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Weather News

January 15—High 47, Low 30 Precipitation as of January 9, 1943 Stream year to date 8.03 Last year 6.98 Normal 5.18

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.

REDS PREPARE SMASH AT ROSTOV

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS FROM today's dispatches we can glean a little more detail about the attempt of Jap destroyers to relieve the Jap ground troops on Guadalcanal. It seems to have been a failure, although one is inclined to guess that the fight isn't over yet.

THE fight started on Friday, Solomons time, which, because of the international date line, was Thursday here. It was touched off when one of our Catalinas (big flying boats) sighted five Jap destroyers about 60 miles northwest of Guadalcanal and went into action without waiting for help, damaging one of the Jap ships with bombs. Later on in the day nine Jap destroyers (maybe the original five joined by four more) were sighted and by this time our dive bombers and fighters, undoubtedly notified by the Catalina, were on the job and damaged two more of the Japs.

Still later the same day, five Jap destroyers were attacked by army Flying Fortresses escorted by army fighters, but no hits on the Japs were observed. In the course of the day's fighting, 30 Jap planes (about half of them Zero fighters) were shot down. We seem to have lost about seven planes, although the dispatches are not too clear on that point.

THE entire day's fighting appears to have taken place in a circle some 150 miles in diameter to the northwest of Guadalcanal. The Japs seem to have had more fighter planes than usual in action. Where they came from isn't stated. One guesses they came from their new airfield at Munda, which is in fighter range of the day's battles.

It seems to be plain that they FAILED to land reinforcements on Guadalcanal. WE learn from today's dispatches that 152 more Japs have been killed at Buna. It's down to just that. There were once 15,000 of them. How many are left isn't known. Probably they'll ALL have to be killed before the Buna fighting can be brought to a definite end.

There's nothing new today from Salamau, where the Australians have started something whose scope and purpose isn't yet clear. THE Russians are drawing a half circle around Rostov to the north and east, and today's dispatches indicate that the battle for the big and important German base is about to begin.

The Russians are said to be preparing to cross the Donets river, which (as your map will show you) joins the Don east of Rostov, and the two rivers form the city's last natural defense barrier. Two Russian columns are moving on the city, one from the north and the other from the east, and it looks as if the show-down may be nearing.

IN Its distinctly flamboyant style, the red army says the Germans are "in complete rout," retreating 20 miles in one day and abandoning 10,000 cattle at one point. Ten thousand cattle will provide a lot of beef for the advancing Russians. AERIAL dogfights feature the war in Tunisia. A total of 23 axis planes is shot down in a day, with our losses not stated. FIFTY axis transport planes are encountered off the Tunisian coast and seven of them shot down. This gives an idea of the extent to which the Germans are using aerial transport. German and Italian reports hint that Montgomery is begin-

30 Jap Planes Shot Down

2 Die as Storm Sweeps Oregon, Washington

PORTLAND, Jan. 16 (AP)—Oregon and Washington residents repaired damage today from violent windstorms that claimed two lives and caused widespread property loss. One man, James C. Farrow, 55, was killed in central Oregon by a huge pine tree that crashed through his bedroom. A tree similarly killed a seven-month-old boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ike, in the Puget sound area of Washington. Damage was heavy in forests of the two states. The storm was the worst in years in the mid-Columbia river area, where roofs were ripped off, barns overturned, trees uprooted, boat-houses wrecked and power and communication lines severed. A ferry on the Columbia river, where spray was whipped 50 feet in the air, was swept a mile off its course before a coast guard cutter rescued it.

23 AXIS PLANES BLASTED FROM SKY

Aerial Dogfighting Flames in Desert Battle

By WES GALLAGHER ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Jan. 16 (AP)—American and RAF fighters and even bombers battled axis aircraft in the biggest scale dogfighting of the Tunisian campaign by day and night yesterday, blasting 23 German and Italian planes from the skies, it was announced today. Aerial activity was intense over the entire Tunisian front.

