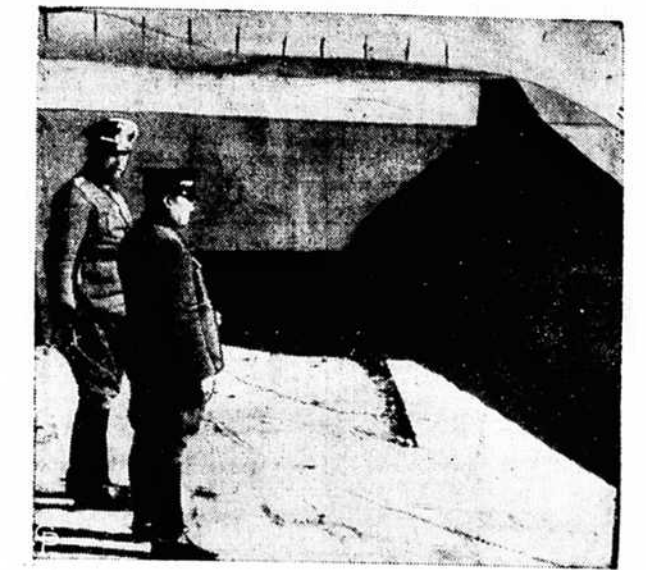


Red Armies Occupy Kirovograd

BROTHERS UNDER THE SKIN



GEN. OSHIMA (right), Jap ambassador in Berlin, appraises a section of the "Atlantic Wall" while touring German west coast defenses.

San Vittore Is Occupied Near Cassino

Capture of Fortified Town Follows Bitter House-to-House Fight

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Jan. 8 — (AP) — Fifth Army troops captured San Vittore, strong German bastion six miles from Cassino on the road to Rome, it was announced officially by Allied headquarters today.

GUNNERS LOAD UP—ON FRUITCAKE FROM HOME



THESE FIFTH ARMY GUNNERS in Italy get a taste of home as they share a buddy's fruitcake. They are (l. to r.) Pfc. Walter Samardak, Central Falls, R. I.; Cpl. Jesse L. Hammer, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Pfc. George Demme, Struthers, Ohio; Pfc. Paul Sugalski, the host, of Glen Lyon, Pa.; Pfc. Arthur Smith, Providence, R. I.; Sgt. Jeff D. Demid, Jr., Asheville, N. C.; Pvt. Leonard Hickey, Glen Falls, N. Y.; Pfc. Vincent Cavalario, Watertown, N. Y.; and (right, partly hidden by gun) Cpl. Fitzpatrick, Ganado, Tex.

Industrial, Rail Center Is Captured

Russians Move in After Routing of Nazis in Disaster

London, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Kirovograd, industrial and rail center of the Dnieper bend, has been captured by the Russian army, Marshal Josef Stalin announced today in an order of the day broadcast by Moscow and recorded by the Soviet monitor.

21 Days Allowed After Notification Of Passing Exams

Many Workers At Fairchild Back At Jobs

Burlington, Jan. 8.—(AP)—A number of tool and jig workers at the Fairchild Aircraft Co.'s plant here were reported back on their first shift jobs today after a walkout yesterday by approximately 100 in protest to supervisory duties in the department.

New Induction Ruling Is Clarified Today By Director Hershey

Washington, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Under the system of pre-induction physical examination announced yesterday, each registrant who passes the physical is guaranteed at least 21 days of civilian life after his draft board notifies him he has passed.

Plane Crash Kills Five

Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 8.—(AP)—Five army men were killed and two were injured at 9:30 a. m. today when a B-26 Marauder medium bomber plunged into a field and burned 2 1/2 miles south of the army air base at Kelllogg, according to Captain David B. Bates, field public relations officer.

Firm Robbed At Greensboro

Greensboro, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Brewer Paint and Wallpaper Company, located on Madison avenue here, which police said was robbed a year ago in the same manner, was robbed again last night when the establishment was entered suddenly with a pass key, investigating officers said, and money and valuables, including the company's ledger books, were taken from the safe.

Allies Sink 2 Barges In Rabaul Bay

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Jan. 8.—(AP)—At Rabaul's Blanche Bay, so huge it could accommodate battleships and ocean liners, two barges loaded with Japanese troops have been sunk by Allied fighter planes from the Solomons.

RAF Bombs Reich After Yank Blow At Ludwigshafen

London, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Britain's wooden Mosquito bombers, raiding Germany for the seventh consecutive night, hit targets in the western Reich last night without loss in the wake of a strong American daylight attack which Swedish reports said gave the chemical city of Ludwigshafen a "death blow."

Attempts Fail For Short Race For President

Washington, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Party leaders have abandoned attempts to reach an agreement on shortening the political campaign, and today signs pointed to mid-June presidential and vice-presidential nominations by the Republicans, followed by the Democrats a month later.

Abductors of Cab Drivers Are Seized In N. Y. Theatre

New York, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Two Norfolk, Va. men who police said admitted they were the abductors of a Washington cab driver and his passenger and of another cab driver in Brooklyn, were seized today at an 8th avenue movie theatre.

One Killed In Train Wreck

Atlanta, Jan. 8.—(AP)—An engineer was killed and six other railroad men injured here early today when a Seaboard Railway passenger train and a freight collided head on at the Emory University station. No passengers were reported hurt.

Russian-Pole Reconciliation More Doubtful

London, Jan. 8.—(AP)—A reconciliation with Russia was viewed as increasingly doubtful by Poles in London today and one Polish spokesman expressed the belief that Polish guerrillas, even though they fought Germans, would be taken prisoner as the Red army plunged deeper into old Poland.

Wm. K. Vanderbilt, Wealthy Yachtsman, Dies in New York

New York, Jan. 8.—(AP)—William Kissam Vanderbilt, 63, former president of the New York Central Railroad and one of the nation's foremost yachtsmen, died at 12:32 a. m. eastern war time today of a heart ailment which had forced him to return to his home here from Florida before Christmas.

Tony Martin at Goldsboro Field

Miami Beach, Fla., Jan. 8.—(AP)—Tony Martin, former radio singer, has been transferred to Seymour Johnson field at Goldsboro, the army air force officer-candidate school announced today.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA Colder tonight. Lowest temperature 33 to 38 degrees southeast portion. Cloudy and continued cold Sunday with snow flurries.

Cotton Futures Are Lower at Closing

Table with columns for Cotton futures (March, May, July, October, December) and Middling spot, showing prices in cents.

Evacuation To Interior Is Begun By Rumanians

Berlin, Saturday, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Rumanian evacuation of civilians is continuing in the northern province of Bessarabia and the eastern province of Bucovina, the Budapest dispatch said today.

WORST DEBACLE OF WHOLE RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN IMPENDS

Moscow, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Troops of the First and Second Ukrainian armies pointed through great gaps in the German line which had surrounded Kirovograd smashed to within three miles of the city in one place in the Dnieper bend country, as the Red army's winter offensive continued on the upsurge.

General Konev's Tanks Reported to Be Creating Panic Along the Rear of the Nazi Ukrainian Forces

General Konev's tanks were reported to be creating panic along the rear of the Nazi Ukrainian forces, with German communications reported to have been reduced to bottle-necks.

Civilians Have Been Forbidden the Use of the Railways Apparently to Facilitate the Use of Transport for Withdrawal of Troops

Civilians have been forbidden the use of the railways apparently to facilitate the use of transport for withdrawal of troops and the carrying out of defense measures in the east.