

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.

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FRENCH, OTHER ARMY JOIN FORCES

Japs Attempt Escape

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

AFTER our recent feast, we have a near famine of big news today.

It usually works that way. Big military campaigns don't move forward at a UNIFORM pace. They LEAP ahead as carefully prepared attacks are successfully carried out, and then pause while new blows are organized.

But the news we have is good.

THE Russians pour across the Manych, east of Rostov, at TWO points. They're heading obviously for the Baku-Rostov railroad, hoping to cut off the Germans remaining in the lower Caucasus.

A new Russian pincer movement is reported today against Kharkov. They are said also to be organizing (and perhaps already carrying out) a new sweep through the southeastern Ukraine designed to get in behind Rostov.

The Russian tactics all winter have been aimed at getting in behind the Germans.

THE Germans remaining before Stalingrad are in much the same position as the Japs at Buna, and apparently the same fate awaits them.

Somewhat one guesses these Germans will surrender when they finally see their situation is hopeless.

It looks as if the Japs are going to fight to the last man.

IN Northern Africa, General LeClerc's Fighting French column coming up from the south has JOINED Montgomery's 8th army before Tripoli.

That probably provides too much strength for Rommel to make a stand against. Signs are multiplying that he intends to keep right on going in the hope of making a junction with his axis forces in Tripoli. Our side is hoping to DESTROY him before he gets there. Our air forces are pounding him hard.

The Germans in the corridor leading down from Tunis are still fighting stubbornly to keep the gate open until Rommel gets there.

THERE is much reference here to Rommel. What is really meant is Rommel's army. There has been complete lack of news of the desert fox himself. Hitler may even have called him home for a dressing down because he let himself get beaten.

IN the South Seas, the U. S. army is taking over at Guadalcanal, relieving the Marines who have been doing such bitter fighting there. In the normal course of military events, the Marines' job is to TAKE it and the army's job is to HOLD it.

Our planes are ranging far and wide over the Jap-held approaches to northern Australia, bombing Jap ships and bases.

ASSISTANT Secretary of War Patterson takes a hand in the war comment game today.

He thinks the Russian successes may force the Germans to fall clear back to the Dnieper river for a winter stand. Your map will show you that such a retirement would be something. He thinks the lifting of the siege of Leningrad was the war's outstanding achievement.

He says the political differences among the French in North Africa haven't prevented them from taking an important part in the allied fighting there.

PATTERSON adds that new construction of ships now exceeds sinkings by submarines, but says the subs are still putting a heavy drain on us. That brings out the EXTREME (Continued on Page Five)

SLUSH, WATER FOLLOW SNOW WITH DAMAGE

Schools Closed; Re-Opening Expected Monday

A heavy blanket of snow which covered the Klamath basin in a driving storm Wednesday morning, was churned and whipped into a mass of slush and running water by a succeeding rain and warm wind. Considerable damage resulted from the storm and basements in the business and residential sections were flooded, streets were covered more than curb high.

Klamath Falls students were notified Thursday that the seven city institutions, Klamath Union high school and Sacred Heart academy, would remain closed Friday but would probably open as usual Monday morning unless something "unforeseen" occurs.

with heavy slush and the city street department was hard put to keep the drains open.

The Postal Telegraph office at 237 Main street suffered heavy damage as water flooded the room. Clyde Baker, local manager, said the company had rigged an auxiliary line through the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company and in the meantime sought services of a San Francisco engineer to check the local equipment.

"Water Trouble" The telegraph office is in the (Continued on Page Two)

Rescue Workers Save Child Caught In London Raid

LONDON, Jan. 21 (AP)—A rescue worker this afternoon climbed to the top floor of the shabby remains of the London school smashed in yesterday's nighttime German bombing raid. There he found three children about 5 years old. Two were dead. The third, a girl with an injured arm, was sitting on the floor more than 24 hours after the bombing. "It's all right; I can walk," she said and, scrambling down to the ground, ran straight into a waiting crowd and found her mother.

PFC "Glenn" Smith, 20, Held Prisoner of Japs

That their son is a prisoner of the Japanese government was word received Wednesday by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred David Smith, 1426 Kane street, who were advised by the war department that PFC Alfred G. "Glenn" Smith, 20, is among the American soldiers now in the hands of the enemy.

This is the first word the Smiths have received since a letter arrived from their son on Corregidor November 29, 1941.

Young Smith attended Altamont Junior high school and joined Battery "C", Oregon National Guard, which went from Klamath Falls to Fort Stevens early in 1940. He left San Francisco in June, 1941, for the Philippines and July 29, 1941, the family received word that he was on Corregidor where he remained until the island fell to the Japanese early in 1942.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith had made an effort to learn of their son's status but were advised by the war department no information was available. Three weeks ago Smith, employe of Ewauna Box company, received a copy of "Look" magazine in which were (Continued on Page Two)

Peggy Testifies



Peggy Satterlee, 16-year-old Hollywood night club dancer, one of two girls accusing Actor Errol Flynn of statutory rape, is shown as she stepped from the witness stand after her first testimony in the trial.

