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Today's Campus

Pass the Cigars

Sparking a claim for First Sparrow of the Year, Robert Crumley put in an appearance at 5:59 a. m. Wednesday, in the Sparrow hospital. The Pappy, son of former junior Dear ROTC Hal Crumley and the former Doris Kline, was being widely publicized by campus promoter Bob Edgell, who is self-appointed guardian, passing out the cigars.

Robbing the Cradle

Practice teachers hearing adolescent whistles from high school boys during noon recess decided to call upon their educational psychology and talk with their admirers. A high school girl, noting the confab, confided to another, "If we're not careful, we're going to lose our men."

Railroad Employees Secure New Point in Wage Dispute

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Non-operating railroad employees apparently won a new point today as President Roosevelt reiterated their claims to an emergency board in language that seemed to limit the issue to that of overtime.

The unions had contended that only the issue should be open to discussion, they had balked at reopening a wage increase previously recommended for them. The White House announced that the case of the 1,100,000 clerks, stenographers and others who do not actually run trains, had been sent back to the board for consideration of "payments for overtime or of overtime."

The statement at another point mentioned "unsettled claims for wage adjustments of the non-operating employees which were not presented" at the time the board made a previous report recommending sliding scale increases in regular time pay ranging from 4 to 10 cents an hour.

Speakers of the unions said that language seemed to limit the actual presidential order to overtime pay claims, but they also heard to consideration of reopening the case was less specific.

The question in the minds of labor spokesmen was whether the language went as far as the White House in limiting the issue.

American Doughboys Dub 'Bouncing Betty' Public Enemy No. 1

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 (AP)—Her name is Betty, she's neither old nor winsome, has only three teeth and a flat face, and she has been elected public enemy No. 1 by American doughboys in Italy.

She's not a pin-up girl, this "Bouncing Betty"—she's a pin-your-ears-back gal if you get too close.

Sardonic American humor gave this name to what the slogging foot soldiers have found to be the Nazis' most terrible weapon in hilly Italy—a small land mine.

The retreating Germans have been generous with these little weapons of destruction which have just about destroyed the G. I. faith in the old axiom—"Anything I hear, I can duck." You can't hear Betty until she blows, then it's too late.

Germans Build Italian 'Siegfried Line'

Russians Capture Berdichev, Rail Hub



Boostered by Siberian infantrymen, GEN. NIKOLAI VATUTIN'S forces have smashed across the old Polish border, taking Novograd Volynski, Olevska (top arrows) and reaching into the Pripiet marshes in Poland. To the southwest, the rail junction of Berdichev, German headquarters in the area, fell today as the Red fought toward the Rumanian border.

New Instructors Added to State Art Department

Arnold Blanch and Doris Lee have recently joined the department of art in connection with painting and graphic arts, according to Prof. Albert Christ-Janer, head of the department.

Miss Lee attended Rockford college, Kansas City art institute, California school of fine arts and has traveled extensively in Europe. She has had exhibits in many of the country's outstanding art museums and institutes.

Her awards include a well-known prize for her murals in the national post office at Washington, D. C.

Blanch studied at the Minneapolis Art Institute, the Art Students League, and has also traveled abroad. His exhibits have appeared in Chicago, New York, and St. Louis, with awards from those same cities.

Soldiers, Coeds, Town Women Give Views on 'Snubbing Issue'

By JOHN HICKEY

Soldiers' answers to the recent "snubbing" issue seems to be a case of "much ado about nothing." For the most part, soldiers at MSC would like to date coeds.

They do not believe they themselves have been snubbed, but feel they have been the victims of upturned noses. Lansing women are not their primary choices, according to some—they are last resorts when it comes to dating.

The woman's angle is somewhat different. Coeds feel that they are the snubbed—the soldier, the snubber.

Scottie McNeal, Grand Rapids junior, says, "The soldier just doesn't seem satisfied with a coed date. Soldiers do not always show their appreciation toward coeds. They are arranged for service men. There is also the problem of pinned women having to refuse dates because of previous commitments. When the soldier learns this he feels slighted and immediately dons the cloak of persecution."

