

YANKS REGAIN INITIATIVE IN FIGHTING

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On both flanks of the German gap between the Holtz and Bastogne areas. Fighting was extremely fluid in this area, it added.

The location of this American thrust and details could not be given in the dispatch, sent at 10 p. m. (6 a. m. PWT) from the Stavelot area of Belgium.

Thrust Back
It followed supreme headquarters' announcement that Americans on Christmas Day had thrust back German columns which had advanced within four miles of the Meuse river in their deep penetration into Belgium.

All along the northern rim of the German drive, said the dispatch from the Stavelot sector, there are indications the Germans are on the defense for the moment with infantry replacing tanks.

Field Marshal Karl von Rundstedt apparently still is trying to turn the American line to the west, but from here east huge losses have convinced him the line is firmly held," it said.

Reaches Yanks
A single U. S. army vehicle broke through the German ring around Bastogne near the middle of the German bulge, and reached the American garrison holding there against furious Nazi attacks, a dispatch from U. S. first army headquarters said.

Reports indicated the Germans at least temporarily had lost the initiative in this winter drive.

An earlier field dispatch reported doughboys slowly regaining the initiative on flanks of the German breakthrough.

Fighters tore into German tank columns again today, Spies Used

Allied officers in the field estimated that more than 2000 German spies in American uniforms were being used in the German drive, either infiltrating or being dropped behind U. S. lines.

A German-manned American Sherman tank and two tank destroyers slipped into a U. S. column on one road late yesterday, shooting it up and escaping. Damage was heavy for the size of the operation.

Tanks Destroyed
Incomplete reports from two sections of the breakthrough area listed destruction of more than 250 Nazi tanks and self-propelled guns and capture of more than 2300 prisoners since the offensive started.

Rate Bureau Suggested to Settle Freight Problems

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gested, and this will be studied from a legal angle.

Would Save Money
Director Elmer Balsiger said that on gasoline alone, a freight settlement would save the automobile drivers of Klamath Falls and this county some \$100,000 a year. Director Fred Heibronner said that a similar saving might be affected on fuel oil.

Davis said that a rate bureau might cost from \$8000 to \$10,000 a year, but that it would be well worth it if an effective job is done.

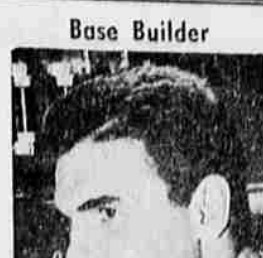
Allan Markley, reports officer for the WRA at Tulelake, told the chamber of commerce something of the program underway at Tulelake affecting evacuees as a result of the army order revoking the west coast exclusion order. He said WRA hopes to close its business at the end of another year, when all evacuees will be relocated except "excludables" who will be in the hands of the justice department by that time.

FUNERAL
Funeral services for the late Edna Inez Ackley, who passed away in San Francisco, California, December 25, will be conducted by a Reader of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, at 10:30 a. m. at the chapel of the Earl Temple Funeral home, Pine at Sixth at 1:30 p. m. Friends are invited. Burial will follow in the family plot in Hillside cemetery.

To an experienced Railroad Carman in this area

Your experience is something few men have . . . and something Southern Pacific needs. To be able to repair or rebuild railroad equipment is today a skill of greater importance than ever. Because S. P. must keep the war trains rolling . . . the railroad must bring the jacks and tanks and guns and troops to the West Coast ports of embarkation. At S. P. there is a fine opening for you . . . a vital job, a good-paying job. You'll be working with folks you'll like . . . and with first-class equipment. Railroad pass privileges. Medical services. A fine pension plan. Join the Southern Pacific family . . . get back into railroading where your skill and experience are really appreciated. You are urgently needed. Liberal age limits.

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Base Builder

Thousands of German dead were reported to have lined the roads on the battlefields between Szekesfeharvar and Budapest following the Russian advance. Burned out armored vehicles, many of them the latest King Tiger and Panther tanks, dotted the fields and endless columns of nazi prisoners marched miserably to the cages, the dispatch said.

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REDS BATTLE INTO CAPITAL OF HUNGARY

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lance into the Buda district on the west bank of the Danube.

A delayed dispatch from Szekesfeharvar, about 32 miles southwest of Budapest, disclosed that the nazis had fought for the city street by street. A pillbox was manned outside St. Stephen's cathedral until it was silenced by a direct hit.

Dead Line Road
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Former Klamath Man Said Guilty

A verdict of guilty against William Johnston, charged with assault while armed with a deadly weapon, was returned Thursday in Yreka following a two-day trial.

Johnston was charged with stabbing August Turner, Tulelake farmer, last spring during an altercation at Tulelake.

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Niece Dies—Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Templar advising them of the death of their niece, Helen Mohr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Mohr of Antioch, Calif. She had suffered an attack of leukemia. The Mohr family has visited here many times. Mrs. Mohr is the sister of Earl Templar and cousin of Paul Otterbein of this city.

The federal reserve board estimates that almost 70 per cent of non-government bank deposits in the United States in 1943 were owned by business and financial concerns and only a little more than 25 per cent by individuals.

