

# BATTLE RAGES TO BLOCK AXIS ESCAPE LINE

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ing that much bitter fighting was still expected, said the ever-growing allied forces were throwing more planes into the battle hour by hour and beating down the German air force.

### Berlin Broadcasts

Countering Berlin assertions that the Nazi had won aerial superiority, the spokesman said the axis was definitely on the downgrade in the North African skies.

A Berlin broadcast reported without confirmation that the allies were already shelling the big naval base at Bizerte.

Allied tanks, artillery and motorized infantry were reported only a few miles west of the vital Nazi-defended coastal road between the two cities, while British parachute troops captured an airfield in the Tunis region without opposition.

### Eastern Activity

Dispatches indicated that the allies were probably less than 10 miles from Tunis driving from the rail junction town of Djedida, 12 miles northwest of the capital.

At the same time, quickening activity was reported on the east flank of the giant allied "squeeze" operation, indicating that Britain's victorious 8th army was preparing for a climactic assault on Nazi Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's forces in Libya.

Breaking a four-day sequence of announcing "nothing to report," British Middle East headquarters said today: "Yesterday our patrols were active in the neighborhood of El Aghella."

Rommel's battered Africa corps, now rested and reinforced after a disastrous 700-mile retreat across the desert from El Alamein, Egypt, was reported strongly entrenched in the narrow El Aghella corridor between quicksands and the sea.

Every tanker sunk last spring by the axis on the Atlantic coast this country enough gasoline to drive 13,000 cars from New York to San Francisco.

Like butterflies, fleas pass through distinct stages during their lives—egg, larva, pupa, and adult.

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Passes

**Mrs. Carl Schubert Sr.**, Spring Lake pioneer matron, died Saturday following a lengthy illness. Final rites will be held Wednesday at 9:30 a. m. from Sacred Heart church with interment in the Mt. Laki cemetery.

## WAVE OF JUVENILE SHOPLIFTING TOLD

A wave of shoplifting of small articles was reported Tuesday by H. J. Hendrickson, county juvenile officer, who said young children were going through the stores "loot g with their hands instead of their eyes."

Hendrickson urged cooperation of parents in checking the theft of merchandise which is now being displayed on holiday counters.

"Stores are full of interesting merchandise," Hendrickson stated, "and some children can't resist taking small articles which can be used as gifts such as jewelry, knives, toys, flashlights and other things. We urge parents to assist us in checking on this shoplifting spree which usually happens around Christmas time."

The juvenile officer said most "liftings" were reported from dime stores where merchandise is displayed openly.

## U. S. Sub, Stalking Prey, Gets Eight Jap Cargo Ships

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off one of the two remaining ships and let her have two torpedoes."

"He said the pursuit of the convoy continued for about 100 miles and that "all the Japanese on shore had a good look at the sinkings."

On Sunday they approached shore close enough to watch the horse races at a big city track.

"We watched the pony races for an hour," said Klakring. "There was a tremendous crowd there, and we could see the races clearly. It wasn't recreation. I was looking for a target, but we didn't fire that day."

The submarine's next victim was an 8000-ton transport only a mile from the beach. "This was near a large city and I think quite a good number of people ashore saw it," Klakring said. "It was at the entrance to the harbor."

**VITAL STATISTICS**  
**RAWLINS**—Born at Hillside hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., November 30, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Rawlins, 2053 Radcliffe street, a boy. Weight: 7 pounds 4 ounces.  
**KING**—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., November 30, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Willis H. King, 4652 Peck drive, a boy. Weight: 7 pounds 8 ounces.

Read Classified Ads for Results

# HITLER WARNS ARMY TO HOLD MOSCOW LINE

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Red Star said German losses in dead were close to 125,000 on the two fronts. (The toll announced in communiques so far, however, totaled only 91,550).

Within Stalingrad itself, the soviet garrison was said to be making slow but steady progress in heavy fighting. There were no reports, however, that the besiegers had been driven from any areas of major importance.

**Fortifications Built**  
The Russians said Nazi officers were trying to conceal from them that they were cut off. However, these probably were isolated—though strong—enemy units, and soviet dispatches did not intimate that the whole enemy army had been surrounded between the Volga and the Don.

The Germans were reported to have developed fortifications in great depth to wall off Rzhev, but the red army was said to be penetrating them with artillery and tanks leading the way for cavalry and infantry.

The struggle for the railroad connecting Rzhev and Yvazma appeared all the more important, for Red Star said after the red army's offensive last winter deprived the Germans of what then was the main line of communication—the Rzhev-Riga line—supplies to Nazi troops were moved to the central front by way of Yvazma into Rzhev.

## EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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forces, all without avenue of escape except by sea. The idea is first to pocket them and then to destroy them.

**AN** allied spokesman in North African headquarters says today that EVER-GROWING allied forces are throwing more planes into the battle HOUR BY HOUR and are beating down the German air force.

He adds that the axis is definitely on the down grade in the North African skies.

**IN** the New Guinea jungles, only YARDS now separate our men from the Japs defending the narrow corridor they still hold along the coast between Buna and Gona. That means that the fighting is hand-to-hand at close quarters.

Allied air forces are continuing to hammer Jap installations in Burma, which will be one of the jump-off places for the anticipated Jap attack on South China.

**THE** present trend in France among the "arch-collaborationists" (traitors) seems to be to form a Quisling government to force France into the war against the allies with or without the help of Petain.

On the basis of information obtained from refugees from Toulon, Admiral La Borde had prepared months ago for the scuttling of the French fleet when the final emergency came, personally supervising the placing of the explosives in the ships.

When the emergency for which these plans had been made came, French marines held back the attacking Germans long enough to permit the scuttling to be carried out.

Himmler, the brutal head of the German secret police, is said to be in Toulon now, dealing with the Frenchmen who sank the fleet.

You can imagine the dealings.

# Fremont Students Pass \$1000 Mark In War Savings

Students of the Fremont school, made up of seven grades at 225 pupils, passed the \$1000 mark at the regular Tuesday morning bond and stamp sale, it was reported by Augusta Parker, principal.

Total sales of war savings since September 9, 1942, reached \$1015.50, with Tuesday's purchases, Miss Parker stated. The sale is sponsored by students and teachers of Fremont and only the seven grades and not Junior high school, are involved.

# MRS. E. M. COOPER PASSES IN STAYTON

Word of the death late Monday afternoon of Mrs. E. M. (Ella) Cooper, 68, in Stayton, Ore., was received here from Dr. Miller E. Cooper who was called north by his mother's illness this past weekend.

Mrs. Cooper was a pioneer resident of the Willamette valley section. She is survived by her husband, two sons, Dr. Cooper of this city and Delbert of San Francisco, and one daughter, Louise Cooper, who left Klamath Falls recently to reside in Corvallis where she is employed at Camp Adair.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later. Dr. Cooper will return the latter part of the week.

# Complaints Bring Probe Of Censorship

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sions on a list of 35 officials they felt might be interested. "That violates all form of American principles," Norris asserted, "None of it is serious as yet, but it was not within the law. There is no more reason for censoring a letter from a person in Alaska to a person in one of the states than there is to censor a letter from Washington state to another state."

The law now authorizes censorship only on communications between the United States and foreign countries, Van Nuy said, adding that the bill originally was proposed to cover operations the committee since had found already were underway in the case of Alaska.

# Loan to Sawmill Operators Held Unnecessary Now

**WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (AP)**—Declaring it was not now necessary, Rep. Norrell (A-Ark.) said he had asked President Roosevelt not to approve a proposed executive order setting a side \$100,000,000 for loans to sawmill operators. He said it was intended to increase forest products but "we have now passed the peak of our war construction and our lumber requirements will grow less and less each month."

He said existing mills could handle all requirements, "if they can get the labor."

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Klamath basin potato problem is receiving "every consideration," Gerber told Main he did not believe it necessary for the basin growers to send a representative to Washington.

# Two Votes Saved France From Open War On Allies

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ed the occupation of all of France except Toulon and sent his personal letter to Marshal Petain, telling him why.

**Quisling Trend**  
Petain protested immediately and the Vichy cabinet went into a 48-hour session of a German request that Vichy declare war against the allies and join her old enemies, Germany and Italy. The proposal finally was rejected by a vote of 8 to 6.

The diplomat said the present trend among the arch collaborationists in Paris seemed to incline toward the formation of a Quisling government to force France into war against the allies with or without the collaboration of Marshal Petain.

**Captains Saved**  
From French naval sources at Barcelona, it was learned that Admiral Jean de la Borde, commander of the home fleet, gave the order to scuttle after making preparations for the act months before. He personally inspected the setting of explosives on the 60-odd ships in the harbor.

These sources said that none of the captains went down with their ships as earlier reported but that "everything was scuttled—even the harbor tugboats."

They reported Admiral De La Borde was interned as a civilian at Aix En Provence.

