

# NAZI GARRISON WIPED OUT AT VELIKIE LUKI

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trooper sunk and four merchant ships torpedoed in a running sea battle which began Thursday morning when German warships and U-boats intercepted a convoy. One Nazi destroyer was listed as sunk.

The British admiralty announced Thursday that German warships had contacted British naval forces in northern waters and that the action was continuing. The admiralty said a German cruiser was damaged and forced to retreat and a Nazi destroyer was seen in sinking condition.

A grim "blackout" on soviet war news first greeted German radio listeners this morning, and for several hours the populace was deprived of even its usual diet of sugar-coated propaganda served up by Dr. Goebbels' experts.

**Nothing to Report**  
The German news agency DNB, which customarily opens its daily broadcast with a flood of news, told the German people brusquely:

"There is nothing to report. There is no news available for the time being."

Subsequent broadcasts conceded the loss of Elita as the red armies swept deeper across the frozen Kalmynk steppes toward the Black sea, but insisted that Velikie Luki still held out.

**Siege Climaxed**  
The Germans admitted on Thursday that Velikie Luki was virtually surrounded, with the Russians attacking "from all sides."

Soviet dispatches said the fall of the Nazi-held citadel, 260 miles northwest of Moscow, laid open the heart of an important German transportation system and climaxed a long and bitter siege.

"The German garrison in the town, which refused to lay down its arms, was wiped out," the Russian high command announced.

The Russians declared that Hitler's invasion armies were in hurried retreat across a 1000-mile front, abandoning vast quantities and supplies, while the red armies captured "several dozen" towns in a single phase of the titanic struggle.

"Maybe it's the pumpkin's fault when the pies turn out to be a frost."

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## CITY BRIEFS

**Accident**—George Huffer, Chiloquin, employed as logger by Wheeler Pine near Hartman Lodge, was treated for head lacerations at Klamath Valley hospital early Friday night after he was moved by Ward's ambulance from Upham street near Oregon avenue where an automobile accident occurred. Ruff was dismissed after emergency treatment.

**County Council**—There will be an executive board meeting of the Klamath County Council of Parents and Teachers, Fremont school, Monday, January 4, at 2 p. m. All local presidents, county officers and chairmen are urged to attend, it was announced by Mrs. J. R. Hall, president. Plans for the Founders' day program to be observed in February, will be discussed at Monday's meeting.

**In Hospital**—City police were called to 121 South Second street at 4 o'clock Saturday morning when residents in that block said a man was on the sidewalk. Officers reported picking up a transient, Frank Stanford, in a near freezing condition and moving him to a hospital for treatment.

**From North**—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Milcent of Merrill have returned from Portland where they spent the holidays with his mother. Mrs. Milcent is a Klamath county public health nurse, her husband located at Merrill as a construction engineer. She has been with the local staff for the past month.

**Return to School**—Among the students who returned on Monday, December 28, to Southern Oregon College of Education at Ashland were Vernadene Meggs, Berthel Nelson, Barbara McLean, Marie Pochelu of Paisley, Tommy Thompson and Dean Jones.

**To Idaho**—Dr. Albert O. Roenicke, Klamath Falls dentist, left Friday night for Portland en route to Camp Farragut, Idaho, where he reports for duty with the United States navy with the rank of lieutenant (jg). Mrs. Roenicke and three children will remain in Klamath Falls.

**In Medford**—Jacquelyn Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hall of Roseway drive, is spending a week in Medford as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Allan F. Perry and family. She will return in time for school Monday.

**Improving**—Mickey Brumble, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Brumble of 2135 Orchard avenue, is recovering at his home after having had a major operation at Hillside hospital. Mickey has a new sister, Patty Rae, born December 1 at Hillside.

**Here for New Year**—Mr. and Mrs. Lee Staub of Bly, and Mrs. Staub's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ongaro, were dinner guests on New Year's day at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bollman of Klamath Falls.

**Visits Sister**—Mrs. John Duncan of Hornbrook, Calif., was the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. B. Rivers of 2318 Garden avenue, this week. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Laura Morley.

**Recovers**—Glenn Kent is reported greatly improved at his residence on Pacific Terrace following a sudden attack of illness last week. He has been dismissed from the hospital.

**Returns**—Annis Struthers, member of the nursing staff at Klamath health unit, has returned from Portland where she spent the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. J. A. Petersen.

