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Weather News

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Precipitation last 24 hours			.00
Stream year to date			.37
Normal	77	Last year	82
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Thursday Shooting Hours			5:18
Oregon: Open	6:52	Close	6:18
Tulelake: Open			6:18

PHILIPPINE AREA SCENE OF NIP ROUT

U.S.S. Princeton Sunk In Great Naval Battle

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (AP)—President Roosevelt announced today that the Japanese navy has been "defeated, seriously damaged, and routed" in the Philippine area.

Mr. Roosevelt called reporters to his office at 5:18 p. m. and read this:

"The president received today a report from Admiral Halsey that the Japanese navy in the Philippine area has been defeated, seriously damaged and routed by the United States navy in that area."

The president released the news in a rarely-used manner—calling reporters to his office at an unscheduled news conference—because, he said, the news of the Japanese defeat had just reached him through the navy department and his military chief of staff, Admiral William D. Leahy.

Earlier reports from the U. S. Pacific fleet headquarters at Pearl Harbor said that carrier planes of the U. S. third fleet have sunk a large Japanese carrier, damaged two other large carriers, five or six battleships, one cruiser and several other unidentified warships in a great three-pronged naval battle.

The U. S. S. Princeton, a light carrier in Admiral William F. Halsey's force, was lost when, already badly crippled, her magazines exploded and she had to be sunk by American ships. The Princeton's captain and (Continued on Page Two)

Forrestal Okay Needed on Pearl Harbor Report

BOSTON, Oct. 25 (AP)—A demand by counsel for Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel for immediate publication of findings of a navy court of inquiry into the Pearl Harbor disaster brought from the navy today a reply that the report is not final until approved by Secretary Forrestal.

Kimmel was naval commander at Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. He was relieved of his command on charges of dereliction of duty. Charles B. Rugg, the retired admiral's counsel, telegraphed Forrestal yesterday that "simple justice and common decency require immediate public announcement of the court's findings as to Kimmel's innocence or guilt."

Monte Belmonte Cleared of Nazis

ROME, Oct. 25 (AP)—Fifth army troops ground out important gains today in the mountainous southern approaches to the Italian communications hub of Bologna while the eighth army rolled through receding German resistance in the Adriatic end of the Po valley.

After a week of bloody fighting in the mist-shrouded Apennines, American doughboys drove the Germans from Monte Belmonte, a mountain key to the enemy's defense of Bologna. The Americans held it against several counterattacks.

Hodges Awarded Bronze Star

U. S. FIRST ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Oct. 25 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley, commander of the U. S. 12th army group, pinned the Bronze Star today on Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, first army commander, for capturing Aachen, the first large German city to fall into allied hands.

The general's "brilliant victory has upheld the highest tradition of military service of the United States," Bradley said. The presentation was made at Hodges' headquarters with Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson, 9th army commander, looking on.

British Patrols Enter Dhomokos

ROME, Oct. 25 (AP)—British patrols following the German withdrawal out of Greece have entered Dhomokos, 30 miles north of Lamia, allied headquarters announced today.

The occupation of Lamia, 93 miles northwest of Athens, was announced yesterday. Headquarters also disclosed today that the Germans have evacuated the port of Volos, about 45 miles northeast of Lamia, and 37 miles from Dhomokos, after suffering severe casualties at the hands of Greek guerrillas.

REDS INVADE NORWAY; WIN PORT KIRKENES

Pursuit of 25,000 Nazi Troops Indicated

LONDON, Oct. 25 (AP)—The Russian army has crossed the frontier into Norway, Marshal Stalin announced tonight.

The order of the day broadcast by Moscow said Gen. K. I. Mesetskoy's arctic army, which crossed the frontier had already captured the Norwegian seaport of Kirkenes.

Nazis Evacuate Berlin three hours earlier had broadcast an announcement of the evacuation of this important iron ore shipping point.

The capture indicated the red army's intention of marching through Norway in pursuit of perhaps 25,000 German troops driven out of what was formerly northern Finland, in the battle for Petsamo, 30 miles from Kirkenes.

Mesetskoy's operation was aided by units of the Russian navy, the order disclosed. Moscow saluted the victory with 20 salvos from 224 guns.

Narow Drive Opens Berlin also announced a new Russian offensive along the Narow river in Poland between Warsaw and the southern boundary of East Prussia.

Invasion of Norway leaves Denmark as the only country swallowed up by Hitler in five years of war which has not been wrested back or invaded by allied armies.

