

FDR Asks \$4 Billion

**Plane Collision** 

solidated's plant here, and form-erly had served as flight engineer

the control tower.

AFL LUMBER UNION

ASKS WAGE BOOST

tee Included

**Urge Greater War Effort** 



By FRANK JENKINS AS these words are written (at Medford, Wednesday after-noon) another big fight is on in the Solomons-the fourth so far. The navy, keeping silence as to what is happening, says it is a "major effort to regain control of the entire Solomons area."

That means that so far as the West Coast of the United States is concerned it pushes the other war news into the background. Out here, the Jap is our No. 1 enemy. . . .

NEWS of this battle came to us first (as has happened so often) from the Jap radio-which, as usual, boasted that we were taking a frightful lacing while the Japs were getting off with small losses. We paid little attention to these reports, know-ing from experience that they would turn out to be highly ex aggerated.

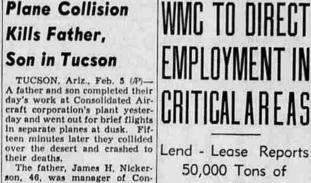
Each great defeat the Japs have suffered in the South Seas has been preceded by Jap re-ports claiming a great victory. The Jap tactics in such in-stances are by this time pretty well known. They set up a barrage of wild tales about losses inflicted on us, hoping that we will become excited and dary we will become excited and deny the reports in such a manner as to give them information as to the disposition of our forces. We refrain (wisely) from fall-

ing for such bait. SECRETARY KNOX, who said

S the other day that he thought the Japs were through with major efforts to win back what they have lost in the Solomons, says today that no really pitched battle has developed as yet. He adds:

"What is going on down there is a process of feeling out by both sides. Any assumption that after the west coast lumber com-mission of the WLB granted a tremendous battle is in pro-gress at this moment is incoroverall wage increases retroac tive to May 1, 1942.

IF the Jap is the kind of creaagreements with lumber operature he has been painted by those who have had the opportors provides for automa



Food Shipped

for the company at San Diego and as field inspector for Douglas Aircraft at Santa Monica, Calif. By The Associated Press WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (P)-President Roosevelt asked con-The son, Harold Gene Nickerson, 21, was an assistant plant foregress for \$4,000,000,000 more cash to day for the growing navy and from the lend-lease administration came word that man, also formerly connect with the plant at San Diego. connected The elder Nickerson was fly-ing his own plane. Harold had rented one from a flight in-structor. They crashed to earth about 300 feet apart, plummeting the use of food as a war weapon had brought 50,000 tons of civilian goods to the hungry North

African population. A round billion dollars of the navy money would go for ord-nance, and the rest to the varifrom a low altitude. Both mer were crushed at the controls. Morris Hedderman, deputy sheriff, said the planes collided about three and one-half miles ous needs of a fleet fighting a global war. from the municipal airport about 15 minutes after they cleared

30,000 Tons a Month Lend-Lease Administrator

From now on, it is planned to send them 30,000 tons a month from the United States alone, plus additional large \$1.05 Minimum, 48- alone,

amounts from Britain. Manpower Plan Hour Week Guaran-The house ways and means committee continued its search for ways to help pay for these and the other vast costs of the

war and heard criticism from the South Seas battlefront to-Rep. Crawford (R-Mich.) of the day as official secrecy continued Rumi plan for cancelling 1942 to shroud developments in an income tax collections as a expected showdown battle be-PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (P)-The AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers' union today made new wage and hour demands for its 70,000 northwest members, inmeans of attaining pay-as-youearn basis. cluding \$1.05 an hour minimum The government moved on a \$1.00 a day bonuses for regular

employes and a 48-hour week guarantee. This includes pine broad front to bolster the nation's manpower forces and aswhere shortages exist. WMC Control as well as fir. The demands come 50 days

J. O. Walker, chief of the la-

bor branch of the food produc-tion administration, disclosed the government was considering Relieve Shortage Union officials said their the use of axis war prisoners on farms and the shifting of 50,000 the use of axis war prisoners on farms and the shifting of 50,000 CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 5 families from marginal areas of (P)-Relaxation of the war efc re

Mikhail Ivanov, 28, (left), Russian guerilla fighter, and Val-entina Y. Orlikova, 27, fourth mate in the Russian merchant

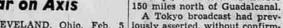
marine, sat together at a press conference in New York at which they urged American workers to "double and treble their war R. Stettinius said about half of the food and other supplies so far shipped to the people liber-ated from axis oppression in Africa came from the United States and half from Great Brit effort." Ivanov said he had personally killed one German with a knife and eight with bullets.

