

SOVIETS PUSH DEEPER INTO DONETS BASIN

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Both the official communiques and dispatches from the front line gave little information about what was happening in the region of Kharkov but it was believed here that furious fighting was raging about the ancient capital of the Ukraine which was supplanted in 1934 by Kiev as seat of the government.

The only mention in the mid-day communique said that the Russians continued to advance in the region of Chuguev, about 22 miles southeast of Kharkov.

There were no reports from the battle lines northeast, north and northwest of the important rail junction.

Nor were there late reports from the Lozovaya or Kramatorsk sectors which marked the western tip of the drive by the armies of Col. Gen. N. F. Vatutin.

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Potatoes

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16 (AP-USA)—Potatoes: 6 California, 4 Idaho, 6 Oregon arrived, 14 unbroken, 9 broken cars on track; 2 cars arrived by truck; no sales reported.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 16 (AP-USA)—Potatoes: 11 California, 1 Florida, 15 Idaho, 2 Oregon, 1 Utah arrived, 34 unbroken, 13 broken cars on track; one car diverted, 4 arrived by truck; market steady; Idaho Russets No. 1 \$2.78-\$2.79; No. 2s \$2.49; Klamath Russets No. 1 \$2.99; No. 2s \$2.59.

PORTLAND, (AP) — Potatoes, old—cash and carry price: Klamath, \$3.02; Malin, fancy, \$3.02-\$3.25 cental; Yakima, \$3.02; Deschutes, \$2.93-\$3.25 cental; local, \$2.25 cental.

Other prices unchanged.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16 (AP-USA) — Potatoes, arrivals 61; on track 154; total US shipments 616; old stock; supplies light; trading light, market firm; carlots offerings light; new stock, supplies light, demand light, market firm for best quality; Idaho Russet Burbanks US No. 1, \$3.23-85; Colorado Red McClures US No. 1, \$3.00-10; Nebraska and Wyoming Bliss Triumphs US No. 1, \$2.95-\$3.05; North Dakota Bliss Triumphs Commercial \$2.50; Florida bushel crate Bliss Triumphs US No. 1, \$2.40-60 per crate.

ARMED FORCES TO TAKE NO. 1 SPUDS

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gon will be reserved for application on export orders for the armed forces.

Idaho potatoes are also being purchased in like manner. Billings will be handled by John McMullen, associate marketing specialist, care of Shipping Point Inspection office, 619 Pine street, Klamath Falls.

Ceiling Price

Growers met at Merrill today to hear the new plan explained. The visiting experts said that purchases will be made under OPA ceilings and the order simply means that potatoes that would have been sold for the civilian market will be sold at the same prices for the armed forces.

The heavy armed force purchases, however, mean a reduced supply of No. 1 potatoes for civilian consumption, it was stated.

OBITUARY

JAMES MADISON BAKER
James Madison Baker, of the last 23 years a resident of Klamath Falls, Ore., passed away at his late residence, 840 Pacific Terrace on Monday, February 15, 1943, at 2:15 p. m. following an illness of six days. He was a native of Sheridan, Ore., and at the time of his death was aged 57 years, 10 months and 19 days. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Jean Baker of this city; two sons, James M. Jr., of this city and Pvt. W. D. Baker, U. S. A. Honolulu, and one brother, Charles Baker of Tillamook, Ore. Mr. Baker was a member of Klamath Falls Lodge No. 1247 BPOE, Klamath Lodge No. 77 A. F. and A. M., Klamath Consistory and Hillah Temple of Ashland, Ore. The remains rest in the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth. Notice of funeral to be announced at a later date.

15 JAP SHIPS REPORTED LOST IN BIG BATTLE

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anes from Burma to the South Seas. At the same time, Navy Secretary Frank Knox said in Washington that U. S. submarines were pressing a "very energetic campaign" against Japanese shipping in the southwest Pacific.

Subs Forge Ahead
Knox said the Japanese were doing their utmost to exploit their conquests in the South Seas and "undoubtedly they are getting oil, for one thing." Latest navy figures showed that American submarines have sunk 123 Japanese ships, probably sunk 22 others and damaged 32—a total of 177.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters reported that U. S. Flying Fortresses, winging hundreds of miles through a series of thunderstorms and heavy clouds, unloaded 38 tons of bombs on the big Japanese base at Rabaul, New Britain, attacking the enemy stronghold for the second night in a row.

