Weather News

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JAPS EVAGUATE GUADALCANA

Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS THE mystery of the South Seas

is clearing a little today. A Tokyo dispatch, broadcas by Berlin, says Japanese forces have been evacuated from Guadalcanal. Also from the Buna-Gona area of New Guinea.

Secretary Knox tells his press conference in Washington he doesn't think there's any doubt of the truth of the Berlin report, adding that all enemy resistance on Guadalcanal has ceased.

PUTTING two and two together and doing some tall guessing, it seems likely that the sea battle in the Solomons that has had us on edge for a week and a half has been a fake play by the Japs to cover the apparently successful withdrawal of the battered

remnant of their land forces on Guadalcanal.

It looks as if they may have the September 15, 1942 level.

A mediation panel majority had recommended in increase of the september 15, 1942 level. started ruckuses all over hun-dreds of miles of ocean as a diversion, and while we were busy with these scattered fights they dashed in and rescued what was left of their troops on Guadal-

resistance. Having completed their duties, they were trans-ferred to other points."

If our side's version is accur-

PUTTING all the scanty news looks as if the Japs may be pulling out of these areas in the Solomons and New Guinea that have become too hot for them to

Trying to guess what they'll do next is too much of a strain, and we'd better wait for further developments. But all along their positions in the southern Solomons have looked like a threat simed at our communica tion line to Australia.

Maybe for the present, they're giving up that threat. Maybe they're merely going to strike some other point. Time will tell.

THE Russians take Kursa. A good point to remember is that Kursk is BACK TO WHERE THE GERMANS STARTED FROM last summer.

AT the moment, the Russian commander to watch is General Vatutin, who is pushing southwestward from Kramatorskaya (see map) toward Mari-upol, on the Sea of Azov, 100 miles distant.

Vatutin has a mobile force composed largely of tanks, ski sleds (driven over the snow by air propellers), ski men and Oregon. tommygunners. This force is cap-able of extremely rapid motion, and as a matter of fact has been reported as moving at the rate of 20 to 25 miles a day against all the resistance the Germans have been able to put up, in-dicating that Vatutin has plenty

of strength. Your map will disclose to you that if he reaches Mariupol the Rostov land gap will be plugged.

THE Russians hold the south mouth, and their long-range artillery is shelling Rostov, on the north bank. The Don is frozen over, and today's dispatches report that the ice is After discussion, the matter nearly two feet thick.

Whole Nazi Line Imperilled **WLB REFUSES**

TO "BIG FOUR Decision Thought to Presage Firm Policy

WAGE INCREASE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9 (A) The war labor board refused today to grant a general wage in-crease to employes of the "Big Four" packing companies, and in a relter tion of its "Little Steel" formula, declared it is "duty bound to stabilize wages

A mediation panel majority had recommended in increase of 53 cents an hour for the 180,000 employes of the Swift, Armour, Wilson, and Cudahy companies. Three unions involved represented about 65,000 employes.

No Modification

The decision could be inter-A5 to Buna-Gona, this is the preted as presaging a firm gov

"The general relationship," a board opinion said, "between their duties, they were transferred to other points."

If our side's version is accurate, these Buna-Gona Japs DIED TO THE LAST MAN. Here's hoping more Japs "complete war as y proceeding under their duties" in the same way. order of the president, the na-tional war labor board is duty together and still guessing, it bound to stabilize wages at the oks as if the Japs may be September 15, 1942 level."

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ing of wag. levels will be ac-(Continued on Page Two)

Snowbound Blue Mountain Village

bly will be taken by skis in a miles. day or two, Baker county au-thorities indicated today.

The six-mile high mining vil-lage's 41 residents were sorely stroyed a 2000-ton ship offshore in need of supplies. They have and exploded an ammunition had no green vegetables nor dump; and also blasted enemymeat for a long time and canned

Blue mountains of northeastern



Next Front on New Guinea

Quickly following up their victory at Buna. General Mac-Arthur's American-Australian forces are attacking the Japa in the New Guinea area magnified above. Bombers have been raid-ing Jap bases like Lee and Finschhaven and a ground offensive has been opened up in the Wau-Mubo area.

ALLIES SLUG AXIS

Berlin Reports Prepa-

rations for Big

Drive

LONDON, Feb. 9 (AP)-The

ong range allied aerial offen-

sive from North Africa kept up

its momentum yesterday with

powerful blows at the ports on

ed sinking four ships in a single

day off the Italian west coast.

With the Tunisian land front
still bogged down from a week-

end of rain, long range bombers of the Middle East command

bounded Messina by daylight

yesterday and bombers of Lieut,

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's command set two ships afire in

the harbor of Sousse and axis (Continued on Page Two)

No Prosecution

Seen for Youth

attack.

Who Shot Soldier

MacArthur's Men **Drive Toward Big Enemy Base**

By The Associated Press On the New Guinea front, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters reported that allied troops driving toward the big enemy base at Salamaua wiped out a Japanese pocket east of the Wau airdrome, 35 miles southwest of Salamaua.

