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BATTERED JAP CONVOY TAKES NEW POUNDING

"Fragmentary" Landings Made in Guinea

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, Jan. 9 (AP)—A badly battered Japanese convoy—three of its transports at the bottom of the Pacific and a fourth damaged—was pursued into the harbor of Lae, New Guinea, and three, along with the landing area and other enemy beach installations, was given a merciless pounding yesterday by almost every type of plane at the call of the southwest Pacific air force command, an allied communique reported today.

The Japanese, trying to reinforce their remaining New Guinea strongholds by carrying troops from New Britain to Lae, succeeded at best in landing only "fragmentary" troop elements, the communique indicated.

MacArthur Returns
In addition to the three transports reported definitely lost since the convoy was sighted and attacked January 6, 20 more Japanese escort planes were destroyed, bringing to 38 the enemy aircraft shot down in the action.

While the aerial hammering at Lae continued and American and Australian troops closed in on the only remaining pocket of Japanese resistance in the Buna region at Sanananda, General Douglas MacArthur returned to Australia from the New Guinea battle front with high praise for the Australian and American forces under his command.

Praise Given
He awarded Distinguished Service crosses to 12 American and Australian officers "for extraordinary courage, marked efficiency and precise execution of operation during the Papuan campaign" and said in an order of the day that the "victory which has been achieved would have been impossible of accomplishment."

New Wave of Idleness Hits Anthracite Fields

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Jan. 9 (AP)—A new wave of idleness hit the anthracite fields today as the war department summoned striking miners to a mass meeting to urge an immediate return to work.

Another 8000 miners stayed home, bringing the total number to about 24,000 and closing eight more collieries to make the total 24.

Meanwhile coal dealers in Philadelphia reported supplies dwindling and a coal famine threatened. A "great shortage" also had been reported in New England and other sections of the oil rationed east.

The strike spread to a colliery in Hazleton, Pa., last night, soon after the war department announced it would attempt to get the strikers back to work.

Oregon's Legislative Assembly May Lead Off With Senate Post Scrap

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.
SALEM, Jan. 9 (AP)—Oregon's 42nd legislative assembly, which begins at 10 a. m. Monday to consider vital war, taxation and labor problems, might start off with an all-out scrap over president of the senate, it was indicated today.

With the two candidates for the senate presidency—Dorothy McCullough Lee of Portland and W. H. Steiwer of Fossil—about evenly divided, there were widespread reports today that the Lee supporters might try to prevent the seating of Marlon county's two pro senate senators, John Carson and Frederick S. Lamport, both of whom will vote for Steiwer.

Mrs. Lee's supporters, however, could not be given a leave of absence.

William M. McAllister, Medford attorney, is a good as elected speaker of the house.

There will be house and senate caucuses here tomorrow night for the purpose of selecting officers. But Mrs. Lee's cohorts won't come, so the senate's election will be done on the senate floor Monday morning.

The senate fight, which could last for days, might delay the inauguration of Governor-Elect Earl Snell, which is scheduled for 2 p. m. Monday in the house chamber. The inauguration can't be held until both houses are organized.

With republicans outnumbered (Continued on Page Four)

Bombers Rake Japs the Length Of the Pacific

By The Associated Press

A navy department bulletin reported that American bombers, hitting at Japanese bases from the South Seas to the Aleutian Islands off Alaska, set fires in enemy installation at Rekata bay, Santa Isabel Island, in the Solomons, and also pounded the Japanese at Bougainville and Kiska. Two U. S. planes were shot down in the Rekata operations.

Rekata bay is about 135 miles northwest of American-defended Guadalcanal air field.

The navy said U. S. Liberators heavy bombers attacked the Japanese stronghold at Kiska, in the Aleutians, January 7. Results were not observed.

Flying Fortresses bombed the enemy on Bougainville Island, in the northern Solomons, and shot down two Japanese Zero fighters out of 12 enemy planes.

Klamath Tops Scrap Quota By 573 Tons

Klamath county went 573 tons over its scrap iron quota for the last six months of 1942, it was announced Saturday by Bob McCambridge, county salvage chairman.

McCambridge completed salvage compilations on the basis of scrap actually sold, and announced that 4572.95 tons were collected in the six months' period. The quota assigned this county was 4000 tons.

In addition, Klamath collected 148.61 tons of rubber, 14.55 tons of rags, and 5440 pounds of fats in the last half of the year.

McCambridge announced the following totals for the entire year's salvation effort:

Steel, cast and metals—6616.27 tons.

Rags—30.79 tons.

Rubber—289.67 tons.