Persistent but unconfirmed rumors in London recently have linked an Anglo-American strike into Norway, and RAF bombers have been hitting at German airfields and strongpoints in the country attacked (Continued on Page Two)

Extra Day Added To Sky Exhibit

A change in schedule of the army air force's "Shot From the Sky" exhibit will give residents of Klamath county two days—October 31 and November 1—in which to view this large collection of German and Japanese aerial equipment at the carnival grounds on South 8th, Lt. Edward M. Cogswell, officer in charge of arrangements, announced last night.

The extra day was added in Klamath Falls, Lt. Cogswell said, to give people in outlying areas a double opportunity to examine axis war production efforts and compare the enemy planes and equipment with our own. The exhibit is free and will be open in the afternoon and evening.

Red Press Blasts Iran Government

MOSCOW, Oct. 25 (AP)—For the fourth consecutive day the Russian press today attacked the government of Iran for opposition to a Russian offer to develop oil fields in the northern part of that country.

Extensive quotations from Iranian newspapers criticizing the government's policy and demanding its resignation were carried in a Tass dispatch from Tehran.

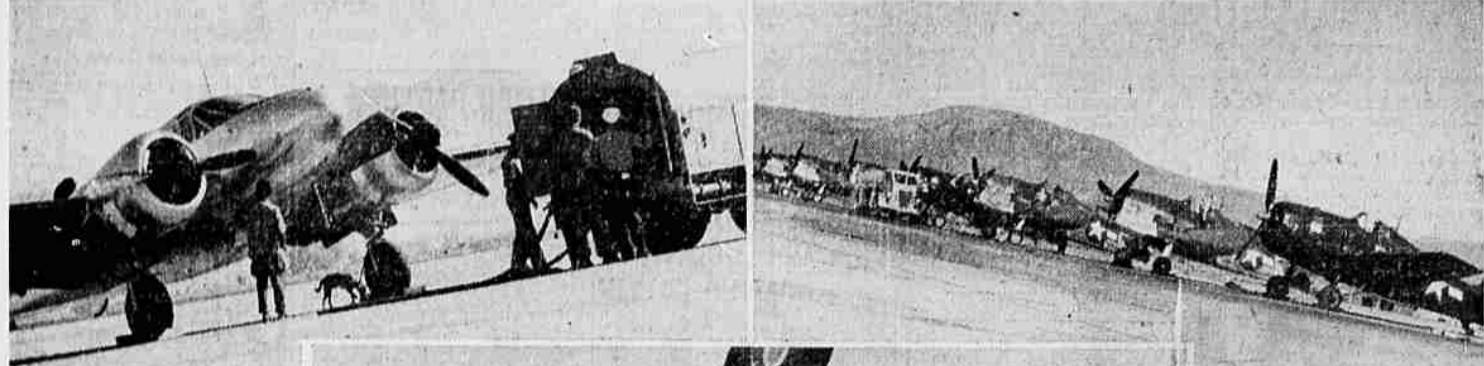
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Klamath Naval Air Station—An Important Cog in the Navy's Pacific Fighting Machine



YANKS CRUSH JAP COUNTERATTACKS

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Philippines, Oct. 25 (AP)—Pushing all opposition aside and crushing feeble Japanese counter attacks, American forces liberated 14 more towns and barrios and advanced to the outskirts of Tabontaban, eight miles northwest of Dulag, Gen. MacArthur's headquarters announced today.

The advance on Tabontaban is probably the longest made by MacArthur's men since the invasion started. Advances were general along the entire line.

Airdrome Won Capture of San Pablo airdrome seven miles west of Dulag was also announced, but a field dispatch from Al Dopping, Associated Press war correspondent, yesterday reported its seizure.

Dopping disclosed that the Yanks went through dense undergrowth and mud and muck sometimes nearly up to their necks in making a circuitous march of 12 miles to capture the San Pablo field. It was the third airfield taken on Leyte. The others are at Tacloban and Dulag.

7th Fans Out After securing the San Pablo field armored units of the 7th division fanned out to the northward toward Dagami, important road junction at the western edge of Leyte valley. Elements of the 96th division advanced to a point nine miles north of Catamon, enveloped Catamon hill and pushed on to the approaches of Tabontaban.

Substantial gains west of Palo and Tacloban were made by units of the 10th corps pushing ahead from a line of hills seized from the Japanese (Continued on Page Two)

De Gaulle Asks Increased Aid

PARIS, Oct. 25 (AP)—Gen. Charles de Gaulle complained today that the French were not receiving enough arms for a large war effort.

In his first press conference since he met reporters in Washington in July, the French leader commented that the "government" like everyone else, is satisfied that it now is called by its right name. This was his only reference to allied recognition.

"France not only is ready but eager to take a larger part in the war against Germany," De Gaulle said. "Until the time when French factories are able to supply our armies, we hope to obtain equipment from our allies. Within a few weeks, we would increase France's contributions on the front."

