Klamath Third War Loan Purchases Skyrocket to $2,792,191.50; Quota Passed

Blackout Signal

One 5-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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YANKS ROLL ONTO NAPLES PLAIN

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

NAPLES takes the spotlight today.

Clark breaks down out of the mountains onto the surrounding plain, and a general German retirement seems to be under way.

The dispatches tell us that our assault on the nazis RETREATING from Naples is hampered by bad weather.

That indicates that they're retiring northward out of the city.

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AP Correspondent Don Whitehead, who is with the U. S. navy in the gulf of Salerno, contributes an illuminating sidelight on the Naples evacuation.

Quoting terrified refugees who escaped from the city in fishing boats, he says:

"Desperate German troops—ruling the tortured city by terrorism—are spreading destruction, machine-gunning women and children and forcing soldiers and civilians alike into slave labor battalions with death for those who refuse."

He adds that the apparent aim of the Germans is to take vengeance on the Italians for surrendering to us and to destroy Naples so completely that nothing of value will be left there.

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IT isn't a pleasant picture, but it does help to explain why the Italians, with the brutal nazi fingers at their throat, hesitated so long before making the break with their hated (and feared) ally.

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VERY significantly indeed, today's dispatches tell of the repairs we're making to the airfields at Foggia in preparation for bomber assaults on northern Italy, southern Germany and the Balkans.

To understand the importance of Foggia, get out your map, lay your ruler on it and start measuring distances.

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ALONG the southern Dnieper, the bulk of the German forces seem to have retired behind the river barrier, but the nazis still hold Kremenchug (see map) on the east bank.

The Russians are reported to have reached the river both to the north and to the south of Kremenchug and are only nine miles away on the east. The river is about 1000 yards wide there. There are good crossings, both rail and highway.

The Russians doubtless hope to demoralize the Germans and follow them across before they can destroy the bridges.

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RED armies are within ten miles of Vitebsk, in the north, in the narrow and comparatively dry and firm corridor between the Dvina and the Dnieper rivers.

Watch this situation. It holds vast possibilities.

Vitebsk isn't much more than 100 miles from the LATVIAN border. The Russians MIGHT be able to cut clear through to Riga, on the Baltic (consult your map), thus freeing Leningrad and all northern Russia from the German grip.

It all depends on their reserve strength.

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IN the South Pacific, the battle for Finschhafen is described today as "roaring toward its finish," with MacArthur's Australians crowding the defending Japs hard.

Wewak, Jap base 200 miles to the west, is hit hard by our air forces to keep Jap planes based there from taking part in the Finschhafen battle. Fifty Jap planes are destroyed on the ground at Wewak, and of 20 that got into the air eight are shot down sure and three more maybe. Jap ships in Wewak harbor are sunk.

If you'll look at your map, you'll note that Finschhafen is only 70 miles across the water

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KREMENCHUG CAPTURED BY SOVIET ARMS

Poltava Escape Gap Closed As Rail Lines Cut

LONDON, Sept. 29 (AP) — Soviet forces captured the town of Kremenchug on the east bank of the Dnieper river between Kiev and Dnepropetrovsk, the Moscow radio announced today.

Capture of the last great German stronghold on the east side of the Middle Dnieper closed the escape gap for the German forces below Poltava. Both railroads from the Poltava region to Kremenchug were already cut and many German troops were reported inclosed in the pocket.

The broadcast, recorded by the soviet monitor, quoted an order of the day by Marshal Premier Joseph Stalin.

Stalin also issued a second order of the day announcing the capture of Rudnya, 40 miles southeast of Vitebsk on the Smolensk - Vitebsk railroad. It marked a 39-mile advance from Smolensk on the route through northern White Russia into Latvia.

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW, Sept. 29 (AP) — Unleashing concentrations of troops and tanks in the battle for the Dnieper river, the Germans counterattacked strongly today in a bid to maintain their bridgeheads on the eastern bank.

Counter Blows

Frontline dispatches said the enemy, holding favorable positions, was launching 10 to 12 counterattacks daily with powerful air support. The communist party newspaper Pravda reported that at one point a red army was put in a "critical

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Masked Prowler Kills Banker in Night Struggle

ATLANTA, Sept. 29 (AP)—Henry C. Heinz, 63, Atlanta banker and past president of Kiwanis International, was shot to death by a masked prowler at his home last night, and his son-in-law, Dr. Bryant K. Vann, 40, rushing to the Heinz home in answer to a call for help, was seriously wounded in a gun battle with police when each apparently mistook the other for the slayer.

