

Blackout Signal

One 5-minute blast on sirens and whistles is the signal for a blackout in Klamath Falls. Another long blast, during a blackout, is a signal for all-clear. In precautionary periods, watch your street lights.

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Weather News

November 23—High 33, Low 33
Precipitation as of November 17, 1942
Stream year to date 2.93
Last year 2.24 Normal 1.94
Nov. 25—Sunrise 8:02 Sunset 5:14

300,000 NAZIS FACE RUSS TRAP

Aussies Near Buna

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

TODAY'S most interesting news:

The German high command ADMITS its defensive lines west of Stalingrad have been penetrated. It says the Russians are attacking "without regard to losses," and adds that "defensive measures are being taken."

To get the full impact of this news, recall last summer when the Russians were telling of ever-continuing German attacks without regard to losses and of their own retirement to new defense lines.

It scared US then. The same situation, IN REVERSE, is scaring the Germans now.

HERE, in brief, is what has happened:

The Russians have driven two wedges westward from Stalingrad. Between these wedges there are supposed to be some 300,000 to 400,000 Germans.

If the Russians can swing around and bring the POINTS of the wedges TOGETHER, these Germans will be TRAPPED.

TODAY'S dispatches tell of a great German air fleet gathering in the central Mediterranean and a big battle for control of the air over Bizerte and Tunis appears to be getting underway. German reinforcements are reaching northern Tunisia across the Sicilian strait.

An allied spokesman says: "The fight (for Tunisia) is going to be TOUGH and longer than might be expected."

DARLAN comes strongly into the picture again.

He says all French West Africa, INCLUDING DAKAR, has placed itself under his orders. He adds cryptically: "Therefore French West Africa remains faithful to the PERSON of the MARSHAL (Petain)."

Draw your own conclusions as to what that means—keeping your fingers slightly crossed.

AT least, our side is in fairly complete possession of French West Africa, with Dakar isolated and surrounded. In war, possession is all-important, for it is easier to HOLD than to TAKE.

AS a curious side issue, we are told today that the fall of Dakar will result in increasing the supply of meat on the Pacific Coast, as it will make possible meat shipments to the Mediterranean from South America, thus relieving the strain on us.

TURNING to the Pacific, MacArthur's men reach the sea both north and south of Buna, pinning the Japs into an area not more than two or three miles deep. Today's dispatches say the little yellow men, deprived of sea or air support, are getting a taste of what happened to us on Bataan.

DON'T overlook the importance of this New Guinea fighting. If Buna is taken, Salamaua and Lae will probably fall to us next.

The Papan peninsula (consult your map) has been one of Japan's most promising spots for invasion of Australia. In our hands, it will always be a threat on the flank of a Jap attack on the Solomons.

Significantly, our airmen continue to pound Timor—meaning they are ANTICIPATING a new Jap attack from that quarter.

A CHINESE army spokesman in Chungking says today there are INCREASING SIGNS of a Jap drive into China's Yunnan.

Pelicans Would Play Official Title Game

(See Sports Page Also)

"We are not giving anybody the runaround. Klamath will play any game for the state title that is set up under the dictates of the board of control of the state high school activities association."

That was Pelican Coach Frank Ramsey's statement Tuesday as Klamath football supporters expressed indignation over "insulting" remarks made in news stories appearing in Portland papers from Coach Orville Bailey of Marshfield.

Bailey, whose team was tied by Grants Pass (which lost to Klamath) has challenged Klamath Falls for a game, and (Continued on Page Two)

YANKS HOLD GAIN ON GUADALCANAL

Knox Doubts Landing Of More Enemy Troops

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The navy reported today that American forces on Guadalcanal island in the Solomons had made further advances to the westward of their positions following night attacks on Japanese positions by American aircraft.

A communique said that Japanese troops were active in the mountains southwest of the American-held airfield, but the nature of the activity was not announced.

Attacked Sunday Whether the Japanese were attempting to flank American forces advancing along the coastal lowlands could not be definitely determined, therefore. The aircraft attacks on the enemy were made on the night of November 22-23, Sunday (Continued on Page Two)

OPA to Check on Gasoline Stocks

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—To "frustrate any attempts to create a 'black market pool,'" the office of price administration announced today its field staffs would make an extensive check on gasoline stocks and storage capacities of dealers and distributors when a nationwide rationing goes into effect December 1.

Sergeant Young Reported Missing in Asiatic Area



Sgt. James N. Young

JAPS CHOOSE TO FIGHT IT OUT IN GUINEA

Allied Planes Support Yard-by-Yard Advance

By C. YATES McDANIEL
GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Nov. 24 (AP)—American and Australian soldiers fought their way yard-by-yard toward Buna today against Japanese forces that apparently have chosen to be exterminated rather than to surrender their southernmost New Guinea beachhead.

Extending the picture of relentless envelopment, today's mid-day communique reported an Australian jungle column had moved into Gona, enemy anchor 12 miles above Buna, and was mopping up the die-hard garrison there.

