

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and continued cool tonight with slightly lower temperatures in mountains tonight. Friday, partly cloudy and slightly warmer.

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Russian Offensive Sweeps Forward On Three Fronts

Nazis Pushed Back Nine Miles Beyond Zaporozhe On Lower Dnieper; Other Forces Drive Within 48 Miles Of Poland And 98 Miles Of Rumania

By JAMES F. KING
London, Dec. 30.—(AP)—A German rout along the whole front before Zhitomir was announced by Premier Marshal Joseph Stalin tonight in a triumphant order of the day reporting a Russian advance up to 60 miles in five days of bitter fighting that has widened the breach more than 180 miles.

Kuznetsov, dominating one of the main escape routes for German forces fighting the Dnieper bend, fell in the rolling Russian advance toward the old Polish border, the announcement broadcast by Moscow said.

The defenses of Zhitomir, greatest prize of the Nazis' disastrous autumn offensive, have been broken. Eight Nazi tank divisions including the SS Adolf Hitler unit, and 14 infantry divisions have been routed in the Red army's sweeping winter offensive, Marshal Stalin said in a message congratulating Gen. Nikolai Vatutin, commander of the first Ukrainian army.

Vatutin's troops were less than 48 miles from the rail and river town of Gorodnitsa, on the old Polish-Russian border, following their spectacular capture of the rail hub of Korosten yesterday. Aiming toward the final plunge out of Soviet territory, they pushed forward on the heels of a bitterly resisting but exhausted enemy.

With the northern arm of Vatutin's forces rapidly expanding a 42-mile-wide breach in the Leningrad-Odessa railway from Korosten south to Chernyakhov, other units were closing in on Zhitomir from the north and east, and latest front dispatches placed vanguards beyond the town of Lykov, five miles northeast of that equally important junction of the western rail network.

Nowhere were there any signs that Marshal Fritz von Manstein's thoroughly disorganized army would be able to stem the tumultuous Soviet onrush short of the Bug river. In the southern front, inside the Dnieper river bend, Gen. Rodion Malinovsky's third Ukrainian army, in a new supporting drive, second in (Continued On Page Three)

New Victories By Guerrillas

London, Dec. 30.—Yugoslav partisans, boldly striking 25 miles into northern Italy, have destroyed a German transport column near Gorizia, on the railway extending southward to the Adriatic port of Trieste, Marshal Josip Broz (Tito) announced today.

The thrust into Italian territory which Germans previously had claimed to have freed of all guerrilla opposition came with the announcement of new Partisan victories in Croatia, in which the provinces of Banja and Kordun were said to have been swept clean of German invaders.

The victories, which added new territory to hinterland areas estimated at 41,000 square miles—roughly a third of all Yugoslavia—already liberated by Tito's armies, followed weeks of bitter fighting.

Consider FDR Statement As Bid For Fourth Term

By JACK BELL
Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The consensus of political Washington today appeared to be that President Roosevelt is a candidate for a fourth term on a platform promising to win the war and then to link America's economic and military future with that of other nations.

"That was the deliberative Republican interpretation of Mr. Roosevelt's news conference action Tuesday in fondly laying at rest the New Deal for a win-the-war program, in warning against economic and military isolation after the war and in outlining a program of proposed postwar expansion in security, employment, recreation, education, health and housing.

Some high ranking Democrats agreed privately with this view and Senator Hatch (D-NM) went so far as to reiterate publicly his prediction that if the war is still on, Mr. Roosevelt will be renominated and reelected.

The Republicans greeted the President's abandonment of the New Deal with scornful assertions that he was far behind the rest of the country, but the Democrats thought the win-the-war

Passengers Watch Enemy Sub



Red Cross girls and U. S. soldiers, passengers on a transport, watch as an enemy submarine attacks another transport en route to a fighting front. The sub was either sunk or driven off, according to the Red Cross, one of whose photographers made this picture. (AP Wirephoto).

OPA Reveals New Point Values For Next Month

NEW BLOWS ON JAPS IN 1944

Plans Completed For Shifting Strength To Pacific

Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the fleet, said today that plans are ready for shifting full strength of the United Nations into the war against Japan, probably sometime in 1944.

Preparation of the plans, he said, has been under way for several months and may not wait until defeat of Germany, which he agreed with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower may be expected in 1944.

"I am hopeful and expectant," (Continued On Page Three)

Washington Editor Buried Yesterday

Final rites for Charles McK. Thompson, former editor of the Washington (N. C.) Daily News, were held in Martinsburg, W. Va., yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Thompson died in a Washington hospital Sunday following a week's illness. He was a native of West Virginia and came to Washington eight years ago as editor of the Daily News, a position he held until his death. His wife, Mrs. Sue Coburn Thompson, was associated with him in the operation of the paper.

Points Removed from Canned Snap Beans; Other Vegetables Lowered; Jams and Jellies Raised

Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The OPA washed housewives a Happy New Year today with a sharp reduction of ration point values on canned snap beans, peas, tomatoes and frozen fruits and vegetables.

The good news was tempered somewhat by an upward adjustment of the values of jams, preserves and non-citrus marmalades. The boost is two points to a total of eight for a pound jar.

The changes, effective Sunday for the month of January, give green beans a zero point value for all sizes cans, wiping out the current five-point rating, for example, on a No. 2 can.

For a No. 2 can of peas, the new value is 15 points, compared with 18 at present. Tomatoes in No. 2 cans get a 6-point cut, being listed at 15 points.

The point values of frozen corn, (Continued On Page Three)

Servicemen's Center Needs Helping Hand

By CHESTER WALSH
The patriotic women in charge of the Servicemen's Center at the Woman's Club "need a Santa Claus to provide money for food for the servicemen who come to the center to spend the next week-end." The women "dug down into their own pockets two weeks ago to provide refreshments and entertainment for the servicemen and went into a hole," they said. Last week-end the American Legion and the End of the Century Club provided the food, when breakfast, lunch and supper were served the visiting warriors while many of the eating places were closed.

Friends of the Servicemen's Center today asked the Reflector to report the urgent need of money to provide for the soldiers, sailors and marines next Sunday. Individuals, clubs or other groups willing to help the women to make it pleasant the first Sunday in the New Year, Mrs. J. Lindsay Savage, 404 Rotary Avenue, telephone 36911. This is a Christmas and New Year's holiday opportunity to provide good cheer and entertainment for the servicemen who will help to win the war.

No Recognition

Madrid, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Authorized Spanish sources denied flatly today that Spain has recognized Benito Mussolini's new Fascist government in Italy as claimed Tuesday night in a Berlin broadcast.

These sources added that Generalissimo Francisco Franco's government has no intention of recognizing the Italian government.

ALLIED FORCES PUSH AHEAD ON ITALIAN FRONT

New Gains By Fifth And Eighth Armies; Airmen Blast Nazi Supply Lines

London, Dec. 30.—(AP)—DNEB in a Berlin broadcast today said the Allies had made a leapfrog landing on the Italian west coast near the mouth of the Garigliano river.

The broadcast declared that the Allied landing forces, presumably from Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army, had been intercepted on the beaches before reaching the Apennine leading to Rome, and that as a result the action was localized.

There was no immediate Allied confirmation of the German report. However, an amphibious operation could be one of the ways by which Gen. Clark might seek to break the German front along the Gulf of Gaeta, where it has been stabilized several weeks, in an effort to strike for Rome.

Similar operations were carried out repeatedly in Sicily to outflank the German lines.

By RICHARD G. MASSOCK
Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Eighth army troops have pressed a mile up the Adriatic coast from Ortona toward Pescara over a heavily-mined road. Allied headquarters announced today while American bombers ripped into Nazi supply lines in Italy.

Flying Fortresses, Marauders, and other bombers concentrated yesterday on blocking seaports and railroads supply German forces across the peninsula battle line, with heavy blows especially on Rimi and Ferrara.

On the left flank of their advance at Ortona, Eighth army units seized an important hill half a mile northwest of Villa Grande, headquarters said.

In the central sector, Fifth army troops stormed 3,000-foot Mt. Cerasuolo five miles east of Biagio after a half-mile advance. The hill overlooks the Colle-Adina highway.

Heavy German attacks on the Garigliano river on the west coast, have died down with the village still in Allied hands, a headquarters officer said. Elsewhere on the front patrols were active.

While fighting swayed back and forth in Villa Santa Maria in mountain (Continued On Page Two)

Seek To Abandon Two-Thirds Rule

Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Abandonment of the constitutional requirement that treaty ratification must be by a two-thirds majority of the Senate was urged by Senator Gillette (D-Iowa) today as a means of forestalling any attempt to bypass Congress in the making of peace.

Long an advocate of a constitutional amendment revising the rigid rule under which he said "a small group of men can thwart the will of a vast majority," Gillette told reporters he had observed "growing sentiment for a change."

"The effect of the existing provision under which a two-thirds majority of senators present must approve treaties has been to influence presidents to transact business with other nations under executive agreements not requiring Senate approval," the Iowa member of the Foreign Relations Committee declared.

The WAR TODAY

AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS

By WILLIAM FRYE

Associated Press War Analyst
If Admiral Doenitz has resigned his command of the German Navy, it probably marks the last gasp of Adolf Hitler's military leadership by intuition.

Russian sources, reporting his resignation—actual or imminent—as a result of the sinking of the battleship Scharnhorst by the British home fleet, also tell of a widening breach between Hitler and his top generals.