Ginny Jackson, Alma junior, would not commit herself when

The Russians today captured the vital rail hub town of Berdichev, 25 miles south of Zhitomir linking their western and central Ukrainian drives, Moscow, announced tonight.

The Russians smashed a weak German counter attack near the pre-war Polish border, killed 4,000 more Germans and destroyed 65 of their tanks yesterday, while to the southeast another force captured the stubbornly defended stronghold and railway station of Belaya Tserkov and 40 other Ukrainian towns.

The Russians, who have killed 9,000 Germans in the border area in two days, were reported by Moscow to have advanced guards already operating across the former frontier.

The Moscow midnight communiqué, recorded by the Soviet Monitor, told of a German infantry counter attack with two battalions—perhaps 1,500 men—this force "succeeded in breaking through to the position of Soviet troops," it said, but "our units encircled the enemy formations and wiped out the Hitlerites."

quered. Evidently many women feel neutrality is the best course to pursue in a situation such as this.

Bette Jean Stoner, Detroit senior, threw a different light on the subject. "It all depends," she said. "If a coed doesn't have her glasses on, she could easily be accused of snubbing—but unjustly so."

Lansing women were also questioned on their part in the situation. Sally Benson just wasn't interested in service men at a group. Other town girls enjoyed dating soldiers on campus. They do not consider themselves competition to coeds.

Lee Gurnst, Grosse Ile sophomore, supplies the civilian angle. "Sure, I think snobs are in their heyday. But I love it. It means a clearer field for fellows like us."

Servicemen, too, have heart interests in other places. One New Yorker, ASA Cpl. Al Welland, summed it all up with "Sure, I have me dates here. I like 'em, too. But you know, after every date I tell myself, 'Nice, but she ain't like my Mollie.'"

Council Plans for Election of Officers

Eligibility Qualifications Set for Nomination of Senior Leaders

At its first meeting of winter term held last night, Student council, Michigan State student governing body, appointed an election committee to take charge of the pending elections of senior class officers.

Pat Stone, Chicago, Ill., and Vera Gardner, Albion, both seniors, were named. They will choose the dates for the nominations, primaries and final elections, which will be announced later.

Council passed the motion that to be eligible for nomination for class officer, a person must necessarily be a senior graduating not previous to the end of spring term and not later than the end of the summer quarter.

Committee Appointed

A committee was also appointed to suggest changes in the current exam schedule enforced last term which requires that students attend classes and prepare assignments while taking finals in other courses.

Student council has reserved March 4 for a dance and favored underwriting the dance until presenting it to the newly elected senior class officers for a class dance.

Mardi Gras Results

Will Bennett, Milford senior, reported on the results of the third annual Mardi Gras held last term. A total profit of \$217.13 was made; approximately \$1,800. See COUNCIL—Page 3

Poles to Continue Resisting Nazis

LONDON, Jan. 5 (AP)—The Polish government in London called on its underground in Poland today to give the right of way to the advancing Russian armies and to continue resistance to the Germans, but an order to cooperate with the Russian military commanders was withheld pending resumption of Polish-Soviet diplomatic relations.

In a declaration handed to all the United Nations with which it had diplomatic relations, the government moved to avert any clash of Poles with the Red army pouring across the pre-war Russian-Polish border, but it claimed the right to rule the country as soon as it is liberated.

Students to Borrow Famous Paintings

Michigan State students will be permitted to borrow paintings from the art department and hang them at home, Prof. Albert Christ-Janer announced.

The student picture loan collection contains about 100 canvases ranging from the classical interpretations of Velasquez, Ver Neer and Holbein through the 19th century works of Van Gogh, Gauguin and Renoir to modern treatments by such well known artists as Grant Wood, Picasso and Marin.

The paintings will be loaned through the library under the supervision of the art department.