Rommel Hit Half the toll was taken in two actions. The Germans attempted to bomb advanced allied airfields, and lost seven planes. Then P-38 Lightnings and B-25 Billy Mitchell bombers engaged 50 axis transport planes off the Tunisian coast, and shot down seven more. (On the Tripolitanian front the British told of strongly increased patrol operations in which casualties were inflicted on Marshal Rommel's forces in several sectors, and the Italian high command reported the outbreak of violent ground fighting. Activity Limited (The Italian report said tank-supported allied forces were (Continued on Page Four)

Dairy Youth, Dale Brown, Dies in Army Plane Crash

SALINAS, Kans., Jan. 16 (AP)—A 4-motored army bomber crashed in a take off at the Smoky Hill air base last night, killing five of the crew of 10 army fliers aboard. Lieut. H. E. Smith, public relations officer at the field, said the ship, starting a routine training flight, crashed and burned on the runway. The men killed were announced this afternoon as: 1st. Lieutenant Robert I. Van Horn, father H. V. Van Horn, Sr. Tulsa, Okla. 1st Lieut. Edward G. Riley, Hollis, N. Y. Staff Sergeant Dale V. Brown, (Continued on Page Four)

DRAFT RULES ON FARM LABOR TO BE RELAXED

Labor Problems Dwarf Squabble Over Flynn

By The Associated Press WASHINGTON, Jan. 16—Confronted by five different phases of the wartime manpower worry, official Washington concentrated today on labor problems with only sketchy side-glances at squabbles over Edward J. Flynn's diplomatic appointment and the board of economic warfare's shipment of truck tires to South America. Revival of congressional effort to return the 48-hour work-week loomed to tighten tension in labor circles which also was aggravated as an 18-day strike spread in the Pennsylvania hard coal fields despite a war labor board order to end the walkout.

Lewis at Helm Farm state senators welcomed an agreement by agriculture and manpower officials to relax draft deferment regulations for essential farm labor. Federal agencies were reported to be setting a national pace in the war manpower commission plan to employ physically handicapped workers, and a war production board director of procurement policy warned military and federal procurement officers not to overestimate labor market considerations in placing war contracts. As the local union representatives returned to Pennsylvania, they left bush-browed John L. Lewis solidly braced at the helm of their United Mine Workers International—his stand on the (Continued on Page Four)

Effort Abandoned To Mediate Rail Wage, Shop Demand

CHICAGO, Jan. 16 (AP)—The national mediation board announced today that it had abandoned its efforts to mediate wage and closed shop demands of more than 900,000 non-operating employees of Class One railroads. A statement issued by the board expressed confidence, however, that the dispute could be settled without resorting to a strike vote. No threat to the wartime railroad transportation system exists at this time, the statement made clear.

Church Four Blocks From Coal Mine Is Out of Coal Today

NANTICOKE, Pa., Jan. 16 (AP)—Bethel Congregational church, situated four and a half blocks from a coal mine, announced today it had been forced to cancel its regular services tomorrow—because it has no coal. The church has been unable to replenish its bins because of the 18-day-old wildcat strike in the coal fields, Pastor Allen L. Irwin said, so tomorrow the congregation—including 150 miners—will worship in a nearby Baptist church where it's warm.

Bedaux Jailed



Charles E. Bedaux, above, originator of the industrial labor "speed-up" system and friend of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, has been arrested in French North Africa. It was learned in Washington, Bedaux, whose exact whereabouts was not announced, was charged with trading with the enemy.

