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ALLIED OUTLOOK GOOD, SAYS FDR

Jap Lines Blasted

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

MUCH has been written and said, in an admiring vein, of the Golden Age of Personal Journalism when the Great Editors—the Greeleys, the Danas, the Wattersons—told people what to think and how and when.

The implication has been that the newspapers THEN were great but since have slipped.

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IN his just-published book "Barriers Down," Kent Cooper, the general manager of the Associated Press, tells us how this great news-gathering organization came to be formed.

In those days each important newspaper collected the news of its city, its state, the nation and the world FOR ITSELF. It was a costly process, involving much needless duplication, and in the course of time someone had the bright notion that the newspapers could EXCHANGE the news of their communities among each other, thus saving a great deal of wasted money that could be devoted to making better newspapers.

It seemed a splendid idea.

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BUT a devastating thought occurred.

The news carried by each of these great newspapers dominated by the personalities of the GREAT EDITORS — especially the news dealing with politics and government—was so warped, so twisted, so POISONED at its source as a result of the then more or less universal desire to influence people's thinking and so WIN ELECTIONS that each of the great editors knew instantly that he wouldn't print ANY OTHER editor's news on a bet!

Each of them, you see, knew too much about the others' methods.

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THE really sound and economical and progressive idea of news exchange seemed to be behind the eight ball, and for the moment nobody could think of a way to get it out.

If nobody would accept anybody else's news (because of knowledge of the poison contained in it) how was news to be exchanged?

It just didn't look possible. Still, the plan had much to recommend it.

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A SOLUTION was ultimately found. It was an epochally important solution.

In substance, it was this:

The Associated Press was organized as a co-operative association to be owned by all the newspapers receiving its service. It was agreed that the news to be gathered and written and disseminated to its members by the Associated Press must be so accurate, so free from bias and slant, so lacking in hidden political poison that it could be printed by ALL without fear or suspicion.

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THESE biased, prejudiced editors of the old school knew they couldn't and WOULDN'T print in their own newspapers the news that was tainted with the other fellow's bias and prejudice, but they could and did print news that was so FREE from bias and prejudice that it could and did stand on its own feet WHEREVER printed.

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IT was thus that the Associated Press was born, and its birth was one of the outstanding events in modern history.

Because—

When men began to understand that they could believe and RELY UPON the news they read in their newspapers they began to draw their own inde-

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Patrols Probe Strength in Guinea Swamps

By WILLIAM F. BONI

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA, Jan. 7 (AP)—Allied and Japanese patrols were probing in swamp mud today for weak spots in the opposite lines as the allies regrouped their land forces for an attack on the enemy stronghold at Sanananda.

American troops pushed back one Japanese patrol in the vicinity of Tarakena, a village midway between the recently won Buna Station and Sanananda point. They killed one Japanese and wounded another.

The same area was the target for a sustained artillery barrage with an Australian pilot spotting the objectives for the gunners.

Along the Soputa-Sanananda track itself—which actually is an automobile road—both sides

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HEARING HELD ON SLAYING CHARGE

Justice Ponders Binding Wallan Over in Bowman Case

Decision as to whether Kenneth Wallan would be bound over on a second degree murder charge by Justice Joe Mahoney had not been reached late this afternoon pending the return of the judge from the scene of the alleged offense on Shasta way. The preliminary hearing was concluded at 2:30 p. m., and Justice Mahoney asked State Police Officer Mark Sullivan to accompany him to the place where Wallan is accused of fatally injuring James Bowman in a Christmas eve altercation.

At the conclusion of the hearing Defense Attorney Joseph C. O'Neill attempted to have the charge reduced from second degree murder to manslaughter in order that his client might give bail. The district attorney, Orth Sisemore, objected and the court took the matter under advisement.

Mrs. Edna M. Bowman, widow of the slain man, took the stand shortly after 10 o'clock to answer questions asked her for one hour and 20

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Giraud Agrees To Meet De Gaulle

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AP)— Gen. Henri Honore Giraud, French commissioner in North Africa, has agreed "in principle" to meet Gen. Charles de Gaulle on French soil, but proposed for various reasons that the conference be delayed until the end of January, it was announced authoritatively today.

PLANES RANGE FROM ALEUTIANS TO SOLOMONS

RAF Renews Assaults On Jap Positions In Burma

By The Associated Press

New American blows against Japan's far-flung supply lines, ranging from the Solomons to the Aleutian islands, were reported by the navy today even as President Roosevelt told congress that U. S. warplanes would strike at Japan's home islands "and bomb them constantly from the air."