# Pacific Battle; Jap Fleet Heading for Guadalcanal

By The Associated Press in the Solomon Islands theater, First word of a large Jap-but declared that Tokyo radio reports of a big naval fight alanese sea-borne force bearing down on Guadalcanal island ready in progress were false. came in delayed dispatches from Amid the tense hiatus, censor passed dispatches from Guadalcanal dated February 1 declared: "Aerial observers reported to-lorge force of Jap night that a large force of Jap

tween the American and Jap-anese fleets. In Washington, the navy re-ported "recurrent engagements" by opposing naval and air forces ing Guadalcanal ground forces with reinforcements."

**Grew Warns of Relaxation** in War on Axis



FLYING FORTS BAG 26 NAZIS U. S. Armored Forces Withdraw From Sened Post

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NEA FEATURES

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LONDON, Feb. 5 (AP)-News of a smashing aerial victory in which American Flying Fortress bombers and Lightning fighters destroyed 26 enemy planes and damaged another 26 with a loss of only 10 of their own number was tempered some-what today by the disclosure that United States armored forces had withdrawn from the

Sened railway station in central Tunisia, 65 miles northwest of Gabes.

Gabes. Only "a patrol activity' was reported from the Tunisian-Lib-yan border area where the Brit-ish eighth army is following Marshal Rommel's rearguards into Tunisia. Yanks Withdraw The air battle in which Amer-ican planes scored their most de-cisive triumph of the Tunisien campaign so far occurred when the Fortresses with their fighter escort made a heavy attack on German airdromes and auxiliary fields at Gabes yesterday and in subsequent sweeps by Lightning subsequent sweeps by Lightning fighters over axis-heid territory. An allied spokesman said the American forces withdrew from on January '3. Captain Reber, pilot of the

man planes in a 50-mile running battle after they had dumped their explosives. Only one Fort-ress was reported lost, but nine twin-engined Lightning fighters

was pictured with other mem-bers of the Jerry Jinx crew, and at Gabes airdrome and nearby (Continued on Page Two) (Continued on Page Two)

Leader Major Narce Whitaker, of Toxana, Ky., as saying he observed between 30 and 40 Japanese ships, many of them warships, in Shortland harbor Northwest Men **Play Part in** 



Yank Airmen Score

Missing

Weather News

February 4-High 43, Low 52 Precipitation as of January 29, 1843

8.48

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By ROGER GREENE Associated Press War Editor British home - based bombers thundered destruction upon Hit-Captain Ehle Reber, son of County Commissioner and Mrs. John Reber of Malin, missing after a Flying Fortress raid over Europe. Captain Reber may occupied France in the most sweeping single night's opera-

tions ever attempted by the RAF. In Italy, the RAF blasted the royal arsenal city of Turin and the port of Spezia, main north-ern base of the Italian navy. 120 miles southeast of Turin. Ruhr Pounded

In France, the raiders deliv-ered a "heavy and concentrated"

ered a "heavy and concentrated" assault on the German U-boai nest at Lorient, with good weath-er helping the bombardiers to find their targets. In Germany, the RAF once, again pounded war foundries of the Ruhr industrial valley. Three Planes Missing The British said Turin was heavily bombed and declared that the city's defenses, "though clearly strengthened, were no

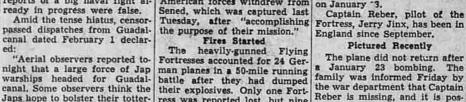
clearly strengthened, were no more effective than in Decem-ber."

