

LONG BLOCKADE ENDS AS REDS CONTINUE GAIN

(Continued From Page One) of the series of winter blows against the whole axis position in the southwest, was making new progress today 50 miles west of the Don along the railway to Kupyansk and Kharkov.

Front dispatches said the German lines were being rolled back by slashing attacks against garrisons in fortified cities, towns and villages. The direction of the main thrust was toward the southwest, aimed at the Ukraine and Kharkov.

Between the Don and the new front line at least one full German division was declared virtually encircled and being driven from the rear eastward. Mixed forces of Germans and Hungarians were reported retreating hurriedly and struggling in vain to mount counterattacks and gain time to consolidate their new lines.

Other Russian forces driving down the rail line to Rostov past recaptured Millerovo reached the north bank of the Donets, creating a sharp threat to Kamensk. The Donets has not yet been crossed in this drive. A Moscow broadcast heard in London said, however, that Russian forces were pouring across the river, presumably in a sector 12 miles southeast of Kamensk to which the Russians advanced across the middle Don steppes from the northeast.

COLLIERY VOTES RETURN TO WORK

(Continued From Page One) Kosik, president of UMW district No. 1, predicted that if the four big collieries decided to resume operations, the 19-day-old work stoppage would come to an end quickly.

He made the prediction despite the fact that the strike spread into district 7 for the second time today, closing two collieries and adding an additional 2300 men to the approximately 12,500 who continued to disregard the WLB ultimatum. Carl Kratz, president of the South Wilkes-Barre local, said 230 voted to return to work, 226 voted to continue on strike, 12 ballots were thrown out and 800 workers did not vote.

Muttering Heard Announcing the outcome to the miners, Kratz declared: "This is a legal election. The majority have voted to go back. We must abide by it." Mutterings of "we'll stay out anyway" and "we'll picket tomorrow" greeted his statement. One miner asserted he "would rather have the government run the mine than work under a dictator."

In district 7 (Hazleton area) 1400 employees at the Hazleton shaft colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal company and 900 workers at the Edison Anthracite company's Mesquehoning operation left their jobs in defiance of even their local leaders, some of whom stood at the mine entrance and urged the men to enter. The Hazleton and Nesquehoning workers are concerned primarily with a demand for a \$2-a-day wage increase. The district 1 (Wilkes-Barre and Scranton) strikers are demanding, in addition to a wage increase, that the UMW rescind a 50-cent-a-month increase in union dues.

Roosevelt PTA—The regular meeting of Roosevelt PTA will be held Tuesday, January 19, at 2:30 p. m., in the school auditorium.

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HEAD MAN. No. 1 boy of a New Guinea village gets all fixed up to greet U. S. troops as they pass through on their way to fight the Japs. (Passed by censor.)

Potatoes

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18 (AP-USDA)—Potatoes: 17 Calif., 16 Oregon, 20 Idaho arrived, 1 by truck; 14 broken, 32 unbroken cars on track; market dull, Klamath Russets No. 1 size A, \$2.70, No. 1 size A 2-in. minimum \$2.75.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 18 (AP-USDA)—Potatoes: 10 California, 24 Idaho, 2 Oregon arrived, 5 by truck, 9 diverted; 23 broken, 80 unbroken cars on track; market dull, Idaho Russets No. 1, \$2.50, No. 2, \$1.90-1.95.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18 (AP-USDA)—Potatoes, arrivals 116; on track 193; total US shipments Saturday 1008, Sunday 25; old stock; supplies rather light, demand fair; for northern stock market firm on best quality; for western stock market steady; new stock, supplies moderate, demand slow; market about steady; Idaho Russet Burbanks US No. 1, \$3.00-10; Colorado Red McClures US No. 1, \$2.80-95; Nebraska Bliss Triumphs US No. 1, \$3.00; Minnesota and North Dakota Bliss Triumphs US No. 1, \$2.10-25; Wisconsin Chippewas US No. 1, \$2.25-50; Michigan Green Mountains US No. 1, \$2.40-50; Florida bushel crate and bushel basket Bliss Triumphs US No. 1, \$2.45-65 per bushel.

