

Blackout Signal

One 8-minute blast on sirens and whistles is the signal for a blackout in Klamath Falls. Another long blast, during a blackout, is a signal for all-clear. In precautionary periods, watch your street lights.

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FOLKES GUILTY; DEATH DECREED

Bayonet Fighting Rages

Jury Finds Negro Slew Navy Bride in Lower 13 Berth

ALBANY, April 23 (AP)—Robert Lee Folkes was found guilty of first degree murder by a circuit court jury of 8 women and 4 men at 3:13 o'clock today. There was no recommendation of leniency, and Folkes must pay with his life for the slaying of Martha Brinson James in the sensational lower 13 murder case. The jury was out 17 hours and 23 minutes.

Folkes is accused of the knife slaying of Mrs. Martha Virginia James of Norfolk, Va., as she lay in her berth aboard a south-bound limited train on January 23.

Beds Set

Beds were set up in the jury room about midnight last night, and Judge L. G. Lewelling ordered that they be left there, indicating he would insist upon another day, at least, of deliberation if a decision is not reached today.

The negro "slept like a baby" all night, a juror said, seemingly unbothered by the possibility of a death verdict. Few spectators remain at the courthouse, but most of them disappeared after the case went to the jury. His attorney, Leroy Lomax, who contended Folkes was at work in the dining car at the time of the slaying, took exception to the case went to the jury at 10:15 a. m. yesterday. He protested that Circuit Judge L. G. Lewelling should have instructed jury members they could return a possible manslaughter verdict.

Lewelling told them they could return verdicts of: 1. Conviction of first-degree murder. This carries a mandatory death sentence. 2. Conviction of first-degree (Continued on Page Two)

Japs Threaten To Execute More Fliers

By The Associated Press A threat to execute every United States flier captured during a bombing of Japan was implied in propaganda broadcasts from Tokyo today and it was said that Japan would "leave nothing undone to prevent a repetition of the allied air attack" upon the island empire last April. "And by the way, don't forget Americans," said an English-language broadcast recorded by the federal communications commission, "make sure that every flier that comes this way has a special pass to hell and rest assured it's strictly a one-way ticket."

Baldock Describes Huge Post-War Road Program

Highway construction to follow immediately after the war will be so extensive that every deserving Oregon project should benefit, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, declared on a visit here Wednesday. Answering inquiries at the chamber of commerce directors' meeting, Baldock said that contemplated appropriations are so large that there need be no fear they will be concentrated on the Pacific and Columbia River highways to the detriment of the Dalles-California, Willamette, and other important Oregon roads.

The questions to Baldock were prompted by published reports mentioning only the Pacific and Columbia routes in connection with the huge post-war program. Baldock discussed the whole situation frankly while on a visit to Klamath Falls with five other officials of the state highway commission and the bureau of public roads to study local projects, including South Sixth

BRITISH HIT NAZIS' LINES NEAR TUNIS

Two German Counter-attacks Said Repulsed

By WILLIAM B. KING ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, April 22 (AP)—A military spokesman said that a fierce battle, including bayonet and grenade fighting, raged throughout today on the British eighth army's front as Gen. Sir Harold Montgomery's infantrymen drove against axis defense lines south of Tunis. The eighth army artillery was credited with repulse of two nazi counterattacks yesterday on the southern wing of the front and Lieut. Gen. K. A. N. Anderson's first army beat off a powerful assault upon an eight-mile section of its line below Medjel-Bab, destroying 27 tanks, inflicting considerable casualties and capturing 500 Germans.

Paratroops Used British parachute troops, who wear distinctive red berets and camouflaged green jackets that hang almost to their knees, were disclosed to have been in the thick of first army engagements as infantrymen. Fresh British gains on the southern front were declared firmly held. Between 60 and 80 tanks and at least five battalions of German infantry (perhaps 3000 men) struck by moonlight Tuesday night at the positions of Lieut. Gen. K. A. N. Anderson's first army in the mountainous area of Medjel-el-Bab, itself 35 miles southwest of Tunis. The assault forces, described here as some of the best of Marshal Erwin Rommel's men in Africa, were met by heavy fire. They suffered considerable casualties and the survivors were withdrawing at dawn, a communique said. Among the 27 wrecked tanks they left behind were two of the 60-ton Mary V Tigers.

Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery (Continued on Page Two)

Ten Killed As Plane Crashes During Landing

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 22 (AP)—An army airplane crashed while making a landing at the Evansville municipal airport shortly before last midnight and 10 men were killed, Major F. C. Dickson, army representative at the field reported. Major Dickson issued this formal statement: "An army airplane crashed at the Evansville airport at 11:26 p. m. (Central war time) Wednesday and 10 men were reported killed. Their names are withheld pending notification of their next of kin." State police and local officers sent to the field said the plane burned after the crash.

India Court Rules Over Regulations Imprisoning Leaders

NEW DELHI, April 22 (AP)—A federal court ruled invalid today a section of the defense of India regulations under which some 8000 prisoners, including leaders of the congress (nationalist) party, were detained in connection with last year's disturbances. In delivering the judgment, Sir Maurice Gwyder, chief justice of India, said "Our decisions may be the cause of inconvenience and possibly embarrassment, even though temporary, to the executive authority."



Germans have increased their strength in the Kuban delta area of the Black sea coast, either through the Kerch peninsula or by sea through Novorossisk (broken arrows) but have failed to make permanent gains, the Russians claimed. More than 8000 Germans have been killed and 17 planes downed, the Russians said. Shaded area is approximate German-held territory.

Victory Gardeners to Get Credit Refund From Copco

Victory gardeners will receive a credit refund under a supplement to the local water rate released this week by the California Oregon Power company. The Victory garden credit will benefit domestic users who have a diversified vegetable garden for family use of at least 200 square feet in area, for example, a plot 10 feet by 20 feet, the amount of credit to be proportionate to the size of the garden cultivated and used, it was explained. The new water schedule be-

Man Held After Alleged Theft of Money, Car

Ivan Leeper is being held in the Klamath county jail following his arrest near Bly by "Bud" Wilson, U. S. Indian officer, and Deputy Sheriff Willis Pankey late Wednesday on a charge of having no operator's license. Following Leeper's arrest, officers learned that Lee M. Prouty, theatre manager, had reported to state police that a man answering Leeper's description had held a gun against him, relieved him of some \$7 and his car. Prouty told police that he was in Bonanza and met the man, the two later going for a ride and picking up the man's girl friend. She was later returned to her home in Bonanza, and en route to Klamath Falls, Prouty said his passenger held a gun against him, ordered him to turn over all his cash and the keys to his car.

Leeper was stopped by officers in Bly and booked on a no operator's license charge and the fact that he was unable to prove ownership of his car. Pankey brought Leeper to Klamath Falls and the district attorney's office said charges would be filed some time Wednesday afternoon. State police said the gun Leeper is alleged to have held against Prouty was "no good," but that Prouty was not aware of this fact.

Government Stops Lunches for Oregon School Children

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The existing filled water tariff, effective since April 1, 1940, providing a summer reduction for the six months' period between the April and October meter reading dates, remains unchanged. During the six months' period, all water usage through the common three-quarter inch service pipe, in excess of 1.65 per month, is at the rate of 10c per hundred cubic feet with some of the largest users graduating down to the lowest rate of 8c per hundred cubic feet. "With economical use of water and favorable soil conditions, it is possible that all surplus water used for a Victory garden may be offset by the refund," according to Sam Ritchey, acting divisional manager. "At least, for every gardener there will be a substantial discount toward the extra water used for irrigation of a vegetable garden. For example, the credit will pay for the following volumes of water figured at 10c per hundred cubic feet: Five hundred square feet of garden to a depth of 29 inches per season; 1000 square feet of garden to a depth of 26 inches per season; 10,000 square feet of garden to a depth of 20 inches per season. "Application for the Victory garden credit should be made at the California Oregon company's office, stating the area of the garden, which will determine (Continued on Page Two)