Police Capt. L. J. Carroll said Radio Patrolmen W. M. Miller and M. W. Blackwell reported they answered the alarm shortly after Heinz, vice president of the Citizens and Southern National bank, was slain.

Blackwell went to the rear of the house and Miller entered the front. The former said a man began firing at him from a woods back of the house and he returned the fire. Miller, hearing the shots, raced outside and joined his partner. In the exchange of shots, Dr. Vann, a dentist, was wounded, the officers said.

Downey Pleads For Wheeler Draft Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) Senator Downey (D-Calif.) told the senate today that the high command had failed to recognize the capacity of the American people to create "a destructive airpower which might have brought Germany to dust and to defeat months ago."

Predicting "quick surrender or terrible destruction" for the nazis with airpower's effective use, the Californian appealed for passage of the Wheeler bill to delay induction of pre-war fathers into an army which he said "is already too large."

Bond Sale Total Thumps Threshold Of Third Million

Klamath county's skyrocketing Third War Loan drive hit $2,792,191.50 today, leaving the quota of $2,518,000 far behind in an ascent that might reach the third million.

News that the county had passed the big quota was greeted with cheers when announced by E. B. Hall, Elks bond chairman, at last night's army show at the Pelican. Hall reported sales of $2,650,000 at the show but by noon today the total was more than $100,000 beyond that figure.

With bond purchasing still active and an appeal out for more E bond buying this week, it appeared the momentum of the great drive might carry right on to the neighborhood of $3,000,000.

Big Margin Wanted

"This drive isn't over," said the Elks bond chairman. "Let's carry right on to the last day, and make it as big a margin as possible."

It was a happy crowd that filled the Pelican for the Camp White show last night, and it witnessed a snappy program featuring at the finish Movie Actor Dennis Morgan, who sang several numbers against a background of colorfully-uniformed Commandos. Mayor John Houston directed the show.

Auction Sale

Sales totaling $64,000 in bonds were marked up in an auction conducted by Actor Morgan and John Penny. G. C. Lorenz bought $25,000 in bonds for a ham, J. R. Shaw bought $28,000 in bonds for six boxes of shotgun shells, Henry Semon bought $7500 in bonds for two pairs of nylon hose, and Marshall Cornett came through with $3500 for a pair of bed sheets.

With Sergeant Sammy Safford as master of ceremonies, the Camp White boys presented

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BONDS COUNT ALL WEEK

Bond sales all this week count on the Klamath county Third War Loan quota and Klamath citizens were urged today to continue purchases, especially of E bonds.

The Elks bond headquarters will remain open for the time being.

E bond sales actually counted as of today totaled $404,038.50 and an effort is to be made to go far over the $500,000 mark, adding additional glory to Klamath's Third War Loan effort.

David Eccles, state war bond chief, said that E bond sales even in the first few days of October will count on the Third War Loan.

WFA HEAD ASKS CCC EXTENSION

Money to Pay Farmers Higher Prices Included

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) War Food Administrator Marvin Jones asked congress today to extend the life of the commodity credit corporation (CCC) and increase its borrowing power by $500,000,000 so that the government might make and fulfill guarantees to farmers of somewhat higher prices for 1944 crops.

Such guarantees would be made through subsidies to support prices.

Appearing before the house banking and currency committee, the food chief said WFA's 1944 "all out" food production program would be based upon

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Largest Local Dairy Herd Sold

D. W. Turnbaugh of Tulelake this week sold his 62-cow dairy herd, the largest remaining herd left in the Klamath milkshed, it was learned here today.

The Tulelake cows were sold to California buyers.

A Klamath creamery reported the loss of 1200 quarts of milk a day through recent sales of dairy cows from this area.

Gate Open Wide For Marshall Appointment

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) President Roosevelt left the gate swinging wide today for Gen. George C. Marshall, army chief of staff, to move to any new or enlarged command over allied arms.

The chief executive made no effort at a news conference yesterday to deny reports that Marshall had been picked for world command of all Anglo-American forces. In fact, he admitted there had been what he called some leaks in prominent places.

Probably ten per cent of the top officials in Washington leak badly, Mr. Roosevelt declared, although the other 90 per cent are, as he put it, damn good eggs.

Caufield Named For U. S. Marshal

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) Jack R. Caufield was nominated by President Roosevelt today to be federal U. S. marshal for Oregon, succeeding the late Steve Franklin Hamm.

Captain Jack, Klamath's bond-selling rooster, and his sweetheart, Chickie-naw-nee, were proud birds indeed, today when this picture was taken with their war quota egg. Another egg is expected before the Third War Loan drive is over.