The navy said American Flying Fortresses, escorted by lightning and Tomahawk fighters, attacked a Japanese transport off the Shortland islands, in the Solomons, and scored a "possible hit."

Aleutian Action

Other U. S. aircraft bombed the Japanese airfield at Kahili, near Buin, on Bougainville island, and the air field at Munda, New Georgia island.

In the Aleutians, the navy announced that American bombers sank one Japanese cargo ship 110 miles northeast of the enemy base at Kiska and scored a direct bomb hit and two near-hits on another enemy vessel 185 miles southwest of Kiska.

Burma Base Damaged

The presence of the Japanese ship 110 miles northeast of Kiska

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Nazis Claim Sub Went 90 Miles Up Mississippi

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AP)—The German radio, in a broadcast beamed to the United States but heard here, reported today that a German submarine had traveled 90 miles up the Mississippi river "to within a few miles of New Orleans" in the hope of destroying a bridge.

The raider was detected, however, and forced to return to the Gulf of Mexico, the broadcast declared.

(There was no confirmation of the German report from any other source. The date of the alleged exploit was not given.)

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 7 (AP)—The navy said here today it had "no comment" on a German broadcast that a nazi submarine had traveled 90 miles up the Mississippi river "to within a few miles of New Orleans" in the hope of destroying a bridge.

Commander James G. Stahlman, public relations officer of the eighth naval district, said he "knew nothing about it."

Body of Col. Buzz Wagner Found in Plane Wreckage

EGLIN FIELD, Fla., Jan. 7 (AP) A farmer looking for his cows in an isolated Florida pasture ended the five-week search for Lieut. Col. Boyd D. (Buzz) Wagner, destroyer of an untold number of Japanese warplanes and one of America's first aces of World war II.

The crushed body of the flier, missing since November 29, was found yesterday in the wreckage of his P-40 pursuit plane 25 miles east of here.

The craft was demolished and partly buried, indicating that it plunged into the ground out of control, probably from a steep spin, said a statement authorized by Brig-Gen. Grandison Gardner, Eglin commandant.

The 26-year-old airman—youngest lieutenant colonel in the army—took off from Eglin field at 8 p. m., November 29 for a routine flight to Maxwell field, Ala., and Nashville, Tenn. Brig. Gen. Gardner said he apparently ran into bad weather north of here.

Col. Wagner, holder of the distinguished service cross for "extraordinary heroism," dealt more in action than words. He would never discuss his personal achievements, but comrades said he destroyed between 15 and 50 Japanese planes in the early weeks of the war.

The accounts of his feats are almost legend. There was the time when "Buzz" and a squadron dove on a Japanese landing party at Vigan. His companions were all shot down, but "Buzz" made five separate attacks, returning each time for more ammunition and fuel.

It's Not All Fighting for Reds in Caucasus

War in Russia is not always slashing at the enemy. In the case of these red army troops, bundled against the knife-sharp winter air, shovels are their weapons as they clear the way for their advancing comrades in the northern Caucasus. Driving northward, toward Rostov, the Russians are threatening to split the back-tracking Germans.

NAZIS RECAPTURE MATEUR POSITION

Vital Point Changes Hands Twice in Two Days

By WES GALLAGHER

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Jan. 7 (AP) The Germans have recaptured Jebel Azzag and all the ground previously taken by the British in the hills 15 miles west of Mateur, an allied communique announced today.

"We have withdrawn to our former positions," an allied communique said, "our fighters maintained patrols in this area during the day and fighter-bombers attacked enemy guns which were shelling our troops. Spitfires shot down three enemy aircraft during these operations."

Bombers Raid

Thus, within two days the vital positions on the front before Bizerte have changed hands twice. The British captured them in a dawn attack day before yesterday and, the spokesman said, were dislodged when the nazis counter-attacked yesterday.

United States bombers made

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Air Survey Shows Concentration of Japs at Rabaul

MELBOURNE, Jan. 7 (AP)—Air reconnaissance over Japan's big base at Rabaul, New Britain island, has revealed that the concentration of Japanese shipping there has been augmented since Tuesday, when it was first disclosed by an Australian government spokesman, it was asserted in government circles today.

Pilots returning from missions over Rabaul were said to have reported that the amount of warship-protected shipping now gathered at Rabaul exceeds even the forces gathered by the Japanese for their first counter-attack on the eastern Solomons, held by United States forces.

