

# ABANDONMENT OF TRIPOLI THOUGHT NEAR

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The south after a 1000-mile march across the Sahara desert from Lake Chad, in the heart of Equatorial Africa.

**Contact Made**  
Gen. LeClerc said his forces were in firm contact with the 8th army, "brilliantly taking part with their British allies in the advance on Tripoli," thus effectively sealing the arc which the allies have thrown around the last axis foothold in North Africa.

Liaison had previously been established between LeClerc's columns and American-British-French forces on the western flank in Tunisia.

Multiple signs indicated that Rommel might abandon Tripoli without a fight in his urgency to reach Tunisia. The Berlin radio reported that the city was ablaze and under incessant allied bombing attack.

**Nazi Gain**  
Moreover, violent fighting in central Tunisia, where strongly reinforced German troops smashed at French positions southwest of Pont du Fahs, suggested an effort to clear the way for Rommel's weary forces en route to the Tunis-Bizerte zone in northern Tunisia.

Allied headquarters said today that Col. Gen. Jurgen von

Arnim's Tunisian forces again had netted "a small advance" in the mountains southwest of Pont du Fahs, and dispatches from the front said a German thrust into the French sector had thrown the whole front into a state of fluidity.

# PATTERSON TERMS WAR OUTLOOK GOOD

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of allied cargo ships, he said, "the over-all picture is bright." As for the folks back home, Chairman Donald M. Nelson of the war production board said: "There is a feeling among some WPB officials that we have gone too far in stripping down the civilian economy. Others feel we haven't gone far enough."

**Flynn Endorsed**  
"I would say that there is not much more trimming of consumer goods which would yield substantial quantities of war material."

At the capitol, Chairman Connally of the senate foreign relations committee (D-Tex.) announced that Josephus Daniels, former ambassador to Mexico and one-time secretary of the navy, had endorsed Edward J. Flynn for the post as minister to Australia.

During a one-day lull on the hearing on Flynn's fitness for the office, Connally released a telegram in which Daniels said the former democratic national chairman's knowledge, personality and "his whole-hearted devotion to winning the war admirably fits him for the duties of the diplomatic post."

**Music Ban Studied**  
Other developments: The house rules committee unanimously approved a resolution to continue the existence of the special house committee studying the problems of small business. Chairman Patman (D-Tex.) said it would ask an appropriation of \$25,000.

A resolution authorizing continuance of an investigation into a union musicians' ban against recorded music was introduced in the senate by Chairman Clark (D-Iaho) of a special subcommittee.

Two boards of economic warfare officials testified behind closed doors to a senate agriculture subcommittee which sought an accounting on American rubber shipments to Russia and South America.

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# SLUSH, WATER FOLLOW SNOW WITH DAMAGE

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Hopka building, and the trouble was caused by the freezing of a drain pipe from the sidewalk to the roof, causing water to back up. Water ran to the floor of a dress shop but did no damage to stock.

Some other downtown stores and buildings had "water trouble," and a Safeway warehouse sustained a small flood.

Schools will remain down Friday it was announced by Superintendent Arnold L. Gralapp, who said that in some instances buildings could operate but in view of the fact that all could not open, it was deemed advisable to keep the same schedule. Fremont was unable to get heat, Riverside found the hill clogged with drifts, and at Pelican bus service was interrupted.

# Workers Struggle

Major mills in the area were down Wednesday. Workers were unable to reach the plants and those who did manage to get to work found they could not handle the green lumber.

Downtown workers struggled through the slush which came up over curbs and at Eleventh and Main street members of the city crew used huge shovels to make a path for the stream which ran into the Main drains.

Highway traffic out of Klamath Falls was sharply curtailed although all roads are open, according to the state highway department. One-way traffic is the order north of Fort Klamath as far as Chemult and at the last report the Willamette pass was closed as a number of trucks "were in a jam."

# Ivory Proposes Allocation Plan For Federal Timber

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ting left under contract. It has applied to the Indian agency to place the Kanott unit up for sale. The tribal council and local officials approved, he said, but the Indian office turned it down. Ivory Pine then applied to the forest service to have the Horse Glades unit put up. He stated this unit is ready to be advertised at the request of a large operator on the grounds it would aid the war effort. This tract is equally available to the large operator, which he said has other timber supplies, and the Ivory Pine.

He said another mill has felled all its timber under contract and will close in May, another was outbid on a unit of Indian timber and has discontinued, a fourth has lost all but a six months supply.

Altogether, Ivory asserted, the basin faces a total loss of production totaling 135,000,000 feet in 1943 and 305,000,000 feet in 1944. (1942 production approximated 800,000,000 feet.)

Ivory said that in event the shut-downs occur, the basin will be faced with loss of production for the war effort, forced closing of mills will adversely affect the economic lives of hundreds of basin families, and the WLB will

# Girl From Paris



Sad smile on French actress Madeleine Le Beau's face recalls days when she fled Paris as Nazis marched in. Now in Hollywood, she appropriately sings La Marseillaise, French national anthem, in new film about North Africa.

have failed to promote maximum production of a critical war material.

Mills adversely affected, Ivory said, have contacted local and regional forest officials.

"They are sympathetic and cooperative, but say that over-all forest policy prevents putting up large cuts of pine stumpage," said Ivory. "Furthermore, current regulations require them to award any timber put up to the highest bidder, irrespective of his needs in connection with the war."

Ivory said the lumber production office in Portland is sympathetic but has advised that it lacks authority to allocate pine timber.

Ivory then suggested that a system of allocation be worked out, providing government timber for existing mills which have no other available stumpage.

"The government is pressing Klamath mills daily to turn out more lumber," said Ivory. "It tells them to whom they may sell and at what price. Is it not to the government's advantage to see the timber goes to those who need it?"