Fats—5440 pounds.

Paper—66 tons.

He said that the drive for scrap iron salvage should continue steadily because as much scrap iron will be needed in 1943 as in 1942. About 322 tons of scrap are believed to be lying in stockpiles in the county.

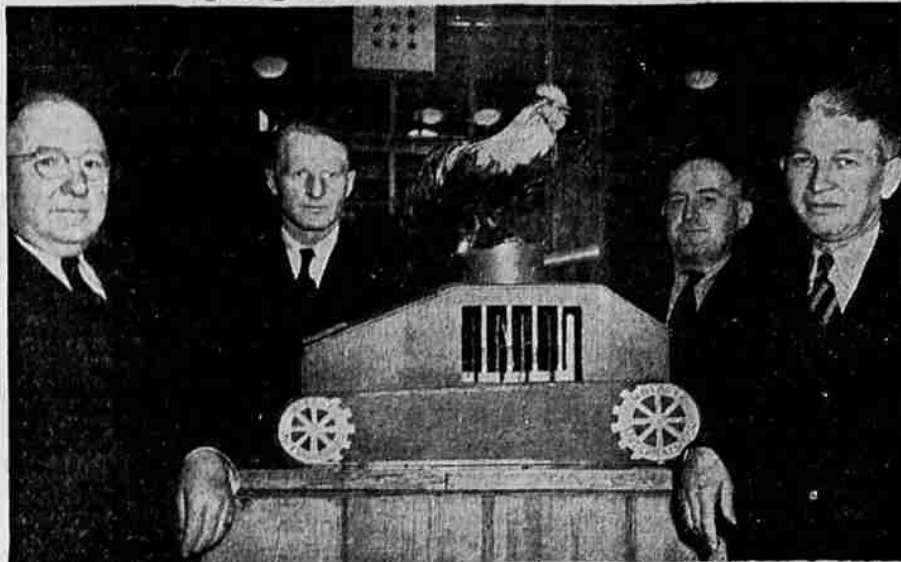
McCambridge expressed appreciation to community salvage committees, the schools, the teamsters' union, the Oregon Women's Ambulance corps, the county court, the office of civilian defense, the implement dealers, and all persons who made contributions to the scrap iron campaign.

Police Report More Thefts of "A" Gas Books

Additional reports advising police of the theft of gas rationing books, have been received according to Chief Earl Heuvel. At least five "A" books were stolen Friday and Saturday according to complaints lodged with the local constabulary.

Most of the books were moved from glove compartments, police observed. Owners were asked to carry the rationing books on their person in order to halt the wave of "A" thefts.

Fighting Cock Boosts War Bond Sales



Rotary club's Captain Jack, a fighting cock, is shown here above a plywood tank, in a picture taken after Friday's Rotary club meeting. Left to right: Ed Ostendorf, president-elect of Kiwanis, who submitted the final bid; DeLoz Mills, president of Rotary; A. M. Collier, county war savings chairman, and Mitchell Tillotson, chairman of Rotary's war bond drive.

SENATORS CHARY OF POST-WAR FORMULA

"Wait and See" Attitude Prevails in Washington

By RICHARD G. MASSOCK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP)—A tendency to avoid blueprint formulas for the post-war structure of the world until the war is won was indicated today among the senators who were told by President Roosevelt they might have a hand in building it.

Some who spoke for the record and some speaking privately informed an interviewer they preferred to wait and see whether Americans themselves wanted nationalism, internationalism or some middle of the road policy.

Long War

The president's statement to congress Thursday that it was "within the realm of possibility" it may help greatly to save the world from future fear was amplified at a press conference yesterday when he expressed hope that the war might be won in 1944.

Similarly, Admiral Harold R. Stark, commander of American naval forces in European waters, told reporters he still held to his previously voiced opinion the war would be "long and tough" but that next year "we will be coming along with such power that we can afford to smash in anywhere."

The "wait and see" attitude (Continued on Page Four)

Henderson Opposes Eastern Gas Cut

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP)—Price Administrator Henderson expressed emphatic opposition today to suspension or wholesale reduction in the value of "A" gasoline rationing in the east, and said he foresaw no immediate necessity for trimming the value of any coupons.

Henderson told a press conference that suspension of "A" books would leave upwards of 5,000,000 cars stranded in the east.

The Value of 'Captain Jack' Is Rocketing

"Captain Jack," Rotary club's war bond bantam rooster, is valued at \$20,000 now.

In only five minutes of bidding at Rotary's regular meeting Friday, he ran up this record sale of bonds. Final bidder was Ed Ostendorf, president-elect of Kiwanis, who was a guest of the club.