Vichy Names Darlan Killer

BERLIN (From German Broadcasts) Jan. 7 (AP)—Advices from Vichy said today the assassin of Admiral Jean Darlan was Bornier de la Chapelle, a student and the son of a journalist. The assassin was executed after the Christmas eve shooting of the French high commissioner for northwest Africa.

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Russ Near Rostov, Pivot Of Nazi Campaign; Berlin Starts Breaking Bad News

By ROGER D. GREENE
Associated Press War Editor

Soviet quarters reported today that Russian troops had advanced within 75 miles of the great German base at Rostov, pivot for all nazi operations in the Caucasus, and ripped through German lines on a 20-mile front along both sides of the lower Don river.

Front-line reports said Russian troops sweeping westward along the Don had pushed forward 50 miles since capturing the Don bridgehead of Tsimlyansk two days ago.

Soviet dispatches said the triumphant red armies of the south had captured at least 21 more cities and towns and listed 339,150 axis soldiers killed or taken prisoner since the start of the Russian winter offensive November 19.

Adolf Hitler's high command, still giving the German people no hint of the disastrous turn of events, asserted flatly that nazi infantry and tanks "repulsed all soviet attacks in continued fighting in the Don and Kalmyck sectors."

The headlong nazi retreat appeared rapidly assuming the aspects of a debacle.

London quarters said the speed of the soviet come-back drive through the Caucasus indicated that the Germans were no longer offering organized resistance, and were intent only on setting up a defense line nearer Rostov in an attempt to prevent the Russians from trapping all their forces to the east.

A soviet war bulletin said the red armies, hotly pursuing the retreating nazis, had advanced 25 miles northwest of newly-recaptured Prokhladnenski to the railway station at Apolonskaya, almost halfway to Mineralnye Vody, the hub of a network of central Caucasus railways.

Paralleling this drive, another Russian column raced northwest from Nalchik, advancing 15 miles to a cluster of towns.

As the Russian offensive surged on without pause, overrunning in hours great stretches of territory which the Germans took weeks to capture last fall, it began to appear that Hitler had ordered a general withdrawal or that the nazi Caucasus front was collapsing on a wide scale.

Meanwhile, the German pro-

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Three Suffer In Accidents Here Wednesday

Three pedestrians suffered shock and bruises and were treated at Klamath Valley hospital following traffic accidents which occurred on icy streets late Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Sarah Robinson, 61, who lives at the Kern hotel and serves as cook at a local restaurant, remained in the hospital Thursday. Mrs. Robinson was struck by a car operated by Charles A. Fischer, 20, 2137 Eberlein street, at the intersection of Sixth and Main streets at 3:15 p. m. Police reported Fischer's car had proceeded on the green light and due to pavement conditions was unable to stop before hitting the woman. She was moved to the hospital by Ward's ambulance and at first her condition was thought serious.

Etalo Ferroni, 17-year-old student, 3531 Boardman avenue, reported to police that his car struck two women at Fifth street and Klamath avenue at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when sun on his windshield obscured vision. The women were Mrs. Lewis Martin, 2637 Homedale road, and Alberta Martin, 402 Walnut avenue. Mrs. Martin suffered bruises and Miss Martin a broken left ankle. Both were treated at the hospital and later dismissed.

War Bulletin

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AP)—The Fighting French announced tonight that General Le Clerc's forces in southernmost Libya have stormed and captured Oum-El-Araneb, main axis outpost in the Fezzan area.

They said French forces had advanced northward more than 1000 miles from their bases near Lake Chad and took Umm-El-Araueb after fierce fighting lasting three days.

Kaiser Sees New Lighter, Cheaper Auto After War

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP)—The post-war United States will need a lighter, cheaper automobile, says Shipbuilder Henry J. Kaiser—and if the regular manufacturers don't prepare to make them, he adds he will.

"No matter how much talking we do," he said in an interview, "the only way we can have prosperity after the war is by making employment and that's the job of private industry."

Production Strides Told In Message

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP)—President Roosevelt told a victory-pledged congress today the cause of United Nations was moving forward at last in Europe, Asia, and Africa, backed by a "miracle of production" in the United States, and said 1943 carried the promise of a "very substantial advance along the roads that lead to Berlin and Rome and Tokyo."

Delivering his annual message to the legislators in person in the house chamber, he called on them to put aside bickering over economic measures, and to strive to contribute to national unity.