Mop-Up Job Simultaneously, American forces overran Cape Endelader which lies three miles southeast of Buna, overcoming stiff resistance from many machine-gun nests and tree-top snipers. While some of the allied left (Continued on Page Two)

Nazi Extortion Scheme Charged To Get Currency

LONDON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The Netherlands government-in-exile charged Germany today with organizing a vast scheme of extortion by selling exit permits from occupied territory for great sums and said it would combat the traffic with every means in co-operation with the British and United States governments.

Relatives and friends in allied and neutral territory receive a communication that persons in occupied territory will be allowed to emigrate on condition that a considerable sum in the currency of a neutral country, be made available to the enemy," it said.

"In some cases, the request emanates from the prospective emigrant. In other cases the attempt is made through associates of the enemy in neutral territory. The request is sometimes accompanied by an open or veiled threat that those concerned (Continued on Page Two)

Sergeant Young Reported Missing in Asiatic Area

Sergeant James N. Young, former Keno high school student and son of Mrs. Sophie Young of Stewart's addition, is missing in action.

Mrs. Young received word from the adjutant general's office this week, stating that Sergeant Young had been missing since October 25 somewhere in Asiatic territory.

Sergeant Young is 23 years of age, and served as a machine gunner and radio operator.

After attending Keno high, he went to Coquille, and graduated there in 1938. He enlisted at Medford in December, 1941, and took his preliminary training at Pendleton airfield. He was transferred to Scott field, Ill., where he graduated from radio school, and he then transferred to Wright field gunnery school at Spokane. He then went to Lexington airbase at Columbia, S. C., where he became a radio instructor until he was ordered overseas.

He has written from India, Africa and China. His duties were with the India-Burma-China ferry command. While on his extensive travels, he met Howard Abbey of Klamath Falls.



Captain Eddie Rickenbacker (center), famous American flier rescued after floating on a rubber raft in the Pacific for three weeks, is helped ashore from a flying boat somewhere in the South Pacific by Col. Robert L. Griffin Jr., USMC (left) and a crewman. Six other members of the crew of Rickenbacker's plane, forced down while on an inspection tour, were rescued. Another died before rescue came. This official U. S. navy photo was radioed from Honolulu to San Francisco.

You're Going to Have a Nice Thanksgiving Meal, But It Will Cost Plenty

by LOIS STEWART

Lady, you're going to have a nice Thanksgiving dinner but you're going to pay for it, and pay plenty. Venus rides with Mars, and prices go soaring it seems after a look at local markets in spite of careful observance of ceiling regulations by food dealers.

An average increase of 56.7 per cent in holiday foodstuffs to deck the Thanksgiving table means that where you paid 33 to 28 cents for turkey last year, you'll pay 43 to 45 cents per pound this. But you'll still have turkey according to butchers

NEW HOLDERS PUT ON ESSENTIAL MEN

Draft Chief Forbids Enlistment of Workers

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The government acted today to assure retention of a sufficient army of war workers on the home front by forbidding enlistment of essential aircraft and shipbuilding workers and expanding the list of necessary jobs to one out of every nine types in industry and agriculture.

Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey announced that the army and navy will refuse to accept volunteers holding essential jobs in the aircraft and shipbuilding industries as well as men who have resigned such jobs within 60 days before they apply for enlistment.

Master List To protect those industries from a drain of necessary men, Hershey said he telegraphed every state that local draft boards should "refuse a release to any registrant who is, or (Continued on Page Two)

Heavy Rains Jam Santiam Highways

SALEM, Nov. 24 (AP)—The North and South Santiam highways are closed because of heavy rains, State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock said today.

He also said there is 16 inches of water on the Pacific highway south of Jefferson, but that traffic is going through. The water is falling, he added. The South Santiam highway is closed by a slide at Upper Soda. The North Santiam highway is closed because of a damaged bridge east of Niagara. Heavy rains washed out an approach to the bridge.

Axis Lands Troops

BATTLES RAGE FOR CONTROL OF AFRICAN SKIES

Main Battle Waits As Both Sides Mass Troops

By ROGER D. GREENE
Associated Press War Editor Allied parachute troops routed an axis mechanized column in southern Tunisia while planes attacked an enemy troop train near Gabes on the east coast, the war department announced today shortly after the Vichy radio said strong German and Italian reinforcements had been landing in that area.

French patrols also were active in the south of that North African protectorate, but it was apparent that the main battle had not been joined. Both sides were massing their land strength near the northern coastal strip while opposing air forces fought for supremacy of the skies.

Nazis Admit Advance U. S. fighters destroyed four enemy craft; our bombers raided Bizerte and Tunis by night. No U. S. planes were lost.

A German broadcast conceded today that Anglo-American troops were advancing in Tunisia as axis forces dug into the Bizerte-Tunis region along the gulf of Gabes and violent air battles raged for control of the skies over the North African colony.

"The activity of axis forces in Tunisia is limited to securing the district occupied until now and to bringing up further troops and war materials so as to fortify this bridgehead on the North African coast, which is the strongest by nature," the Berlin radio said.

8th Army Gains The picture was further brightened by the announced adherence of French forces at Dakar to the side of the allies.