**Visits Mother**—Alice Stout, public health nurse, was among the Klamath residents to spend the holidays in the north. Miss Stout visited her mother, Mrs. John Stout, in Corvallis.

**Home From North**—Jean Watkins, laboratory technician of the county health unit, has returned from a holiday visit when she visited her father in Madras, Ore., and relatives in Seattle.

**Goes Home**—Mrs. Harold McLeod and infant daughter left Klamath Valley hospital Friday for their home, 2057 1/2 Applegate avenue.

**Police Court**—City police arrested three drunks Friday night and brought them into court Saturday morning.

**Pvt. Tony Martin Arrives at Sheppard**

**WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Jan. 2 (AP)**—Pvt. Tony Martin, former movie and radio star, arrived at Sheppard field today for basic training in the army air forces. He came here from Fort MacArthur, Calif.

# LAMM FINDS YOUTH GROUP TRUST FUND

Foundation of a trust fund for the benefit of Klamath County Boy Scout, Girl Scout and Camp Fire Girls organizations, was laid this week by Wilfred E. Lamm, Klamath county lumberman, who presented a check for \$5000 to R. C. Groesbeck, member of the district board of the Boy Scouts.

"Mr. Lamm decided he would like to start a trust fund to stabilize these three organizations and in time of stress, such a fund will be used to keep the groups going. There will be a set-up with one of the banks to serve as trustee," Groesbeck stated.

Distribution of the trust fund will be made on a percentage basis, Groesbeck observed, with 60 per cent going to the Boy Scouts, 20 per cent to Girl Scouts and 20 per cent to Camp Fire Girls.

## For Your Information

**MAIL CLOSING TIME**  
(Effective June 16, 1942)  
Train 19 Southbound: 6:15 p. m.  
Train 20 Northbound: 10 a. m.  
Train 17 Southbound: 6:30 a. m.  
Train 16 Northbound: 9 p. m.  
p. m., Evening Airmail, Medford Stage, Westbound, 3:30

**Neighbors of Woodcraft**—Members will meet Monday, January 4, in the KC hall at 8 p. m., for a business meeting, entertainment, gift exchange and potluck. Juveniles will meet the same day in the KC hall at 4 p. m.

**Dance**—The Eagles' auxiliary and drum corps will sponsor the regular Saturday night dance tonight, with Estin Kiger's music. Place is the KC hall. The public is invited.

# YANK SOLDIERS IN AFRICA DECORATED

**By HAROLD V. BOYLE**  
**WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY, Casablanca, French Morocco, Nov. 30 (AP)**—(Delayed) A captain who for 48 hours held an American artillery post ahead of the front lines and directed fire with deadly effect, and a major who braved machinegun and artillery fire in the open were among 19 American soldiers decorated by Maj. Gen. Monathan W. Anderson for bravery for wounds received during the assault on the coast of French Morocco.

Capt. Lyman K. Peterson, of Kaysville, Utah, who directed the fire of his men on enemy tanks, infantry and machine guns and practically destroyed an infantry attack party, received the silver star.

The same decoration went to Maj. Edward C. Robertson, son of J. E. Robertson of Philomath, Ore., who braved the open fire to rally his field artillery battalion. Major Robertson's wife lives at (Eight and Maple streets) Albany, Ore.

Purple Heart awards for wounds received in action were received by:  
Pvt. Robert F. Reichwein, son of C. E. Reichwein, Elgin, Ore.  
Pvt. Romolo Chavez, son of Jose Chavez, Lunas, N. M.  
Pvt. William T. Parini, son of Dan Parini, Butte, Mont.

# Connecticut Mouse Plays Hob With One Man's Gas Ration

**HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 2** State headquarters of the office of price administration received this complaint today from a Stamford gasoline station:  
"I had 50 'B' gasoline stamps on form R-542. A mouse ate up 40 making a total loss of 40 stamps. Amount to 160 gallons of gasoline."  
"I had 50 'C' stamps on form R-542. A mouse ate up 11 leaving me 39, making a loss of 11 'C' stamps. Amount to 44 gallons of gasoline. Amount to 204 gallons of gasoline."  
The OPA ordered the complaint investigated with a view to issuing new coupons."

