitchell line is affiliated with Consolidated in northern California freight transportation

Fraley said the re-routing will mean better service between Klamath alls and San Francisco for Klamath shippers. The change has resulted in nine big among the most steadfast allies transports entering here Sunday and 10 Tuesday.

#### UNUSUAL

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 14 (A?)-Dog race fans at the Biscayne Kennel club thought it unusual event, but they had to wan has a University of Miami mathe-matics professor to figure a little the chapter of European unrest with an announcement all form-officers of the Norwegian air baffle the Germans when they event, but they had to wait for

it was. The professor decided the chances were exactly 545,835 to one against the dogs finishing in order. With an announcement all form-force and navy had been or-dered arrested because some 100 of their number had escaped to England to fight for libera-

may be able to thank the war for

The new weather-maker is

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In Texas, tanks are being used

fumes of a tank in action are the limiting factor in the length of time the crew can continue to

The heat in the crew department runs up to 130 degrees. The men emerge exhausted after

a few hours, with faces coal-black from fumes, dust and gases

that drift in from guns and en-gines. The heat alone is about the

limit for human endurance, enough to cause some blood

Where the little 50-pound air-

cooling one room, nearly enough

ed into a suitense-

for a small house.

tank.

changes.

Real United States money can-not be used in motion pictures. since the government prohibits cution of a Frenchman by a photographing of its currency. nazi firing squad for possessing

Hundreds of additional doctors and nurses were reported by the Berlin correspondent of a Swiss newspaper to have been rushed recently to the eastern front to combat a wave of vermin-spread typhus, both

among the wavering troops in Russia and behind the lines in conquered countries. German troops were report-ed engaged in a "battle against

HITLER'S LEGIONS

STALK DISASTER

By The Associated Press Discase, disunity and military disaster stalked the once con-

lice. Reliable sources in Londor declared dissension in the nazi

high command - primarily a split over the reverses in Rus-sia-now had spread to the navy with a sharp disagreement between Grand Admiral Erich Raeder and his submarine chief,

Reeder and his submarine chief, Vice Admiral Karl Doenitz, over the way the battle of the At-lantic is going. The London Star also quoted a Moscow broadcast that Field Marshal General Wilhelm Kel-tel chief of the next high com tel, chief of the nazi high com-mand, suddenly had been taken when the field finished 8, 7, 6, 5, mand, suddenly had been taken 4, 3, 2, and 1 in the seventh ill. The Keitel report was not

tion of Norway. Real United States money can-

Handy Air-Conditioning

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disaster stalked the once con-quering legions of Adolf Hitler today and, barring surprises, seemed to be hastening the day of Hitlerism's ultimate defeat. trying to quiet Dutch anxiety following a statement by the nuzi civil administrator, Dr. Arthur Seysz-Inquart, that Ger-many planned to annex the Netherlands after the war. **OPM** Asked to Use Oregon Materials,

# Labor at Medford

SALEM, Jan. 14 (A)-W. H. Crawford, director of the Ore-gon Economic council, sent letters today to office of produc tion management officials at Washington, D. C., asking that the contract for the new Medford army cantonment be awarded to an Oregon contrac-

tor. He also asked that contracts for lumber and other materials for the project be awarded to Oregon men.

He said similar action would be taken if the Corvallis-Monmouth cantonment is approved. He said 30,000 soldiers would be stationed at Medford, and that 8000 workers would build it.

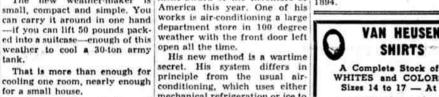
## Noted Songwriter **Takes Own Life**

NEW YORK, Jan. 14  $(\mathcal{R})$ — The body of Fred Fisher, 65, music publisher and composer of more than a thousand songs. including many familiar hits of yester-year, was found hanging today in the bedroom of his penthouse apartment in West End avenue.

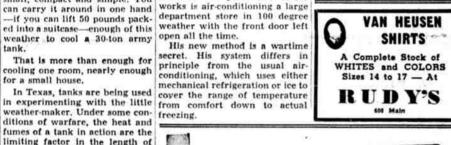
Fisher, credited with having written such widely known songs as "Dardanella," "Ireland songa as "Dardanella," 'Ireland Must be Heaven," 'Peg o' My Heart," "Fifty Million French-men Can't be Wrong," 'Auf Wiedersehn" and "Ma, He's Making Eyes at Me," had been in ill health for several years.

Mount McKinley National

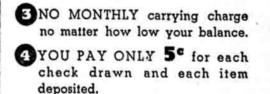
The first gasoline vehicle was



#### By HOWARD W. BLAKESLEE apparatus is subjected to violent DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 14 (Wide pounding. The plunges of the World)-- When peace comes, the ends of the tank are greater than average man with a small home of the middle. park in Alaska was visited by 1201 persons in 1940. The inventor is Thomas W. a new kind of air-conditioning Carraway, Dallas, air-conditionsuited to his house and his ing engineer. His new system was given the highest achieveplaced on the road on July 4, ment award of the Inventors of 1894.







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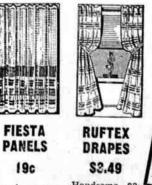
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