PORTLAND (AP)—Potatoes—Cash and carry prices: Klamath, 3.02; Malin, fancy, 3.02 cental; Yakima, 2.57; Deschutes, 2.97 cental; local, 2.25 cental.

8TH ARMY SWEEPS TOWARD TRIPOLI

(Continued From Page One) Tripoli by the shortest possible route.

In Contact Beni Ulid is approximately 100 miles from the nearest point on the coast and approximately the same distance from Tripoli. Montgomery's announcement said that his forces were in contact with the enemy last evening in the area between Beni Ulid and the coastal villages of Taurorga and Bir Dufan after advancing a total of more than 80 miles. (The Italian high command, in a communique broadcast by the Rome radio, declared that at least 20 allied tanks had been left immobilized in "lively engagements" in eastern Tripolitania. Allied attacks were held, the report asserted. (Axis planes were reported by Rome to have scored direct hits on two allied merchant ships in North African harbors and to have left one in sinking condition. Two allied planes were said to have been shot down.)

Coastal Defenses Held Coordinated

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 18 (AP)—Coastal defenses of the northwest United States and British Columbia are "well coordinated" Maj. Gen. Robert A. Lewis, commanding general of the northwest sector of the United States, with headquarters in Fort Lewis, said here this week-end. General Lewis and his staff were here for several days.

This problem (unemployment) is recognized by the man in the street, who sums it up in a nutshell like this: If everybody can be given a job in war work now, why can't everybody have a job in peacetime production later on? —Vice President Henry A. Wallace.

Within the past six months every element of this command has been working at top speed to complete those behind-the-scenes services which are vital to and make possible a sustained air offensive.—Maj. Gen. Henry F. Miller of Army 8th Air Force service command.

U. S. BOMBERS STRIKE BLOW IN SOLOMONS AREA

(Continued From Page One) that United States planes attacked one group of five destroyers and another of nine. Both groups were damaged, but it was not disclosed whether they accomplished any landings. "Unhinge Japs"

Maj. Gen. Millard F. Harmon, commander of the army air and ground forces in the South Pacific, declared that the scope of allied offensive plans extended far beyond Guadalcanal.

He said it was the aim of the allies to "unhinge the Japanese from New Guinea, the Bismarck Archipelago and the Solomon Islands." United States bombers again pounded Japanese shipping, ports and air bases in the New Guinea area. Five Japanese merchant ships were sunk or damaged in a three-hour raid by Flying Fortresses on the harbor of Rabaul, New Britain, Saturday night.

In New Guinea The Japanese sent 24 medium bombers and 20 fighters against the allied base at Milne bay in New Guinea, but a communique from allied headquarters said damage was unimportant and there were no casualties.

On the New Guinea land front, allied forces cut the main road in the rear of Japanese forces at Suanananda and killed 120 Japanese. Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey, Australian commander of allied ground troops under Gen. Douglas MacArthur, said in a broadcast last night that Japan's forces in the Papuan peninsula of New Guinea had been "practically eliminated," as well as defeated.

Base Ruined United States and British fliers scored anew in their blows from the east and west against the Japanese in Burma. Lieut. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters in Chungking said Bhamo, an advanced Japanese base in Burma, had been practically ruined by heavy bombing and strafing. American medium bombers also battered the Japanese air base at Lashio with tons of explosives.

Committee Backs Passage of State Guard Measure

SALEM, Jan. 18, (P) — The senate military affairs committee recommended passage today of the bill to keep the state guard in existence until six months after the war, but the committee made amendments which will delay final passage of the bill until the house concurs in the amendments. The guard would be disbanded Thursday unless the bill is passed and signed by the governor by that time.

The senate amendments would remove the requirements that persons suing state guard officers for acts done in performance of duty must post security for payment of costs.