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With Navy Day coming on Friday, Klamath is paying special attention this week to the Klamath naval air station, which performs a vital service in navy aviation training for the crucial Pacific war. Here men are trained in flying, gunnery and bombing for service with the fleet. The facilities include the big station here, an auxiliary facility at Lakeview, and two huge gunnery areas in Klamath and Lake counties. The above pictures show: (upper left) mechanics refueling a navy transport on the local field; (right) aircraft on the operating line on the huge concrete apron and (below) aircrewmembers working on a four-engine patrol bomber. Klamath people will visit the air station at "open house" Friday afternoon. —U. S. navy photos.

Guerrilla Clashes Spread Deep Into Southern Spain

LONDON, Oct. 25 (AP)—Clashes between Spanish republican guerrillas and forces of General Franco have spread even into southern Spain, besides the guerrilla raids into northern Spain from France, an officer of the Anti-Franco National Spanish union in Paris declared today.

Madrid meanwhile said all but a handful of the republicans striking into Spain's Navarra section from France had been wiped out.

Clashes Reported The National Spanish union was formed to unite all anti-Franco Spaniards in France, and claims affiliation with an underground junta of Madrid. In Paris, a union official, Colonel Paz, declared clashes were occurring in Andalusia in southern Spain, as well as in Catalonia and Asturias in northern Spain, and other parts of the country. Forays from the French border continue, he said, but there is little information on these struggles due to scant communications.

Colonel Paz charged 40,000 Germans from France had taken refuge in Spain, some aiding Franco's forces and others being helped by the Franco government to go to South America. He also asserted Catholics in Spain now were largely opposed to Franco because of "his dictatorial actions."

Denies Uprising

Lt. Gen. Yuan Yague, commander of the Navarra corps area, in a Madrid dispatch, said that a handful of the guerrillas

Beretta Recalled By Argentina

LONDON, Oct. 25 (AP)—Argentina has recalled Col. Pablo Beretta, its military attache in London, after an invitation to visit the allies' western front was suddenly withdrawn.

While the Argentine embassy was officially silent, it was reported authentically here that the action occurred several days ago and presumably resulted from lack of cooperation in his country's foreign policy in the war against the axis.

Similar invitations extended to the military attaches of other South American embassies have not been withdrawn, so far as could be learned today.

CHICK HATCHERY PLANNED IN CITY

Announcement of the establishment here of a 100,000-egg capacity chick hatchery was made today at the meeting of the directors of the Klamath county chamber of commerce.

Fred Hubler, head of the new enterprise, will be associated with E. G. Geinger and John Quigley, local men, and told of the plans at the chamber meeting. Hubler said operations will start in February.

The plant will be located on South Sixth street adjoining (Continued on Page Two)

Navy Seizes War Company Plant

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (AP)—In the first action of its kind, President Roosevelt today directed the navy to take over the Lord Manufacturing company's Erie, Pa., plant because of its alleged refusal to abide by a government order fixing prices for the aircraft parts and other unspecified war materials it turns out.

The executive order, issued from the White House, said the conduct of the company has interfered with the "production and supply of aircraft parts and other essential war materials." It directed Navy Secretary Forrestal to take over and operate the plants to the extent deemed necessary to continue war production.

The order said the secretaries of war and navy issued an order fixing fair and reasonable prices for products of the Lord Manufacturing company last September.

Yanks Put Heat On Hamburg

LONDON, Oct. 25 (AP)—Upward of 1700 American planes, 1200 of them heavy bombers, attacked objectives in the Hamburg and Hamm sectors of Germany today.

Germany's largest freight yards were attacked at Hamm, in the Ruhr and Rhineland area 90 miles northeast of Aachen. Much of Germany's war material and reinforcements for the western front must traverse its rail spiderweb.

Today On The Western Front

By The Associated Press British 2nd Army—After a night of bitter street-fighting, flame-throwing Tommy infantrymen collapsed all organized resistance in 'S Hertogenbosch, Dutch center guarding the nazis' western Holland escape route. Other units cut supply lines into the city from the north and south.

U. S. 1st Army—No important changes were reported in the Aachen area. Canadian 1st Army—Hammered closer to Bergen Op Zoom and Roosendaal and registered gains south of captured Breskens, where a tightening pocket of Germans is being cleared up.

U. S. 3rd Army—Only patrol activity was reported in the Moselle valley sector. U. S. 7th Army—Made steady, though slight, progress in the Vosges mountains and captured Montagne and Bifontaine.

BRITISH CAPTURE 'S HERTOGENBOSCH

By WILLIAM FRYE LONDON, Oct. 25 (AP)—British troops, turning flamethrowers against German bazooka nests, struck through the big Dutch road junction of 'S Hertogenbosch in mop-up operations today, and the Germans fell back in retreat on a 15-mile front above and below that key city.