All Safe

All the planes returned without any serious damage to personnel. Other aircraft—including pursuit planes, light, medium and heavy bombers—were reported in action over a wide expanse of the southwest Pacific.

In Burma, RAF bombers pounded the Japanese in day and night attacks, blasting the enemy airfield at Helo and the major base on Akyab island, as well as other targets inland.

Price Ceiling Fixed on 1942 Onion Set Crop

PORTLAND, Feb. 16 (AP) — The OPA announced today temporary price ceiling on the 1942 onion set crop in the first action taken to control seeds and bulbs.

To prevent holding of stocks in anticipation of a price increase, OPA put the price of onion sets at the highest levels at which individual growers and merchandisers made sales between February 10-14, 1943. The average price to the grower would be about \$5 a bushel, OPA said.

The temporary order will be replaced by a permanent order within 60 days, OPA said.

Injured — Mrs. Frances Mazzer, route 1 box 803, is receiving treatment at Klamath Valley hospital for a dislocated shoulder. Mrs. Mazzer suffered the painful injury in a fall at her home in the Henley district. She was brought to Klamath Falls early Tuesday morning by Ward's ambulance.

To San Francisco—Mrs. Vernon Kuykendall and sons, Robert and Roger, and her mother, Mrs. G. C. Stevens, will leave this week for San Francisco where they will spend several days. Vernon Kuykendall, radio technician 2/c, will meet them there.

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Wallace Hopkins, Charles Hitson Reported Missing

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rival, no trace of the plane could be found. The flyer's father, manager of Mitchell Lewis and Staver company here, said Wallace had been in the navy for six years. He trained for four years in the Hawaiian islands and was then ordered to Pensacola, Fla., as instructor. Just one year ago he was transferred to Seattle and then spent quite some time serving with the navy forces in northern waters.

Wallace visited here January 15 with his wife, Hilda, and seven-month-old daughter, Jeanie, who have made their home with his parents since the baby's arrival. He left for Seattle the last of January, took an apartment and sent for his family. Mrs. Hopkins arrived February 6, the family was together on Sunday, February 7, and the next morning the pilot was reported missing on the flight.

Jack G. Hopkins, chief machinist mate, stationed at the Alameda, Calif., naval station, arrived here Sunday and late last night accompanied his mother, Mrs. S. B. Hopkins, to Seattle to be with Wallace's family. Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins came here two years ago from Twin Falls, Ida. Wallace received his education in the Twin Falls schools, and was a member of the Presbyterian church there. The flyer also has a sister, Bettie, senior student at Klamath Union high school, and another sister, Mrs. John H. Parkinson of Jerome, Ida.

Pvt. Charles Alva Hitson, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hitson of Langell valley, is reported missing in action by the United States army, according to word received by the youth's parents Monday night.

The message from the war department gave no details but advised the parents that their son was missing "in the North America area since February 2." Additional information will be sent the family, the department said.

Charles was a graduate of Klamath Union high school and for six years carried The Herald and News in the Shasta valley area. The family resided at 938 Kane street before moving to Langell valley.

Charles enlisted in the U. S. army air corps in August, 1942, but was transferred to the medical corps, his parents said. He trained at Camp Barkley, Tex., spent one month at Fort Slocum, N. Y., and then was ordered to Camp Myles Standish, Taunton, Mass. His parents were advised that he left that point on January 20. They have had one V letter from their son since his departure but their son told his destination.

Dismissed — Pvt. Francis Wilson of Camp Murray, Wash., removed from a train here while suffering from a severe attack of bronchitis, was dismissed from Klamath Valley hospital Tuesday.

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CONDITION OF CRASH VICTIM STILL SERIOUS

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The condition of Lyle Watkins, 16-year-old Bend youth injured in a head-on collision early Monday morning one and one-half miles north of Sand Creek on the Dalles-California highway, was reported but slightly improved here Tuesday. Wallace Alexander Davis, 17, Bend, driver of the car, was discharged Tuesday. Driver of the second machine, James Lester Weaver, Bakersfield, Calif., was reported improved and may be moved to Portland Wednesday. All three were admitted to Klamath Valley hospital at 3 a. m. Monday.

State police said the Davis car, southbound to Klamath Falls where Davis and young Watkins were to seek employment, and the northbound Weaver car, met head-on when Weaver's lights failed. Mrs. L. T. Weaver of Portland arrived here to be with her son. Other Tripp, 116 Old Fort road, picked up Davis and Weaver and brought them to Klamath Falls, a state highway employee bringing Watkins, most seriously injured, to the hospital.