Rotary is assisting the war bond sales committee this month, and will auction Captain Jack again next week, and each succeeding week during the month. He is on display at Murphy's Seed store and, if his success as a salesman is assured here, he may be shipped to other towns to aid in bond drives, according to Andrew Collier, county defense bond chairman.

Collier also stated that Klamath county's quota has been raised from \$249,000 to \$317,240.

Wire Reveals Twin Held as War Prisoner

Information that one of their twin sons, Darwin Wissenback, 22, is a prisoner of war, was received Friday night by Mr. and Mrs. James Wissenback of Shady Pine. Word came by telegram from the war department.

This heartening news eased fears of the parents that the youth, staff sergeant of the U. S. army air corps and reported missing along with six other bomber crews in a night flight over Lille, France, December 20, might have been killed when his plane was shot down.

No word has been received concerning the fate of Tech. Sgt. Erwin Wissenback, the other twin, missing since October 13 in a raid over Europe. Erwin's plane was said to have glided considerable distance before it went down, and parachutes were seen to drift from the crippled ship, according to word sent the parents by their son, Darwin. Both boys are KUHS graduates and former Herald and News carriers.

Legislators Go To Capital

Klamath's legislative delegation is in Salem for Sunday's caucuses and the opening of the legislature Monday.

Representative Henry Semon went to Portland to a meeting on industrial alcohol projects at mid-week, and will return to Salem by Sunday.

Senator Marshall Cornett and Representative L. H. Craver had left Saturday for the capital.

War Bulletin

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AP)—Reuters quoted a Chungking report today that American submarines had sunk two Japanese liners off Woussong, about 25 miles from Shanghai, and that only 42 persons were saved out of 1000 aboard the two ships.

FUEL OIL SHORTAGE CLOSES NY SCHOOLS

Eastern Board Works To Conserve Supply

By The Associated Press

New York City public schools were ordered closed for a week beginning February 1 while in Rhode Island a five-day week for non-war business establishments appeared probable today as public officials and private citizens worked to assure maximum use of the available fuel oil supply in the east.

There were indications that the great majority of motorists were observing the government's ban on pleasure driving in 17 Atlantic seaboard states and the District of Columbia.

Streets Deserted

For example, when 64 office of price administrators inspectors, accompanied by police, opened the Massachusetts campaign to enforce the pleasure driving ban, they found only a few cars on the streets or in parking areas adjacent to amusement places.

Nearly deserted streets in large eastern cities seemed to indicate motorists had decided (Continued on Page Four)

Rescuers Take 11 Bodies From Morgantown Mine

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Jan. 9 (AP)—Rescue workers early today recovered 11 bodies in the smoke-filled, flame-swept No. 15 mine of the Purgislove Mining company and continued a search for the last of 13 miners killed when a trapped by an underground fire.

Frank Robinette, a mine motorman whose motor investigators linked with the blaze, was still missing.

The body of Guy Quinn was located a few hours after the fire trapped 13 of the 78 men working on the night shift early Friday morning.

The locale of the fire, almost three miles underground from the mine mouth, was reached 22 hours after a mine motor caught fire and isolated a small section of the mine with 13 men behind it.

Imperial Troops Battle Japanese At Rathedaung

NEW DELHI, India, Jan. 9 (AP)—Imperial troops are engaging the Japanese in Burma at Rathedaung, on the east bank of the Mayu river 25 miles northwest of Akyab, and on the Mayu peninsula, which forms the west bank of the river, a British communique announced today.

Occasional encounters have taken place during the last few days, the British said.

Fighter-escorted Blenheim bombers raided Rathedaung yesterday and bombers went in again over Akyab and nearby airdrome and anti-aircraft gun positions, it was reported.

Yanks Raid Bizerte

HEAVY BLOW STRIKES VITAL SUPPLY PORT

Spatz to Command New Allied Air Force

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Jan. 9 (AP)—The United States air force has struck one of the heaviest blows of the war at Bizerte, a vital axis supply port, with big four-motored Flying Fortresses bombing it on three separate raids, it was announced today.

The attack coincided with the news from Lieutenant General Dwight D. Eisenhower, allied commander in North Africa, that U. S. Major General Carl Spaatz has been made commander of a new allied air force on that front.

Five Lost

Spatz will supervise not only the 12th U. S. air force under Maj. Gen. James H. Doolittle but also the RAF under air Vice Marshal Sir William L. Welsh and such French units as may serve with the allies.

Five American planes were lost, all P-38 twin-engine fighters.