In the skies, United Nation airmen carried out widespread attacks against the enemy.

Dutch and Australian fliers, nanning U. S. made bombers, virtually destroyed the Japanese-occupied town and harbor and a British submarine report-BAKER, Feb. 9 (P) — Food supplies to the snow-isolated hamlet of Granite, Ore., proba-tralia, setting fires visible 40

Other allied raiders pounded the Japanese airdrome at Buin, held positions at Babo, in Dutch goods supplies are nearly ex-hausted.

The town is located in the Lae in northern New Guinea.

Dispatches from a Pacific base credited an American sub-Even the bardy miners could marine with the "clean sweep not take rifles and go out for destruction of a Japanese cor

SAN MIGUEL, Calif., Feb. 9 (A)—Civil and military authorities indicated today they were not interested in prosecuting the 15-year-old son of an army offi-cer who killed an army private Inside City Limits Asked cer who killed an army private in protecting his mother from what he said was an attempted

HE Russians hold the south bank of the Don clear to its cilman Rollin Cantrall, who said

Encirclement of Kharkov, Rostov Con-

KURSK FALLS;

tinues

By ROGER GREENE Associated Press War Editor A sudden and spectacular Russian coup which netted the capture of Kursk, one of the "big six" bastions of the German defense system, imperilled the whole nazi line below Mos cow today even as red army siege guns thundered destrucupon the axis citadel at Rostov-on-Don.

Kursk, which lies about mid-way between Moscow and Rostov, formed a major link in the German defense wall along with Smolensk, Bryansk, Orel, Kharkov and Rostov.

Cemetery City
The city in the Black Earth
region on the southern slope of
the central Russian plateau, had
been in nazi hands since November 11, 1941, four and a half months after the German invasion armies stormed into

Battle dispatches said the red flag was raised over Kursk at 3 p. m. yesterday and described the city as "an enormous ceme-

"The (German) Kursk army, as it called itself, does not exist any more," soviet war corre-spondents said, reporting that spondents said, reporting that red army shock troops used bay-onets and rifle butts to batter the nazi garrison into submis-

The Russians said Gen. Schneider, the German commander, exhorted his troops to fight on, promising that "relief will come," and even threw

wounded soldiers from hospitals into the battle. The city itself was reported (Continued on Page Two)

both ends of the axis supply line across the mid-Mediterranean, Robert C. Nunes Singled Out as Pensacola Hero

ABOARD THE DESTROYER FARENHOLT IN PEARL HAR-BOR, Feb. 6 (Delayed) (A)-Fire Controlman Robert C. Nunes of Klamath Falls, Ore., was singled out today as exemplifying the spirit of the heavy cruiser Pen-

"With the mainmast in which he was stationed enveloped in flames and himself badly burned, Nunes remained in the face of grave danger to extricate ship-mates from the burning struc-ture and then helped remove a seriously burned and helpless man to a place of safety." Officers Arrive to Aid

These were the words of Vice (Continued on Page Two)

Even Old Timers Admit This Is

missioned officers arrived at diction of the project on Sunday. They are First Lieutenant Evan Carroll, Staff Sergeant Attilio B. Sabatini, Sergeant Taro Tsukahara and Sergeant J. Vincent Sullivan, all attached to the war department, Washington, D. C.

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Major-General Alexander M Patch, above, is in charge of the American army forces on the groups left." Japanese were reported today to have withdrawn

BILL WOULD SHIFT COURT CLERKSHIP

Appointment by Judge Proposed in Measure

SALEM, Feb. 9 (AP)- A bill creating the office of circuit court clerk for Klamath county was introduced in the senate this afternoon by Sen. Marshall Cor-

afternoon by Sen. Marshall Cornett, and Reps. Louis H. Craver
and Henry Semon, all of Klamath Falls. A deputy county
clerk now holds the position.

The salary would be fixed by
the county court, but the circuit
judge would get the power to
appoint and remove his own
clerk. The judge would be permitted to appoint a temporary mitted to appoint a temporary clerk or clerks in the absence

of the circuit court clerk. Emergency Clause

The bill also provides that the county clerk must turn over all records to the circuit court clerk when and if the new position is created. All laws affecting the county clerk, insofar as they would be applicable to the cir-cuit court clerk, would apply to

the court clerk.
The bill contains an emergency clause, so it would become law immediately upon signature by the governor.

session.

The jury at that time proposed legislation to make the circuit court clerk's job appointive by the circuit judge or elective.

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of Japanese ancestry).

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Tule Lake project on Sunday.

Resistance on Strategic Isle Seems Broken

A Tokyo dispatch broadcast by the German radio reported today that Japan's armies had been evacuated from Guadalcanal island in the Solomons, after a sixmonths battle against U.S. forces landed on the island in the first allied counter-offensive in the South Seas.

It is officially announced that Buna on New Guines and the island of Guadalcanal have been evacuated by the Japanese," the broadcast said.