'S Hertogenbosch was captured except for isolated enemy pockets, a front dispatch said, and supply roads leading north and south were sniped.

Canucks Advance Even as the British pressed in the eastern end of the German box salient in southwestern Holland, Canadians bit deeper into the western edge, and made progress in two drives to clear the water approaches to Antwerp.

One Canadian prong hit on toward Roosendaal and Bergen Op Zoom, 22 and 20 miles north of Antwerp, against strong resistance. The enemy was reported making local withdrawals below Breda and Tilburg, middle strongholds of their line across southwestern Holland from the coast to 'S Hertogenbosch.

Strike Into Tip Another Canadian column, striking westward, advanced slightly farther into the tip of south Beveland island, German guns there and on adjacent Walcheren island command the Schelde estuary lane to Antwerp.

Other Canadians advanced in the diminishing Breskens pocket on the south shore of the estuary opposite Walcheren island. Fall of Fort Frederik-Hendrik north of captured Breskens port (Continued on Page Two)

PFC Kujawski Reported Missing

Mrs. Patricia Kujawski, 24 Martin, received word Tuesday that her husband, PFC Charles S. Kujawski Sr., 22, has been reported missing in action since October 4, in Germany.

The war department telegram stated that Mrs. Kujawski would be notified promptly of any further information received in this country.

PFC Kujawski entered the service, November 14, 1943, and has been overseas since July of this year. He is in the army infantry. A resident of Klamath Falls for the past six years, Charles was employed by Kalam Lumber company and was a member of the local fire department before entering the service.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Golski of Ohio.

Besides his wife, Patricia, who is employed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company here, PFC Kujawski has a small son, Charles Jr., of Klamath Falls.

Missing



PFC Charles Kujawski

Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS ANOTHER great naval battle is being fought IN and around the Philippines. It is now in its third day and is still continuing. The Japs seem to be taking another bad licking.

REPORTS as this is written are scanty and somewhat contradictory. Apparently the Japs risked a great naval task force, in an attempt to TAKE BACK LEYTE Island. One approached through the northwestern Visayan sea, and another through the southwestern through the Sulu sea. Both included battleships, cruisers and destroyers.

At the same time, a Jap CARRIER force seems to have been heading in from Formosa through the South China sea, toward the Philippines. They were aiming to hit us from three directions at once.

A force of Jap LAND-BASED planes also entered the fray from somewhere.

The ensuing (probably widely-scattered) battle, our carrier planes have so far sunk one Jap carrier, damaged two other carriers, damaged FIVE SIX Jap battleships and one cruiser and several other warships.

Our loss, as reported by Nimble up to noon today, has been one light carrier, sunk. Somewhere in the melee, we shot down one of the land-based planes the Japs sent into the battle.

WHAT it all adds up to is the SUPREME IMPORTANCE of Japs place upon our landing in the Philippines. In an effort to drive us out, they are willing to risk considerable units of their highly-trained fleet.

That tells the story of the Philippines. The little yellow boys know what will happen to them if they lose these strategic islands.

WELL have to WAIT for the rest of the story. It may be big one. Every time the Japs get, or important units of, a hold out of hiding, the air is thick with possibilities.

Holland, the British take 'S Hertogenbosch; CUTTING German escape route to the north over the Rhine channels, they used flamethrowers against German BAZOOKA nests.

Note that the Germans were quick to adopt the bazooka, which we developed. We had the story the other day that the Ford factories are now building jet-propulsion engines, derived after German units shipped from England, for use in ROBOT bombs. New weapons remain the exclusive possession of one side only until the other side is able to copy them.)

SEWHERE on the western front, there is nothing particularly new. We and the British are building up strength for an offensive that will be launched whenever we are fully ready. The imminence of winter means that it won't be long.

On the eastern front the battle for East Prussia is raging on a front of 150 miles, from the front of the Niemen to the front where East Prussia, Lithuania and Poland come together.

The air over Instanbul is thick with smoke set by Russian planes. The Russians are obviously intended to cut off from the rest of Germany.

East Prussia is especially important to us as the ancestral home of the German war lords.

The Russians are also cutting across the northern tip of Italy, and have taken Kirkland submarine base from (Continued on Page Two)

Fun-Frolic Set For Tonight

The Jaycee Fun-Frolic revue on the stage of the Pelican Theatre tonight at 7:45. The evening of fun and variety, featuring a variety of musical entertainers will be featured, highlighted by the Marie Bracks orchestra. The show is for the benefit of the local teen-age group. Tickets are on sale at Curran's, Castleberry's, Pelican cafe and the Pelican Theatre office. The show will be shown on the screen, starting at 7:35.