PATTERSON TERMS WAR OUTLOOK GOOD

Trimming of Civilian Goods About Over, Says Nelson

By The Associated Press WASHINGTON, Jan. 21—The capital was cheered today by news of resumed work in the anthracite mines, an official war review which called the general situation encouraging and an indication that the trimming of America's civilian economy was about finished.

Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson supplied the war account, telling a press conference that Russia's successes were particularly heartening, that in North Africa the axis base of Tripoli appeared doomed and that American and Australian troops have outdone the Japanese in jungle fighting "at which the Japanese thought themselves superior."

Except for submarine sinkings (Continued on Page Two)

ALLIES MOP UP REMNANTS OF JUNGLE ARMY

Army Troops Replace Marines in Solomons

By The Associated Press Trapped survivors of a 15,000-man Japanese army were reported making desperate attempts to break out of dwindling pockets in the Papuan coastal jungles of New Guinea today, but Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced that American and Australian fighters "further reduced the enemy's remaining positions."

Heavy fighting was reported as the Japanese half starved and in imminent danger of annihilation, sought to escape into the jungle.

Destroyer Hit "The whole thing is crumbling," an allied spokesman said. In the Solomon Islands, the navy reported that U. S. Flying Fortress scored a bomb hit on a Japanese destroyer off Bougainville island and shot down eight enemy planes during an attack on two Japanese cargo ships and two destroyers in the Shortland island group. The navy's communique said American planes twice bombed Japanese positions on Munda island, 200 miles north of Guadalcanal, where the enemy has been constructing a new air field.

Marines Replaced Simultaneously, Undersecretary of War Robert Patterson disclosed in Washington that U. S. army ground troops have replaced the marines in the Solomons (Continued on Page Two)

Snow Covers Most Sections Of Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21 (AP) The Oregon Shipbuilding corporation, Kaiser Vancouver and Swan Island shipyards, announced at noon that swing and graveyard shifts would continue tonight with some exceptions. Steel yards, plate shops, assembly shops, on the ways and the salvage departments will suspend, reducing yard forces to about half.

The weather bureau here announced storm warnings would continue at all Oregon and Washington coast stations.

Snow covered almost all sections of Oregon today but in spots freakish weather changes cleared it off in a hurry.

There was considerable snow on the ground here, transportation was hampered and some defense workers—living in outlying sections—were unable to get to the job.

The weather bureau said it had not been authorized to issue any warnings or forecasts. Heavy snow last night blanketed Eugene with its greatest depth in six years and there was (Continued on Page Two)

Fire Destroys Barracks Buildings; No One Injured

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., (AP)—Fire destroyed 23 barracks buildings today in an internment camp adjoining Camp Carson, army training camp.

Army officers in charge said no one was injured. Firemen from Colorado Springs prevented the blaze from reaching warehouses, but were unable to check the blaze before the barracks were destroyed. Cause of the fire and damage estimates were not made by camp officials.

U. S. Marines Make It Plenty Hot for Guadalcanal Japs



Hot off the firing line is this picture catching the US marines on Guadalcanal turning the heat on the much-battered Jap lines with a couple of 155mm howitzers.

BROWN BIDS FOR SUPPORT FOR OPA

Gradual Price Rise, Increased Local Control Seen

By JACK BELL WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (AP) Given a free hand to make or break himself, Prentiss M. Brown set sail on stormy OPA seas today with a bid for consumer support of a program envisioning a gradually rising price, increased local controls, rationing and fewer cold homes next winter.

The nation's new price administrator, a Great Lakes boatman of no mean nautical ability, tackled smartly to catch the wind of public and congressional approval in a press conference declaration yesterday that he was taking over OPA with the primary objective of protecting the American consumer.

Takes Over Isolating himself for a 10-day look-see at the inner operations of OPA, Brown went to work on several pressing problems. These included the imminent necessity of going to congress for a \$20,000,000 deficiency appropriation, the need for additional transportation subsidy money and the possibility of a shakeup in his agency's top personnel.

Brown, 53-year-old former senator from Michigan, took over formally from Leon Henderson with the reputed understanding that he would be given (Continued on Page Two)

Robert Havens Killed in Action In North Africa

Shortly after his decoration by Jimmy Doolittle in North Africa, Lt. Robert Havens, 22-year-old Portland airman, was killed in action, according to word received here Sunday by the youth's uncle, Dr. D. D. Havens of Klamath Falls.

Lt. Havens, son of W. L. Havens, Portland lumber operator, was well known to University of Oregon students from this city. He finished law in 1941, passed the bar, and went into the army air service receiving training at Mater field. At the time of his death he served as squadron navigator. Word of his decoration appeared in a Friday issue of the Oregonian; notification of his death was received Sunday. Dr. Havens said his nephew had visited several times in Klamath Falls and had friends among the young people.

Reds Claim 750,000 Nazi Casualties

LONDON, Jan. 21 (AP)—Reuters quoted a Moscow radio broadcast today as saying that German casualties on the soviet Russian front in the past six weeks totaled 750,000 men, including 250,000 dead.

Search On for Mutilator of Police Dog

A fiendish act in which the eyes of a police dog were gouged out with a stick was under investigation by state and county authorities Thursday.