ALLIES CRACK NIP SANANANDA LINE

152 Japs Slain in Attempt to Stop Advance

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, Jan. 16 (AP)—Allied ground forces attacking the last pocket of Japanese resistance on the Papuan peninsula of New Guinea have broken through and destroyed a section of enemy forward positions at Sanananda and have slain 152 Japanese who attempted to stop the advance, an allied communique said today. Quantities of arms and equipment were captured by the allied troops, the bulletin said, but there was no further amplification of the successful action. Raid Completed Sanananda is northwest of the former Japanese stronghold at Buna on the northeast coast of (Continued on Page Four)

Crew of Battered Fortress Bags Nazi Planes Nevertheless

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Jan. 16 (AP)—The crew of the battered American Flying Fortress which flew home two hours late and with only two engines operating after the big raid on Tripoli Tuesday shot down six Messerschmitt 109's in combat on the way back to its base, a spokesman announced today. The bomber was piloted by Lieut. John L. Cronkhite of St. Petersburg, Fla.

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YANKS LAMBAST GUADALCANAL LANDING TRY

American Troops Continue Advance on Land

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—The navy announced today that American forces in the Solomon islands had shot down 30 Japanese planes, damaged three destroyers and bombed and left burning a cargo ship in a series of actions apparently resulting from determined enemy attempts to reinforce and supply Jap troops on Guadalcanal island. Seven United States planes were lost. On Guadalcanal itself, a communique said American troops continued to advance against "stiff enemy resistance." Gains of 3000 to 4000 yards were reported.

Hit Scored

The heaviest day's fighting reported in the communique occurred on Friday (Solomons time) beginning with an attack by a single Catalina reconnaissance plane against a group of five Japanese destroyers 16 miles northeast of the Russell islands, which are 60 nautical miles northwest of the American airfield on Guadalcanal. The Catalina scored one direct hit and two near-misses on one of the destroyers and when last seen the vessel was aflame.

8 Zeros Down

Later Friday morning a force of Dauntless dive bombers, escorted by navy-marine corps Wildcat fighters and army Airacobra fighters attacked nine Jap destroyers which were 140 miles northwest of Lunga point on Guadalcanal. Two of the destroyers were reported seriously damaged.

Twelve Jap Zero fighters at

Coal Miners Due Back at Work Flout Ultimatum

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Jan. 16 (AP)—At least 5100 additional anthracite miners due to report for work stayed away from their jobs today in the face of a new war labor board ultimatum ordering 10,000 to 17,000 others to end their 18-day-old wildcat strike immediately. After the order was announced, strike leaders in Washington voted to propose resumption of production Monday. The new idleness came as rank-and-file members expressed dissatisfaction with the WLB ruling. They would not permit the use of their names pending local union meetings called for late today and tomorrow to decide whether the order will be heeded.

Legislators Put in Saturday Session: Wallace, Cornett Eye Reapportionment

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR SALEM, Jan. 16 (AP)—The Oregon legislature ended its first week's work today with a Saturday session, the first time in history that one was held on the first weekend. There were 89 bills introduced the first week, compared with 51 the first week of the 1941 session, when the total was the largest on record. The big increase was made despite the desires of most members to hold the total down to make a short session possible. The number of house bills to date is 74, compared with 27 the first week of the 1941 session, but there are only 15 senate bills, compared with 24 two years ago. The senate passed

Just Before Going "Over the Top"



Half an hour after these American soldiers sat in a captured Jap bunker on the Buna front facing Simelei creek. December 23, and opened Christmas packages they "went over the top" against the enemy. The U. S. army transport command brought this picture half way around the world in 18 days.

"Pine Goes to War" Tonight With Big Victory Program

Loggers, sawmill workers, soldiers, sailors and armen will take part in the continuous program at the Vox theatre Victory center tonight as "Pine Goes to War" in a big way. The program is underway at 7:30 o'clock with an auction slated during the intermission. A script prepared by Roderic Olizendam of the Forest Products Industries, Tacoma, Wash., will find Olizendam as the narrator assisted by Bill Aldridge, CIO, as the logger; Jim Good of the AFL as the sawmill man, Jim Watson and Dan Schreiber as sailors, E. Frank Davenport, civilian flight instructor, as the airman, and Staff Sgt. Abry Butler of Camp White, the soldier.