Despite the scope of the raids, only three RAF planes were list-

England since September. Pictured Recently The plane did not return after a January 23 bombing. The family was informed Friday by the war department that Captain Reber is missing, and it is pos-sible he may be a prisoner in many vasterday. In the correct sible he may be a prisoner in many yesterday in the second all-American daylight assault on The outstanding young airman the reich.

More to Come It was the first time home

based British planes had bombed Italy since December 11. An Italian communique said the raiders attacked Turin "in several waves" and indicated that casualties were numerous. By daylight today RAF planes carried on the round-the-clock offensives, with big bombing formations escorted by Spitfire squadrons flashing across the channel toward northern France. 200,000 Menaced In Russia, soviet dispatches declared today that approximate-(Continued on Page Two)



were missing. Six or seven fires were started The dispatch quoted Flight

**Fortress Raid** 

**To Return From** Raid Captain Ehle Reber, son of Captain Ente Reper, son or County Commissioner and Mrs. John Reber of Malin, is reported missing after a Flying Fortress flight over Hitler-held Europe

**Japs Lose 17** 



Fortress Pilot Fails



tunity to know him well, if he opening of negotiations every four months and that the way posed to fear it, it has been hard to believe he will give up the Boyle Pearson, assistant sec-Solomons without another hard fight.

heavy Jap forces in the islands dustry. Higher wages and a 48-to the north of Australia, and the Australians have been distinctly of getting former lumber and nervous.

is in progress now is not unexpected . . .

AS to its outcome, we can only wait. Hard as it is to wait for news when we know that a major battle involving our boys is going on, we must accept the navy's statement that it is too early to give out detailed news

Naval fighting is fluid. It moves from place to place over vast areas with great speed. The element of surprise is all-important.

Any news that gives the en-emy dependable knowledge of the disposition of our forces is immensely useful to him. We timely sugged to him. We Any news that gives the ensimply musin't give him the knowledge. Considerable significance was attached to the advance beyond Tassafaronga because the Jap

NOTHING has occurred in N Africa as these words are bringing in barge or shiploads written to change the situation of troops and supplies. there. We're still trying to crowd Rommel into a trap where we can destroy him at our leisure, as the Russians destroyed the Germans trapped before Stalingrad. The Germans are fighting to prevent us from trap-

four months and that the way retary of the northwestern coun

cil of the union, said the new

There have been numerous re- demands were made to relieve

sawmill workers to return to To most of us, the battle that their old jobs, he declared. Frozen

Frozen Pearson said the dollar bonus was proposed and discussed at (Continued on Page Two)

**Conshie Camp Deserter Sentenced** 

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 5 (AP) Federal Judge James A. Fee sentenced Norman E. Bledsoe,

"Stalemate could only mean the doom of civilization," Grew 33, Bremerton, convicted of desaid in a speech prepared for a meeting under the auspices of the Cleveland foreign affairs coun-

cil

Yanks on Guadalcanal **Capture Landing Point** 

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (P) by enemy planes. We saw a American troops on Guadalcanal island have advanced to a posi-tion a half mile beyond Tassa-tion a half mile beyond Tassa-

Across the channel, near Savo island, we watched Japanese dive bombers attack one of our destroyers.

We saw Jap bombers

By WILLIAM HIPPLE WITH ADVANCED U. S. TROOPS ON GUADALCANAL,

Feb. 1 (Delayed)-(A)-Ameri can troops, advancing toward the main Japanese concentra-

fighting to prevent us from trap-ping him. IN Russia, the Germans con-tinue to lose. Their position in the Caucasus is getting dally (Continued on Page Four) (Continued on Page Four)

bassador to Japan, said today. The former envoy also warned patch.

against a possible "ju-jitsu peace offensive," by the enemies, when they face military defeat, with the purpose of lulling the United Nations into a "false peace."

