

Since the Germans were stop-ped at the Volga they have made mistakes. They hung on too long before Stalingrad, thus enabling the Russians to encircle and trap a large part of their forces. They evidently miscalculated Russia's power to strike back.

But in the German retirement since Stalingrad, there have been few signs of rout or panic.

A's army that falls back with-out rout or panic usually its system. The Germans are proving that now. KEEP this is relation

## KEEP this in mind:

As the Russians have moved Bombings May Herald forward, they have lengthened their supply lines. As the Ger-mans have fallen back, they have SHORTENED their supply lines.

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THE fighting in Russia differs from the fighting in Africa, where ground gained or lost means little and losses inflicted on the enemy mean everything. Ground in southern Russia is important, for it contains min-eral wealth and food-producing power. Coal, iron, oil and food

are war essentials. But relative strength (which involves relative losses in the fighting that has already taken place) is still the deciding factor. If the Germans have MORE STRENGTH LEFT than the Rus-sians, we're due for some bad

sources said. Rommel holds ground in a semi-circle before Gen. Sir Ber-nard Montgomery's forward elekees, narrowly escaped injury indispensable. I should like to cooperate with all those who ac-cept the traditional principles (of the French republic)." The island of Amboina, for-mer Dutch possession and once the site of one of the most im-Klamath Falls airport. (Continued on Page Two) the rugged McCloud river country north of here today in an of the fighting in Russia in the craft guns failed before today's of the Japanese offensive, which had been designed to protect attempt to locate two large planes-one known to be an Giraud's promise to eliminate "measures or men" deemed in-jurious to the allied war effort that Gen. Jean Marie Bergeret and Gen Auguste Nogues two win. Win. Herein of the transformation of the set of Snell Approves five minute reception was over. (The navy department, report-**Ten House Bills** army craft-believed down in the area. ing on this action in a commun-ique March 12, said the attack was made by Liberator and Mitchell bombers and that bomb the enemy's communications 'A SIDE from the weather, which has turned bad again, SALEM, March 15 (P)-Gov-ernor Earl Snell today approved and signed 10 house bills of the recently-adjourned legislature. Included were two appropria-tion of the planes Satur-day after the craft's controls SALEM, March 15 (AP)-Govthat Gen. Jean Marie Bergeret and Gen. Auguste Nogues, two aging the propeller and landing win. and Gen. Auguste Nogues, two members of Giraud's war com-mittee, would be jettisoned. These two men were not pres-ent at the opera house where Gi-raud addressed a rally protest-ing the German annexation of Alsace and Lorraine. The fight-cial warnings that the enemy out not be undervaried in this the most interesting news from Africa today is a Cairo dispatch hits were scored on both anti- vious attacks. aircraft batteries and buildings deductions in income tax compu-ramento to Portland. The lieu-Observers said it was too are described as a new type of Hurricane (British-built) fighter, in the camp area without loss early to predict whether the to the raiders). to the raiders). Many buildings took fire, but this is not the worst of the bomb-ing. If our 50,000 pounds of dynamite shook the ground at Kiska today as much as the (Continued on Page Two) tations, an amendment to the ac-tations, an amendment to the ac-tenant, who walked to Salt cident report law, a measure to permit political subdivisions to acquire and operate airports, one providing veteran relief and an-aboard also bailed out. The Aisace and Lorraine. The fight-ing French have pronounced them pro-Vichy and demanded that they be ousted. A fighting French delegation headed by Gen. Georges Catroux is expected in Algiers shortly, equipped with CANNON. They are said to have secured direct hits on 74 German tanks in the African fighting of the accounted for 20 German ar-mored vehicles in the fighting