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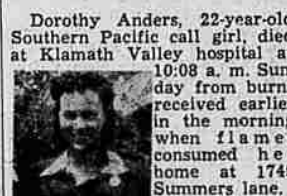
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Open	7:30
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GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Philippines, Dec. 11—Leyte island's strategic seaport of Ormoc was in American hands today—captured just four days after surprise landings to the south—and three columns of veteran Yanks put a nutcracker squeeze on thousands of Japanese trapped in a narrow pocket by the action.

Ormoc was seized in mid-afternoon Sunday by the American 77th division, which launched the knockout attack in early morning from the town's outskirts after a quick drive from beachheads established Thursday under naval and air cover.

Face Squeeze Play

The American seventh division was less than a mile from Ormoc after making contact at Albuera on the west coast with a column which came west over the hills from Burauen in Leyte harbor. In the ever-narrowing corridor between these forces were thousands of Japanese.

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KWEICHOW CLEARED OF JAPANESE ARMY

CHUNGKING, Dec. 11 (AP)—Japanese forces have been expelled completely from Kweichow province and driven back over the Kwangsi border, the Chinese high command announced tonight.

Earlier, the Chinese said one of two Japanese forces invading Kweichow had been swept back over the border by Chiang Kai-Shek's forces which recaptured Liuchai, just over the border in Kwangsi.

This action had left only the enemy column along the Yuyun-Ishian trail to be dealt with.

The high command gave no details of the withdrawal of this column along the trail east of the Kweichow-Kwangsi railroad which at one time reached a point less than 70 miles from Kweichow, Burma road capital of the province. The communique only announced that enemy remnants around Lipo, 90 miles southwest of Kweichow, had been mopped up and Kweichow was now freed.

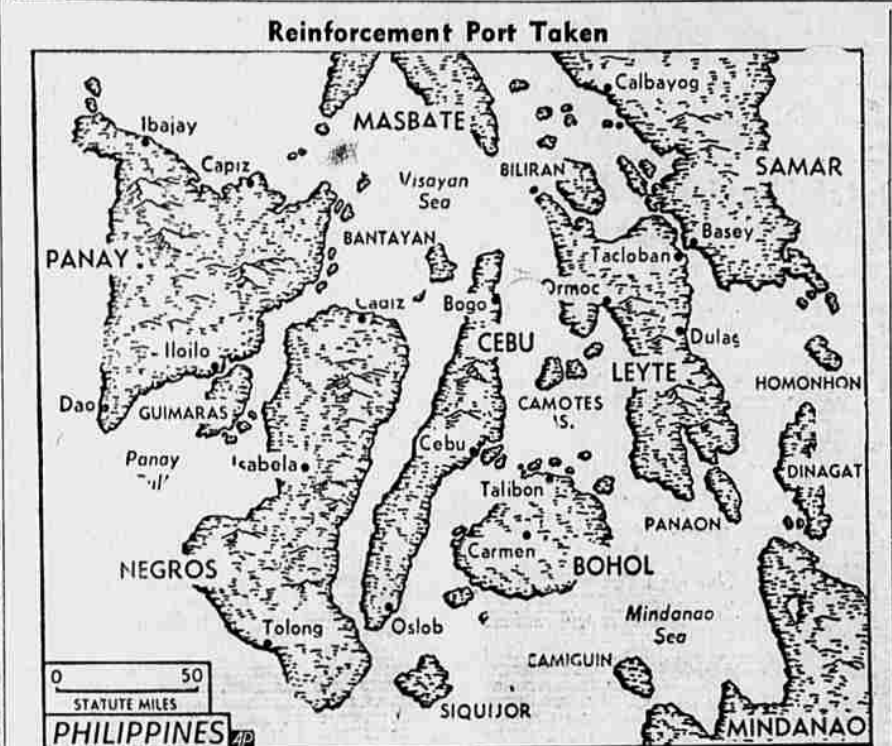
Western Nights Show Accounts For \$410,000

Bond sales of all series hit the amazing total of \$410,000 at the big "western nights" bond jamboree held at Merrill Saturday night under sponsorship of the Merrill and Main communities.

The Merrill community hall was jammed throughout the evening as the bond committee staged a snappy entertainment program and customers used stage money at the gaming tables set up around the hall in old-time western style.

John Sandemeyer was master of ceremonies for the evening, and the entertainment featured marine heroes, the marine band, and southern talent. Many big bond sales were rung up as Circuit Judge David Vandenberg, presiding over a kangaroo court, passed sentence on potential purchasers.

Sixth War loan officials here were warm in their praise of the Merrill and Main men and women who planned and staged the successful show, which gave the war loan campaign a major boost.



Yanks of the 77th division captured Ormoc, vital Japanese stronghold on Leyte island Sunday afternoon. The town was seized after surprise landings to the south four days previously.

First Army Drives Deeper Into Reich, Menaces Duren

FRANCE, RUSSIA SIGN ALLIANCE

MOSCOW, Dec. 11 (AP)—France's relations with Soviet Russia were cemented today with a new treaty of alliance and mutual assistance negotiated by Gen. De Gaulle as the crowning achievement of his 16-day visit to Moscow.

The pact, paralleling a 20-year alliance between Britain and Russia, was announced last night several hours after the French leader had boarded a special train en route to Baku, where a plane was waiting to carry him back to Paris.

While the text of the treaty (Continued on Page Three)

Wallet Returned To Mrs. Duell

A billfold, sold Saturday at a rummage sale for 25 cents when the owner accidentally left it on a counter, was returned to Mrs. Ralph Duell, 3052 Anderson, Sunday afternoon.