DEER HUNTERS SET FOR OPENING DAY

Local Closure Makes Lake County Woods Popular

Dry weather conditions continued but hunters were moving out to mountain camps in preparation for the opening of the deer season Friday.

There appeared no chance that Klamath county forests would be opened to hunters tonight when, it is expected, an opening pronouncement from the governor's office will become effective in forests in most other counties of the state. Only a rain will open Klamath forests.

Other Closures

Staying closed with Klamath county forests will be virtually all of Coos county, the Butte Falls-Prospect and Jenny creek areas in Jackson county, and parts of Douglas, Wheeler and possibly eastern Lane county.

Most of Lake county forests

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Noose Tightens About Corsican German Troops

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS (AP) — The Germans now hold IN NORTH AFRICA, Sept. 29 only a 15-mile strip along the east coast of Corsica, in the Bastia-Borgo-Folelli area, the French high command announced today.

The nazis had speeded up their retreat from the strategic Mediterranean island, evacuating the mountainous area between Corte and the sea. Piedicroce, an important center of enemy resistance, was captured yesterday, the communique said.

Aussies Roar In to Finish Off Japs at Finschhafen

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Sept. 29 (AP)—The bloody battle for Finschhafen roared toward its finish today, with Australian soldiers exacting a heavy toll among the Japanese defenders and the supporting bases of the enemy for 300 miles to the northwest along the New Guinea coast bombed into impotence.

More than 60 planes were destroyed at Wewak by allied bombers and fighters Monday. Three tankers and four merchant ships, just arrived in the Wewak harbor with supplies which could have been intended for overland movement south, were blasted to the harbor bottom.

Road Strafed

The coastal road leading from Wewak down to Finschhafen was strafed at Hansa Bay by allied fighters.

Less than a mile north of Finschhafen, veteran Australian ground troops struck hard at Japanese positions on high ground, inflicting heavy casualties.

Other Australians have fought their way to the banks of the Ilebbe creek west of Finschhaffen. The enemy's air and supply base, which is separated by only 70 miles of water from Japan's strategic island holding of New Britain, is virtually encircled.

Allied artillery shelled it.

Wewak Raided

Headquarters, in the first report on the new air raid on Wewak, said that operational base was heavily bombed and also hit by 160,000 rounds of ammunition Monday for an hour and a half by more than 200 raiders. Fifty planes were destroyed on the ground, some of them fighters transformed into wreckage as they tried futilely to get into the air.

Twenty got aloft. Eight were shot down for certain, three others probably. Three raiding Mitchells fell prey to intense enemy anti-aircraft fire. All the other Mitchells, Liberators and escorting fighters returned to base, some damaged.

(William F. Boni, Associated Press war correspondent, in a dispatch from somewhere in New Guinea on the Wewak raid disclosed for the first time

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Dependency Pay Backed by War, Navy Offices

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP)—Endorsing legislation to boost government payments to dependents of enlisted service men, the war and navy departments today opposed suggestions that wives be required to prove dependency before receiving aid.

Speaking for the two departments, Maj. Gen. Miller G. White, assistant army chief of staff in charge of personnel, told the house military committee he was in general accord with a bill passed by the senate to increase the allowances and make them available to dependents of all enlisted men.

"The dependency allowances are a part of the pay of a soldier," General White said, in opposing a suggestion by Rep. Thomason (D-Tex.) that the government exempt financially independent wives.

He supported a provision to speed up the payments by requiring that the government pay the entire first monthly allowance without any reduction from the enlisted man's pay. Under this, White told the committee, first payments could be sent out in not more than 15 days after a man leaves home.

London May Be Scene of Three-Power Conference

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) London, instead of Moscow, may be the scene of the forthcoming American - British - Russian conference.

Secretary of State Hull has informed colleagues he definitely expects to attend the meeting and, in view of his dislike for air travel, indications developed today that the conference might be shifted from Moscow to shorten his trip.

Hull will join Foreign Minister Anthony Eden of Britain and Foreign Commissar Molotov of Russia in an attempt to promote greater cooperation among the three allies, both in the field of actual warfare and in the realm of postwar planning.

Senate Group 'Pigeon-Holes' Fulbright Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) A senate foreign relations subcommittee decided today to pigeon-hole the house-approved Fulbright "lasting peace" resolution and to draft its own declaration of post-war foreign policy.

Without specifically mentioning the Fulbright proposal, Chairman Connally (D-Tex.) announced that the subcommittee of eight, which he heads as well as the full committee, would "draft a resolution expressive of its attitude" and recommend it to the full committee.