Nazis Rush Crack Mountain Units to Front Line

ALLIED HDQ., ALGIERS, Jan. 5 (AP)—German engineers are rushing to completion an Italian "Siegfried line" several miles deep and as powerful as similar Nazi fortifications in western Europe. German prisoners reported today as headquarters disclosed that Lt. Gen. Sir Oliver Leese, a tank expert, had taken over command of the British eighth army in its drive up Italy's Adriatic coast.

Intent on keeping the Allies from Rome as long as possible, the Nazis were said to be installing their formidable new defense system only a few miles from the present battle line, with its strongest features located in the neighborhood of Cassino, opposite the fifth army and inland from Pescara, Adriatic seaport which Canadian forces are nearing.

Nazis Reinforce Front Lines

The desperate nature of German resistance in Italy in recent weeks possibly was dictated by the necessity of holding until the new line could be completed.

In addition to forging the new line, the Nazis were reported forming reserves of mobile defense units back of the fighting line and to be reinforcing their troops at the front with crack mountain regiments.

Leese Named Commander

Canadian troops celebrated announcement of the appointment of Lt. Gen. Leese as the new commander of the eighth by storming and capturing "Point 58," a strongly defended hill about three miles from Ortona and overlooking the coastal highway to Pescara.

The new commander of Britain's best known army is a 49-year-old six-footer who commanded a corps of the eighth army through the North African and Sicilian campaigns, and is second in popularity in that organization only to Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, whom he succeeds.

Fifth Army Advances

Fifth army infantry of Lt. Gen. See NAZIS—Page 4

Navy Discloses Loss of Submarine Raider Pompano in Pacific

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 (AP)—The submarine Pompano, which braved the home waters of Japan itself, sinking two war ships and much merchant shipping, has fired her last torpedo. The navy announced today loss of the 1,330-ton raider with out saying where she went down. It most likely was in the Pacific where the six-year-old submarine was a constant thorn to the Japanese.

Listed as missing was the skipper, Commander Willis M. Thomas, of Vallejo, Calif., holder of the navy cross and the silver star for his daring exploits.

TIME TABLE

TODAY—

Mortar Board, 7 p. m.
Org. room 2, Union
SWL board, 5 p. m.
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Orchesis, 7 p. m.
Women's gym
Spartan editorial, 7 p. m.
Spartan office

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COLLEGE FRONT

By BETTY ANN WENDLAND

WITH THE beginning of a new year and a new term, a new column makes its bow to State News readers.

Michigan State students have war on their minds and time on their hands. This column will try to help them coordinate the two.

Naturally college men and women want to do their share, but ignorance of what there is to do on campus keeps many from taking an active part in defense work.

Special talent is not needed. Neither is a lot of time. If a coed has a few hours to spare, a willing pair of hands and just an average I.Q., surely she can learn to roll a bandage, spot an airplane or double in dots and dashes.

There is still time to sign up for these and other courses offered on different evenings throughout the week. Anyone in the CDC office will be glad to offer advice to the doubtful and map out an individual defense program for the term.

After putting in at least ten hours on projects like the above, workers earn the right to call themselves SWAVES (Spartan Women Auxiliary Volunteers). Work on Buildings and Grounds is also acceptable for membership in this organization.

Raking leaves, shoveling snow and bathing blackboards can be more like fun than work and there is pay for it besides.

Publicity is the business of the Victory Speakers' bureau, which has become a national organization since its founding here. The group aims to make students more conscious that they are living in a wartime world.

Speakers are sent to talk before campus groups on pertinent subjects. The "speechless" members cover the campus with posters. Right now the VSB is working on a knitting campaign to get coeds to knit for Britain and purl against Berlin. Anyone interested may come to the meeting Jan. 13.

— THE — WOMAN'S WORLD

By LEONE SEASTROM

MORTAR BOARD

Members of Mortar Board will hold their first meeting of the term today at 7 p.m. in organization room 2 of the Union, according to Pres. Roberta Taylor, Lapeer senior.

