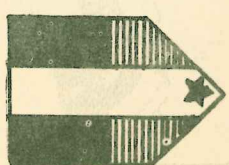


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LATE NEWS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7 (AP)—Superfortresses attacked industrial objectives in Japanese-dominated Manchuria today.

A brief 20th Air Force commandique said a large task force of B-29's of the 20th Bomber Command "continued the campaign against Japanese war production with a daylight attack today against important industrial objectives in Manchuria."

(The Japanese radio announced that "three or four" B-29's dropped incendiary bombs on Tokyo Thursday morning—Tokyo time—causing "a small fire at one point." The broadcast was heard shortly after the Japanese head reported a raid on Manchuria by the Superforts.

TACLOBAN, Dec. 7 (AP)—Fighting on Leyte Island in the Philippines is increasing, with U.S. troops making substantial gains on all fronts, it was reported in today's communique from Gen. Douglas MacArthur on this third anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

A Japanese tank attack, launched in the Ormoc corridor sector where the United States 10th Army corps is applying pressure, failed to break the enemy's grip.

To the south of Ormoc, Japanese supply port on the island's west coast, men of the 27th Corps breached the enemy's line on the Palanas river and pierced to a point south of Balogo on the coast and Kang Dagit village inland, the communique stated.

ROME, Dec. 7 (AP)—British 8th Army troops have deepened their newly-won bridgehead over the Lamone River southwest of Faenza and all enemy resistance east of the river has ceased.

OFFICIAL WEATHER REPORT

High - + 14.2 degrees
Low - - 10.4 degrees

Furnished by Canadian Department of Transport for each 24-hour period from 0430 hours to 0430 hours.

TANKS ADVANCE WITHIN 3½ MILES OF SAARBRUCKEN

PARIS, Dec. 7 (AP)—American tanks drove to within three and one-half miles of seared Saarbrucken early today in a plunge to the outskirts of Forbach, French rail town and outpost of the Siegfried line. Artillery of the 3rd United States Army bombarded the "Little Pittsburgh" of the rich German coal and iron region for the eighth consecutive day, while infantry units were clearing the Germans from the last defended streets of Sarreguemines, the French border town directly southeast of the Saar capital.

Meanwhile, as fighting continued in isolated pockets within the second city of the Saar, Saarlautern, the Americans extended their grip on the west bank of Saar River, now crossed in at least eight separate places, to 22 miles.

To the north, meantime, German fighting patrols crossed the Maas River at several points last night along the northern part of the Allied front in apparent attempts to take prisoners, a 21st Army Group spokesman said this morning. Instead of taking prisoners, however, these German patrols lost several of their own men to alert 1st Canadian Army and British 2nd Army troops.

There was no other ground action, of major intensity, on the northern sector of the 400-mile front.

On the static Roer River front, meanwhile, the Cologne Flak for the second successive night was bright with strings of enemy ground lights, suggesting that the Germans are working intensively to prepare defenses on the Erft River in anticipation of a forced withdrawal from the swift and swollen river.

MOSCOW, Dec. 7 (AP)—Red Army vanguards, sweeping around the southern part of Lake Balaton, were within 35 miles of the Austrian frontier today as Berlin reported a powerful Russian offensive closing in on Budapest from three sides.

A Berlin broadcast reported today that the Russians, employing fresh tank forces northeast of Budapest, yesterday evening had breached the German line in a northwesterly direction.

The gravest threat to the beleaguered Hungarian capital came from Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's 3rd Ukrainian Army units, driving up the west bank of the Danube.

NO THOSE OF CATHOLIC FAITH

Friday, Dec. 8th is the Feast of Immaculate Conception, Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses will be held as follows:

Station Hospital - 9:00 AM
McGrath Chapel - 11:15 AM
Air Base Chapel - 5:15 PM
Sacred Heart Church:
7 & 8:30 AM and 7:30 PM

LONDON, Dec. 7 (AP)—RAF bombers blasted Berlin again last night and struck simultaneously at the railway centers of Usnabruck and Glessen and the Leuna synthetic oil plant near Leipzig, the Air Ministry announced today.