On the Libyan desert front, British headquarters reported that Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's victorious 8th army had driven 100 miles beyond Bengasi to occupy Agadabia in swift pursuit of Nazi Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's fleeing columns.

Oasis Occupied Agadabia lies only 70 miles from the El Agheila defile, a 30-mile-deep passage between marshy quicksands and the sea, where Rommel is expected to attempt a last-ditch stand.

Military dispatches said British advanced forces "maintained contact" with axis rearwards on the road to El Agheila and occupied the Gialo Oasis, south of Agadabia, which the enemy had (Continued on Page Two)

Major Jap Drive Into Southern China Signaled

CHUNGKING, Nov. 24 (AP)—Increasing signs of a major Japanese drive in Yunnan province, the area sandwiched between enemy-held Burma and French Indo-China in southernmost China, were reported today by the army spokesman.

He said Japanese preparations included a concentration of amphibian tanks along the Salween river in a slice of Yunnan already enemy-held and a stream of reinforcements arriving in Indo-China.

The spokesman indicated that the Japanese had two divisions in Thailand, one in Indo-China and six in Burma. (With auxiliaries this could mean a total of 150,000 to 200,000 men). All railroad traffic in Indo-China is devoted to Japanese troop movements, he said, and Japanese authorities there are exerting

250,000 Polish Jews Massacred, Says Government

LONDON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The Polish government-in-exile asserted today that Heinrich Himmler, Nazi Gestapo chief, had ordered the extermination of one-half of the Jewish population of Poland by the end of this year and that 250,000 had been killed through September under that program.

"According to information leaking from the German labor office (arbeitsamt), only 40,000 Jews are to remain in the Warsaw ghetto—only thoroughly skilled workers to be employed in the German war industry," a government statement said. "The most convincing proof of the dwindling numbers in the (Continued on Page Two)

3 SENTENCED TO DIE FOR TREASON

Aid to Nazi Saboteur Proved Against Citizens

CHICAGO, Nov. 24 (AP)—Three men who became American citizens in name only were sentenced to death today for treason. Their wives, convicted with them, were each fined \$10,000 and sentenced to 25 years imprisonment.

Federal Judge William J. Campbell called them "Pawns of Hitler," and in fixing their punishment he said, "this is a war of people against people as well as cannon against cannon. To endanger the home front, therefore, is as treasonable as the act of spiking our guns in the face of the enemy."

Names Listed The white-faced defendants, who heard their sentences with (Continued on Page Two)

Winsor Predicts War Will Force Longer Work Hour

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 24 (AP)—Gen. H. G. Winsor, regional war manpower director, predicted yesterday the workers of this nation will be forced to put in longer hours in order to win the war.

The country needs 20,000,000 more workers, he told a chamber of commerce forum. Winsor said 8,000,000 women could be recruited along with more than 3,000,000 from the aged, the young and the unemployed, but that still would not be enough.

"The only answer then will be to increase the hours of labor," he said, adding that the change could take place without new laws.

BERLIN ADMITS BREAK-THROUGH ON DON LINES

Reds Push Offensive 125 Miles West of Stalingrad

MOSCOW, Wednesday, Nov. 25 (AP)—The red army has killed another 15,000 nazis, and captured 12,000 more, including the remnants of three divisions and their generals, in their great winter offensive, still advancing as much as 25 miles a day above and below Stalingrad, the soviets announced officially today.

BERLIN (FROM GERMAN BROADCASTS), Nov. 24 (AP)—The German high command said today that Russian forces, attacking southwest of Stalingrad and in the great loop of the river Don without regard to losses, have penetrated the German defensive lines on the Don and added that "counter measures are proceeding."

(This is one of the frankest admissions of an adversary's success in the record of the Nazi high command in this war.) The daily communique said that on the Caucasus fronts unfavorable weather had hampered large-scale operations.

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW, Nov. 24 (AP)—The jaws of a double Russian offensive which battlefront reports said had bit deeply into the cold steppes west of the Don and cost the Germans 50,000 dead and captured were closing steadily today upon the nazis' whole Stalingrad salient, threatening 300,000 to 400,000 troops with encirclement.

Despite desperate German resistance in an effort to keep open a corridor of reinforcement or escape to the long-besieged Volga bastion, the Russians reported new gains to maintain their average of six to 12 miles a day northwest of Stalingrad and nine to 12 miles a day southwest of the city.

Deep Penetration (A dispatch to the London Express under Stockholm date-line said Col. Gen. Hermann von (Continued on Page Two)

Emergency Plan Set to Give Farmers Mileage

CORVALLIS, Nov. 24 (AP)—Drastic cuts by the office of defense transportation in farmers' requests for truck and pickup mileage are reported in an avalanche of complaints being received here by the State USDA war board, R. B. Taylor, chairman, said today.

Taylor has just completed emergency arrangements whereby farmers whose certificates provide insufficient mileage for the remainder of the year may present the certificate to the local rationing board and request temporary rations for essential hauling until December 31. Indications are that pickup trucks were almost uniformly cut to the A-ration passenger car level regardless of circumstances.

25 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT—LET'S SEE FOR WERE A SCARF AND SOCKS

Buy Christmas Seals