The wallet contained \$40 in currency, gas ration coupons and other papers and was returned intact by a Denver resident. Her name was not learned. According to the woman who bought the wallet, she did not open her packages until Sunday. Looking through the billfold she noticed papers, and then the gas coupons. She said she was surprised and then ascertained when she reached the compartment which held the \$40. A reward of \$5 was given the woman by Mrs. Duell.

The family had had a streak of bad luck. First their car was wrecked when someone ran into it and its cost \$200. Then Mr. Duell lost more than \$80 soon after cashing his paycheck. Mrs. Duell decided to replenish their Christmas fund by taking in laundry and she thought it was the last straw when her wallet was sold.

Air Station Doubles Quota

The Klamath naval air station more than doubled its quota of \$17,240, set by the 6th War Loan committee, and cash purchases totaled \$38,468.75, it was announced this weekend.

Appreciation was expressed to civilian employees at the station as well as townspeople who credited the station with bonds purchased since the campaign got under way.

Shopping Days Left

LET'S KEEP AHEAD ON OUR GIFTS

Christmas SEALS

Walton Insurance Sold to Larkin

The Walton Insurance agency, one of the oldest business enterprises in Klamath Falls, has been purchased by Charles Larkin, formerly in the hardware business in McMinnville, Ore.

The agency was founded by George Walton in 1925 and upon his death in 1941 it was carried on by his wife and daughter, Katherine. Both mother and daughter are retiring from the insurance business for health reasons, but will maintain their home here. Miss Walton is planning on leaving for San Francisco soon where she will remain for a time.

The business will be continued under the same name, according to Larkin, whose wife and daughter have already joined him here.

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GREEKS ORDER UP RESERVE CLASSES

ATHENS, Dec. 11 (AP)—With 10,000 to 15,000 Elias now believed deployed in the battle for Athens, the Greek government today ordered all reserve officers and men of four classes in the Athens district to report for military duty not later than tomorrow.

The Elias are now believed to have a total of 25,000 men including reserves in the Athens area. Reinforcements for the Elias have arrived from the Corinth and Thebes areas west and north of the capital, it was reported.

British troops, who have (Continued on Page Three)

Kirk Hanlan Dies in Crash

The body of Seaman Kirk A. Hanlan, U. S. navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete A. Hanlan of Chillicothe, victim of an air crash, was recovered from the ocean near Fort Lauderdale air base Monday, according to information received from Miami, Fla. The plane on which Kirk was serving as a radioman, crashed Saturday. It is understood all members of the crew perished.

Kirk was a graduate of Chillicothe high school, class of 1944. He enlisted in the navy in March. Kirk's family has lived in Chillicothe for many years. In addition to his parents, Kirk is survived by two sisters, Patricia and Gaynel, both students at Chillicothe high.

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Red Vanguard Hit Budapest; City Is Flanked

LONDON, Dec. 11 (AP)—Paris and Algiers broadcasts said tonight red army vanguards had entered the flaming Hungarian capital of Budapest.

Earlier reports said that Russian troops drove on Budapest from positions seven miles north and five miles south of the city today as Moscow advices said great panic swept the Nazis inside the beleaguered capital.

Strong formations of Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's second Ukraine army also were poised three miles east of the Danube-straddling city with an all-out frontal assault from that direction expected at any hour.

As yet there were no official Russian reports of heavy shelling of Pest, the section of the city on the east side of the Danube, and it appeared the Russian high command felt the Germans might consider their situation hopeless and not make a battleground of the city itself.

Other Russian columns far to the north of Budapest reached the central Slovakian frontier on a front of at least 11 miles. The soviet communiqué said more than 40 places fell yesterday to the second Ukraine army drive north and northeast of the capital.

Red army forces immediately north of Budapest had smashed six miles down the Danube from captured Vacs, on the great bend where the river turns west toward Vienna, and had taken, Alsogod.

BOLD DIES IN HOSPITAL HERE; MARINE HELD

Karl Bold, 41, Henley farmer, died at Klamath Valley hospital yesterday, never having regained consciousness after he was found on the morning of December 6 lying behind the Kerns implement building on South Sixth street.

Held at the Marine Barracks brig in connection with the death of Bold is PFC Herbert Daniel Stevens, 21, of Cleveland, Ohio, who allegedly has admitted he was with Bold at the time the latter was injured in an altercation of some kind at the rear of the Kerns building.

Head Injuries

Bold was discovered there in the early morning of December 6, by W. Loomis, a Kerns employee, whose car nearly ran over the unconscious man. Bold was suffering from head and other injuries, as well as exposure.

Stevens was connected with the case when he was arrested at the Marine Barracks, the evening of December 6, allegedly in possession of Bold's car, according to District Attorney L. Orth Sisemore. Officials at the barracks, assisting city (Continued on Page Three)

BRITISH CREATE PACIFIC COMMAND

LONDON, Dec. 11 (AP)—A great new British Pacific naval command in addition to the present Far Eastern fleet has been created to join United States sea power in the all-out offensive to bring Japan to its knees, the admiralty disclosed last night.

An official announcement, reflecting Prime Minister Churchill's promise that Britain would send the greatest possible forces to the Orient to help defeat Japan, said the fleet will be commanded by Admiral Sir Bruce A. Fraser, who since August has been commander-in-chief of the Far Eastern fleet.

Simultaneously, it was disclosed that the Far Eastern fleet will be centered in the Indian ocean as the East Indies station, a command which lapsed when the Japanese overran the Malayan peninsula and captured Singapore. This fleet will be commanded by Vice Admiral (Continued on Page Three)

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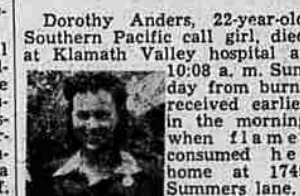
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