SWL BOARD

A meeting of SWL board will be held at 7 p.m. today in organization room 2, Pres. Meridian Rowlette, Detroit senior, announced yesterday.

RIDING PERMITS

Women enrolled in riding classes this term who need riding permits may apply for them at the dean of women's office if they have a written permit from home.

ORCHESTRAS

Preliminary tests for Orchestras candidates who tried out fall term will be held at 7 p.m. in the dance studio of the Women's Gym. Regular members should be present.

DELTA GAMMA MU

Members of Delta Gamma Mu will hold their regular meeting at 7 p.m. today in the Women's gymnasium. Pres. Pat Johnson, Wyandotte junior, stated yesterday.

American Legion Official Advises Strike Suspension

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 5 (AP)—Warren H. Atherton, national commander of the American Legion, telegraphed Gen. George C. Marshall today that the right to strike should be suspended for the duration of the war.

Atherton advised the army chief of staff that the Legion supports the statement attributed to General Marshall by some newspapers that labor troubles in this country have prolonged the war by lending encouragement to Germany.

SPEAKING FOR MYSELF

By BARBARA DENNISON

LATE LAST term Michigan State students were surprised to learn that marine Lt. Tom Greene, former State News editor, now a veteran of Tarawa, made something of a hero of himself in the battle for that South Pacific abell.

Since that time, Lieutenant Greene's parents have received letters with word that he is no longer on Tarawa, and some interesting comments on marine life in general, as he sees it.

His present location was not disclosed but he wrote, "We are living in tents and what passes for comfort under blue sky, and among cacti and dust, but it ain't Texas."

In continuing, he wrote, "Landed here early and not even a scratch to show for it. Saw what has been described by correspondents as the most savage fight in the history of warfare and am so proud to be a marine that I'm busting my buttons."

In the way, those Japs are pretty poor snipers—they need a target taller than six feet—but maybe I fouled them up by not staying in one place long enough to cast a shadow.

From the other side of the world, another former East Lansingite, Pvt. Bernard Mankin, Jr., also writes an interesting letter to his parents. Recently arrived in North Africa he seems to find life not at all dull.

He writes, "I am here in North Africa. This is some place. You can see Arabs walking around the hills all night. Gee, they're funny people. They wear big overcoats and turbans, and then go barefoot. The French over here do not understand my classroom French, but I can say a few things to them. The British are real nice and I like to hear them talk. Everyone calls them limies."

"All my money will be turned in for French francs. You have a wad of money that looks like a million dollars and still all you have is five dollars. We have Italians here working in the kitchen, and are they funny. We teach them words like chicken, bread, and more. When we mention Mussolini they rave for an hour."

And such are the reports that come back from the various fronts the world over. If American men can forget their battle experiences after the war, they will have a wealth of information and education stored up in their memories.

The advantages of travel with education have always been inestimable, and as a result of the war, it may become an integral part of the post war plan for visual education.

How soon after the war civilian travel abroad will be regular, it is impossible to determine, but it seems certain that in periods of prosperity there will be an even greater number of American tourists in all parts of the world than ever before.

Don't be a tradition breaker—no smoking on campus.

Grin and Bear It . . . By Lights



She's head over heels in love! She's quit drinking, she's quit tobacco, she's quit swearing—all for his sake!

Spartans at War

By ANNE COWAN

AMONG soldiers named to be cadet officers in the AST unit at the University of Illinois are former Spartans William A. McCartney and Walter S. Kitchens. Both have been appointed cadet corporals.

From Pampa army air field, Pampa, Texas, comes the news that A.C. Douglas J. Bachand of Lansing is soon to receive his silver pilot's wings and officer's bars. He has been in pilot training since March of last year.

Recently graduated from the army medical field service school at Carlisle, Pa., is a State graduate, Capt. Lawrence H. Neimert. Captain Neimert's home is in East Lansing.

Lt. Gordon B. Perkins, Spartan from Lansing, has reported for duty at Carlisle army air field, Carlisle, N. M., while another State man, A.C. Frederick C. Gauss, is stationed at Courtland army air field in Courtland, Ala., for basic flight training in the pilot school there.