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Save 1/4—Long and Short Trips  
STILES' BEACON SERVICE  
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# Guardsmen Find Wing Tip Of Lost Navy Flying Boat

**WALDPORF, Ore., Jan. 2 (AP)**—Coastguardsmen here this morning found one wing tip and part of a pontoon of the navy PBV flying boat which sank in the ocean off Yachats, Ore., Thursday night.

None of the seven missing crew members have been located and no bodies found. One member of the crew, Ensign Roderick McLeod Brush of Jacksonville, Fla., was carried ashore in a life raft and was found by coast-

guardsmen several hours after the crash. He is recovering at a local hospital.

The navy withheld identity of other members of the crew pending notification to next of kin.

Brush told Coastguard Seaman Second Class Dave Rogers that a companion on his raft was washed overboard in the surf. He did not know the fate of six men on the other raft.

The bits of plane wreckage washed ashore north of here. Coastguardsmen scouring the beach for other possible survivors found a silk scarf, probably belonging to one of the pilots, and three additional life jackets this morning.

Rogers said a search of the sea continued today but finding of the scarf and jackets concentrated the hunt along the rugged and thinly populated shoreline.

Since both life rafts already have been located, searchers reasoned that unless the men reached shore there was little hope for them.

# U.S. WARPLANES DEAL BLOWS IN PACIFIC AREA

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out the last stubbornly-defending Japanese troops in the Buna sector in New Guinea.

"Fighting is savage and desperate and is continuing," the latest bulletin from Gen. MacArthur's headquarters said.

Official dispatches said allied troops had driven another wedge into Japanese positions along the narrow Papuan beach corridor, with tanks and artillery cutting a path for the new thrust to the sea.

Strongly entrenched, the Japanese apparently still held footholds at Giropa point, Buna government station and Sanananda.

Meanwhile, Gen. MacArthur's airmen racked Japanese bases in New Britain, hitting an enemy submarine at Widebay and leaving three big ships aflame at Rabaul. Two of five Japanese planes which rose to challenge the raiders were shot down.

**Burma Bombed**  
In Burma, U. S. air force planes operating from India sharply attacked Japanese rail communications in North Burma, bombing and strafing trains and rail installations along the Myitkina-Mandalay railroad.

RAF Blenheim bombers also pounded the enemy, setting fires at Kalemoy in the Myittha valley, attacked shipping along the Burmese coast and strafed river boats.

# Wedding Bells Ring For Granddaughter Of Henry Ford

**DETROIT, Jan. 2 (AP)**—Hard upon the ringing in of the New Year, wedding bells played their gladsome song today for pretty Josephine Ford, only granddaughter of auto pioneer Henry Ford.

An afternoon ceremony in Christ Church chapel in the exclusive residential section of Grosse Pointe, a suburb, was planned for Miss Ford and her fiancé, Walter Buhl Ford the 2nd, member of a socially prominent Detroit family.

The families are no relations. Josephine, 19 and petite, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Ford. She was educated in the east.

With three brothers, Henry Ford the 2nd, Benson and William, Josephine some day will inherit a share of the mammoth fortune of her grandfather. Her father is president of the Ford Motor company.

Walter Buhl Ford the 2nd, recent graduate of Yale university, is a member of the naval reserve.

**Klamath Lutheran Church**  
Cross and Crescent street, L. K. Johnson, pastor, 1175 Crescent street, phone 3452.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Teachers and classes for children of all ages.  
Bible and adult class, 9:45 a. m.  
Worship hour, 11:00 a. m.  
Ladies Aid, January 12. Program in charge of Mrs. A. Oberg and Mrs. Casper Murdock, hostesses are Mrs. Calvin Raney and Mrs. Clinton Meyer.

Men's club January 12. Hosts, Carl Brandness, Frank Olson and Hjalmer Johnson.  
Choir rehearsal Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Director Rev. Johnson; accompanist Mrs. Carl Brandness.

Church Council and Building committee meets Monday, January 4 at 8 p. m. Members are urged to be present.

**DANGEROUS ANTIQUE**  
ABILENE, Tex., (AP)—A shelly wounded 14-year-old John Sublett.  
The 37 millimeter shell, a relic carried in young Sublett's pocket, exploded when dropped on a sidewalk.

# LOG RAFTS RIP LOOSE, MENAGE PORTLAND PIER

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day and continue falling for the next 36 hours."