Approximately 1,300 planes took part in the widespread operations.

U.S. bombers yesterday rained 3,000 tons of explosives on the Leuna refinery.

ATHENS, Dec. 7 (AP)—British Spitfires and Beaufighters swooped low over Athens today and attacked an E.I.A.S. nest of resistance as a pitched battle with the left-wing national liberation front elements went into its second day.

The planes were sent into action after the resisting Greek forces failed to heed an ultimatum issued by Maj. Gen. R. M. Scobie, commander of British troops in Greece.

Shell-fire echoed through the city throughout the night as British tanks fired their 75's at an E.I.A.S. position.



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PEARL HARBOR — 1944

Anniversaries are excellent times for checking progress, taking stock of achievements and, perhaps a more beneficial but less pleasant task, summoning renewed strength to carry on toward the goal, in progress toward which the anniversaries are the milestones. So it is on 7 December 1944.

On the day of Pearl Harbor, three years ago, the British had seen driven from the Continent in western Europe and the Balcans; Hitler's armies were at the gates of Moscow and Leningrad, and the Japs, already in French Indo-China and Thailand, were poised above Singapore. The high tide of Axis aggression was rolling forward in a wave that seemed all-engulfing.

A year later, with five million men in the Army and a considerable number actually engaging the enemy in the Pacific, in North Africa and in the skies of Europe, we had won the battles of Midway, the Coral Sea and the Solomons; the British had broken the threat of the Germans against the Suez Canal, and Stalingrad was still free.

By late 1943, we had hit our stride both on the production line and on the battle line. The Teheran conference had been concluded and Japan expected a New Year of victory. By intensive training, by unstinted production, by uninterrupted supply the tide was turned against the Axis. We had routed the enemy from Africa and had invaded Italy. In the Pacific we held major ports on the northern coast of New Guinea; Makin and Tarawa were in our hands, and the enemy had been dislodged from the Aleutians.

Today as we view the military situation, we have cause for gratification. The United Nations' forces are on the offensive everywhere, and we have wrested initiative from the enemy in all theatres save in China. American troops, significantly enough, are back in the Philippines. In Europe, American and Allied troops are on German soil, while the Red Army is in East Prussia, has over-run the Baltic states, and has knocked out Finnish, Romanian and Bulgarian support of the Axis.

But the war continues, and our enemies may be aided by weapons which, ironically enough, we ourselves can forge — weapons that, far from wearing out, may grow more lethal with time: weariness and complacency.

Early this past November, General Arnold warned of this danger:

"Let me say here, without quibbling or equivocation: Contrary to popular belief, we still have many bitter, bloody battles ahead of us before we finally defeat Germany. The Luftwaffe has been crippled, but is not dead. Our attrition rates are still heavy...the air war against the Japanese is still in its earliest phases. And there's no need for me to repeat that it's going to take a gigantic combined effort of all our arms to knock those people out.

"Now my message to you: — Whatever your job in this war, keep on doing it. Do it right. Do it better than ever before. Don't slow up. A slow-up may cost lives in battle — extra effort on your part may end the war sooner."

Will our progress by 7 December 1945 be comparable to that already made? Time will tell. But if each of us works a bit harder, becomes a bit more tough-minded, and, if he finds the times try his soul, lets a bit more iron enter that soul, then the year to come will tell of even greater and more successful effort toward our common goal—complete and uncontested Victory.

—T.H.McG.

Radio Stations C.F.W.H. 1240 I.C.