Willard and Harry Cooley, 46, both varsity swimmers, are both in the service. Willard is stationed at the University of Michigan while Harry, who was just home on furlough, is enrolled in the AST program at the University of Oklahoma. Bob Knox, 46, another varsity swimmer, is taking medical technician's training at Camp Grant, Ill.

Lt. Joe Glaeser, 44, was recently decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal and Purple Heart, after

his heroic ninth raid over Germany. During the last raid, while wounded, stepped into his bombardier's enclosure, took the pilot's seat, after the pilot was killed, and helped the pilot pull the Flying Fortress from its neary fatal dive to an altitude of only 2,000 feet.

Three more Spartans have reported at another army air field, the south for nine weeks of intensive physical, military and academic instruction. They are Aviation Cadets William A. McCartney, 46, Russell Haas, 46, Robert Tornga, 45, all of East Lansing.

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Allies Advance Toward Borgen Bay Under Heavy Fire

ADVANCED ALLIED HQ, NEW GUINEA, Thursday, Jan. 6 (AP)—United States marines at inland Cape Gloucester, New Guinea, have driven east of the headquarters reported to

have tanks, guns and a strong force of marines, attached to the U. S. sixth army, moved in the direction of Borgen bay against stiff Japanese resistance.

Tank Patrols Move Inland It has been in the Borgen bay area that the enemy has put up a prolonged opposition and several counterattacks have been repulsed there. Today's war report told of the quelling of Japanese air and ground counterattacks in the Cape Gloucester sector.

Westward on New Guinea at Borgen Bay, where American forces have driven a wedge

The mathematics department will open a new course in beginning navigation, math 118 because of students' requests. Prof. J. S. Frame announced. The course will meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11 a. m. in room 204 of the building. Trigonometry is a prerequisite.

in the Japanese coastal supply base. Tank patrols moved inland and expanded their holdings in the shore.

Planes Downed Japanese planes were shot down while attempting to land nearby shipping.

Members of the South Pacific command scored a direct hit on a Japanese New Ireland, on a Japanese heavy cruiser and a Japanese battleship, but not a Japanese Pacific bombers. The plane strike in that area a few days ago.

Members of Australia at Koro, New Ireland, downed a Japanese bomber and Beaufort's machine gunners blew up two Japanese freighters.

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Yanks Land Unopposed on Saidor



The United States 32nd division, of which these soldiers are members, has landed at Saidor, on the New Guinea north coast, without opposition. Shown in the Buna sector of New Guinea, are left to right: Pvt. Lawrence L. Leshman, Peoria, Ill.; Corp. Rodney C. Reimer, Manitowish, Wis.; and Pvt. Martin Demuth, Cumberland, Wis.

Anti-Nazi Author Found Slain Near German Headquarters in Denmark

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 5 (AP)—Kaj Munk, famed Danish poet and pastor who had openly fought the Nazis, has been found slain in a woods near the German military headquarters at Silkeborg, Denmark, dispatches from Copenhagen disclosed today, the victim of what the Free Danish press service terms a Nazi-inspired political assassination.

The slaying of Munk, who had written many anti-Nazi books, articles and plays, stirred up among Danes an indignation unmatched since the mass arrests of Jews early last October.

The pastor-poet's body was found Tuesday, dispatches to the Swedish telegraphic agency said, after four men believed to have been Gestapo agents, went to Munk's home at nearby Vedrosø and drove away with him.

College Discontinues Ice Skating Ring This Year

Athletic Director Ralph H. Young announced yesterday that there would be no ice skating rink this term. Pointing out that an ice rink must be cared for at night, Young said that the shortage of labor was responsible for the discontinuation.

In the past, the ice rink has been popular, with even an ice carnival among the events in past years.