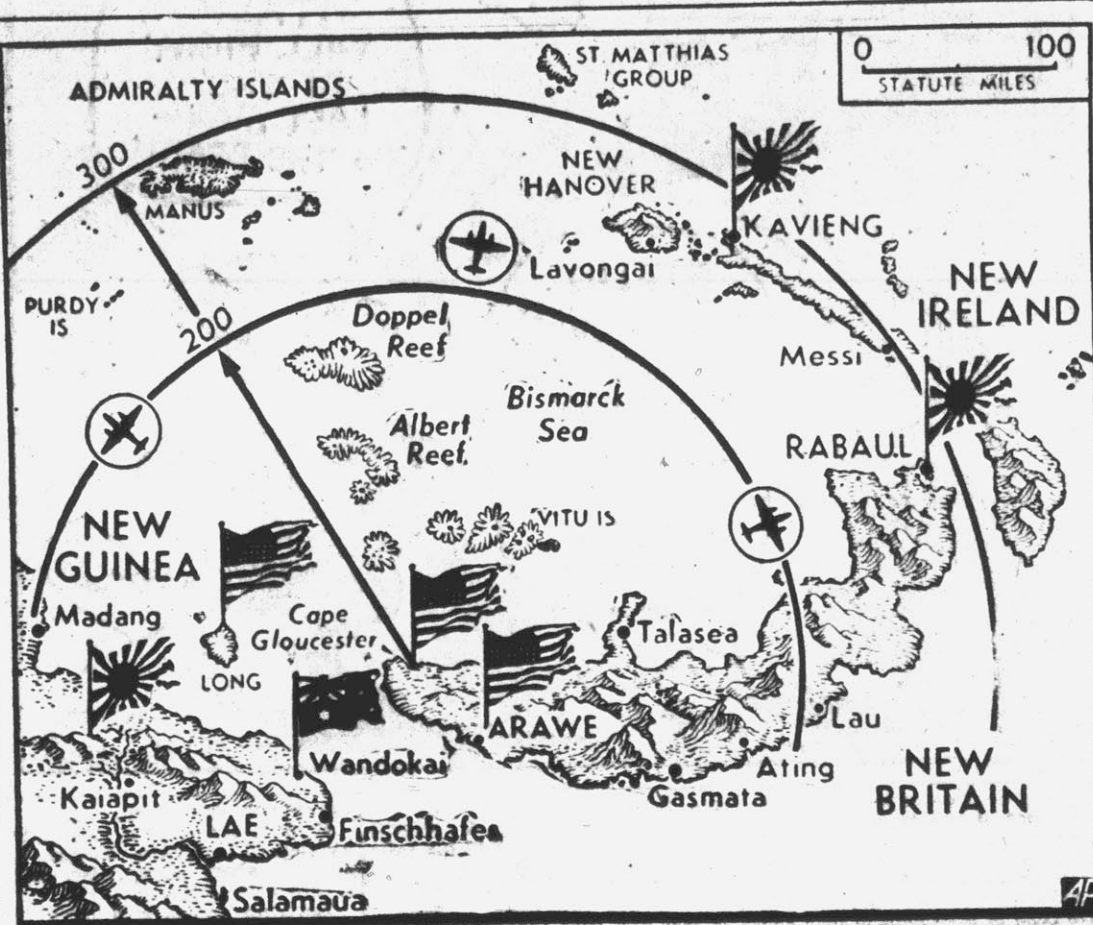
That breach is a peculiar one, healed for their own purposes by the generals, who don't like Hitler but can't spare him. There was a time when Hitler, riding high and rolling far into Russia, got rid of a number of the old army men. Some of them have been back for quite a while, and the stars of others are rising.

There is considerable evidence that the Prussian officers of the Junker class, the core of German military tradition, are once again in full control of the army. Hitler remains the titular commander in chief, because he is still a symbol in the minds of the German masses. But the officer caste—the Junkers, not the upstarts—runs the army.

They hope, of course, to hold out for a negotiated peace that will leave the officer corps virtually intact, and leave Germany the nucleus of military resurgence. But they cannot fight without public support, and the public allegiance

Heavy RAF Raid Finishes Berlin as Working Capital

New Invasion Extends Allied Air Reach



General MacArthur's communique announcing the American landings on Cape Gloucester pointed out that by advancing our air bases the invasion will extend our command over the Bismarck sea and "will shortly bring the Kavieng-Admiralty islands area within decisive reach of our land-based air attack." (AP Wirephoto).

Flame Throwers Used In Advance On New Britain

PITT WOMAN WINS HONORS

Mrs. Oscar Hardee Heads Farm Bureau Club

Mrs. Oscar Hardee, of this county, won national recognition at the recent national meeting of the Farm Bureau Federation in Chicago by becoming automatically named president of the National O'Neal Club. It was revealed here today by W. H. Dail, Farm Bureau member and one of the organization's greatest boosters.

According to Mr. Dail, sometime ago when there was a local drive for membership in the organization Mrs. Hardee set out to secure enough memberships to get a free trip to the national meeting. She became so enthused in her job that she continued her campaign for members even after the required number had been obtained.

Upon arrival at the Chicago meeting she learned that she had not only won honors in her home county and state but that she had secured (Continued On Page Two)

Troops, Planes And Ships Pound Japanese on New Britain-Bougainville Sector

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Flame throwers are searing a path for American Marines through Japanese pillboxes defending the airfield on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, front line headquarters said today.

While Leathernecks on the eastern flank of the invasion beachhead at Borden Bay were holding their front under attacks by a larger Japanese force, their comrades on the western flank advanced a half-mile, using flames and artillery to melt the stiffening opposition.

The western thrust put the Devil-Dogs about a mile from the important air field on the northwest coast of New Britain, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique said.

Maj. Gen. William H. Rupertus, reporting briefly from his command post in the field, said 200 Japanese died in an unsuccessful attempt to stop the Marines from crossing a river in the air dome drive.

The Marines on the east line were doggedly hurling back attacks from an enemy force estimated by a headquarters spokesman to number at least a regiment.

The increasing opposition indicated that while the air and naval pounding given the Japanese when the Marines landed Sunday had (Continued On Page Three)

Both Sides Claim Big Naval Victory

By ROGER GREENE

London, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Both Britain and Germany today claimed an important naval victory from the Bay of Biscay battle in which British warships engaged a Nazi flotilla of 11 destroyers.

The British admiralty announced yesterday that three German destroyers were sunk and others damaged during a running battle, while the British light cruisers Glasgow and Enterprise were damaged.

Late today, in its version, the German high command claimed the sinking of six British destroyers and damage to the Glasgow and Enterprise—one of which it said was ablaze—all against the loss of one German destroyer and two motor torpedo boats sunk and other German craft damaged.

There was no official comment in London on the German claims.

The British announcement made no reference to British destroyers accompanying the cruisers into the battle, or to participation by Nazi submarines, which the Germans credited with sinking all six of the British vessels.

(The British broadcasting company said that two German destroyers and a U-boat, damaged in the engagement during which the Scharnhorst was sunk, had been beached along the Norwegian coast.)

WANTS LARGE POSTWAR NAVY

Congressman Opposes Scrapping Navy After War

Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Rep. Sheppard (D-Calif.) chairman of the House Appropriations subcommittee on naval expenditures, said today the United States must maintain a post-war navy "unsurpassed by that of any other nation or combination of nations."

"They will never get my vote to scrap one piece of equipment—naval, aircraft or anything else vital to the country's defense," said the lawmaker who had helped pilot through Congress ship-expansion bills totaling \$94,000,000,000 since June, 1940.

"We are going to have greater (Continued On Page Four)

Banks Of City To Be Closed Monday

The Greenville banks—Guaranty Bank and Trust Company, Evans Street, and the Dickinson Avenue branch, and the State Bank and Trust Company—will be closed next Monday in observance of New Year's Day, instead of Saturday.

Bank officials agreed that business could be better served by remaining open Saturday and closing Monday.

Airpower Will Play Big Part In Crushing Nazis

By GLADWIN HILL

London, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The year 1944 will bring the greatest demonstration of air power in history.

The greatest test will be the air offensive paving the way for and supporting the Allies' final all-out drive against Germany. As now conceived, that campaign will be the biggest military undertaking of all time and it follows inevitably that the air end must be correspondingly unprecedented.

In England, the most obvious jumping-off point for a second front has been built up the greatest concentration of air power ever known in this "unsinkable aircraft carrier." In the space of a few thousand square miles, the U.S.A. A.F. alone has some 100 bomber, fighter and service bases. The RAF have at least twice as many more.

From here for more than a year the whole gamut of Allied aerial weapons—heavy, medium and light bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters—have been almost daily making attacks against the continent, softening up the Germans while tempering their own forces.

In this campaign Germany's submarine resources have been ruptured and at least one-third of Germany's war production is estimated to have been knocked out. The Ruhr has been destroyed and industrial heart of Germany's first ten years have been blasted virtually to the wave. Seven of Germany's principal airplane assembly plants have been put out of commission. In France, Belgium and Holland 75 of the German air force's advance bases have been systematically bombed week after week.

The radius of action can be projected from here over which an invasion now takes in the stretches of the Scandinavian coast, the Dutch coast and a part of the French coast.

That does not preclude drives from other points. The North Africa, Sicily, Italy and (Continued On Page Three)

Last Night's Attack One Of Heaviest Of The War; American Fortresses Continue Assaults With Daylight Raids Over Germany Today

By W. W. HERCHER
London, Dec. 30.—(AP)—RAF heavy bombers let great fires raging in Berlin again last night in a concentrated 2,240-ton assault, and today great fleets of American heavy bombers and American and RAF medium bombers thundered to the trip-hammer blows.