"By far the largest and most important developments in the whole strategic picture of 1942," Mr. Roosevelt asserted, "were the events on the long front in Russia: First, the implacable defense of Stalingrad; and, second, the offensives by the Russian armies at various points which started in the latter part of November and which still roll on with great force and effectiveness."

MESSAGE WINS SOLONS' PRAISE

Democrats, Republicans Join in Approval

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP) Democrats in congress today generally praised President Roosevelt's annual report on the state of the Union and republicans, while generally more restrained than the democrats, also lauded it as having a unifying influence.

Senate Democratic Leader Barkley of Kentucky, said it was "a very magnificent address," a keynote repeated in effect by scores of the democratic congressional members.

"Able Review"

Republican Senator McNary, the minority leader, said the president gave "an excellent review of current conditions affecting our war and productive effort" and Senator Taft (R-Ohio), a frequent administration critic, said "it seemed to me a conciliatory speech that ought to add to unity and create no dissension."

Chairman Walsh (D-Mass.) of the senate naval affairs committee called the address "a timely and able review of the war to date," and added, "I assume that the president will be

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Black Market In Gasoline Nipped With Miami Arrest

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 7 (AP)—Seizure of ration coupons good for thousands of gallons of gasoline and the arrest of one man was reported by Lieut. C. O. Huttoe of the police defense squad today to have smashed a national black market.

The prisoner, arrested on a federal warrant, was booked as Eugene Hale Brading, 27, of Miami. Huttoe reported that coupons good for 2500 gallons were found at his home and a package addressed to him containing tickets worth 1,000,000 gallons was seized in the mails.

The capitol was the scene of unusual precautions taken to safeguard the chief executive.

Steel-helmeted soldiers, bayonets affixed to Garand rifles, stood at attention all around the capitol and in its plaza.

Defensive War Past

Special capitol police, their numbers augmented by metropolitan police, were on guard at all entrances and were stationed throughout the capitol. No one was permitted to enter the building without a special pass or identification. Admission to the house galleries was by special card only.

Mr. Roosevelt told the lawmakers that the period of "our defensive attrition in the Pacific," was passing, adding:

"Now our aim is to force the Japanese to fight. Last year, we stopped them. This year, we intend to advance."

No Prophecies

In the African theater, he predicted the last vestige of axis powers would be driven from the south shores of the Mediterranean.

"I do not prophesy when this war will end," the chief executive said. "But I do believe that this year of 1943 will give to the United Nations a very substantial advance along the roads that lead to Berlin, and Rome and Tokyo.

The president opened his address with his summary of war operations, and, in it, said that "we are going to strike—and strike hard—in Europe."

Air Blows Coming

"I can not tell you," he said, "whether we are going to hit them in Norway, or through the low countries, or in France, or through Sardinia, or Sicily, or through the Balkans, or through Poland—or at several points simultaneously.

"But I can tell you that no matter where and when we

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"Moderate" Amount Of Canned Goods Okeh, Rules OPA

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP)—Housewives who register for War Ration Book No. 2 next month won't have coupons deducted for moderate amounts of canned or frozen foods they may have on hand.

Harold B. Rowe, director of the food rationing division of the office of price administration, revealed the plan to allow a small carryover at a discussion of the new point rationing system last night.

"I don't want to be overzealous," the OPA official explained.

Britons Cheer Roosevelt Speech

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AP)—Britons cheered tonight President Roosevelt's assertion to congress that "we are going to strike and strike hard in Europe" and government circles unofficially called the speech one of the president's best.

Those circles expressed amazement at the United States' arms production figures and said they were delighted also by the president's confident predictions of victory.

Fire Damages Juniper Lodge West of Macdoel

DORRIS—Fire this morning destroyed the restaurant at Juniper lodge, four miles west of Macdoel on the Weed-Klamath Falls highway, following the explosion of a gas tank.

Mrs. John O'Kane, wife of the proprietor, suffered a severed artery in her right wrist which was cut by glass from a broken window.

The fire apparently was caused when low temperatures affected the gas and the explosion was set off by a pilot light. The blaze immediately spread to the restaurant.

The Dorris fire department and a fire truck from the forest service station at Mt. Hebron responded to alarms, and prevented the flames from destroying the lodge proper. The restaurant burned to the ground.

Mrs. Kane was hurt when she used a fishing box to break a window. Glass fell on her wrist and seriously cut it. In the excitement she did not realize she had been injured for some time. She was brought to Lumbermen's hospital here for treatment.