U.S. Dive Bombers Hit Jap Outposts on Marshalls

PEARL HARBOR, Jan. 5 (AP)—Heavy, medium and dive bombers of the American seventh army air force struck at the Mili and Jalut atolls of the Marshall Islands Jan. 3 and 4. It was announced today.

The action resumed the daily schedule of raids on these strategic Japanese outposts, north of the American-held Gilbert Islands.

The new raids cost one American fighter plane but two bombs hits were made on an enemy cargo ship in the Jalut lagoon. No mention was made of enemy interceptors, indicating the Japanese may have been caught by surprise.

Football Injuries Result in Only 10 Deaths in 1943

LAFAYETTE, IND., Jan. 5 (AP)—There were only 10 deaths charged to football in the United States in 1943, and not a single one of them was due to injuries suffered on college gridirons, Dr. Floyd R. Eastwood, Purdue university professor, reported today.

Dr. Eastwood, who has compiled statistics on football fatalities for 12 years, said nine of last season's deaths were reported by high schools and one by an athletic club team. It was the second time that no deaths had been charged directly or indirectly to the college ranks, and the first time there were no fatalities in the sandlot classification.

Most football fatalities, Dr. Eastwood said, are due to head injuries and he suggested that a committee of football coaches and college athletic officials explore researches made by the American and English armies on crash helmets with the view of remodeling football headgear.

He also urged that coaches devote more time to the teaching of tackling because records demonstrated that nearly half of all football deaths occurred while tackling.

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Arguments Begin on Re-Imposition of Prohibition

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4, (AP)—The argument over wartime prohibition started all over again in the capitol today and except for references to what happened before, the words might have been a recording of what was said a quarter century ago.

The principal argument was Monday morning hangovers in war plants vs. insistence on personal liberties—including servicemen's claims to a voice in the decision whether they have beer.

Rep. Hobbs (D-Ala.) touched off the controversy by announcing that a house judiciary subcommittee of which he is chairman

Spartan editorial staff will meet at 7 p. m. today

man will hold hearings this week on a bill to outlaw all traffic in beverages containing more than one-half of one percent alcohol by volume.

Introduced last March 4 by Rep. Bryson (D-S.C.), the legislation would impose prohibition for the duration of the war and until after demobilization of the armed forces. Its announced purpose is to curb absenteeism, promote war production, resumably through reduction of Monday morning hangovers among war workers.

Wolverines to Meet Sailors in Swim

ANN ARBOR, MICH., Jan. 5 (AP)—Michigan's swimming team will meet the powerful Great Lakes aquatic squad in a home-and-home series this month, Coach Matt Mann announced today.

Reversing their schedule, the Wolverines will swim the sailors at Great Lakes on Jan. 15 and meet them here Jan. 22. A meet previously booked with Northwestern at Evanston Jan. 15 has been changed to Jan. 14 and a dual with Ohio State here Jan. 22 shifted to a later date as yet undecided.

COUNCIL

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was taken in from voting alone. Spartan Victory loan fund netted a total of \$2,290 fall term and the fund now totals \$4,075.
The Student council suggestion box, which was started last term, will be placed in the Union again this term. All students, soldier or civilian, may put their suggestions for improvements in campus affairs in the box. They will be discussed in future council meetings.

Sluch River Line Falls to Russians

MOSCOW, Thursday, Jan. 6 (AP)—The Red army was reported today to have taken the German Sluch river line.

(The Sluch river presents a north-south line in that portion of its 30 mile course between Poladnoe and Novograd Volynski. The river is east of both of these towns and the Russians already have announced the capture of Novograd Volynski, across the river.)

(The river then makes a bend to the west forming a 100 mile arc into Poland before flowing into the Pripiet river. At one point the river is just east of Sarny.)

(The dispatch did not say where the river line had been broken. The Russians were reported earlier to have crossed the border in the area of Olevsk, a pre-war customs station 40 miles east of Sarny.)

A dispatch to the Moscow News said the troops which took this line had penetrated deep into the Polesian province (of pre-war Poland) in the direction of Sarny, 35 miles inside the former frontier.