In Washington, Secretary of the Navy Frank Know said there was no doubt in his mind that the Japanese

were evacuating Guadalcanal. Knox said his opinion was based on "some information" received by the navy.

"All enemy resistance on the Island has apparently ceased," he said, "except that there may be a few life

Berlin quoted Imperial Tokyo headquarters as saying the Mikado's forces withdrew from Guadalcanal "after their missions had been fulfilled."

Japanese losses in the Guadal- Preparations canal and New Guinea theatres were listed at 16,734 dead, against 25,000 allied troops declared wiped out.

15,000 Annihilated

A correspondent of Domel, of

Japanese troops, whittled down to fewer than 4000 in the final stages, were involved in the Guadalcansl campaign, which began last August 7 when U. S. marines stormed the strategic ments has been made as yet. marines stormed the strategic island and captured Japanese-built Henderson air field. Regular U. S. army troops subsequent-ly relieved the hard-fighting ma-

While the German broadcas lacked immediate confirmation, a U. S. navy communique Sunday hinted that the end was near, reporting that American troops had completed a 40 to 50-mile gain which put them within five miles of the Japanese head quarters on Cape Esperance, where enemy resistance cen-

The bill introduced in Salem and Washington have indicated today to change the status of the in restrained terms that a great today to change the status of the circuit court clerkship contains provisions suggested by the county grand jury after its last session.

In restrained terms that a great showdown battle between the American and Japanese fleets was in the preliminary phases of development in the Solomons.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9 (AP)—The office of price administration is expected to issue an or development in the Solomons.

clerk.

SALARY BILL

SALEM, Feb. 9 (A) — The house passed and sent to the senate yesterday a bill to increase salaries of Klamath county officers by \$300 a year.

tended to mask the evacuation of Japanese soldiers in the north. Late st censor-delayed dispatches from Guadalcanal, dated february 5, said many of the designed to conserve present tires, by permitting motorists to and underfed and had even resorted to eating coffee grounds thrown away by Americans.

All colonists, including wom

en, will be registered for clear-

In Evacuee Registration

(See story on page 4 for for work in war industries, ac-

President Roosevelt's approval of formation of a combat unit made up of American citizens of Japanese ancestry).

NEWELL — To assist in the comprehensive program of mass ance will hereafter be conductclearance of evacuees who have clearance of evacuees who have reached the age of 17, one commissioned and three non-commissioned and three non-commissioned

OPA Opening

A correspondent of Domel, of ficial Japanese news agency, yesterday described the battles in the Solomons and New Guinea as marked by "most pathetic and tragic incidents" and said Japanese troops sometimes had gone for 20 days "without even a grain of rice."

The Buna campaign ended less than three weeks ago with the annihilation of a 15,000 man Japanese army systematically tracked down in the Papuan peninsula jungles by American and Australian troops under Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

End Hinted

Approximately 15,000 other Japanese troops, whittled down to fewer than 4000 in the final stages, were involved in the Guadalesnal computation.

Vernon G. Latimer is here from the civil service offices at Seattle, doing work in connec-tion with the selection of per-

OPA officials here include Mrs. Ernestine Wonder, senior administrative assistant; John May, assistant regional rationing (Continued on Page Two)

Ration Board Control Over

should not be considered to mean that "the rubber situation was so much better that they can relax and drive more."

Now rationing boards auto-matically issue certificates for recapping tires if a tire inspector declares it is needed.

INDIAN FOUND DEAD
Dr George Adler, coroner,
received word Tuesday afternoon that the body of Wesley
Cole, about 30, an Indian, had
been found in a house at Chiloquin. A 30-30 rille lay near
the body when it was found
by John Arkell, Indian officer, Dr. Adler was told. The
coroner said also a note was
found close by, Indicating Cole
had taken his own life. Ward's
funeral home was called.

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A proposal that keeping of said, came from the Shippington hogs be permitted inside the city area, which is part of Councillimits was offered to the city man Cantrall's ward.

After discussion, the matter was placed in the hands of Dr.

THE Berlin radio is reporting nervously today that Eisenhower on one side and Montgomery on the other are getting about ready for a grand smash on Tunisia from both sides.

We can't altogether disregard these nervous mutterings from radio Berlin. At least twice they've tipped us off to big Russian drives that the Russians hadn't yet announced.

We've known for a long time,

area, which is part of Councilman Cantrall's ward.

Councilman Andrew H. Bussman said that so far as he is concerned, no-swim should be permitted and file ordinance should stand as it is. He said if swine are permitted in one part of the city persons in other parts will ask the same privilege, yesterday after Gibbs, an artillery trainee from Danville, Va.

Capt. Frank H. Jacobs, Camp

yesterday after Gibbs, an artillery trainee from Danville, Va.,
broke into a trailer in which
Glecier and his mother, Mrs.
Nathalie artha Glecier, 34,
were sleeplag. He added that
the Paso Re les high school student and Camp Roberts' newsboy, fired the shot from only
eight leet away just as Gibbs
seized the mother, who was recovering from a serious operation.

tional snowfall and precipitation
recorded at this time of the
year.

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