French women at Toulon were put on the alert immediately when the allies landed in North Africa, it was said, and when the Germans sent to occupy South France reached the Toulon defenses November 12, and sent delegates demanding surrender of the base, the answer was:

"Withdraw or we fire."  
The Germans withdrew and while Hitler was sending larger forces to overcome the French marines, Berlin issued a statement "congratulating" the French commander on his decision to defend Toulon "against aggression."

When the Germans returned in force, it was declared, the sea-cocks of the mighty fleet were opened and the charges exploded. Most of the ships heeled over on reaching bottom, although the superstructures of some of the larger ships are still showing.

# Ironing-Out of Gasoline Ration Troubles Starts

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ities and inequities may be further ironed out.

**By The Associated Press**  
Nation-wide gasoline rationing became effective today, ending a wild scramble by motorists to lay in a reserve stock—liquor as well as gasoline—for emergencies.

Even before the midnight rationing deadline, two fires were blamed on the makeshift storage devices and at least one man was burned severely.

While the remainder of the nation was engrossed with gasoline storage there was another rush down in dry Oklahoma to stock up on liquor before the four-gallon a week quota became effective and stopped travel to nearby wet states.

Already a pint of bourbon is quoted at \$5, and Safety Director Walter John said that while big bootleggers might be able to pool their gasoline supplies the price of the small quantities available would be so high the average man wouldn't know any was on the market.

Elsewhere, though, it was gasoline that was worrying motor car owners—and fire departments.

State and federal officials over in Potter county, Texas, were worrying right along with private motorists.

The rationing board at Amarillo voted unanimously to reject preferred mileage applications of all state and federal agencies except those engaged in police work.

Those turned down included the deputy collector of internal revenue, tax enforcement men in the state comptroller's office, and all government agencies the board considered to be competing with private concerns such as loan and investment companies.

Opposition to the gasoline controls, imposed to save rubber, brought a retort from Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson last night that "we cannot and will not deny our soldiers the finest equipment in order to cater to the whims of those who don't seem to realize that their country is at war."

Declaring that the army already has cut rubber uses several times at the expense of maximum efficiency in some cases, Patterson added that "we can't reduce our use of rubber any more without risking the safety of our men and hampering our operations."

Meanwhile, OPA said the "A" book ought to give sufficient mileage until local ration boards can issue supplemental "B" or "C" books. Issuance of new transport rations for trucks, buses, taxis and other commercial vehicles on a basis of certified war necessity, also was reported nearing completion. Commercial operators who have not yet received their certificates may obtain temporary fuel rations.

If it's a "frozen" article you need, advertise for a used one in the classified.

# Bravery Is the Rule When U. S. Boys Are Battling

(Editor's Note—The following episodes in the October naval action in the southwest Pacific are described by Charles McMurry, Associated Press correspondent who was badly burned when a Japanese plane crash-dived an American carrier which the navy announced as sunk).

**By CHARLES McMURRY**  
**WITH THE U. S. FLEET IN THE PACIFIC, Dec. 1 (AP)**—A seventeen-year-old kid named Russell lay on the deck of our crippled carrier, trying hard to smile. His fists were clenched, but tears just would leak out the

# BOYS CLUB ROOMS TO OPEN TONIGHT

Boys club rooms on Klamath avenue will open at 6 o'clock tonight for the winter months, according to Dave Bridge, city recreational officer. The rooms will be open each evening from 6 to 9:30 p. m. except Saturdays and Sundays.

Ed Lucas, who has been custodian since the Boys' club was first opened, will again serve in this capacity, Bridge stated.

Rooms will not open Saturday in order to cooperate with the physical education program being followed this winter in gymnasiums of the seven city schools. Gyms will open for organized play at 1 p. m. each Saturday.

# Woman Killed as Foundations of Home Give Way

**SEATTLE, Dec. 1 (AP)**—Trapped in the wreckage of their fine home when the foundations crumbled and gave way at 2 a. m., Mrs. Ruth Grapp, 50, wife of Dr. George L. Grapp, was fatally injured early today. The entire structure slid 300 yards down a ravine to its destruction.

Dr. Grapp was found critically injured by rescue workers who waded in mud to their hips. Broken water mains created a flood at the scene.

Mrs. Grapp's daughter, Patricia, 18, a University of Washington student, was buried to her neck in mud. Her night clothing was torn off her.

# Watch Out for Gas Explosions

**SEATTLE, Dec. 1 (AP)**—The Washington state defense council issued this warning today to gasoline hoarders:

One gallon of gasoline has more explosive power than 82 pounds of dynamite. Furthermore, gasoline vapors coming in contact with any sort of open flame or spark will cause an explosion.

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