

SETBACK IN EUROPE HOLDS OUTPUT FREEZE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The allied setback in Europe "will hit us between the eyes" with new war production problems, WPB Vice Chairman Samuel W. Anderson said today.

He added that the powerful German counter-offensive makes it impossible to predict an end of the civilian production freeze.

Present urgent demands for more shells, guns, trucks and other vital materiel "certainly" will be followed by armament problems "as difficult as the ones we have now," Anderson told a news conference.

"I feel sure the present military situation in Europe will come back and hit us between the eyes in various ways, at present unknown," said the vice chairman who signed the recent order freezing future civilian goods production programs at present levels.

"The purpose of the freeze is to see that rising civilian production does not interfere with urgent munitions output," he asserted. "I haven't any idea how long it will last, or how long we will have critical shortages in war materials."

Simultaneously, WPB announced that all brass mills con-

WFA TO PURCHASE 1945 WOOL CLIP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—WFA said today it will offer to buy the 1945 domestic wool clip at ceiling prices, less allowances to cover transportation and marketing costs and a service fee.

The new war food administration purchase program will be essentially the same as those in effect since 1943. They are designed to assure growers near-ceiling prices.

Under the same ceilings now in effect, growers received an average of about 41 cents a pound for wool sold to the government in 1943 and 1944.

WFA has bought 558,000,000 pounds of domestic wool under the programs. Of this amount, the agency has sold about 215,000,000 pounds, principally for the manufacture of military fabrics.

Little domestic wool has been going into civilian garments because prices of imported wools have been somewhat lower. Sales of government-owned wool are made at the ceiling prices.

The American soldier is not afraid of anything, but he's the most homesick creature when he's at war in foreign lands.—Secretary of War Henry Stimson.

TANK ASSAULT ON ELAS MADE BY BRITISH

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with the shell blasts as buildings behind the requisitioned Cosmopolite hotel were plastered.

A routine communique issued by Scobie at noon said further prisoners and weapons had been captured and that progress had been made in clearing the Elms troops, the militia of the EAM or National liberation front, from Athens and Piraeus.

Railis Recaptured

Jean Railis, the pro-Nazi former premier who escaped from the Averoff prison two days ago when the insurgents stormed the building, was recaptured last night.

A reply was awaited from King George II in London on whether he would accept or reject a suggestion that the nation's leadership be turned over to Archbishop Damaskinos as regent. It was stated last night that Premier George Papandreou had advised the king by message to accept such a regency.

Some cabinet members, however, are understood to have urged the king to oppose such a move.

China's silk culture has flourished for 4000 years.

Nimitz Honored by Fordham



(NEA Telephoto)
Admiral Chester W. Nimitz (left) is awarded Fordham University's honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by the Most Reverend James J. Sweeney, Roman Catholic Bishop of Honolulu, who presented the degree on behalf of the university. The citation said in part, "Modest, patient, brilliant and courageous, he has proved himself an admiral's admiral—an American's American." U. S. Navy photo.

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seemed a very short time after that when the SURRENDER came.

THAT'S how the Germans fight.

It was that way at the Kasrine pass, in Africa, when for days it seemed that Rommel surely MUST get in behind us and wreck our whole campaign. His failure was followed by collapse of the German effort to hold Africa.

It was thus at Kharkov, when the Germans smashed savagely back at the Russians, but, when their counter-offensive was stopped, turned tail and never quit retreating until they were out of Russia.

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THE important thing at the moment is for us here on the home front to tighten our belts and face our job as grimly and as efficiently as our men on the fighting fronts are facing their job.

IT was so TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO, when Caesar and his historian-general Tacitus encountered the savage ancestors of these savage present-day nazi-indoctrinated Germans in the dark forests along the Rhine.

Bedizened like Red Indians, driven on to victory or death by their WOMEN following along behind with KNIVES to SLAY those who turned back, yelling like demons, these progenitors of the Germans who are crushing our lines in Belgium today pressed home their frenzied charges.

BUT, Tacitus says, when finally stopped by the superior arms and discipline of the Roman legions, their remnants were unable to gather themselves together for further organized and sustained warfare.

ceived mainly from public-spirited people within the district. The park, to include swimming pool, bandstand and many other recreational features, will be developed on a site lying just to the left of the highway entering Malin from the north.

OBITUARY

ROSEMARY JACKSON MERRITT, Rosemary Jackson Merritt, a lifetime resident of Klamath county, passed away at her sister's home in Chiloquin, Ore., Wednesday, December 20, 1944, at 2 p. m. The deceased was a native of Klamath county and was aged 19 years 9 months and 24 days when called. She is survived by her husband, Knowlton Merritt, now with the U. S. Army in the South Pacific; a son, Knowlton Jr., a daughter, Linda Lorree; three sisters, Sadie James, Pearl Ray and Beulah Ferris, all of Chiloquin. There are also six nieces and six nephews surviving. The remains rest in Ward's Klamath Funeral home, 925 High, Klamath Falls, Ore., where friends may call. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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