6:00 Jimmy Dorsey and Orch	
6:15 Joan Barton Sings	
6:30 Melody Hour	
	Semi-Classics
7:00 Dunninger, Master Kind	
7:30 Sound-Off!	
7:45 World News — Bill King	
8:00 Mail Call with	Charles Boyer, Martha Mears, Billie Burke
8:30 It Pays to be Ignorant	
9:00 JAMES KELTON SHOW	
9:30 Music Hall	
10:00 Downbeat	
10:30 Bobby Sherwood and Orch	
10:45 Raymond Scott's Orch	
11:00 Suspense:	"The Black Path of Fear"
11:30 Shep Fields and Orch	
12:00 CFWH Goodnight	
	PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY NOON
12:00 Noon Time Tune Time	
12:25 Bulletin Board of Air	
12:30 World News — Fred Ayer	
12:45 Disc Chatter	
1:00 Sign Off	

BUS SCHEDULE

The following bus schedule is the one now in use by the NWSC Bus Lines. Cut it out and save it for further reference:

Lv Whitehorse	Lv McCrae
7:00 AM	8:00 AM
8:00 AM	9:00 AM
9:00 AM	10:00 AM
10:00 AM	11:00 AM
11:00 AM	12:00 Noon
12:00 Noon	1:00 PM
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MOVIES

WHITEHORSE: "Yokel Boy" — Joan Davis; and "The Case of the Black Parrot" — Wm. Lundigan.
STANDARD OIL: "Wing and a Prayer" — Don Ameche.
CAPITOL: "Ladies' Day" — Lupe Velez; and "Private Buckaroo" — Dick Foran.



ONE WAR

A WEEKLY PAGE OF FACTS
AND OPINIONS ABOUT WORLD WAR II



IN PREPARING OUR BROADSIDES AT THE MINDS OF OUR ENEMIES, we follow carefully established rules based on expert study of the mental habits of the enemy soldier. The rules, of course, are confidential. But here are some examples of the material which results. Note particularly that the material does not offend the soldier's intelligence.

Picture the German soldier who has been bombed and strafed for days and who is wondering bitterly about Goering's boast that the Allies could never bomb Germany. Out of the air comes a leaflet. A simple one. "Where is the Luftwaffe?", it asks. On the other side, it carries this cheery greeting: "Yesterday no air cover! Today no air cover! Tomorrow no air cover! To fight on is senseless. To order men to fight is criminal."

Or imagine the weary German, his outfit's ranks thinning, his rations low, pounded by shells and bombs day and night, when he gets this philosophical piece:

"To be or not to be. For every soldier, the time may come when he must make up his mind either to continue fighting and to die, or else to submit to capture, as the fortune of war may have it. You, too, therefore, as a member of the Reichsführer Div., are a soldier. You, too, may at some time get into a hopeless position. You, too, therefore, are entitled to know how those thousands of German soldiers are treated who had the good or ill fortune to be taken in the course of honest fighting. THEY ARE TREATED AS SOLDIERS, FAIRLY, DECENTLY, AS BECOMES A COURAGEOUS ENEMY. You, too, will be treated as a soldier. You can write home and you get paid for work outside the camp. There is an opportunity for study and sports. Among your comrades you will find acquaintances of yours. Even generals and bearers of the knight's cross happened to be taken prisoner in the course of the war, and are now waiting for their return after the war."

A CALENDAR OF WAR

PEARL HARBOR DAY -- A DAY TO PAUSE AND BE THANKFUL THAT AGAIN WE MAY LOOK FORWARD TO A FREE AND PEACEFUL AMERICA. AS YOU READ THE FOLLOWING CALENDAR OF WAR SINCE THAT TRAGIC DECEMBER 7th, 1941, try to recall how you felt the moment you read in your paper or heard over the radio of each new victory or defeat. This way you'll find a clearer realization of the tremendous progress the Allies have made.