The blinded dog wandered to a barbecue stand at Shasta way and South Sixth street Thursday night.

State police were called to assist in the investigation, and Claude Nelson, humane society agent, took custody of the dog. Because of its condition, it was found necessary to put the animal to death.

District Attorney L. O. Sizemore said an attempt is underway to discover the perpetrator of the act, and if he is found every effort will be made to bring him to just punishment.

Families Moved as Wind Rips Roof From Housing Block

VALLEJO, Calif., Jan. 21 (AP) The roof had been blown from about 50 prefabricated houses and 150 families had been evacuated from other housing quarters near here today.

Most of the storm damage was in the Carquinez housing area, for defense workers. The area, with quarters for 1692 families, is in Solano county, near the Vallejo side of the Carquinez bridge.

Similar trouble was experienced at Chabot Acres, three miles north of Vallejo, toward Napa. Police, auxiliary police and air raid wardens were called to duty in both areas.

Berlin Death Toll Hits 110

LONDON, Jan. 21 (AP)—A DNB dispatch broadcast by the German radio said today the death list of the RAF raid upon Berlin Saturday night had risen to 110.

Ivory Proposes Allocation Plan for Federal Timber

(See Washington, D. C., story on page 9 for agriculture department policy on timber use).

On the grounds that current log supply problems threaten curtailment of lumber production for the war effort and economic dislocation in the Klamath basin, E. P. Ivory, local lumber manufacturer, has proposed that the war production board develop a system of allocation or priority in handling government timber, providing stumpage for mills which do not have other timber available.

Ivory suggested in a public statement Thursday that the matter is one of such concern to the community that the chamber of commerce and local press would be justified in sponsoring his proposal before the war production board. In this connection, Mitchell

RED SHOCK TROOPS SURGE OVER RIVER

Nazi Effort to Establish Stable Line Smashed

LONDON, Jan. 21 (AP)—The Russians announced tonight the capture of the city of Voroshilovsk in the Trans-Caucasus.

MOSCOW, Jan. 21 (AP)—Russian shock troops were reported pouring westward across the Manych river today 15 miles from the rail junction of Salak in the drive to isolate the axis army of the Caucasus and clamp an arc of steel about Rostov.

Feverish German efforts to fix a stable line along the left bank of the Manych, a placid, lake-fed stream which flows into the Don 30 miles east of Rostov, are falling, field dispatches said.

Reds Move West Red Star announced that soviet detachments were capturing point after point while the Germans were blowing up bridges and trying to lay more mines in a rapid retreat. They (Continued on Page Two)

Nurse Stabbed By Strange Man at Salem Bus Stop

SALEM, Jan. 21 (AP)—Mrs. Dale Moon, 21, nurse at the Salem General hospital, was stabbed by a strange man last night as she waited for a bus at the hospital entrance. She was a patient in the hospital today, but her condition was good. Police had two suspects in jail.

She said a man stepped out of the darkness, knife in hand, and told her he would stab her, unless she submitted to him. She slapped him, and he then stabbed her in the abdomen. She then ran into the hospital.

ABANDONMENT OF TRIPOLI THOUGHT NEAR

British Capture Two Towns in Surge Toward City

By ROGER GREENE Associated Press War Editor Final collapse of Premier Mussolini's African empire appeared to be only a matter of hours today amid signs that Field Marshal Erwin Rommel was hastily abandoning the burning city of Tripoli, and British eighth army columns stormed forward within 35 miles of the axis stronghold.

Tripoli is the 12th citadel of Italy's dark continent domain which once embraced Eritrea, Somaliland, Abyssinia, Cirenaiqa and Tripolitania.

Shambles A bulletin from Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's 8th army headquarters said British troops yesterday captured the towns of Tarhuna and Homs, respectively 40 and 56 miles from Tripoli, and continued their pursuit of Rommel's fleeing armies.

Frontline dispatches said Rommel's troops and equipment were already streaming westward from Tripoli toward the Tunisian frontier, 100 miles

away, with allied planes making a shambles of the enemy's line of retreat.

Cities Fall A 50-mile stretch of coastal road between Tripoli and Zuara was described as littered with the bombed and bullet-smashed wreckage of trucks and other equipment.

British headquarters indicated that Tarhuna and Homs fell early yesterday and said that "during the day our troops were in close contact with the enemy retreating to the west."

Rommel's battered forces were now pinned down to a narrow strip along the Mediterranean coast as the British 8th army moved swiftly upon Tripoli from the east and Brig. Gen. Jacques LeClerc's fighting French troops drove up from (Continued on Page Two)

Credit Buying Of Gas, Petrol Products Stopped

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (AP)—The petroleum administration today prohibited all credit buying of gasoline and other petroleum products for private motor cars, effective February 1.

The order provides that retail gasoline marketers or suppliers may not "grant, accept or participate in the granting or accepting, directly or indirectly of credit in connection with the sale of any petroleum products," but makes exceptions for sale to federal, state or local governments, for commercial use of motor boats, and motor vehicles displaying "T" ration stickers.

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