American Flying Fortresses and Liberators drove deep into Europe to pound targets in southwest Germany.

American and RAF medium bombers attacked the much-battered "rocket coast" area of northern France.

It was the eighth major operation of the month for the Flying Fortresses and Liberators and was part of a furious, day-long assault against the Nazis' continental strongholds. As usual, the American heavy bombers were escorted by strong supporting force of American and RAF fighting planes.

The brief official announcement did not name specific targets, but in the area designated as such, German cities at Stuttgart, Mannheim, Frankfurt and Karlsruhe.

Last night's heavy RAF assault may have finished off Berlin as working capital of Germany.

The engines of the mighty night armada that dealt the heavy blow at the German capital since the campaign of destruction was begun were hardly cold before large formations of heavy bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters streaked at all heights toward the continent in the direction of the Ruhr.

France, last pounded by a 1,000-plane American fleet on Christmas Eve.

The extraordinarily strong force of British Lancasters and Halifaxes went over desolated Berlin in early evening and through a heavy cover of clouds dumped one of the largest loads of explosives and bombs ever poured on one target in an attack in this war.

In the raiding formations, the largest force of heavy bombers ever sent out by the Royal Canadian Air Force.

In announcing the operation, Air Ministry described the attack as "very heavy" and concentrated and said that smoke spiraled upward to 16,000 feet from the fires set by 2,000 long tons of bombs.

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Big Reduction In Traffic Deaths

Chicago, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The city's traffic death toll for 1943, estimated at 23,000 by the National Safety Council today, a drop of 10 per cent from 1942 and approximately 40 per cent from 1941.

The figure, the council said, represents a saving of 3,000 lives last year and almost 17,000 in 1941. It was based on an analysis of 20,480 deaths for the 11 months of 1943 and a projection of the figure for December.

In comparison of mileage death figures for the nation's traffic in the first 10 months of 1943 with the same period in 1942 and 1941, the council reported a decrease in traffic deaths had exceeded the drop in travel, the council reported.

RATION DEADLINES

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

GOING HOME TO GOD

Few people realize the extent to which the carrier pigeon is being used in this war. Because radio messages could be intercepted, the army has adopted the practice of sending quite a few messages by carrier pigeons. The account of what these birds can be taught to do constitutes a marvelous story. Why does the carrier pigeon always head back home? Because he is essentially domestic and wants to be back with his mate and children. But how can he find his way back home? Scientists have discovered that in his ear there is a mechanism finer than the hair-spring of a watch, and this carefully records all the conditions of his environment, particularly electrical conditions and those having to do with wave lengths. When he is released, he rises up in widening circles until in his inner ear the little mechanism records the presence of these local conditions with which he has been familiar. Then a straight line he makes his way back to his home.

The life of man was made for God. The words of the hymn declared, "I am but a pilgrim here, heaven is my home." The prodigal on wandered into the far country, but when he sank into poverty and shame, something within his heart sought the spiritual wave lengths from his father's home and made him say, "I will arise and go unto my father."

The great St. Augustine expressed it for all humanity when he said: "O God, Thou hast fashioned a for thyself, and our souls are restless, till they find their rest in thee."

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WASHINGTON IN WARTIME

By JACK STINNETT

Washington—It was just a private first class, 23 years old, invaded home from Italy, but eager and almost ready to get back into

"The unfortunate thing," he said, "about what people here at home call the 'Patton slapping case' is that it twists a lot of civilian ideas about army discipline. I'm beginning to believe that the civilian conception of army discipline is based entirely on published reports of this and that famous Pre-Pearl Harbor 'you-hoo' case. I think it could be a good idea if some of you fellows really went into the whole business of Army discipline and told us folks about it. It seems to me that on the whole, like peace, it's controversial."

I'm not going to pretend that I've been into the whole business of Army discipline. It fills volumes. But went far enough to convince me that this young private first class, who has earned his purple heart, knows what he is talking about. There are a few fundamentals at can be mentioned even in this brief space.

The formation of a mechanized army, an almost independent arm of gigantic proportions, paratroopers, those floating air bases, and all the radical changes in ways of fighting are no more revolutionary than the changes which have taken place in discipline.

As a matter of fact much of the evolution in disciplinary methods is a direct result of those other changes. With the single exception the Australian Army, the American has become probably the most democratic in the world. Yet the discipline on discipline hasn't been lax. The emphasis has merely



are great because of the great predominance of officers and especially officers of the swivel chair type who are terribly conscious of their rank; are proof of it.

Perhaps the greatest changes have been in treatment of men convicted of serious infractions of the articles of war.

Going AWOL anywhere, but especially in combat zones, is still a major offense that will get men longer terms than bank robbery will get a civilian at home.

A case recently was reported where a group of men stationed in Morocco went "over the hill" just to get to the front lines. They were court-martialed and sentenced to the staggering term of 20 years at hard labor. But in six months they were good soldiers, they were reinstated in good standing.

Consider FDR . . .

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Roosevelt's statement the outline of a triangular platform which they assumed would be made the basis for a fourth term campaign.

His adoption of the win-the-war slogan was regarded as the apex, pointing to a drive to convince the voters that they ought not to change administrations in the middle of hostilities.

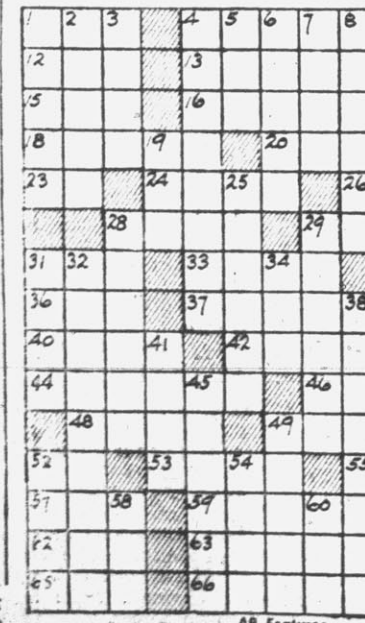
The other two angles dealt with post war foreign and domestic programs. The President said little about foreign policy, except to warn against isolationism, but on the domestic front he called for an expanded economy that would result in more security, employment, recreation, education, health and housing for citizens.

THE WAR TODAY

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time when the Allies are obviously preparing a smashing blow. Doenitz rose rapidly with Hit-

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Flag
4. Figure of speech
9. Spread to dry
12. Wander and fear
13. Black bird
14. English river
15. Small rug
16. Music drama
17. Copy
18. Religious poem
20. Chafes
22. Comparative
23. Exclamation
24. Insult
25. Desolate
26. Pagan god
27. Negligent
28. Golf instructor
29. Back of the neck
35. Supervise a publication
36. Fish
37. Public storehouse
38. Preceding night
39. Among
40. Pitcher
41. Ribbed fabric
42. Make slower
43. Metrie land
44. Measure
45. Nothing more than
46. Dross of a metal
47. Sun god
48. Jewish month
49. Diplomacy
50. Organs of scent
51. Color
52. Shed feathers
53. Cereal seed
54. Silk worm
55. Miscellaneous name
56. Devoured
57. Viper
58. Do something in return
59. Equality



ler's favor. A commodore at the start of the war, he got frequent promotion, in part due to his conception of the submarine wolf pack, and the final elevation came less than a year ago when Hitler advanced him over the heads of two admirals to replace Grand Admiral Erich Raeder as supreme naval commander.

If he lost the Scharnhorst trying to embellish his own reputation, the old line admirals and generals undoubtedly have had enough of Doenitz.

Allied Forces . . .

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tain country along the Sangro, 22 miles inland from the Adriatic, it was disclosed that British troops had occupied and pushed on through Castel Di Sangro, 17 miles to the southwest.

Castel Di Sangro is six miles northeast of Alfedena, on a road leading northward to the Pescara River.

Troops which took Ortona Tuesday found the town full of booby traps and time bombs.

(The Canadian Press said Canadian troops had driven two miles beyond Ortona on a straight macadam road and advanced patrols probably were nearing the Arielli river, seven miles beyond the Moro river and the next probable German line of defense.)

The Germans were reported still holding San Vittore on the road to Cassino, but delayed battle line dispatches from the Fifth Army front said that a terrific American artillery bombardment had leveled the village and that American patrols had penetrated the edge of the village but had been forced to withdraw.

Fighter-escorted heavy bombers in strong formations bombed buildings and railroads at Rimini on the Adriatic coast in northern Italy and Ferrara, 23 miles northeast of Bologna, starting fires and explosions.

SOD MESA EGGS
ABE OVEN TYRO
NOMINATE ARAR
ELUCIDATE AYE
ROSE OAT
SPENT CONVERT
ERS SPARSE OR
VOTE ELL ROBE
ES DEALER PIN
REPORTS EMEND
EMS AMIR
ASE ELABORATE
LAWN ELEVATOR
ERIA SOLE ORA
CITY SEED RES

Solution Of Yesterday's Puzzle

DOWN
1. City in Florida
2. Covered with water
3. Greek letter
4. Musical instrument
5. Knock
6. Open
7. South American country
8. Make possible
9. Beverage
10. Costly
11. Antlered animal
12. Indefinite amount
13. Jubilant
14. Horsemen
15. Blue mineral
16. Receding
17. Stair
18. Fruit
19. Recall
20. Animal's foot
21. Knightly wandering
22. Move swiftly
23. Tool for enlarging a hole
24. Self
25. Part of a tree left after cutting
26. Less
27. Flower
28. Region
29. Kind of cabbage
30. Cleansing agent
31. Immense
32. Meadow

the communique added.
Medium bombers hit installations at Certaldo, Orvieto, Bucine, and Foligno above Rome. No Allied planes were lost.