The fortress raids on Bizerte were said to have formed one of the most concentrated attacks of the campaign on a single target, carrying out their bombings despite ground fire and fighter opposition.

The bombers shot down four planes over Bizerte, which is rated among airmen as one of the hottest anti-aircraft areas in the world.

Enemy docks in Tripoli also were attacked.

Operating along the enemy supply line leading south from Kairouan toward Gabes, American medium bombers — B-25 Billy Mitchells and B-26 Marauders (Continued on Page Four)

RAF Bombers Attack Germany's Ruhr Valley Again

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AP)—RAF bombers attacked industrial targets in Germany's Ruhr valley last night for the fourth time this week, it was announced officially today.

Five British aircraft were reported missing from the night's operations, indicating an attack by perhaps 100 planes. No official details were given immediately of the raid's scope or specific targets, however.

It was the second night in succession that the big British bombers had carried their destruction to the maze of steel mills and heavy industrial plants in the Ruhr and the fourth attack this year.

Yanks Give Japs a Taste of Their Own Medicine in December Nuisance Raid

By EUGENE BURNS
ABOARD A CATALINA FLYING BOAT OVER NEW GEORGIA ISLAND IN THE SOLOMONS, Dec. 15 (Delayed)

(AP)—"Munda Point is dead ahead," shouts the patrol plane commander above the roar of our twin Pratt & Whitney engines' 2400 horsepower. "We'll make two runs on the Japs before we begin unloading."

Ours is a midnight "Louie the Louse" mission—getting under the Japs' hide and keeping him awake, and the plane commander, Lieut. Lauren E. Johnson, 27, of Olympia, Wash., is going through with it despite signs of a storm.

In the light of a half-moon racing out of ugly black clouds, we have been scanning the coral-bound coastline of the jungle-matted island 150 miles northwest of Guadalcanal. We

WAAC Recruiter



This is Mrs. C. Jester, Klamath Falls, volunteer recruiter for the WAACs. Mrs. Jester will be at the — every Saturday from 2 to 6 to interview women interested in WAAC service.

EASING OF LABOR PROBLEM FORESEEN

Stoll Says WMC Jurisdiction Will Smooth Way

EUGENE, Jan. 9 (AP)—Regu-

lar farm labor demands should be more adequately taken care of in 1943, L. C. Stoll, director of the Oregon war manpower commission, told delegates attending the Oregon state CIO convention here this morning.

Stoll said that complete WMC jurisdiction over manpower problems would make the filling of farm demands for labor easier this year than last.

He predicted, however, that seasonal demands would have to be met in 1943 on "a patriotic basis," as they were last year.

100 Attend

"During the past year, contrary to many reports," the WMC director maintained, "the loss of crops in this area due to shortage of harvest workers was actually very small. From beets, through peas, berries, beans and other crops, farmers can claim only slight losses from lack of labor. Weather conditions were responsible for the main losses."

During the morning session of the second day of the Oregon state industrial union council, attended by more than 100 delegates, the legislative committee offered a number of resolutions which were approved.

The convention endorsed a nationally controlled system of (Continued on Page Four)

TWENTY TOWNS CAPTURED IN SWEEPING GAIN

Russ Challenge Nazis To Tell Truth of Disaster

By ROGER D. GREENE

Associated Press War Editor
Russia officially challenged Germany today to tell the truth about the disaster rapidly enveloping Adolf Hitler's invasion armies, even as soviet troops recaptured more than 20 additional towns in their triumphant sweep through the lower Don river valley and the Caucasus.

Despite the soviet jibe, Hitler's field headquarters still resorted to generalities and gave the German people no intimation that the once-conquering Nazi legions were suffering their worst setbacks of the war.

Nazis Vague

Thus the Nazi communique pictured German troops as repulsing soviet attacks in the three major sectors—between the Caucasus and the Don, near Stalingrad; and "in the Don district"—and inflicting "extremely heavy losses" in counterattacks. The German high command further insisted that the stronghold of Velikie Luki, 80 miles from the Latvian frontier, which the Russians claimed last week, was still being "stubbornly defended against fierce enemy attacks."

"They Have Lied"

Soviet dispatches said three Russian armies were now closing in around the great German (Continued on Page Four)

Sales Tax to Replace Income Tax Proposed

PORTLAND, Jan. 9 (AP)—A sales tax to substitute for the state income tax was proposed today by a legislative interim committee.

The committee said that the tax would be justified if it only lowered income tax rates, and recommended that a 40-mill property tax limit also be established.

The committee blamed the income tax, plus high property, gift and inheritance taxes for driving industry and wealthy persons into neighboring states.

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