Commission Probes Strange Sinking In Portland

(Continued From Page One) who said the recent flood might have piled a sand ridge under the dock, and the ship might have broken its keel on the ridge as the water level dropped. Salvage possibilities were under consideration. Rivermen said the vessel might be floated to drydock by flooding middle compartments to bring them in line with fore and aft sections. If the keel were snapped, the halves of the ship might be floated to drydock separately. The FBI questioned the 30 crewmen aboard, none of whom suffered serious injuries as the ship made its plunge.

Our job is to drive out the Japs or exterminate them during the coming year. And I, as your leader, pledge myself to drive the Japanese from China or kill them.—General Chennault.

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It Looks Cold Even in a Picture



This snow-banked hut is headquarters of a squadron of US navy patrol planes somewhere in the Aleutian islands. Blustery wind, snow and fog add to the difficulties of carrying on operations in that icy theatre of war. This is a US navy photo.

U. S. MORTAR UNIT BUILDS REPUTATION

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As a unit we laid down a barrage preceding every attack this outfit has made," Dasinger said. "Once we were firing all of them at the same time but usually found it enough to fire two at a time."

"Now, take this bunch of boys (pointing down into a three-foot-deep pit surrounded by sandbags with a shelter half stretched over the top to keep out some of the rain. This day it was open part way to let rare sunshine stream in to dry out water logged clothes and other gear.) Their mortar knocked out at least one Jap machine gun nest way over to the west near Killerton track after part of our force had taken a position there."

While I was standing there chatting with the boys, a bare-footed, blond young man came up and stood listening, running his toes through the warm sand and seeming to enjoy the sensation as much as a youngster back home who had taken off his shoes and is going barefoot for the first time of the summer.

"This is Capt. John Sponenburgh, our company commander," Lieut. Dasinger said. "He's from Olympia, Wash."

"But don't say anything about me unless it's good," Sponenburgh broke in. "This is the first chance I've had for days to dry my feet."

"Pine Goes to War" Nets Over \$11,000 for Drive

(Continued From Page One) mops, Sears Roebuck and company, \$100. Harold McKenzie, girdle, Moe's, \$25. Joe Palooka, picture, Moe's, \$100. Tom Edwards, six angel food cakes, Fluhrer's Bakery, \$5000. Rose J. Paull, blanket, J. C. Penney company, \$625. F. D. McMillan, set of silverware, Bertram's Jewelry, \$1050. Jack Dyer, ham, Emil's Super Market, \$325. Harold McKenzie, lady's night gown, Long's, \$100. F. W. Van Buskirk, alarm clock, Ricky's Jewelers, \$1050. Lufe Stephens, crate oranges, Pacific Fruit, \$1000. Rose J. Paull, potatoes, George Burger, \$16.75.

It isn't the clothes that men stare at—but the woman who should be in them.

CHARGING ACROSS THE BATTLE TORN SKIES! FLYING FORBRESS NOW! PELICAN

Fighter's Gun Jammed, and The Japs Lost Another Sub

PORTLAND, Jan. 18, (P)—A Japanese submarine was sunk because an American fighter's deck gun jammed.

This paradox was explained Saturday by Bill Hutchinson, Portland, oiler on the freighter, torpedoed two months ago. "Ten minutes after the torpedo hit the port side of the ship, a light appeared on the starboard side to draw fire from our gun crew, but the crew was having some difficulty getting shells out of a jammed magazine," he said.

"Then a large submarine surfaced to port and fired one shell at us, missing us. That was when our gun crew went into action and fired three shells right

back, apparently hitting the sub, which submerged. We think it kept going right on down," Hutchinson told a reporter.

He showed scars left from approximately 200 steel fragments that struck him when the torpedo hit. None inflicted a serious wound. He will have the fragments removed at a hospital after his visit here.

"I'm staying away from magnets in the meanwhile," Hutchinson said.

EDITORIALS ON NEWS

(Continued From Page One) the main line of the Baku-Rostov railroad.

It looks like the Rostov showdown is coming.