at the Mareth line during the other setting aside racing com-mission moneys for postwar use. closed. names were not dis-(Continued on Page Two) | artillery fire. Officers at McClellan field, Sacramento, said the plane took off from the Sacramento air de-Federal Income Taxpayers Rush to past week. and some observers believe this Hull, Eden Warn Public (Continued on page two) pot at 11:32 a.m. Saturday landed at Red Bluff at 12:43 MANY American air men have File Returns Before Midnight Tonight M believed that the plane will ultimately master the tank. About Possible Long War **Postal Employees** and resumed its flight. And resumed its fight. Another plane was reported missing in the same area by McClellan field but there were no details as to the flight nor WASHINGTON, March 15 (F) The house voted today to in-crease the pay of postal em-ployes to meet added living costs, The 383 to 4 vote sent the legislation to the senate. The increases are applicable. The increases are applicable. They point out that an armor-plercing bomb launched from a By The Associated Press Income taxpayers by the un-counted thousands — many of ficials in Washington expressed newly-opened branch in another By The Associated Press low-flying FAST plane has al-most as much destructive power them first-timers-stood in evconfidence that nearly all would building. the number of men aboard since as a shell from a gun. There is no mention of use of bombs by these new tank-bust-ing planes, only their cannon night deadline. There is no mention of use of the country today waiting to night deadline. There is no mention of use of the country today waiting to night deadline. There is no mention of use of the country today waiting to the country the Because of new high rates and it was not from the Sacramento lower exemptions, many persons air depot, were forced to borrow money costs. The 383 to 4 vote sent the legislation to the senate. The increases are applicable of last Saturday that the Ameri-to all employes of the field ser-vice and will be in effect until six months after the war. For all officers and employes. The conflict will be more the duration of the war. The conflict will be more the duration of the war. The conflict will be more the duration of the senate de-partment for "a little instruc-tion" and already had learned quite a bit. He and Hull had begun their w ork today, he said, and will have other talks ing planes, only their cannon being referred to in the dispatch. to pay their taxes, and one group-men in the 18 to 38 age Even greater crowds were avoided by the elimination for returns were more than twice Share-the-Ride But we are told that squadrons bracket — found difficulty in Horn Tooters Get of them are being organized in the first time of the require the number for the first two England for the invasion of Eument for notarization of returns, months of the year. He added the draft made many of them a Official Frown thus permitting all who wished simply to mail checks, money not to pay "evidently have been poor risk. In New York the second col-For all officers and employes. The conflict W111 be more later. except fourth class-postmasters long-drawn-out — according to and those working on an hourly all reasonable calculations—than basis, the increase would be \$300 one might expect on the basis annually. Fourth-class postmast-of a hasty judgment, Hull told Anyway, it is an interesting PORTLAND, March 15 (AP) development. orders or even cash. But many cities reported re-cord numbers at internal reve-ter that all these plans of 'pay-as-you-go' don't mean a thing lection district at custom house Share-the-ride drivers who per-reported the office banked \$40,- sist in tooting horns in the wee We raid Kiska again, this time dropping 27 tons of bombs on Jap installations there and evidently doing quite a lot of damage. Eugene Burns, AP cor-respondent, quotes a high-rank-(Continued on Page Two) Continued on Page Two) Continued on Page Two annually. Fourth-class postmast-ers, third-class clerks, special de-livery messengers, and workers paid by the day or hour would receive a fifteen per cent in-crease, not to exceed \$300 an-nually. nually.