1941-42 -- The third year of World War II -- the Nazis hammer at the gates of Moscow -- Hitler says: "The enemy is already broken and will never rise again" -- But with winter the battered Red Army counterattacks, recovers 1/5 their territory -- "December 7th: the date which will live in infamy" With the fall of Singapore, Burma and the East Indies, Japan wins an empire -- We fight back: the battles of Coral Sea and Midway, blocking Jap moves further south and east -- Tojo, pompous Jap premier, says: "The war will be long in duration" Hitler launches huge attacks towards Cairo and the Caucasus, both aimed at the oil riches of the east -- the Allies fight desperately for time to gather their power.

1942-43 -- Fortunes of war reverse -- Yanks land in North Africa -- the British 8th sends Rommel across the burning desert -- Churchill says: "It is the end of the beginning" Our thrust into Stodly breaches Europe and ousts Mussolini-Bombers blast the vital Ruhr day and night -- the Red Army holding the ramparts during the long agony of Stalingrad's sieges, Russia's Verdun, finally annihilates the German Sixth Army, achieves the greatest defensive victory of the war -- In the turning point of the Pacific struggle, we blast the Japs out of Guadalcanal, build up a great forward base -- The enemy suffers his first major setback -- Says Hirohito: "This war situation is most serious" -- The Nazi New Order means a beleaguered fortress, hammered from all sides.

1943-44 -- Eisenhower comments: "The time has come to step up to the plate and try for a home run" -- Opening up the first phase of Europe's liberation, Allied forces leap into Italy's mainland, knock her out of the war, redeem Rome, and plunge northward -- D-DAY at Normandy, the greatest amphibious assault of history -- The Allies crack Hitler's "impenetrable" Atlantic wall -- Emancipate Cherbourg, thrust towards Paris -- Overhead RAF and US bombers blockust German cities and pummel Nazi factories and oil supplies -- In desperation Hitler launches robot bombs, slaughtering British civilians indiscriminately -- The Red Army, cutting up Nazi divisions, drives the invaders from all of Russian soil, hurries into Poland to Warsaw, takes the Baltic states, enters Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Romania and Bulgaria surrendering -- Japs fall back as we seize island after island, establish a base on Saipan for B-29's to bomb Tokyo and "wall of Japan" Yanks, British and French poised on West Wall for final onslaught -- Russians near Budapest, now forty miles from Austria -- Germans slowly falling back in Italy -- Yanks and MacArthur strike to regain Philippines.

Estimated toll of five years of war: 25 million casualties and nearly a trillion dollars -- We face this sixth year of World War II with hope, knowing that Hitler's house is falling and the Reich's doom sealed. The Allies get set for knockout blows at Japan -- And final, total victory.

WORDS IN WAR

MOULAN'S, the Canadian claims of a 1918 famine, and weekly, in the December first warning they will try this issue leads off with an article again ... YANK this ole, "Germany Will Try This week carries a fascinating story on the Verdun forts. Again," denying the German

SOMERVELL SEES TOUGH FIGHT

NEW YORK, Dec. 7 (ANS)—Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, Commanding General of the Army Service Forces, told the National Association of Manufacturers last night that the conquest of Japan will cost the nation 71 billion dollars per year after Germany is defeated and that the "war against the Japs alone will be the biggest war this country or this world ever fought before the present war."

He said that 300,000 more war workers are needed at once on critical programs and that for the first time munitions are being used up faster than they are being produced.

He disclosed that secret weapons are being produced that "must be ready in large quantities for the Pacific pushes," but, he added, "the devices are not yet in use in Europe."

He also said that General MacArthur had used more mortar shells on Leyte than in all his previous campaigns in the Pacific.

CORPORATIONS GO OVER TOP; INDIVIDUAL BOND SALES LAG

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7 (ANS)—The Treasury's War Finance Division announced yesterday that corporations have already over-subscribed their nine billion dollar 6th War Loan goal, but said that sales to individuals were more than two and a half billion dollars short of the five billion dollar goal. The Treasury expects to reach the individual goal before the drive ends, but emphasized the importance of sales to individuals whose dollars are especially valued because taking them out of circulation aids in the war against inflation.