Returning pilots said large fires were left blazing at Rimini, 80 miles south of Venice, for the second consecutive day.

Warhawks and Baltimore also attacked shipping off the Yugoslav coast and hit one 6,000-ton ship near the Peljesac peninsula.

Pitt Woman . . .

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cured more members than any other individual in the nation during the year.

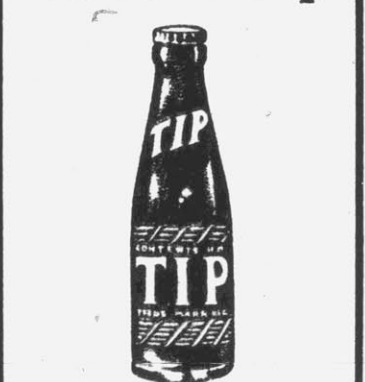
As a result of her achievement she automatically became this year's national president of the Edward O'Neal club an honor organization named for the national president of the Farm Federation. President O'Neal invited her to occupy a place on the platform during proceedings of the national convention and extended congratulations of the organization for the fine service she had rendered.

Burned to Death

Ashokle, N. C., Dec. 30—(AP)—The driver of a Smithfield, Va., ham company was burned to death and his truck and its cargo of lard was totally destroyed when the vehicle ran off a highway about two miles east of Winton today.

The dead man was identified as Jesse Lassiter, who was employed by the P. D. Gyalney Company. His home address was not available.

Take A Tip



Drink A Tip

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DAN DUNN - SECRET OPERATIVE 48



DEATH of a Saboteur

By Hulbert Footner

Chapter 17

Lee was spending the greater part of the time at his office or at home telephoning and receiving reports; the office was for his public activities, home for more private matters. On the third day after the murder, Welby came to the apartment to give him the latest news. He said: "Nick Tashla is the proprietor of a long-established store in Cleveland doing business under the name of Merriman Brothers. It sells optical goods, cameras, chronometers, etc. Tashla purchased the business nine years ago."

"Odd," interrupted Lee, "how often that nine years comes up. This conspiracy was organized while our country was dreaming of perpetual peace."

"Tashla has an efficient manager and sales forces and takes very little part in directing the business. His purpose in buying it was merely to give him standing in the community."

"As you already know, he turned up in Cleveland at nine o'clock on the night following the murder. He was picked up when he visited a woman whose apartment we were watching. He remained there two hours. Apparently he made no effort to communicate with any employee of the store. I might say that the store people, so far as we can learn, are good patriotic Americans."

"Tashla issued out of the woman's apartment dressed as a workingman. He took a night train to Detroit and in the morning he applied for work at Ford's big Willow Run plant. Here he posed as an American machinist called William Brown. He was provided with letters of introduction, a birth certificate, a union card, a social security card, all presumably forged, and he was hired. My man could not get close enough to hear the story he told. No doubt it was a good one. He was given a job on the assembly line. He has had experience as a machinist. The woman turned up in Detroit yesterday afternoon. She now poses as his wife. They have taken a modest flat of two rooms and have apparently settled down for a stay."

"Let him stay where he is for the time being," said Lee. "I will see that the management of the plant is notified through the proper channels and instructed to watch him without arousing his suspicions. He needs it as a hide-out and will therefore conduct himself very prudently while there. None of these men must be alarmed until my case is complete. Otherwise the big boss may slip through my fingers."

"Next about Goroshovel," Welby continued, "or Estevan, as he is known in Brooklyn. After waiting for 24 hours he was satisfied that the police had no line on his apartment, and he returned there as cool as you please. He has no suspicion as yet that we are on his trail. No photograph of him has been published—the police have no way of getting one; consequently he feels safe. He evidently intends going on with his work in spite of the death of Lenkoran, because last night he was drinking in the bars along Sands street and keeping his ears open just the same as before."

"Goroshovel is a cleverer and

more dangerous enemy than Tashla," said Lee. "I suggest that you see the Commandant of the Navy Yard. Explain the situation to him and ask for his cooperation."

"Wouldn't the Federal Police arrest Goroshovel at once?"

"My friends in Washington will take care of that. What about friend Scharipov? He's the most dangerous. It is essential to learn whether the loss of the money has stopped him or whether he is still carrying on."

"There's not much about him that is new," said Welby. "He's a cool one! As you know, he telegraphed to his clerk in San Francisco an hour after the murder. This was before the news got out. I have now seen a copy of the telegram. It reads: 'Tragic accident has occurred. See papers tomorrow for details. Necessary for me to keep under cover in order to secure evidence which will clear me. Carry on. Regards Scharipov!'"

"He smiled. 'That was a plant. He expected it to fall into the hands of the police.'

"Exactly," said Welby. "His clerk, according to my reports, is a young man of the highest character."

"He would be," said Lee. "It is the settled policy of this gang to surround themselves with honest men."

"The only thing new I have had direct from San Francisco," Welby went on, "is this. Yesterday afternoon, just as Scharipov's clerk was about to close his office, he was visited by a woman in black who attracted our man's attention because of her nervous and agitated manner. She remained 20 minutes and when she came out she looked as if she had been crying."

"Did he describe her?"

"Yes, age 45, weight 150, dark hair and eyes. A former beauty. Expensively dressed, but in a plain style as if anxious not to attract attention. Our man attempted to follow her, but she caught a taxi at the corner and when he succeeded in getting another she was gone!"

"Bad luck!" said Lee. "The telephone in Scharipov's office should be tapped."

"That has been covered," said Welby.

Later Lee had a call from East 167th Street. The young voice of the secretary, who always spoke of his master with a touch of awe, said: "Count Deduchin's compliments to Mr. Mappin, and could Mr. Mappin make it convenient to wait on the Count this morning? The Count has received information that he doesn't care to entrust to the telephone."

"Mr. Mappin will come at once," said Lee dryly. "Confound the little monkey!" he added to Jermyn after he had hung up. "I'm tired of being at his beck and call!"

Jermyn smiled with discreet sympathy. "However," Lee went on, "some day he shall dance to the tune I call!"

Chapter 18

In the grand house on 67th Street, another little comedy had to be played through before the Count got down to business.

"The heat is very trying," drawled the Count. "New York is so humid! They tell me the town of Riverdale stands high and cool, so you suppose it would be possible to obtain a suitable furnished house

there?"

"I don't know Riverdale," said Lee, "but I shall be happy to inquire."

"I should be infinitely obliged to you."

After the secretary had tipped out of the room, closing the door behind him, the Count's manner changed. His little pale eyes glittered. "What have you got to report?" he demanded.

"Not much as yet, Count. I have organized a search, that's all."

"I expected quick results from a man of your reputation," said the Count sourly.

To convince him he was doing all a man could do to earn his million dollars, Lee launched into a detailed account of activities which had not got anywhere in particular. The Count was not satisfied.

"Any ordinary detective could do as much," he grumbled.

Lee took it humbly. "You said you had some information for me," he suggested.

"I have. From Russian sources I can learn nothing about Goroshovel except a hint that he is living somewhere in Brooklyn. Of Tashla I have learned he has a set of papers in his possession identifying him as William Brown, a machinist. It appears he actually has had such experience. He is therefore likely to seek employment in some large factory as a means of cover."

"As for Scharipov, his San Francisco friends have been led to believe that his wife is in Russia; that is not so. She is living under the name of Mrs. Crispin in the village of Sebastopol in Sonoma county, north of San Francisco. I assume that he visits her."

"Have you a description of this woman?" asked Lee eagerly.

"I have seen her," said the Count. "She was a beautiful girl. She must be 45 now; dark hair, dark eyes, a quiet manner."

"If he visits her again we'll have him!" cried Lee, in seeming glee. "Shouldn't we fly out to San Francisco?" suggested the Count.

"Wait until we get a line on which way he's going to jump. He may tell the woman to join him elsewhere. If he does, she will lead us to him."

Upon reaching home, Lee got Welby on the wire. "Here's your woman in black who visited Scharipov's office. She's his wife. She lives very quietly in the village of Sebastopol in Sonoma county. Is known there as Mrs. Crispin."

"Linder is to call me up at noon," said Welby. "I'll tell him."

Lee soon learned a good deal about Count Deduchin's antecedents. He was said to come of an ancient family of a province in central Russia. Unlike most of the emigres, he had succeeded in bringing a great part of his fortune to America. About 15 years ago he had purchased a handsome estate near Ardmore, Pennsylvania, and he had been living there ever since.

His wealth and his title had assured him admittance to the best society of that exclusive neighborhood—to a certain extent. In return he gave magnificent parties several times a year. But he was such an ugly and peculiar little man that he never gained any real intimacy

with his American neighbors. He had always been an ardent Czarist and was much visited by other Russians of the same persuasion. Since the war had broken out, however, he had become very quiet on this subject. His Russian friends dropped away and he now posed as a good American who came to the fore in all patriotic movements and drives to raise funds.

In his next report, Welby communicated to Lee that the Admiral commanding Brooklyn Navy Yard has promised full cooperation in the case of Goroshovel or Estevan. Within 48 hours, Lee received a telephone message from the Admiral's secretary asking if it would be convenient for Mr. Mappin to come to see his chief. Lee went.