Canadian Corvette Sunk; 38 Lives Presumed Lost

OTTAWA, Feb. 16 (AP)—Sinking of the Canadian corvette Louisburg with the loss of 38 lives as a result of enemy air attacks while on convoy duty in the Mediterranean was announced today by Navy Minister Angus Macdonald.

It was the first time in Canadian naval history that a Canadian ship had been sunk in the Mediterranean—and the first time a Canadian ship had been destroyed by an air attack. Two officers, 33 Canadian ratings and three royal navy ratings were listed as "missing, presumed killed in action."

Date of the sinking, fifth corvette loss for the navy since the war began, was not made public and the only description of the action was given in 15 words of Macdonald's statement.

EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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lands while they looked us over with their air scouts. They were headed for Guadalcanal.

Their scouts reported OUR naval forces TOO BIG TO TACKLE.

So they decided to TAKE OFF their men from Guadalcanal instead of putting more on and trying to drive us off.

THEY kept their big ships in the sheltering islands, protected by Jap air bases, and pushed out their destroyers in several groups to take off their men remaining on Guadalcanal. At the same time, we were PUTTING MEN ONTO Guadalcanal.

The fighting occurred during this process of putting on Americans and taking off Japs. It was all between planes and surface ships, the ships on both sides apparently not getting a shot at each other.

We lost a heavy cruiser and a destroyer sunk, and the Japs apparently lost half a dozen destroyers sunk and a half dozen more damaged or maybe sunk.

Relative losses can't be judged accurately, for we don't announce our ships that are damaged. That would disclose to the Japs information they want badly.

IN the whole weeks-long operation WE CAME OUT AHEAD, for we finished what we started last August on Guadalcanal and now HAVE the island where so much blood has been spilled. The Japs have abandoned it.

AS to the story told in this column today, you must remember that this writer, who doesn't pose as a military expert, is merely GUESSING from the best available reports—trying to do the guessing the reader would otherwise have to do for himself.

The military experts can't afford to do too much guessing. They'd lose their reputations if they guessed wrong. This writer has no reputation to lose and so can seek to untangle for the reader's benefit the dispatches from the war fronts which are snarled up and made obscure by the necessities of military censorship, whose purpose is to prevent the enemy from gaining important military knowledge.

What is printed here today is intended only as a GUESS at the broad outlines of what PROBABLY happened, and is not vouched for as literal fact.

PRICE CEILING ON LIVESTOCK EYED

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tween 5 and 20 per cent of the civilian supply has been going recently to "black markets," but Brown said it was improper to blame farmers for selling their animals to the highest bidder.

"Farmers are law abiding citizens," he said, "and there is no law against these sales. When we place ceilings on livestock—and we are seriously considering doing that—I am sure the farm people will abide by that."

Bullets End Strange Triangle in Las Vegas

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ing to straighten out their tangled affairs by divorce. A week ago she left Las Vegas and is now in Puento, Calif., about 35 miles from Los Angeles.

Duncan did not testify, but the auto court owner, Larry Cox, said that a week ago the two men engaged in a violent fist fight and that Duncan was badly beaten.

In a statement to Coroner Larry, Duncan said he shot the man who captured the heart of his 36-year-old wife. Cone, he said, descended on him in a drunken state and started to beat him.

Larry said Duncan told him Cone fell in love with his wife when he came to work on Duncan's ranch. The three decided to come to Las Vegas for divorces—Cone already was married—and they put up together in the same auto court here.

Duncan posed as his wife's father-in-law while she lived with Cone, the coroner said, and even sided with her when she got into quarrels with her lover. She left for Los Angeles a week ago, but the two men continued to live together.

Duncan was quoted by the coroner as saying he used his 14-year-old son's deer rifle to shoot Cone, and above everything else he wanted to see that his boy got the weapon back. The son and a daughter, 13, are believed to be with their mother in Los Angeles.

If it's a "frozen" article you need, advertise for a used one in the classified.

In Hospital — Friends of Mrs. George Stevenson of Olene regret to learn she is a patient at Klamath Valley hospital, suffering from pneumonia. Her condition is said to be good.

Rebekah Lodge — Prosperity Rebekah lodge 104 will meet in the IOOF hall Thursday, February 18, at 7:30 p. m. for the regular meeting.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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