advices were received. Swiss frontier residents for the past three days have heard the sounds of sporadic firing. Lyon lies in the Rhone river valley southwest of the parti rendezvous, the Haute sans' Savole region. (The Algiers radio broadcast

a report that French guerrillas (Continued on Page Two)

## BY U. S. BOMBERS

Mighty Spring Offensive

BY EUGENE BURNS AN ADVANCED BASE IN ALASKA, March 10 (#)-De-layed)-Army light and heavy bombers, accompanied by man-made Lightnings, today released

One high-ranking army offi-cer said this bombing heralded

the opening of a mighty spring offensive against Kiska, weather conditions permitting. Once more planes, ammuni-

Joe Gordon, famed second baseman of the New York Yansources said.

cents hourly was promised tentatively today to 27,000 pine lumber workers in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, northern Cal-

ifornia and western Montana. The proposed increase is up for decision before the office of price administration, which will decide whether it would necessi-

tate price celling adjustments for pine products. The increase, calling for pay-ment in war bonds and stamps

of approximately \$2,000,000 in back wages, was ordered by the West Coast Lumber commission and approved by the war labor board.

Uniform Plan Loses Benjamin H. Kizer, commis-sion chairman, said a union de-mand for a uniform minimum

wage was denied, but that the proposed increase would estab-lish these regional scales: An 873-cent minimum in cen-

**Chinese** Claim **Jap Offensive** In Collapse

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CHUNGKING, March 15 (AP) The Chinese high command de-clared today that the big Japanese offensive which began March 8 along a 100-mile stretch of the Yangtze river

U. S. BOMBERS HIT Gen. Giraud Offers To NAZIS' MARETH LINE

By WES GALLAGHER

today drafted a series of decrees repudiating the last vestiges of Vichy influence in North and West Africa.

NORTH AFRICA, March 15 (AP) In a Casablanca conference U. S. Mitchell bombers raided Marshal Erwin Rommel's posiaftermath, the civil and military commander - in - chief also distions yesterday in a continuation closed that he was welding a striking force of 300,000 men of the aerial assault intended to soften the Mareth line for the equipped with American weap-ons and solemnly promised the British eighth army's coming people of his conquered home-land that "their sacred rights to

WE outsiders can't know such important inside facts. We can only watch and wait and draw conclusions from what in provinces had col-and the nine months' total dropped on the Japanese occupied island draw conclusions from what happens from day to day. If you will keep this thought in mind, you will be able to fol-low more intelligently the news of the fighting in Russia in the next few works. and Hupeh provinces had col-lapsed and that most of 20,000 western desert air force escorted **Power Line at** the Mitchell formations on their missions of destruction and made numerous sweeps independently Local Airport without interception, military

"It looks as though Kharkov is gone," military sources in London admitted, while the Ger-London admitted, while the Ger-mans in today's communique de-clared their offensive, spreading northward, had resulted in a bloody collapse of Russian coun-terattacks west of Belgorod. "During Lie day and night red army men of one unit repulsed incessant Hitlerite attacks," the midday communique from Mos-AMERICANS BLAST **JAPANESE SHIPPING** 

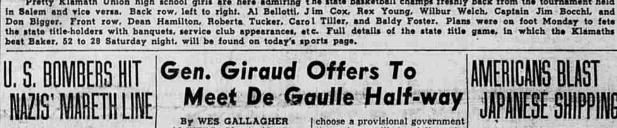
## Growing Concentra-

tion of Jap Vessels Noted ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, March 15 (49) Growing concentrations of Jap-anese shipping at island bases in Giraud embraced the princi-ples of the Atlantic charter, and promised to abolish all Vichy were reported today as General MacArthur's headquarters an-nounced that allied airmen had blasted two more ships in an enemy convoy off Wewak, New Guinea.

british eighth army's coming push although bad weather al-most paralyzed the air war else-where in Tunisia, Spitfires and Warhawks of the Two Army Planes Down in M'Cloud River Country REDDING, Calif., March 15 (P)--Searching parties went into the rugged McCloud river coun-Joe Gordon Hits from the Japanese base at Yo-chow near the border of Hunan tion and pilots are ready. Today's pay load was 53,500 pounds of demolition and frag-

By DANIEL de LUCE

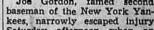
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN



Pretty Klamath Union high school girls are here admiring the state basketball champs freshly back from the tournament held

ing to the rules of the French republic."

promised to abolish all Vichy legislation — particularly the anti-Jewish decrees, to restore democratic functions in North Africa including the election of municipal assemblies and con-



Not conceding the loss of the big steel city which they cap-tured February 16, or even ad-mitting fighting within the city itself, the Russians nevertheless

admitted today that their lines had been progressively forced

back in the "Kharkov area" in the face of hundreds of tanks

and overwhelmingly superior

mid-day communique from Mos-cow announced. It reported the destruction of 14 enemy tanks and 600 enemy soldiers in hand-

to-hand fighting in one small

Claiming a sort of vindication for Adolf Hitler's Waffen SS-combat units of the nazl party's

commat units of the narl party's elite guard—the, German high command in a special commun-ique last night announced the recapture of the city held by the Germans from October, 1941, un-til last February and gave the entire credit for the immediate

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German numbers.

ALGERS, March 15 (P) - themselves will be fully safe Gen. Henri Giraud, after offer- guarded." Aerial Assault Tends Gaulle half-way in a union that "must be effected" among all anti-axis Frenchmen flighting for a rebirth of the French republic, form of mutual trusteeship pend-today drafted a series of decrees ing the day of victory when To Soften Rommel Positions