The Admiral came directly to the point.

"A draughtsman here in the Yard reported to me this morning that he had been approached by an enemy agent Estevan of whom you informed me. The draughtsman led the man on a order to find out what he was up to, and after several meetings accompanied by a good deal of drinking, Estevan told him that he wanted to buy the blueprints for the new landing device for planes that is to be installed on the carrier we are building."

"That tallies with my information," said Lee.

"This is a dangerous situation!" said the Admiral with considerable heat. "Why don't you arrest the man at once? You have the evidence now."

"This Estevan is only an agent," said Lee in his mild voice. "If he is arrested, another agent will immediately take his place. I am hoping that if we give Estevan rope enough, he will lead me to his chief."

The Admiral was mollified. "Fair enough!" he said. "Of course I'll do everything I can to assist you, short of letting Estevan see the blueprints for the landing device. Our draughtsman has a date to meet him again tonight. What do you suggest he should say to Estevan?"

Said Lee: "Let him describe the difficulties of getting hold of the blueprints for the landing device, but hold out hope for the future. While they are waiting for an opportunity, let the draughtsman try to sell Estevan something else. What could you offer him that he would fall for? The deal must be carried through, you understand. Estevan is a smart fellow; he can read a blueprint."

After thinking it over for a moment or two, the Admiral broke into a grim laugh. "How would this be? We have blueprints for directing anti-aircraft guns on shipboard. They were acquired from the enemy. I needn't say how. If had copies made, there would be nothing on them to show where the prints had originated. We might sell those back to Estevan."

Lee joined in the Admiral's laugh. "An excellent idea!"

"I'll have prints made immediately," said the Admiral, "and our draughtsman can carry them to Estevan tonight."

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Social and Personal

Social Calendar

FRIDAY
8:30 p. m.—Rehearsal for the Ligon-Tyson wedding in Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.
9:30 p. m.—German Club dance at Country Club.

SATURDAY
6:00 p. m.—The marriage of Miss Betty Tyson and Lieut. Robert Stark Ligon will be solemnized in Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.

Forty Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR
December 30, 1903

Miss Mary Higgs returned Wednesday evening from Washington. Mrs. R. J. Cobb returned Wednesday evening from Washington. Mrs. J. S. Tunstall left Wednesday evening for a visit to Kinston. C. B. Mayo and Bert James returned Wednesday evening from Washington.

Primm-Gardner.
The marriage of Miss Louise Gardner, formerly of Greenville and Ayden, to Lt. Garland E. Primm, United States Army, took place on Wednesday afternoon, December 22, at four o'clock in the Post Chapel at Fort Moultrie, South Carolina. Chaplain Francis B. Mayes officiated at the ceremony.

Sgt. Herbert Andrea rendered a program of nuptial music. The bride and groom entered the chapel together. She wore a woad two-piece suit in Carnegie blue with a matching Dutch model hat and black accessories. Her corsage was an orchid. Mrs. Albert Bertacini attended her as maid of honor and only attendant.

Lt. William Garrison was best man and the ushers were Lt. Robert C. Paxton and Lt. Albert Bertacini, all of Fort Moultrie. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Morgan Oswald Gardner and the late Mr. Gardner of Ayden. She attended East Carolina Teachers College and Miss Hardbarger's secretarial school, Raleigh. For several years she was connected with the Department of Agriculture, Greenville. At present she is employed in the quartermaster office at Camp Pendleton, Va.

Lt. Primm is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Primm of Monette, Ark. Prior to entering the army he was connected with the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, Memphis, Tenn. At present he is stationed at Fort Moultrie, S. C.

Special Service in Farmville.
A "student night" service will be held in the Farmville Baptist Church Sunday night at 7:30, featuring college and high school students. The following colleges will have students represented on the program: E. C. T. C. W. C. U. N. C., Meredith and Campbell. There will be special music with vocal and instrumental numbers rendered by students. The pastor, E. C. Chambers, will preside. The public is cordially invited.

To Take Religious Census.
A religious census will be taken in Farmville beginning next Sunday, January 2. All churches will participate by furnishing teams to make the visitation. The pastors are asking the people of Farmville to remain at home early in the afternoon in order that a complete census may be conducted. Cooperation with those who visit the homes will be appreciated.

Jaycees Make Plans Scrap Paper Drive
The Junior Chamber of Commerce at a supper session at Respects place made plans for another scrap paper drive to be made on January 9, thanked the Christmas Committee for sending cards to Jaycees in service, received a card from Hugh Winslow, who is stationed at Fort Bragg, and heard a report that each member had filled a Christmas stocking to be distributed by the Red Cross to Marines in naval hospitals.

The Jaycees discussed plans for expanding their activities in 1944 and increasing the membership.

Arrest Amos Barrett And Charge Robbery
Police arrested Amos Barrett, 17-year-old Negro boy, and charged him with highway robbery. He is alleged to have forcibly taken a \$5 bill from William Scott, Negro boy, Barrett has been much of a juvenile offender, Police Chief Herbert Wooten stated today. He has been taken up numerous times, but this time he is old enough to stand trial in court, Wooten said.

Cold Confines President
Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—President Roosevelt stayed away from his offices again today because of a head cold. He still had no fever, White House officials said, but no appointments were made for him. Aides said he was able to do "a good deal of work" yesterday and probably would today.

SIGNED?—Alice Ealand
(above), blonde model from Springfield, Mass., announced she would star in a new Charlie Chaplin picture. Studio called the announcement "premature."

Goebbels Forsee A Dangerous Year

By The Associated Press
"A dangerous year in which the fate of civilized mankind is once more at stake" is foreseen in 1944 by Paul Joseph Goebbels, the Berlin radio quoted the German propaganda minister as saying today. "We do not deny that the enemy has caused us much difficulty and will do so also in the future," Goebbels admitted in his year-end review. "That is so in war."

"The year 1944 still contains riddles upon riddles," he concluded. "The enemy has not succeeded in depriving Germany of the essential economic and military positions — the preliminary conditions for the coming final victory — which German armed forces had conquered by its past great victories for German security."

Police Here Arrest Suspected Deserter

By CHESTER WALSH
Police are holding for investigation Jimmy Moseley, 23, of Burlington on suspicion of being a deserter from the army. He was stationed at Keeler Field, Miss., and his name was in a list of about 100 soldiers who were ordered to report at a Salt Lake City, Utah, army base. Moseley told Police Chief Wooten that the Red Cross at Burlington had promised to get him a discharge from the army. He is being held pending information from the army. In the meantime police found his army uniform.

Moseley was arrested just before Christmas on investigation after Elmer Nelson, driver for the Casca Laundry, reported that his pocketbook containing more than \$100 was taken from his room when Moseley had spent the night with him.

Investigating officers learned that Moseley had worked at Cherry Point with Nelson. They also found out from an army order in Moseley's possession that his name was listed in a group for transfer from Keeler Field to Salt Lake City. Further investigation by the police revealed that Moseley had been spending money freely and had bought a \$39 watch at a New Bern jewelry store and given to a married woman here. Police recovered the watch.

Flame Throwers ...

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driven the enemy from beach positions, he had subsequently assembled a formidable attacking force along the eastern flank. Allied planes lent support of the ground action Tuesday, the latest day reported by bombing and strafing the airfield area and enemy communication trails between the airfield and the lower slopes of Mt. Talawa, a 6,600-foot peak which is one of three summits dominating the cape.

Westward from New Britain, across Vitiaz strait, the Australians continued to push the Japanese up the coast of the Huon peninsula. New Guinea. They overcame stubborn resistance to reach Blucher Point Tuesday. This is about 30 miles north of the Allied base at Finschhafen.

American army patrols clashed with the Japanese north of American-consolidated positions in the Arawe sector, on the southwest coast of New Britain. The Sixth army invaded Arawe December 15, and the fighting in the jungle hinterland has seen-sawed with the Americans currently extending operations into an area lost Sunday. Only minor air action was reported here.

Adm. William F. Halsey's south Pacific headquarters announced successful air and sea raids on Rabaul, the enemy base at the northern tip of New Britain, and Kieta, air and shipping base on the east coast of Bougainville island in the Solomons, both Monday. Forty American fighters circled over Rabaul, inviting the Japanese airmen to come up for a fight. Sixty enemy planes responded. Much of the Japanese communication lines were downed, but the fliers in later reports claimed they'd destroyed 17 against a loss of one. Cruisers and destroyers poured broadsides into shore installations and bivouac areas at Kieta "or an hour and a half before dusk. Spotter planes reported heavy destruction.

SEEK ACTION SOLDIER VOTE

Early Reconsideration To Be Urged

Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The November election votes of men and women in uniform bounded ahead today as the first political issue for 1944. Chairman Worley (D-Tex.) announced he would call the House Elections Committee when Congress reconvenes on Jan. 10 to pick up the legislative hot potato which the Senate has voted to toss on to the states.

Worley, who seeks a compromise, described as a "smoke screen" the constitutional question raised about the power of Congress to legislate ways of facilitating votes by service men and women.

Another southerner, Rep. Ramspeck (D-Ga.) the House Democratic whip, came out today for federal legislation, saying that in his opinion "it's just wishful thinking to assume the states can provide the machinery for getting the state ballots to the soldiers and back."

The Georgian suggested that draft board records of men inducted might become the equivalent of registration lists, with the government getting ballots to the service men and women and back to the states which the authority of determining the validity of each ballot. "I agree that the federal government has no right to prescribe the qualifications of voters," he said.