Sub-title of "Pine Goes to War" is this statement "Five Fighting Trees for Every Fighting Man." This is developed throughout the interesting script which takes approximately one half hour to present. The opening paragraph should interest all residents of the Klamath basin directly or indirectly tied up with the lumber industry. "Klamath Falls is at war—as much at war as any city in America. No cannons stand guard on its surrounding hill tops; no planes scour its skies—yet the war is here. The war is being fought in the pine forests for miles around by men who swing axes and pull saws; it is being fought here by men and women in sawmills and box factories. Statistics on the lumber indus-

try are provided in an interesting fashion including the amount of lumber which has gone into barracks, mess halls, chapels, and hospitals, making it a "mammoth carpentry job." The public is invited to attend the program and is promised musical entertainment from the 42 Camp White men who arrived here at noon. Tonight they will be guests of the Commandos at supper. Saturday afternoon's auction of merchandise which went to highest bond bidders, was conducted by William S. Sweet, grader, Ewauna Box company, with Charles Wiese of Tulelake. (Continued on Page Four)

Woman Reported at Controls of Jap Suicide Plane

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Jan. 16 (AP)—A woman was at the controls of one of the Japanese planes which made a suicide dive on the aircraft Carrier Hornet, Petty Officer James H. Prince, 20, related yesterday at his home. Prince said he was the pointer on a five-inch gun which shot down one Jap raider. When it went out of commission he shot down five more planes with a 20-mm. gun. He said he was sure that he saw the nazi swastika on some of the high-altitude bombers that criss-crossed over the carrier.

ARMIES SWEEP INTO 30 MORE TOWNS IN GAIN

Soviets Announce New Offensive in Voronezh Sector

LONDON, Jan. 16 (AP)—A special soviet communique announced tonight that Russian troops have launched a new offensive in the Voronezh sector of the long front and have advanced from 30 to 56 miles in three days of heavy fighting. By HENRY C. CASSIDY MOSCOW, Jan. 16 (AP)—Sweeping through 30 more towns, red army forces battled to the east bank of the Donets river 20 miles southeast of Kamensk and to the Sale Manych hills overlooking the Manych river southeast of Rostov today as they steadily closed in a semi-circle around the big nazi base at the gateway to the Caucasus. (These positions would put the Russians some 80 to 90 miles from Rostov to the northeast and southeast. They already had driven within 60 miles of the big port from the east in their smash down both banks of the lower Don.)

Wide Front Battlefield dispatches indicated that the battle for Rostov itself was about to begin, with the Russians preparing for a smash across the Donets—last (Continued on Page Four)

Washington to Buy, Resell Dairy Cows To Halt Slaughter

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—In an effort to hold milk production to the highest possible level, the agriculture department announced yesterday it would buy and resell dairy cows to prevent their being sold for slaughter. The department said that dairy cows were being sold for slaughter because of labor shortages and other difficulties in some areas, particularly in the New York, Chicago and Kansas City milksheds and surrounding territories. If the labor shortage cannot be met so that cows may be kept on farms where they are now, the department plans to buy them and resell to farmers having feed, labor and other facilities for caring for additional cows. Sales will be on easy terms to farmers needing credit.

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only one bill during the week, while the house passed six. Rep. J. D. Perry, St. Helens democrat, introduced a bill today to create a state department of labor and industry. The 1941 legislature defeated a similar bill by Perry. The measure would combine the state industrial accident, unemployment compensation and state welfare commissions, the labor commissioner's office, and the state board of conciliation. There would be three commissioners at \$5600 salaries each, while the department would be divided into four divisions—Industrial relations, unemployment compensation, industrial insurance, and safety. The house passed four bills today to make minor code changes, but the senate passed one. Sen. Lew Wallace, Portland democrat, and Marshall Cornett, Klamath Falls republican, compiled figures today showing how they would reapportion the state's legislators under their proposed constitutional amendment. If the legislature passes it and if the people approve it at the November 1944 general election, then the 1945 legislature would consider a law to carry out the amendment's purpose. The amendment would provide that the state be apportioned two-thirds according to population and one-third by (Continued on Page Four)