The Moscow news reported the front had rolled more than 90 miles west of Radomysl starting point of the Red offensive.

(A 90 mile advance due west from Radomysl would put the Russians across the pre-war Polish border at Korzec.)

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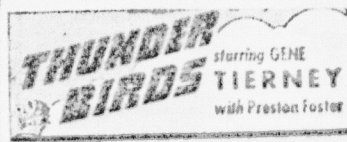
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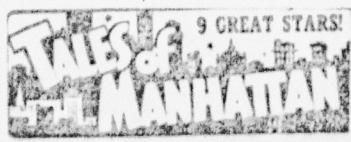
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American Planes Blast Kiel

Bombers Strike Canal Shipyards, Enemy Airfields

LONDON, Jan. 5 (AP)—American heavy bombers—plowing through a strong defense which included rocket planes and ME-110s towing what appeared to be new type anti-aircraft bombs—struck the Kiel shipyards today for the third time in three weeks and ranged across a record 800-mile front to blast airfields at Bordeaux and Tours in France and other targets in western Germany.

(A British radio broadcast recorded by the FCC said Hannover, 140 miles south of Kiel and the same distance west of Berlin, was attacked by more than 700 planes.)

Aircraft Destroyed

It was officially announced that 93 enemy aircraft were destroyed during the day, 60 by Fortress and Liberator gunners and 33 by fighters, while 25 bombers and 12 of the supporting fighters failed to return.

Never before in a major operation was the U. S. eighth air force able to attack targets so far apart as Kiel and Bordeaux or been able to execute so many diversionary thrusts.

The airline distance from Kiel, a German North sea port, to Bordeaux, in southeastern France, is 800 miles.

Second Attack in Two Days

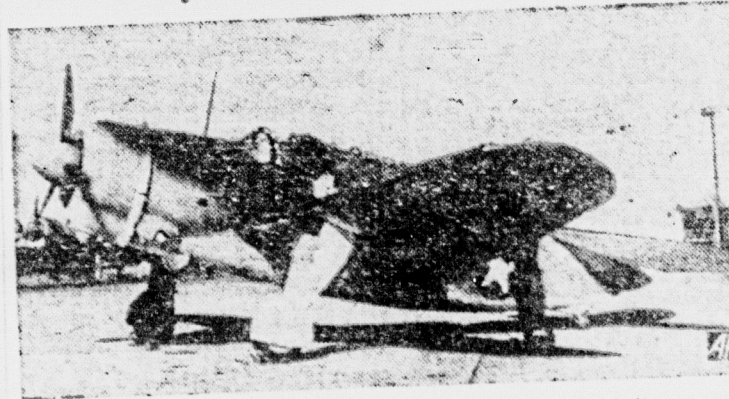
There was no immediate announcement of the number of aircraft lost or the enemy planes destroyed. It was the second attack in two days on Kiel.

The Vichy radio left the air tonight, indicating that the aerial battering might be continuing.

The British-based U. S. Flying Fortresses and Liberators were escorted by American fighters on all their missions today except the foray at Bordeaux, which involved a round trip flight of almost 1,000 miles. In the Bordeaux operation they were given withdrawal support by American and RAF fighters.

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New Navy Dive Bomber Makes Debut



Lifting a veil of secrecy, the navy has announced its new super dive bomber that will carry a greater bomb load farther and faster than any similar ship which any other nation may evolve in years to come. Shown at the Curtiss Wright plant at Columbus, Ohio, this Hellcat is ready for its first flight.

INTERPRETING THE WAR NEWS

Officials Predict Difficulties in Reconversion

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 (AP)—The two aspects of reconversion to civilian economy—now to head off mounting pressure for too precipitate action while war goods are still needed and how to make the change swift and effective when guns are still—absorbing an increasing share of official attention.

The problem's dual phases were taken up separately today, the immediate one in a Chicago speech by William L. Batt, vice-chairman of the War Production Board, who predicted that 1944 changeovers will present more complex questions than those of the shift to war production, and the long-range aspect by Rep. Tolan (D-Calif.), who offered a comprehensive program for blueprinting and directing the ultimate shift.