A House Republican from upstate New York, Rep. Kearney, a retired brigadier general, world war veteran and former national commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars, joined those demanding action, declaring "I don't want to see this subject kicked around Congress any longer. It's a damned outrage the way it has been treated so far."

Frank C. Walker, Democratic national chairman, released a statement saying he had "no doubt that a compromise measure can and will be enacted."

Russian Offensive ...

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importance only to Vatutin's offensive, struck westward across the river from Zaporozh in a nine-mile advance that completely restored the great Dnieper dam to Russian hands. Zaporozh itself, 40 miles south of Dnepropetrovsk, was captured on Oct. 14. Today's thrust liberated more than 20 towns, including Khoritsa Island in the Dnieper, opposite Zaporozh, dispatches reported. This drive was apparently headed for Nikolai, chief source of Germany's sorely needed manganese, 35 miles southwest.

Between the scenes of these two major Russian offensives, the Germans pressed stiff attacks north of Kiev in an attempt to keep open that center of road and rail communications. They used large tank and infantry forces, but their tactical positions were unfavorable for anything more than local gains or delaying action to protect their withdrawal from that threatened region.

On the third front, far to the north in White Russia, Gen. Ivan Bagramian's Baltic army troops continued their envelopment of Vitebsk. They killed 1,700 Germans, liberated several more towns and repulsed "incessant counter-attacks" to take up new positions at Laskvoda and Borovina nine miles north of the city.

In his drive through the Kiev bulge, Vatutin was in action along a 110-mile arc, and captured 250 towns over a 24-hour period. His troops were reported to have captured the town of Vygod, 12 miles west of Korosten, and well beyond the Zhitomir-Korosten highwater mark of their earlier drive on Poland.

Other units striking further south along the arc, were reported by the communiques to have captured Byelopolie, highway town 13 miles from the important German-held rail junction of Berdichev and Krasnaya, three miles further on. Skvira, a feeder rail terminus, 50 miles southwest of Kiev, also fell to the advancing Soviets.

Today's German communiques, broadcast from Berlin, acknowledged that "Korosten was evacuated after bitter fighting." Near Vitebsk, it said, "renewed breakthrough attempts of the Soviet were frustrated by embittered resistance of German troops. Local dents were sealed off or ironed out in counter-attacks."

Greek fire, an incendiary mixture of pitch, saltpeter and sulphur, that burned on water, was used to rout the Saracen fleet at Constantinople in 718 A. D.



WINNER—Mrs. L. W. Marks' Fo-Hi (above) was "best dressed pet" at the Gordon Red Cross championship dog show held in Sydney, N. S. W.

New Blows On ...

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King said, "that Germany will be defeated in 1944. I am expecting that unremitting pressure on Japan will be continued and increased."

"I don't know whether anyone else has announced it but it would be an obvious thing—studies have been underway for several months looking to a shift of power from the European theater to the Pacific theater not only when Germany is defeated, but as her defeat seems near at hand."

The navy's commander-in-chief added in an interview that when the shift in power is made "the main lines of attack on Japan are already determined and additional means will be used to additionally implement the general strategy of defeat for Japan."

Asked if the United States now is in a better position because of the increased size of the fleet, which has been doubled in the last year, he replied emphatically: "We are in a better position to retain what is technically known as the initiative. We're going along faster against Japan if we had more means." Those additional means will be available with transfer of power from the European theater, he added.

Referring to recently reported attempts by the aircraft carrier Saratoga and her supporting vessels to lure the Japanese fleet, from the enemy's main base at Truk for a showdown fight, King said such a battle "would be welcomed."

"We've done several things to get them out," he asserted. "And we are going to do several more in an endeavor to get them out."

To Japanese assertions that they may launch offensive operations in 1944, he replied: "I don't quite see how they are going on the offensive where they are in contact in the Pacific. What they may do in China, Manchuria, or even Burma is something else."

"Their shipping losses which are going on constantly are putting them in a position where the only offensive that would get them anywhere in the Pacific is amphibious. They are getting shorter and shorter of ships and a large number is necessary to do that. They might dredge up enough for one such operation but I don't think they are very happy about their shipping situation."

Using a long cigarette lighter as a pointer, he moved it across a chart, pointing out the steady forcing back of the Japanese perimeter of bases. Asked if it would be necessary for the United States to "continue the current island hopping campaign throughout the Pacific islands," he replied: "Of course I'm afraid that question is like the famous one: Do you still beat your wife? We never have had the intention of island hopping. The so-called island hopping is due in large measure to the limitation of ways and means available to do anything. That is a big factor in the Pacific. If we had more out there we could strike at more points with more force."

Germany's defeat would not change our general strategy against Japan, greatly, he said, "because we are working on main strategic lines now. Obviously, the implementation of the strategy will be markedly increased."

Less Chicken for Civilians
Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Chicken soon will appear less often on home, restaurant and hotel menus as a substitute for rationed meats.

The War Food Administration last night ordered cold storage stocks of chickens set aside for the armed services, military hospitals, the war shipping administration and other agencies buying for government account.

OPA Reveals ...

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peas and lima beans remain the same, but all other frozen vegetables are lowered or removed, compared with December ratings of 12 points a pound for spinach at the top of the range and two points for beets and carrots at the bottom. Apples, applesauce and rhubarb are also listed at zero, while blueberries and huckleberries are reduced from 12 to 6 points a pound. All frozen fruit juices are lowered from 2 points a pound to a zero rating.

The 529-point boost on jams, preserves and marmalades is necessary, OPA said, because after two months of rationing of these items there are indications that original point values were too low in relation to supply.

The agency also announced that all fruit spreads under 5-1-2 ounces, except citrus marmalades and spreads packed for Christmas sale, will go back on the ration list January 2, with special holiday packs returned January 2.

Other processed food changes include a two-point boost for tomato paste and a reduction from five to three points for tomato sauce with cheese in packages of seven ounces or over.

Point values for items in which changes were made:
Canned and Bottled Vegetables
Beans, green and wax—No. 2—over 1 lb. 2 oz., including 1 lb. 6 oz.—old point value 5, new value 0.
Peas (except dry soaked peas)—No. 2—over 1 lb. 2 oz., incl. 1 lb. 6 oz.—old value 18, new value 15.
Tomatoes—No. 2 1-2—over 1 lb. 6 oz., incl. 2 lbs.—old value 21, new value 15.
Tomato Paste—8 oz. pkg.—over 7 oz., incl. 10 oz.—old value 12, new value 14.
Tomato Sauce in combination packages with cheese—over 7 oz., incl. 7 oz.—old value 5, new value 3.

Frozen Fruits and Vegetables
Blueberries and Huckleberries—1 lb. size, old value 12, new value 6.
Apples, Applesauce—1 lb. size—old value 12, new value 0.
Rhubarb—1 lb. size—old value 6, new value 0.
Asparagus, Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts, Cauliflower, Snap Beans and Mixed Vegetables—1 lb. size—old value 4, new value 0.
Beets, Carrots, Leafy Greens, Pumpkin, Squash and Baked Beans—1 lb. size—old value 2, new value 0.
Spinach—1 lb. size—old value 12, new value 0.

Fruit Juices—1 lb. size—old value 2, new value 0.
Fruit Spreads
Jams, Preserves or Non-citrus Marmalades—1 lb. size over 12 oz., incl. 16 oz.—old value 6, new value 8.

Airpower Will ...

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sla the Germans are now surrounded by a closing steel ring of air bases from any of which they may be attacked.

The pattern of that attack has been indicated in the aerial operations over the last 18 months. Ahead of the invading armies, heavy bombers will switch quickly from the present strategic bombing of objectives in the heart of Germany to the blasting of frontline fortifications and artillery emplacements, just as in last September's exercises the heaviest went after the channel port of Boulogne.

At the same time other heavy bombers will be hitting deeper, bombing railroad junctions and other foci of enemy reinforcements for the threatened zone. After them the shorter-range and lower-level medium bombers like the Tokyo Mitchells and B-26 Raiders will go after the enemy's front-line fighting facilities like airfields, highways, railroad lines and communication centers.

As the landing forces strike, they will be supported by low-level fighters and fighter-bombers, to press some further attacks on enemy front-line forces and installations.

As the landing is consolidated and the advance proceeds, the different air forces will continue this sort of support, the lighter forces leading the way as soon as advance bases can be set up—the American force closely coordinated with the RAF, possibly under joint command. Its combat section will include medium bombers and fighter-bombers.

In the transportation section will be the Douglas transport and hospital planes. There will be "grass-hopper" cub observation planes. This Allied aerial drive will come up against a now numerically inferior German air force, weakened by losses and the disruption of replacement manufacture, which has had two-thirds of its fighter strength stretched to inadequate thinness.

over western Europe trying to defend its homeland from complete ruin, while the rest has striven futilely to give German ground forces enough support to hold back their foes in Russia and Italy. It is a force transformed so drastically to the defensive since its heyday in 1939-40 that, in the face of the most damaging raids on Germany, it has been able to produce in reprisal only feeble 20-plane raids on England and threats of "secret weapons."

It is a force in which the essential plane reserves already have been sapped to keep up frontline strength; which now is incapable of expanding sufficiently to meet the assault coming at it; and in which ground staffs have been "combed out" for anyone including grey-haired veterans who could fly to fill the personnel shortage.