Bifocals—with one portion a higher power than the remainder, are said to have been first made for Benjamin Franklin about 1760.

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The Road to Berlin

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By The Associated Press
1—Western front: 301 miles (from near Duren.)
2—Russian front: 304 miles (from north of Warsaw.)
3—Hungarian front: 306 miles (from Hron river.)
4—Italian front: 547 miles (from near Alfonsine.)

Eugene Reporter Sentenced

EUGENE, Dec. 27 (AP)—Gladys Turley, who shot and seriously injured her friend, Pauline Conrad, here the night of December 15, pleaded guilty Wednesday morning in circuit court and was sentenced to the state penitentiary for a period not to exceed 10 years.

Assistant District Attorney William S. Fort said the statement made in his charges that the crime was premeditated could be proven by the fact that Miss Turley carried the gun in from the farm in the country which she and Miss Conrad operated jointly. He said relations between the two women were "very close" and stated that the altercation which led to the shooting arose when Miss Conrad announced her intentions of marrying a soldier now overseas.

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PLANES BLAST NIP AIRFIELDS ON LUZON ISLE

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said, were "capable of only minor opposition." During Monday, 899 more of the enemy were killed and 14 captured, at a cost of seven American dead and 21 wounded.

Thus enemy casualties for the Leyte campaign were raised to 114,120.

Near Bong Record
The fighter cover in the Manila raid was led by Maj. Thomas McGuire, of San Antonio, Tex., who bagged three Japanese. That brought his total to 35, within shooting range of the 40 credited to Maj. Richard I. Bong, Poplar, Wis., leading American ace.

The Americans got two more Japanese planes over Mindoro island, invaded by the Yanks, December 15. Two enemy planes were shot down Christmas Day over Taoblan air field on Leyte.

Liberators raided Mindanao airdromes and harbors, sinking two freighters, and fighter bombers assaulted the Japanese Silay airdrome on Negros island.

Medium and fighter-bombers dumped 115 tons of bombs on Halmahera at Lolohata, Hatetako and Wassile bay.

VFW to Convert Service Certificates

Veterans of World War I who hold adjusted service certificates, must convert them into adjusted service certificate bonds prior to maturity date, in order to obtain the three per cent interest payable from 1936 date of passage of that law. The maturity date of the majority of adjusted service certificates is January 1, 1945.

Holders should contact their local service officer to obtain application and then file it at the post office.

The first really catastrophic flood in American history was the Johnstown flood of 1889 which destroyed more than 2200 lives and swept away \$10,000,000 worth of property.

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but All Women can Help!

Help by learning how to take proper care of their own families . . .

Help by volunteering for work in civilian hospitals . . . help by relieving registered nurses for important wartime work.

The Army and Navy needs Registered Nurses to help in the great task of maintaining the health and spirits of American men. As President Roosevelt recently said, "One of the most necessary things to keep up the morale of our fighting men is the knowledge that competent nursing care is always at hand for those injured in battle. The record made by the sixty thousand nurses who are serving with the Army and Navy is one in which every American citizen can take pride. We will need more nurses in the Army and the Navy and I know you will not fail in providing them."

IF YOU ARE UNTRAINED...

take a home nursing course. There is an urgent need both now and in the future for women in the home to know how to take care of illness when it comes, to prevent it, when possible.

Or you may volunteer as a nurses aide. The success of this project to train women to become Red Cross Volunteer Nurses Aides is one of the spectacular proofs of the ability of American women to meet an emergency.

IF YOU ARE A SENIOR CADET NURSE...

serve your final six months of training in an Army hospital. Complete your valuable training so that you can qualify to relieve a registered nurse.

IF YOU ARE A REGISTERED NURSE...

join the Army or Navy Nurse Corps now! You may mean the difference between life and death to our wounded men.

For full particulars about Home Nursing, Nurses Aides, Cadet Nursing and Army and Navy Nurse Corps, phone or visit local Red Cross Headquarters.

Landing Ship Lost Off Leyte

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (AP)—The navy announced today the loss off Leyte of the medium landing ship LSM 20 as a result of enemy action.

At the same time, the navy identified as the 220-ton destroyer Cooper the vessel recently lost in the same Philippine waters as a result of night action against the enemy.

BOY SCOUT TRUST FUND SCHEDULED

After considerable study of the Boy Scout trust fund set up by Lloyd L. Lamb last year, the Boy Scout Modoc Area council finds that it is prevented by national policy from being a beneficiary under the terms of the trust.

As a result of this decision, the council has now voted to set up a Boy Scout trust fund in keeping with the provisions of the national council. A committee has been appointed to accept contributions to this fund, effective November 5, 1944.

The purpose of this fund is two-fold, as it will provide funds for a post-war development program at Camp Makualis on Crescent lake, and the interest from the investment, when it becomes sufficiently large, will prevent the council from going out of existence in times of financial crisis.

Donations are now being accepted for this trust fund and additional information may be acquired by contacting the Klamath Falls office of the Modoc Area council. Checks or bonds for the Boy Scout trust fund should be made out to: Modoc Area council, Boy Scouts of America, Trust fund.

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