Jobs with a postwar future, he said, will pull labor, and peacetime markets and profits not subject to renegotiation will attract management.

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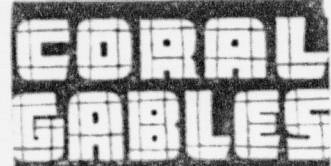
The fall of Berlin, announced by the Moscow radio, has thrown open to the Russians the whole overlocking road and rail network west of Kiev to the old Polish border and provides the Red army with a key bastion for the next and crucial phase of the great battle.

However, a shift in the force and direction of the main Russian attack is apparent, in support of the conclusion that the full weight of Red army offensive power in the bulge is now being turned southward in an effort to destroy utterly the German forces all the way to the Black sea.

A virtual lull in the effort to expand the northwestern sector of the great bulge now that the Polish border has been reached is indicated. While the exact line on which the Russians propose to stand temporarily is not yet clear, there seems no reason to expect more than holding action on that front at this stage of the battle.

Deeper penetration of Poland west of Olevsk and Novograd Volynski would be dangerous. Russian advance elements are nearly 200 miles from the Kiev supply base and battle wrecked rail lines and roads hamper communications with the rear.

A fury of reconstruction work behind the fighting lines must now be in progress if the regained road and rail network west of Kiev is to be put into effective service for further and decisive exploitation.



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Adventure Series to Present South American Movie

A panoramic picture of South America filmed in color will open the World Adventure series Saturday night at 8:15 in College auditorium, S. E. Crowe, director of the series, announced.

"The Calvacade of South America" records a 100,000 mile tour of that country by Charles P. Weimer, photographer, lecturer, artist, writer, and explorer.

Weimer made the trip by boat, canoe, train, plane, horse, oxen, automobile, and foot power. Twenty thousand miles were covered by foot.

Beginning as a commercial artist after graduating from the University of Pittsburgh, Weimer developed photography as a hobby. In 1940 he and Mrs. Weimer started on their South American trip which resulted in the film to be shown Saturday.

For the past two years he has been ambassador to the United States from this southern country.

Crowe gave the list of programs on the World Adventure series and the lecture-concert series for the winter term. It includes Gerald Wendt, science editor of Time magazine, who will speak on the use of gas in the war, on Thursday, Feb. 22.

Margaret Bourke White, photographer, will appear on the series on Saturday, March 11.

The World Adventure series will bring Winifred Walker with a film on Australia on Jan. 15; Muri Leasing, "Big Game" on Jan. 22, and Sam Campbell, "Nature," on Jan. 29.

Joelyn Crane will present on illustrated lecture, "Jungle Rain-bow," on Feb. 5, and Herbert Ullman, "By the Wayside" on Feb. 19. Ace Williams closes the series on Feb. 26 with "India."

NAZIS

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Mark W. Clark advanced 100 miles west of Venafro to a 2,300-foot height in the Sangro ridge about two miles west of the village of S. Angelo.

While weather restricted activity over the Italian front, Allied bombers ranged against the enemy's Balkan positions.

Allies Train in Africa

Other Allied planes, Nazi shipping off the coast of Italy and attacked concentrations and transport battle zone. Two ships were destroyed during the raid. Every Allied plane was in its base.

Headquarters disclosed American, British and French troops are undergoing throughout French North Africa for coming assaults against Mediterranean against the Germans.

(This could indicate landings are planned in French Mediterranean) coincide with the well-known invasion of France by the countries from England.

U. of M. Heads Approach Military Conditioning

ANN ARBOR, Jan. 5.—Asserting that a set of public "nearly" full-time, physically-hardened, Army University of Michigan officials today sharply rebuffed a suggestion that military conditioning be abandoned.

H. O. (Fritz) Crist, athletic director and coach, declared that military conditioning had an average of more than 100 percent.

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