But this material deterioration does not apply to the German fliers individually. Few probably are as enthusiastic as in the days when they were dive-bombing, yet less French refugees but there is no evidence that the German air force morale is gone. The German air force still can fight and will to the extent of its limitations. But that will not be enough to save Germany already has become clear.

Merchantman Sunk
Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The Navy announced today that a merchant-sized United States merchant vessel was torpedoed and sunk by an enemy submarine in the Caribbean in mid-September. Survivors have been landed at Miami, Fla.

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
North Carolina—Pitt County. In the Superior Court Mary E. Shivers and Husband, Thad Shivers, and Brownie Gray

vs. Shade Harris and Wife, Mrs. Shade Harris; Sylvester Gray and Wife, Gladys Gray; Irma Gray; Martha Gray and Mary Gray, the last three named being minors and appearing herein by their Guardian Ad Litem, Frank M. Wooten, Jr.

The defendants, Sylvester Gray, Shade Harris and wife, Mrs. Shade Harris, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Pitt County, North Carolina, for the purpose of making division of real estate and also quieting title to same; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county in the court house in Greenville, North Carolina, on the 16th day of February, 1944, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 23rd day of December, 1943. J. F. HARRINGTON, Clerk Superior Court Pitt County. Dec. 30-11w-4wk.

EXECUTORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having this day qualified before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Pitt County as Executor of the Will of J. F. King late of Pitt County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons holding claims against the estate of the deceased to file the same duly itemized and verified with T. L. Hannaford, in care of Harding & Lee, Attorneys, Greenville, N. C., within twelve months from this date, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereon.

All persons indebted to the estate of the said J. F. King, deceased, will please make immediate settlement with said executor.

This 29th day of Dec. 1943. T. L. HANNAFORD, Executor of the Will of J. F. King, Deceased.

Harding & Lee, Attys., Greenville, N. C. Dec. 30-11w-6wk.

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10:00—News.
10:15—Dale Carnegie.
10:30—Cotton Bowl Buildup, MBS.
10:45—1100 Club.
11:00—News.
11:05—Sign Off.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

6:59—Sign On.
7:00—Early Risers' Club.
7:15—Yawn Patrol.
7:40—Lost and Found.
7:45—News, TN.
8:00—Musical Clock.
8:15—Magic Lamp of Melody.
8:30—Morning Meditations.
8:45—Spotlight on Rhythm.
9:00—News.
9:05—Design for War Time Living.
9:10—According to Record.
9:15—Morning Melodies.
9:30—Organ Moods.
9:45—Names in the News.
9:50—Musical Interlude.
9:55—Canning for Victory.
10:00—Obituary Column.
10:05—Women in the News.
10:10—Musical Interlude.
10:15—Farmville on the Air.
10:30—Shady Valley Folks, MBS.
11:00—Arthur Goeth, MBS.
11:15—News and Kentucky Carnival, MBS.
11:30—Lang Worth Military Band.
11:45—Ayden on the Air.
12:00—Boake Carter, MBS.
12:15—Tune Time.
12:55—News and Markets.
1:00—10-2-4 Ranch.
1:15—News Value.
1:30—Lunchtime With Lopez, MBS.
1:45—Afternoon Fiesta.
2:00—Cedric Poster, MBS.
2:15—To Be Announced.
2:30—Carolina Farm Features.
2:45—To Be Announced.
3:00—Today's War Commentary.
3:05—Musical Interlude.
3:10—in the Woman's World.
3:15—Voice of the Army.
3:30—Yankee House Party, MBS.
4:00—Walter Compton, MBS.
4:15—Roy Simmons.
4:30—Rev. Ruben Jones' Gospel Singers.
4:45—Edna and Esther—Swing Session.
5:00—Sydney Moseley, MBS.
5:15—The Black Hood, MBS.
5:30—Chick Carter, MBS.
5:45—The Girl From the Golden West.
6:00—Sports Cast.
6:15—Lanny and Ginger, MBS.
6:30—World's Front Page, MBS.
6:45—Sunday Serenade.
7:00—News.
7:15—The Johnson Family, MBS.
7:30—To Be Announced.
7:45—To Be Announced.
8:00—Dr. Ennett.
8:15—Waltz Time.
8:30—Music You Love.
8:55—You and Uncle Sam.
9:00—Gabriel Heatter, MBS.
9:15—Gracie Fields, MBS.
9:30—Double or Nothing, MBS.
9:45—News.
10:00—1100 Club.
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10:30—1100 Club.
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11:00—News.
11:05—Sign Off.

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WANTED—USED OIL HEATER IN good condition. Phone 2691. 30-31

FOR SALE—1938 FORD, GOOD condition. Phone 2019 Friday. 30-31

FOR RENT—DOWNSTAIRS apartment. Located 1106 Dickinson Ave. See J. W. Higgs. 30-11

FOR SALE—BIG COAL ENTER-prise circulator, used very little. Oia Forbes, Stokes, N. C. 30-31

Grain Market

Chicago, Dec. 30.—(AP)—All deliveries of wheat advanced to new seasonal peaks today as the market reflected a strong demand for the bread cereal in cash grain circles.

Wheat closed only small fractions under the day's highs, up 1-1/4¢ from yesterday, May \$1.68 1/4-1/2. Oats were ahead 1-1/2¢, May 78¢, rye was 1-1/4¢ higher, May \$1.26 1/2-3/4, and barley was up 1/4¢, May \$1.21 1/4.

Hog Market

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—(AP)—(NCDA) Hog markets steady with tops at 13.35 at Richmond and 13.55 at Rocky Mount.

Poultry and Eggs

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—(AP)—(NCDA) Eggs and poultry markets steady to weak.

Raleigh—U. S. Grade A large 42; hens, all weights, 23 to 25. Washington—U. S. Grade A large 48; broilers and fryers 28 1/2 to 30.

New York Cotton

New York, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened unchanged to 5 cents a bale higher.

Cotton prices backed away from the early gains but managed to hold net gains of 15 to 30 cents a bale at noon. March advanced to 19.66, the highest level for that delivery since December 16. Trade price fixing and year end covering were factors.

March 19.65, May 19.37, July 19.10. Futures closed 25 to 80 cents a bale higher.

	Open	Close	Prv Cl.
March	19.60	19.75	19.59
May	19.33	19.45	19.32
July	19.06	19.19	19.06
Oct. (new)	18.84	18.91	18.83
Dec. (new)	18.75	18.78	18.83
Middling spot	20.61	up 16.	

N. Y. Stock Market

New York, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Liquors and specialties today led the stock market on a belated year-end rally that lifted leaders fractions to a point or so and assorted favorites as much as seven.

Volume for the full proceedings exceeded 1,000,000 shares for the first time in nearly a month.

FINAL STOCKS	
Al Chem and Dye	147 1/2
Allegheny	24
Allis Chal Mfg	37 1/2
Am Can	83
Am Car Fdy	35 1/2
Am Roll Mill	12 1/2
Am Smelt and Ref	37 1/2
A T and T	156 1/2
Am Tob B	58
Anaconda	24 1/2
A C L	26 1/2
Atl Ref	26

Rail Strike Avoided But Wage Issue Not Settled

By JOSEPH A. LOFTUS

Washington Dec. 30.—(AP)—With the army at the throttle, the nation's railroad system was rid of a strike threat today but not of the wage controversy that provoked it.

The Brotherhoods, the trainmen and the engineers executed agreements with the carriers, but the demands of the 18 other organizations remained unsettled. The case of the 15 nonoperating unions, in fact, seemed more tightly knotted than ever.

Chiefs of three operating unions—conductors, firemen, and switchmen—told Lieut. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell early yesterday they would not challenge the government, but they delayed sending strike cancellation orders to their chairmen in the field until 9 p. m. in order to include in the message some information of the wage settlement. The order finally was sent without such information because, the union chiefs said, government spokesmen avoided a commitment.

The contracts signed by the trainmen and the engineers provided for an increase of 9 cents an hour and a week's vacation. Five cents of that amount was awarded by President Roosevelt, acting as arbitrator, as compensation for overtime and away-from-home expenses.

Similar terms were reported available to the firemen, conductors and switchmen, but the chiefs of these unions feared acceptance would mean a wage freeze for the duration of the war.

This fear was grounded on a paragraph in the President's award which said: "I further determine that the increases in pay above recited shall be paid until proclamation by the President or declaration by the Congress of the Cessation of Hostilities, and that the agreement shall be without prejudice to rights of either party at the expiration of the date above stated to seek a change in the agreement which is now made."

Alvanley Johnston, chief of the engineers, expressed the opinion, however, that the agreement he executed may be opened on 30 days' notice except with respect to the overtime, expenses and vacation provisions.

Here is how the "nonop" case stood: When these 15 unions representing more than a million of office, shop, and track workers, cancelled their strike order on Monday they sent a letter to President Roosevelt accepting the sliding scale increases of 4 to 10 cents approved by stabilization director Fred M. Vinson and said they would accept the President's arbitration of their overtime demands.

In their opinion, this left only the overtime issue for arbitration. The railroads do not agree and want the 4 to 10 cents and the overtime ruled on as one issue. That would tend to cut down the total amount of the award.

President Roosevelt committed himself a few months ago to overtime compensation for railroad workers whose basic week is 48 hours, compared with 40 hours in interstate commerce generally. "If the 'nonops' can get 5 cents for overtime—the amount the President gave the engineers and trainmen—on top of the sliding scale, the aggregate increases will range from 9 to 15 cents an hour."