Meanwhile, Lieut. J. A. Fletcher, coast guard port commander at Portland, took light equipment and a contingent of men into the upper and middle river flood areas to aid in evacuation and rehabilitation in that flood-plagued region.

**Trains Move**  
The state highway department moved to safeguard the west approach to the Salem-West Salem bridge. A huge dance hall was swept by the surging currents against the approach. R. H. Baldock, chief highway engineer, said wrecking cables and dynamite might have to be used to dislodge the building.

The Southern Pacific railroad announced that all lines had been cleared and that their train schedules were being restored.

In the upper and middle Willamette valley water still covered all major highways and inundated vast fertile farming areas.

**Boats Used**  
In southern Oregon, the Rogue also swept out of bounds, flooding lowlands and prompting evacuation of farm families and livestock.

Waters surged over the Pacific highway above Savage Rapids dam and boats were used to remove families from this area south of Grants Pass.

Hundreds were evacuated from lowlands. At West Springfield alone in the Eugene area nearly 900 persons were removed. Many others were taken from small communities and isolated farms. Rescues were carried out by soldiers and civilian defense workers amid extreme dangers. Trees and small buildings were swept down on rescue craft by swift water. Several were overturned, but the rescuers, expert swimmers, prevented any further loss of life.

**Disease Feared**  
Of the six lives lost, three were by drowning, following automobile mishaps. One vehicle skidded into a creek near Cottage Grove, drowning a woman, and another slipped into a flooded ditch near Albany, drowning a mother and her five-month-old son.

At Wendling a mud slide killed two loggers. At Springfield an elderly woman died of shock after being evacuated from her flooded home.

Red Cross officials, directing the relief work, feared an outbreak of disease. Flooded communities were without drinking water, heat and light. In some cases, food was becoming scarce.

# WILLKIE URGES UNITED COUNCIL

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no united nations after the war unless we make the united nations now a fact and not a mere euphonious phrase."

Willkie declared that today, a year after the signing of the united nations pact, "We should face the fact that if hopeful billions of human beings are not to be disappointed, the united nations must become a common council, not only for the winning of the war but for the future welfare of mankind."

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Restaurants will close at 8:30 each night and a curfew will be in force from 9 p. m.

The command said drastic steps were being taken against "persons under suspicion."

# Oregon CD Workers Praised for Part In Flood Rescues

**WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (AP)**—Oregon's civilian defense volunteers in the flood areas, together with those working in the Ohio valley, last night won the praise of James M. Landis, director of civilian defense.

Speaking of the Ohio valley, Landis said: "Organized American civilian defense now is facing a real test in a large scale disaster. The reports I get indicate that it is meeting the test supremely."

Later in his statement he said: "We have just received word that hundreds of civilian defense workers are laboring in Eugene, Ore., where heavy floods at the confluence of the Willamette and McKenzie rivers have driven thousands from their homes."

# U of O Registration Down 24 Per Cent

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# NEWS from HOME

(Editor's Note: Hereafter, in each Saturday's paper, a brief round-up of the week's local news will be printed under the above heading, to be clipped out by those who wish to send it to men from the Klamath area who are in the armed services and not getting the daily paper. The round-up is addressed to service men and it is our hope its weekly appearance will encourage local people to write their boys in the service at least once a week, enclosing the clipping.)

Well, fellas, it was a pretty quiet holiday week . . . Folks at home welcomed the new year in usual fashion, but possibly with not quite so much noise . . . There were the usual run of after-midnight parties . . . A lot of service men showed up at these events from somewhere.

You may be interested in knowing that you men in service provided what was selected as the biggest local news story of 1942 . . . With more than 3000 men gone from here into the armed forces, The Herald and News decided that what happened to them, their training, promotions, honors, fighting exploits, belonged at the top of the year's news stories.

Reviews of the old year showed that Klamath county and the Klamath basin had done a pretty good job of producing food, lumber and other war materials in spite of difficulties and problems . . . Here's hoping they can do it again, although most of the problems are still here.

A service man visitor in town was Lieutenant Commander William Randall USN, who showed up in an advanced trainer . . . Bill, who managed the Klamath Falls for many years, was forced to stay over until New Year's by weather conditions . . . But we didn't hear him cry.