IN the South Seas, our air forces are ranging all over the Solomons, attacking Jap bases, airfields and shipping. Five Jap merchant ships, totaling about 25,000 tons, are sunk or damaged at Rabaul. The Japs retort with an air raid on our field at Milne bay, at the southeast tip of New Guinea, using 24 bombers escorted by 20 fighters. The damage they inflicted is said to have been slight.

Larger Jap air forces are reported today at Guadalcanal, which, taken with the activities of Jap destroyers last week, is regarded as an indication that they're preparing another blow at our coveted airfield there.

THE Jap road leading to the beach at Suanananda point, in the Buna area, has been cut, and General Sir Thomas Blamey, Australian commander, says today the Jap forces at Buna have been not only defeated but practically exterminated.

But he warns: "Don't for a moment think we're out of the woods with the Jap. His self-belief is colossal and his resources are great."

AMPLIFYING Sir Thomas' warning to take in the rest of the world, it will be well if we don't get too cocky over the distinctly favorable news that fills the headlines today. We're doing well. But there's a lot of fight left in the Germans, and as Sir Thomas suggests, the Japs' real fighting resources have hardly been nicked.

It will be nothing short of disastrous if we let ourselves get so cocksure as to let down in our efforts.

STIFF DEFENSE MEETS RAIDERS; RAF LOSES 22

(Continued From Page One) striking the ground. The firing, which ceased only after the last of the raiders departed, combined with new secret anti-aircraft devices to make a spectacular show.

The air ministry announced both offensive and defensive operations. "Berlin was again attacked by a strong force of our heavy bombers last night," the air ministry communique said. "A great load of bombs was dropped and, by the end of the attack, large fires were burning."

22 Lost The bombers flew in bright moonlight on most of the 1200 mile round trip, but encountered some clouds over the target area. In contrast to the light opposition Saturday night, the air ministry said "there were many combats with enemy fighters." One of these was reportedly shot down.

The air ministry said 22 bombers failed to return. The German high command, in a communique broadcast by the Berlin radio, said Nazi night fighters and anti-aircraft guns shot down 25, most of them four-motored types. Seven other allied aircraft were declared destroyed in operations over western Europe and the North sea.

Nazi Loss Heavy The German figure for Nazi plane losses was six. The high command said the German raiders "caused extensive destructions, particularly in the district west of the large Thames bend."

Hitler's officers did not comment on damage in the Sunday night raid on the German capital, but a subsequent Berlin broadcast said fire losses from the "terror attack" were heavy.

Labor Council Takes Lease on Murphey Building

(Continued From Page One) ing but due to the weekend cold snap plumbers were called off the job to service residential property. Approximately \$1000 is being spent on the building with much of the help donated by union members. The Labor temple occupied Scandia hall for several years during 1925-26, and in 1934 moved back to that location at Ninth and Walnut. The three-year lease carries an additional two-year option if desired, Tatman said.

British Capture Bailed-Out Nazi

MAIDSTONE, England, Jan. 18 (AP) — Police captured a member of the crew of a German bomber who made a parachute landing and was trying to get away in a stolen motor car after his plane was shot down early today.

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Generalissimo



Five and a half years of war against Japan have greyed Chiang Kai-shek's hair, but have not dimmed his smile. This new photo of the Chinese generalissimo just arrived in the U. S.

OFFICIALS PROBE SHIPYARD BLAST

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 18 (AP) Condition of Homer Bowen, 33, of Puyallup, injured in an explosion at the Tacoma division of the Seattle-Tacoma Shipbuilding corporation, last night, is critical, hospital attendants reported here today.

Meanwhile shipyard officials and the federal bureau of investigation were investigating the explosion to determine if it was other than accidental. Preliminary investigation indicated that the blast, which was felt throughout the city, was caused by a leaking gas line, according to shipyard officials.

They said Bowen told them that when he went into a sub-storeroom to turn off a light, he smelled acetylene gas and the next thing he knew he was in the hospital. They said the building disappeared in the blast and workmen found Bowen standing dazed, his pants and most of the rest of his clothing blown away.

Shipyard officials said that a small fire which followed the blast did about \$1000 damage to the standing ways of a nearby ship.

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