The association of American railroads estimated that the 9 cents (or 72 cents a day) awarded to the trainmen and engineers would add an average of \$5.40 a week to the earnings of those on the road (on a mileage basis), and \$4.32 a week to those who work in the yard.

The Association said the average annual earnings in 1942 ranged from \$2,253 for switch tenders to \$4,848 for road freight engineers. The latter group paid their own expenses away from home, estimated at \$350 or more a year.

Among the nonoperating employees, the average hourly earnings as of October, 1942, were 73.8 cents an hour. About half were receiving less than 70 cents an hour.

Heavy RAF ...

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explosives and incendiaries.

Twenty bombers were lost in the raid, in Mosquito attacks on western and central Germany and northern France, and in mine-laying operations. Five of the heavy bombers lost were Canadian.

This was well below the average of 28 lost in the seven previous raids on Berlin.

The grim bombardment, the eighth in 42 days, presumably was directed at sections of the city which so far had escaped. It was estimated unofficially that ruins now were spread through at least 75 per cent of Berlin, enough to spell the end of the capital as the nerve center of Germany's politics and economics. After the last previous attack on Dec. 24 it was estimated that 60 per cent of the city was devastated.

Under the Nazi regime, more and more power and influence were concentrated within the capital and the city became not only the party center but the hub of the Reich's industry and commerce as well.

Berlin's razing, therefore, would go far beyond the destruction of the buildings within her sprawling boundaries, and affect the centralized administration of the war throughout Germany and occupied territories. However, the flight of ministries from the capital began early last August, more than two months before the RAF started its tremendous knock-out campaign on Nov. 22.

Today's German communiqué acknowledged "heavy damage to several districts of the Reich capital. Destruction was caused particularly in residential quarters."

It was the 90th British attack, including Mosquito attacks on the Nazi capital, hit by nearly 11,000 tons of bombs in seven previous assaults since an obliteration campaign was launched in mid-November.

First German reports said the bombers flew over in strong formations through thick clouds that hampered defenses.

Berlin was still digging out from the wreckage of a 1,000-ton blow early in the morning of Dec. 24 when the fresh ruin was sowed.

"We now live in an immense ruin

in which there is nothing more to bomb," a Swedish correspondent in Berlin reported to Stockholm last night after telephone service—severed between 7:30 and 9:30 p. m.—was restored.

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building, quickly spread, destroying stocks of the National Bellas Hess company and the General Food Stores Company. Considerable damage was done to the stock in the Carolina Hardware Company's store and a meat market. Other buildings were threatened.

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Wants Large ...

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areas of responsibility, greater territories in which we must police the peace than ever before in our history," he declared in an interview.

Differing with fellow committee members who hope for a sharp reduction in war spending, Sheppard said ship construction will not reach its "peak" until next year and that the present program will not be completed until late 1945.

Sheppard declared that "with the Pacific push coming on" there would be increased emphasis in coming months on construction of all types of amphibious craft and crash, landing and tank boats so vital for invasions.

He said the extent of that program still remains uncertain "because no one knows how much destruction we will suffer in the invasion of Europe"—a statement supporting general Capital Hill opinion that concentrated Pacific warfare will await victory in Europe.

"We had better time comes when we are sure we will have enough to carry it through successfully," he said.

Fire In Raleigh Business Section

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed stocks in two stores and did considerable damage to two adjoining stores in the Raleigh business section early today. The damage has been estimated by firemen at \$250,000.

The fire was brought under control in about four hours by the city fire department hampered by freezing weather and shortage of force.

The fire, believed to have originated in the National Bellas Hess

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Marshall Named Man Of The Year

New York, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Gen. George C. Marshall, chief of staff of the United States Army, is Time Magazine's 1943 "man of the year."

The magazine gives its designation annually to the person selected by its editors, on the basis of reader nominations, as the one who had effected the most dramatic change in the course of history during the preceding year.

Others considered this year. Time said were Prime Minister Churchill, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, Premier Stalin and President Roosevelt.

The Nazis now have a female department of the Gestapo to watch German women. It's leader is known as "Frau Himmler."

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLERTON, Jr.

New York, Dec. 30.—(AP)—From the A.A.U. viewpoint, there couldn't be a better man to receive the Sullivan award than Gil Dadds...

What better example could they hold up before ambitious young athletes than a man who rides in day coaches and packs his own lunch even when he's traveling on an expense account? ... Al "Red" Schoendienst, the Rochester youngster who's in line for Slat's Marion's job with the Cardinals, wants it understood that he isn't in the Coast Guard and hasn't even been reclassified. The coast guardman is Red's cousin, Paul. ... Bob Gantt who kicked all those points for the Duke football team, won't be on hand for the Blue Devils' basketball tussle against Long Island U. Saturday. He's in the hospital for an operation on his trick knee.

Pigskin Pickins (Rose Bowl) Washington's Huskies are husky. Pal. That's why we pick 'em to beat Southern Cal. (Orange Bowl) When Louisiana's Steve van Buren

Does some damage, there ain't no outlin' (Cotton Bowl) There must be a reason why the Texas mob is favored to win from Randolph's Glenn Dobbs. (Sugar Bowl) They say that the players from Tulsa are afflicted with flat feet and ulcers. So what chance has poor Georgia Tech Against the new model Ramblin' Wreck?

Shorts and Shells Ab DeMarco of the Rangers played two hockey games with a "sore" foot before he discovered he had broken two toes, but since he still can get his skates on, he'll continue to play. ... Charley Graham, head man of the San Francisco Seals, is beefing because the Pacific Coast League hasn't been represented on the minor league executive council for 20 years. That's one reason why coast leaguers claim they don't know what's going on in baseball. ... Cass Sisler, nephew of the noted ball player, George, won his football letter at Penn State this season and is a leading heavyweight candidate for the boxing team, but likely he won't play baseball. Cass, a catcher-first baseman, figures the Marines will transfer him before spring. ... The Interstate League was the only circuit in organized baseball that showed an increase in home run hitting last season, adding 139 to its 1942 total.

Today's Guest Star Carl Bell, Port Smith (Ark.) Southwest American: "Insofar as their name is concerned, it would be more appropriate for the Arkansas A. and M. Boll Weevils to be playing in the Cotton 'Boll' New Year's Day instead of the Oil Bowl." (Probably would be softer, too, Carl.)

Service Dept. Lt. Horton Smith, special service officer at Seymour Johnson Field, N. C., apparently hasn't let the army spoil his golf game. He recently fired a nine-under-par 63 over the Goldsboro, N. C. course, four miles from his camp. ... Marine Corp. Cal Dorsett, former Cleveland pitcher, hurled for the Mare Island and Marine Corps base teams before his recent transfer to Camp Elliott, Calif. Now he gets his workouts with a 200-ounce fragmentation hand grenade. ... Oscar Roettger, former minor league baseball player and manager, sends old home that he's seeing a lot of interesting scenery

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in the army and proves it with a post card from Naples. ... The San Antonio, Texas, aviation cadet center has 15 state Golden Glove champions on its boxing team, which will compete in the Fort Worth tourney in February.

More Info, Please A Chinese boxer who has been mixing in bouts at Camp Blanton, Fla., is Pic. On Chin—but reports fail to state whether he delivers or takes it there.

Fights Last Night (By The Associated Press) Scranton, Pa.—Bobby Howard, 152, Worcester, Mass., and Sonny Horne, 158, Niles, Ohio, drew (10).

Worcester, Mass.—Johnny Rossi, 157 1-2, Worcester, outpointed Waddell Washington, 159 1-2, Worcester (8); Billy Campanale, 153 1-2, Worcester, knocked out Sal Luciano, 150, New York (5).

Oakland, Calif.—Paulie Peters, 152, San Francisco, outpointed Paul Lewis, 155, Oakland (10).

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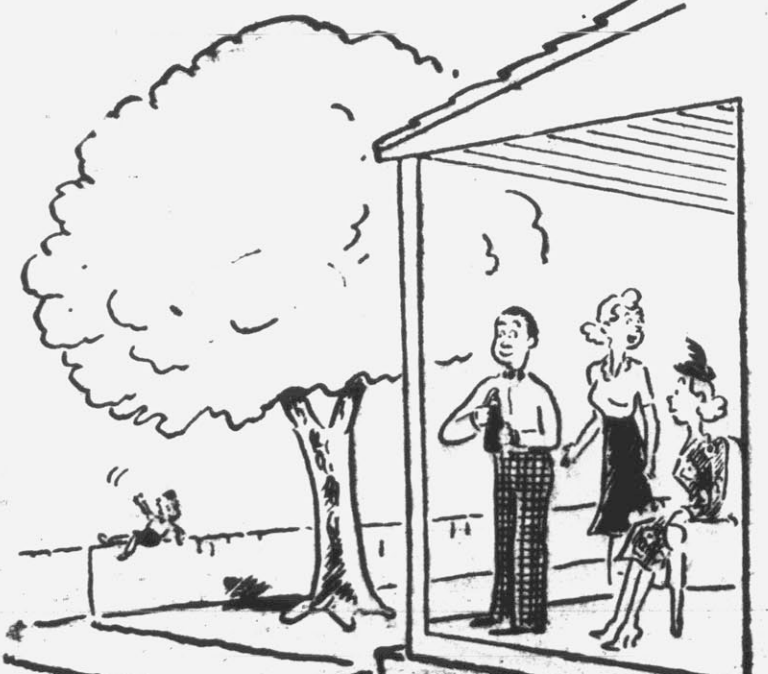
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