# PFC "Glenn" Smith Held Prisoner of Japs, Parents Learn

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pictures of wounded men in the Corregidor hospital. "Buddies" at Fort Stevens had recognized young Smith in the picture and forwarded it to his parents.

The Smiths have another son, Clifford Roy, on duty with the United States navy. They last heard from him a month ago when he was stationed on the east coast.

# VITAL STATISTICS

**TUCKER**—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., January 20, 1943, to Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tucker, 221 Princeton street, a boy. Weight: 7 pounds 13 1/2 ounces.

We all feel that if everybody in this country except ourselves can be regulated we'll get along okay.

# RED SHOCK TROOPS SURGE OVER RIVER

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already have been driven from a number of positions on the Salsk side of the Manych, it said.

There and elsewhere on the long front the Russians were declared moving ever westward in the 10th week of their winter offensive, with Rostov, the steel city of Kharkov, the industrially important Donets basin center of Voroshilovgrad and the Maikop oil fields of the Caucasus among their objectives.

**Nazi Claims**  
(The German communique said there was "continuous hard fighting south of Lake Ladoga," where the Russians are battling to widen their supply corridor to Leningrad. Without a reference to specific gains or losses, the communique said that axis shock troops "were successfully employed" in local combat on the central front and south of Lake Ilmen.

(The German command declared the Russians were repulsed during continued violent assaults along southern sectors and had lost 52 armored cars during one 48-hour period this week. Trapped troops at Stalingrad were reported to have stood firmly against mass assaults.)

# Snow Covers Most Sections Of Oregon

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one death in an automobile accident attributed to road conditions. The victim was George Cameron, a lumber worker. George W. Drake and George M. Drake were injured in the accident which occurred on the Jasper road.

The highway department sent snowplows out on several roads around Salem where the fall also was heavy. Highway traffic in that and other sections of the Willamette valley was sharply curtailed.

Corvallis reported a deep layer of snow but the storm there ended before midnight.

Grants Pass reported a variety of weather. The temperature sagged to 14 degrees Monday when two homes were burned to the ground and the fire department answered a near-record number of calls. Tuesday came two inches of snow, Wednesday morning produced a downpour of rain which cleared it off and brought the Rogue river up to 16.33 feet, just three short of the January flood peak. A warm wind last night once reached an estimated 30-mile velocity.

Too much cannot be said of the devotion to duty and the unselfish sacrifices made daily by all naval and civilian personnel of the yard proper, working two shifts of 10 and 14 hours, respectively. —Navy report on Pearl Harbor damage.

We are witnessing today a race or struggle between geopolitics and democracy. The outcome of that struggle will touch the lives of all of us, of our children, of our children's children. —Vice President Henry A. Wallace.

# Potatoes

CHICAGO, Jan. 21 (AP-USA) Potatoes, arrivals 50, on track 180; Total US shipments 464; old stock, supplies light, for best quality stock demand fairly good, market firm to slightly stronger; for ordinary stock, demand slow; market steady; Idaho Russet Burbanks, US No. 1, \$2.92-3.20; Colorado Red McClures, US No. 1, \$2.80-3.00; Wyoming Bliss Triumphs, US No. 1, \$3.05; Minnesota and North Dakota Bliss Triumphs, US No. 1, \$2.45-50; Commercial \$2.15-25; Cobblers, US No. 1, \$2.25; Florida bushel basket Bliss Triumphs, US No. 1, \$2.65 per bushel; new stock, supplies light, demand very slow, market about steady; no early sales reported.

# BROWN BIDS FOR SUPPORT FOR OPA

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a free hand by his immediate boss, James F. Byrnes, the economic stabilization director, to work out the country's supply and demand problems with the consuming public, congress and the farmers.

His first contact with congress in his new role probably will come when he petitions for more money to operate the OPA until the end of this fiscal year. His 10 years of membership in the house and senate, which ended in defeat for re-election last November, was being counted upon by the administration to smooth the way for this request—a request which leaders feared might have been rejected if hard-right Henderson had remained in office.

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# ALLIES MOP UP REMNANTS OF JUNGLE ARMY

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omon islands campaign, under command of Maj. Gen. Alexander Patch.

Gen. Patch has moved his headquarters from New Caledonia to Guadalcanal island, it was announced.

# Situation Better

The famed "Leathernecks" led the United Nations' first counterattack in the southwest Pacific when they landed at Guadalcanal last August 7 and drove the Japanese from the new enemy-constructed Henderson air field, with which the Japanese had hoped to dominate allied supply lines to Australia.

Patterson said the American position in the Solomons had further improved during the past week, but said the Japanese were expected to make new attempts to reinforce their troops on Guadalcanal.

# Aussie Action Seen

Meanwhile, United Nations warplanes blasted the enemy from Burma to the South Seas, striking on a rising scale against Japanese bases on the northwest approaches to Australia and spread-eagling hundreds of miles of skyway.

Coincidentally, Australia's Air Minister Arthur S. Drakeford predicted that Australian airmen, piloting Australian planes, would drop Australian-made bombs on Tokyo before 1943 ends, but said a long bitter war was in prospect before Japan is defeated.

In Burma, U. S. heavy bombers, flying from India, delivered a punishing attack Tuesday on rail targets at Thazi in central Burma, 80 miles south of Mandalay, and RAF warplanes con-

tinued their offensive against Japanese bases in central and western Burma.

Massey, Veatch Speak—Dr. G. A. Massey and Elbert Veatch were principal speakers at Thursday's luncheon of the Kiwanis club, with Mayor John Houston as chairman. The meeting was devoted to a recounting of the beginnings of Kiwanis International and of the local club.

We may encounter a slight increase in losses during the winter months because submarine operations are much easier to carry on at that time.—War Shipping Administrator Adml. Emory S. Land.

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