BLAST KILLS ELEVEN

McALESTER, Okla., Dec. 7 (ANS)—Eleven men vanished without a trace yesterday in a night explosion of a truckload of torpedu warheads at the McAlester Naval Ammunition Depot. The blast shattered windows in McAlester, nine miles away.

The warheads exploded while the crew was making a routine transfer from their truck to the magazine depot, which was undamaged except for one magazine wrecked.

The R.C.A.F. skating rink, on top of the hill above the NMSC area, is now open for skating to all girls and military personnel. Skating every night from 7:30 to 10:00. For complete information phone R.C.A.F. board. Come to the Air Force Saturday night Club. Skating with dancing after.

JAP PLANES IMPROVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7 (ANS)—Japanese planes are getting better and in the past year have cut down the American technical advantage to a "very slender margin," Navy Secretary James Forrestal told his news conference yesterday.

Forrestal said the enemy's land-based aviation is now stronger than ever before and that increasingly strong opposition in this department may be expected as the Allies close in on the Japanese homeland.

AUSSIES WILL BATTLE JAPS

FACTOAN, Dec. 7 (ANS)—Australian troops definitely will be used in "this present campaign," Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey, Australian Commander-in-Chief, said last night after a consultation with Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger, commanding the 6th US Army which is battling the Japanese on Leyte.

Blamey declined to say whether he meant the campaign in the Southwest Pacific, the Philippines or even closer to the enemy homeland.

ALIEMEN HIT JAP SHIPPING

CHOWKING, Dec. 7 (ANS)—Maj. Gen. Chennault's headquarters announced last night the sinking or damaging of 16 enemy freighters in widespread attacks despite the loss of valuable bases to the enemy advance in Southeast China.

The communique said the biggest toll was taken Monday when 14th USAF alimen blasted Yangtze river shipping, destroying one freighter, leaving two sinking and damaging eight others. Other successes were listed east of Shanghai, west of Formosa and at Amoy harbor on the China coast on the same day.

U.S. SOLDIER HELD IN SEATING

BOMINGHAM, England, Dec. 7 (ANS)—Police yesterday announced the arrest of a U.S. soldier in the gunshot death of Sir Eric Teichman, 60, former British Embassy counselor at Chungking on Sunday. The soldier was not identified.

AUTO-PLANES AFTER WAR?

CHICAGO, Dec. 7 (ANS)—Combination automobile-airplanes with detachable wings so as to permit their owners "to drive on city streets five days a week and take airplane trips on weekends" were predicted today as likely to go on the market within two years after the resumption of civilian production. W. B. Stout, research official of Vultee Consolidated Aircraft told the Society of Automotive Engineers' banquet that private passenger planes also probably will be in mass production within five years after the end of the war.

SHOPPING TIP

Got the Christmas shopping blues? Nothing much from which to choose? Don't know size of shirt or shoes? Give War Bonds!

Got somebody hard to please? Don't need ties or B.V.D.'s? Just the thing for folks like these—Give War Bonds!

Uncle Sammy hopes that you will give a gift that helps him too.

Give War Bonds!

—Dorothy Schellachmidt

QUIT TWISTING THAT WRIST!

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 7 (ANS)—The National Reform Association protested yesterday to President Roosevelt as Commander-in-Chief against what it termed "the compulsion put on our soldiers to drink beer or go without cold beverages, especially when they are on the field of battle."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7 (ANS)—Assessing that civilian girls are willing hostesses at community parties for servicemen, but seldom extend their social patriotism to include service women, Captain Mildred H. McAfee, Director of the WAVES, suggested yesterday that civilian men be encouraged to arrange parties for service women only. She told the War Recreation Council that some civilian girls even refused to admit WAVE officers to parties.

NOTICE: Some odd gloves and mittens (some in good shape) have been turned in to the Hotel Desk, A-35. Persons having lost any such items are invited to call and inspect those on hand.