**Civil Air Patrol** 

"Either the men and the weapons of Cleveland will go to those militarists nations into unconditional surrender, or the Germans and the Japanese will fight their way here—literally here-and will subject us to th Burns. oppression which the Poles, the

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French West Africa **Ready to Furnish** Allies With Troops

Tassafaronga because the Jap anese had on many occasions used the beach at that place for over our heads and exploded Governor-General Pierre Bois-ALLIED HEADQUARTERS day. over our heads and exploded with terrifying noise and con-cussion just ahead of us. Jap-ancse guns and mortars fired away spasmodically, trying to reach us. To top it off, Jap snipers pinged at us from trees in sur-rounding slopes and stepping live-body on edge and stepping live-ly. Governor-General Pierre Bois-son declared today that French West Africa was ready to fur-nish the allies 100,000 trained Senegalese troops and a reserve of 200,000 more if equipment and leadership were provided. "I have offered General Gi-raud 100,000 troops for imme-diate use and will provide 200.

There was no immediate in-

**Planes Join Hunt** For Missing Plane

PENDLETON, Feb. 5 (P)-A dozen northwest civil air patrol Germany and to Japan, beating planes today joined military aircraft in the search for a two motored army bomber and its eight-man crew missing seven days and believed down near

A check of aerial photographs taken over the mountainous country near Burns has failed thus far to reveal any clues, although the missing airmen ra dioed Monday they were safe after abandoning their plane, January 29, Pendleton field pub-lic relations authorities said to-

German submarine crew operat-

diate use and will provide 200, 000 more if equipment and offi-cers are provided to lead them," Boisson said at a press confer-ence. City Briefs The said he strongly favored the said he strongly favored City Briefs Church News Combined operations of land, City Briefs Church News Combined operations of land, Church News Combined operations of land, Combined operations of land, Combined operations of land, Combined operations of land, Church News Combined operations of land, Combined operat

**Planes in Fiery** 

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ADVANCE BASE, South Pa-

cific, Feb. 5 (AP)-The Japs lost at least seventeen Mitsubishi Staff Sergt, Stanley Tucker, dication, either from Washing-ton or Guadalcanal itself, that (Continued on Page Four) O., shot down two Messerschmitt 109s. Staff Sergt. Robert Gun-week ago tonight, 35 miles south 109s. Staff Sergt, Robert Gun-nier, Toppenish, Wash., top tur-of Guadalcanal in the Solomons. ret gunner, said he shot the en-gine out of an attacking Messer-full of steel in speeding in to ret gunner, said he shot the enschmitt 110 and the plane went strafe after dropping his torpedo, into a spin and crashed. (Continued on Page Two)

## New U.S. Commander Sees **Stepped Up Air Offensive**

LONDON, Feb. 5 (AP)-Lieut. | indicating that United States Gen. Frank M. Andrews as-sumed command of United States while the RAF concentrated on planting, cultivating and harvestforces in the European theater today and announced that "my first job is to increase and in-tensify the bombing of the en-to be the "continued softening", cultivating and harvest-ing. They will be obligated to repay only to the extent of the value of the crops produced. In event of a complete failure, the state of the to be the "continued softening" the state of t

 after abandoning their plane.
 tensify the bombing of the en-January 29, Pendleton field pub-lic relations authorities said to-day.
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 to be the "continued softening up of Germany."
 In event of a complete failure, the loan will be cancelled.

 Nazi Sub Sinks Vessel by Time Bombs in Atlantic
 General Andrews came to United States forces, to succeed Lieut. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhow-er, now commander-in-chief of North African operations.
 The say reported tody that a General Andrews said he would see that American air forces in the United Kingdom were in-creased in order to step up the
 Discussing the relative merits of dive-bombers and fighter-bomber, the general said the latter had the edge because they periority, as did Hitler's favorite air weapon.
 In event of a complete failure, the schematy."

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creased in order to step up the air weapon. aerial offensive against Ger- He said h

said. The general added that "there will be no night bombing by American plates immediately," Point in 1906. The new commander is 59 and a native of Nashville, Tenn. He was graduated from West Sports

### **Government Will Assume Losses From** War Crop Failures

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP)-Secretary Wickard announced today that the agriculture de-partment had estriblished a \$200,-000,000 wartime food production loan program under which the government will assume losses from crop failures on products

needed for the war. Farmers planting designated

value of the crops produced. In event of a complete failure, the loan will be cancelled.

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after the 25 crewmen of the ves- said.