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LONG RANGE SHIPS SOCK JAP BASES

Single Enemy Plane Makes Light Raid

By WILLIAM F. BONI ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, April 22 (AP)—General Douglas MacArthur's medium and heavy bombers and long range fighters attacked enemy holdings Wednesday at 10 points on the island Perimeter north of Australia. Set against that, a single Japanese plane took advantage of a full moon to make what the noon communique described as an "inconsequential" raid on allied positions at Morobe on the north coast of New Guinea. In only one instance was there an interception by Japanese (Continued on Page Two)

Red Cross War Fund Passes \$30,600 Goal

Klamath county's Red Cross war fund goal of \$30,600, was passed at noon Thursday when Red Cross officials announced that the drive had netted a total of \$32,510.52, in a six weeks' campaign. Contributions flooded the local office coming from individuals as well as firms. The final list of donors will appear within the next few days, it was announced. Those wishing to make additional contributions may do so. All contributors to the war fund, automatically become members of the Klamath county chapter, according to George A. Myers, chapter chairman, who expressed his extreme gratification over results of the drive. Chairman of the drive was L. Orth Slesmore.

Burning Urge for Revenge Rides in American Planes After Jap Actions

WASHINGTON, April 22 (AP) A new and burning challenge for revenge rode with America's air fighters in the Pacific today. They were called on by their chief, Gen. Henry H. Arnold, to destroy the Japanese warlords who "have executed several of your brave comrades" in violation of what Arnold termed "every rule of military procedure and every concept of human decency." President Roosevelt's announcement late yesterday that some of the American fliers who helped bomb military targets in Japan last year had been put to death electrified and shocked the capital. Diabolical Crimes Mingled with Mr. Roosevelt's assertion that these "diabolical crimes" would make America more determined than ever to "blot out the shameless militar-

POISON USE EXPECTED ON SOVIET FRONT

Broadcasts Beamed To Nazis Telling Effects

LONDON, April 22 (AP)—Asserting it had received reports that "Hitler is making preparations for using poison gas against the Russian front," the British government vowed today that any use of gas by either Germany or her satellites would bring immediate reprisals in kind against military objectives "throughout the whole expanse of Germany."

The government's statement was issued by Prime Minister Churchill from 10 Downing street and newspapermen were called into an extraordinary session early this morning at the ministry of information to hear it.

The British Broadcasting company also quickly beamed short-wave broadcasts to Germany, directly informing the German people what they could expect if their leader orders the use of gas. The broadcasts emphasized the United Nations' air superiority and quoted the prime minister's comment that "British resources and scale of delivery (of gas warfare facilities) have greatly increased since last year."

Berlin Replies The Berlin radio, replying to the British statement, quoted German foreign office circles as saying that Germany would (Continued on Page Two)

Germans Try to Crack Red Line By Sheer Weight

MOSCOW, April 22 (AP)—The Germans kept up unceasing assaults in the Kuban valley of the Caucasus during the night, trying with a great weight of men, tanks and planes to crack the red army lines from the southern shores of the Sea of Azov to the Black sea at Novorossisk. All their efforts failed, although in some instances groups of axis troops were able to reach the first lines of the red army's defenses, only to be cut down by murderous machine-gun, rifle and mortar fire, and by Russian bayonets in hand-to-hand fighting, the soviet information bureau's midday communique said. In one sector the Germans were reported to have lost upwards of 1700 men in the last 48 hours. The German air force, meanwhile, was being engaged in some of the vast intensive air battles of the campaign as Russian fighter planes met strong attempts to dive-bomb the red army's ground troops into submission.

It also warned that any other violations of the Geneva convention regarding treatment of prisoners of war—"as military operations now in progress draw to their inexorable and inevitable conclusion"—would bring punishment to those responsible. Japan did not say how many American fliers it had put to death, but informed through Swiss channels that it had tried those captured and sentenced them to death. The sentence was commuted for the "larger number" of them, the note added, but was carried out on the others. Doolittle Predicts Grim and shocked when informed of the execution of some (Continued on Page Two)