The home town got a thrill when it was reported that Lieutenant Robert D. Shaw of Klamath Falls, flying with the United States air corps as co-pilot of a fortress type plane, was termed the hero of the AAF in England when he brought the plane home safely after the pilot was killed in operations over the Bay of Biscay.

# ROMMEL KEEPS UP FLIGHT TO TRIPOLI

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Rommel might have risked a stand by the remnants of his retreating army and dispatches from the desert said the British had expected him to do so.

The Morocco radio today broadcast a Cairo report that Rommel recently had received reinforcements to bolster his resistance in the Tripoli area.

**Struggle Pends**  
A fighting French force under Brig. Gen. Jacques Leclerc was reported still advancing slowly northward from southern Libya, possibly aiming at a juncture with the British.

Aerial blows against axis supply lines and bases still provided the main action in Tunisia, where both sides were massing ground forces, for the impending decisive struggle. The Italian commander, however, reported local thrusts in which, it said, axis forces reached "positions of particular importance."

# Germans Close Brussels Tight as Murder Precaution

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# LONG TO LEAD NEW SET-UP OF RETAIL PEOPLE

Announcement was made today of the formation and organization of the Oregon State Retailers' council comprised of representative retailers of Oregon's 36 counties. N. E. Long of Klamath Falls has been named president and will lead the organization which will deal solely with legislative matters affecting retailing, which the government has classed as one of the largest industries of the nation, ranking next to that of agriculture and manufacturing.

Other officers who will serve with Long, who is a prominent Klamath Falls merchant, are Frank Nau, former chairman of the board of the Portland Retail Trade bureau and well-known druggist, as vice president, Edward N. Weinbaum, of Portland, as secretary, and Miss Helen Hoffman of the Portland Retail Trade bureau staff as assistant secretary.

All of the counties in Oregon will be represented in this retailers' organization with a minimum of three retailers, prominent in civic affairs in their respective communities and areas.

This retail organization is in keeping with similar activities that are being inaugurated in other states in the interests of an industry that has led in civic endeavor and which has been responsible for selling over one billion dollars in War Savings Bonds within a given period.

# EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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may elect to make a stand at Tripoli. Time will tell as to that.

# ROMMEL IS SUPPOSED TO BE SERVED BY SEVERAL THOUSAND GERMAN TRANSPORT PLANES. SICILY IS ONLY 300 MILES, OR LESS THAN TWO HOURS BY AIR, AWAY. A BIG FLEET OF TRANSPORT PLANES COULD CARRY A LOT OF MEN AND SUPPLIES THAT SHORT DISTANCE.

There is considerable evidence that the German forces in Tunisia are fairly strong—doubtless reinforced steadily by air. The battle for North Africa isn't over yet.

# PREMIER CURTIN OF AUSTRALIA APPEALS TO THE PROPER QUARTERS IN THE UNITED NATIONS FOR MORE FIGHTING POWER IN THE PACIFIC TO DRIVE BACK JAPAN'S FAR-FLUNG INVASION Hordes' before she gets her new conquests consolidated.

The slow progress of our drive against the Japs at Buna indicates rather clearly our present lack of striking power in the Pacific.

# THE ARCTIC NAVAL BATTLE IS STILL HAZY. IT SEEMS TO BE AN ATTACK ON A MURMANSK CONVOY AND THE GERMANS CLAIM TO HAVE INFLICTED CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE. THEY MAY BE DOING SOME TALK BRAGGING TO OFFSET THE RUSSIAN NEWS TO WHAT HAS HAPPENED.

# Grandson of Late William J. Bryan Found Dead Today

**NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (AP)**—John Bryan, 38, artist son of Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen Rohde, former minister to Denmark, was found dead in his studio apartment today.

Police said Bryan, a grandson of the late William Jennings Bryan, apparently fell from a chair, striking his head on a desk. In an unfinished letter on the desk, Bryan related he had been grazed recently by a taxicab, but said he did not regard the injury as serious. A check of accounts was started by authorities.

# Yea Man! We're Gonna Dance Saturday Nite January 2nd ARMORY Baldy's Band

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# WANTED—Opening Jan. 10, woman cook and assistant, without dependents. Labor-time-saving equipment. Ideal for mother and daughter (over 21). Salaries open. Communicate: Supt., U. S. Agency, Klamath Agency, Ore.