Roosevelt to Send Message on Food

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) Congressional leaders reported after a conference with President Roosevelt today that he expects to send congress a message on "the food situation" in the near future.

Senate Majority Leader Barkley, asked whether the message would deal with the subsidy program, replied it would embrace the whole food situation and farm production situation.

NAZIS DRIVEN FROM HEIGHTS OVER SALERNO

Castellammare Naval Base Falls Wher Jerries Flee

By NOLAND NORGAARD

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Sept. 29 (AP)—The fifth army has driven the Germans from their last mountain positions above Salerno and is pursuing the enemy on the plain within a few miles of Naples, the fall of which appeared today to be imminent.

The Germans routed out of the mountain strongholds in six days of heavy fighting, were in general retreat, leaving the allies in complete possession of the Sorrento peninsula, which separates the bay of Naples from the Gulf of Salerno.

Begin Attack

American and British troops of Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark began the final attack on the enemy's extremely strong mountain positions at dawn yesterday and by noon had captured Nocera, vital road center at the beginning of the coastal plain leading to Naples.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Sept. 29 (AP)—Allied troops were only a few miles from Naples today and news of an entry into the Italian metropolis was expected any moment.

Castellammare, important naval base on the southern shore of the bay of Naples, also fell quickly into allied hands as the Germans withdrew in a flight that may not cease until they reach the river Ventura line, well north of Naples.

(In London, the authoritative British Press association said it had learned that fifth army forces had entered historic Pompei at the foot of smoking Vesuvius and only 13 airline miles from the heart of Naples.)

General Advance

The breakthrough on the extreme western end of the front extending across Italy from coast to coast was accompanied by a

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U. S., British Air Units Hit At Burma Japs

NEW DELHI, Sept. 29 (AP)—American and British air units struck again at Japanese supply lines in central Burma yesterday with attacks on rail installations and river transport, headquarters' communiques announced today.

American Mitchells raided Myotha, highway hub and supply point on the railroad running between Mandalay and Myingyan to the southwest, demolishing several buildings and starting fires.

Other U. S. 10th air force formations caused heavy destruction in rail yards at Taungtha, south of Myingyan. They dumped one bomb squarely on the railroad station. All of the American planes returned safely.

Fourteen Safe After Parachuting From Transport

RENO, Nev., Sept. 29 (AP)—Fourteen of the 15 men who bailed out of a huge army air transport command cargo plane before it crashed near Lovelock, Nev., late last night have been reported safe and accounted for, the Reno army air base announced today, while a ground and air searching parties were securing the rough country for the missing flier.

The base republic relations office said the name of the missing flier will be withheld indefinitely.

Beautiful Naples Ravaged by Desperate Germans Spreading Terror, Destruction

WITH THE U. S. NAVY IN THE GULF OF SALERNO, Sept. 26 (Delayed) (AP)—The once beautiful port of Naples is now a ravaged city of horrors.

Desperate German troops—ruling the tortured city by terrorism—are spreading destruction, machine-gunning women and children and forcing soldiers and civilians alike into slave labor battalions with death for those who refuse.

Refugee Story

This is the story brought from Naples by terrified refugees who escaped in fishing boats, risking drowning at sea rather than face the fury of their one-time allies.

Most of the refugees were not so lucky. The Germans tossed hand grenades into their boats as they attempted to slip away from the harbor or machine-gunned the frail craft.

The apparent aim of the Germans, infuriated by the Italian armistice with the United Nations on the eve of invasion, is to wreak vengeance on the Italian people and to destroy Naples as much as possible so that nothing of value remains when allied troops take the city.

Port Shambles

The port is rapidly becoming a shambles, refugees say, and harbor facilities are being blasted and burned day and night. Ships are being sunk in an effort to block the harbor entrances and the waters are mined to delay the navy's making use of the harbor as a supply base for invasion armies battling to take the city.

Terror Told

Great clouds of smoke drift over the city and make the smoke pouring from Vesuvius seem a puny effort. The rumble of demolitions is plainly audible on the Island of Capri, which is becoming a haven for hundreds of refugees.

One refugee, who asked that his name be withheld for fear of reprisals against his relatives held by the Germans, told this story:

"There are many bodies of dead Italians lying in the streets of Naples. Some of them were shot down for no reason except that they were walking the streets. I saw a German shoot an Italian soldier who still had a rifle. A young man ran to pick up the rifle and he was killed too.

People Starving

"I saw a German soldier flip a cigarette butt into the street. A youth stooped to pick it up and he was shot There is an absolute reign of terror existing. Food stores are being looted and the people are starving in their homes, afraid to come out on the street.