***Dec 22-- As though they were on a sight-seeing tour. 3 B-29's on Wednesday sauntered over Tokyo and Nagoya, dropping without encountering any appreciable a few bombs while there. The first of the far-ranging bombers started large fires followed by explosions. Nine minutes later, crewmen of the second Superfort counted 35 fires in the Japanese capital. A short while later a third Superfort came over Tokyo and made observations, but did not drop any

It wasn't so long ago that confident Japanese airmen boasted that they would welcome American raids, as their landbased fighters could easily take care of them. The only thing Tokyo would welcome now is a little peace. All three of the lone Superfortresses returned safely to their bases.

LEYTE CAMPAIGN DRAWING TO A CLOSE

****Dec 22- The battle of Leyte Island. according to General MacArthur, is drawing to a close. With the collapse of the Yamashita Line, the Japanese can no longer offer an integrated defense; enemy action is limited to small isolated units operating independently of each other. The American 77th Division moving north from captured Valencia. advanced 4 miles to seize the junction of the Ormoc Valley-Polompon road at Libungao. Just a mile north of the 77th Division spearhead, the American First Cavalry Division drove south from Lonoy, which was captured on the 17th, and captured Kanango. To the north, the American 32nd Division is tightening the noose on Japanese units trapped by the First Cavalry breakthru.

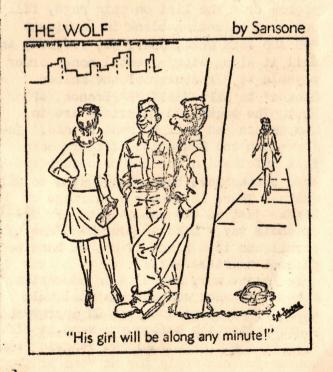
Describing the above action, American communiques said that enormous quantities of Japanese supplies of all categories, were captured. Enough enemy supplies were seized by the American forces since the Ormoc landing to have lasted the Japanese for six months.

NO SLACKENING OF YANK MINDORO ADVANCE

****Dec 22-- For the fifth successive day American forces on Mindoro advanced enemy ground resistance. In the air, however, the Japanese aircraft continued attacking our beachhead with 9 planes shot down by American fighters and antiaircraft. With the American landing on Mindoro, the Allies are now able to dominate both sea and air routes to the South China shores. Mindoro is 100 air miles closer to Tokyo than Saipan. and a mere 155 miles from Manila. The Japanese report another big American convoy moving through the Sulu Sea, which may indicate that more reinforcements are on the way to the Mindoro beachhead.

IN THE AIR OVER THE PACIFIC

***Dec 22--The town of Legaspi on Luzon was hit by American Liberators starting explosions and large fires. 300 miles west of Manila, a long-range Azerican patrol attacked an enemy convoy and scored direct hits on a 6,000 (continued on page 5)





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NAZI DRIVE PUSHS ON

***Dec 22- On the 70 mile front below Cologne where they had begun their new offensive, the Germans threw in 15 Armored and Infantry divisions. In some sectors they were still gaining steadily and the deepest penetration was 22 miles inside Belgium. The drive was developing in four main thrusts westward below Aachen.

The Nazi thrusts near Aachen were draining their manpower heavily. Valiant American doughfeet were bitterly resisting their attacks and succeeded in halting them south of Monschau. American casualties were also severe and many Yanks, who refused to retreat, remained in their foxholes until run over by Nazi tanks.

Enough of the Allied news blackout was lifted to reveal that the offensive had broken thru on a 70 mile front, had penetrated up to 20 miles at four points. While the picture was far from bright, the Americans were building up enormous quantities of reserves and supplies. Four columns of Nazis were still moving on a fluid front with American resistance tightening, but not checking them. The Wehrmacht might even try to widen its offensive to other fronts before General Patton's Third Army breaks into the Saar.

MOW DOWN AMERICAN WAR PRISONERS

***Dec 22-A seemingly incredible stor; of Fascist barbarism was reported last night by Sidney Rogers, noted American news analyst. During the current German breakthru in Bolgium, the Nazis were able to capture 100 American war prisoners in a forward sector. These Americans were systematically robbed of all their worldly possessions, then lined up in an open field and mowed down by machine gun fire. Some wounded Americans had also been taken and were deliberately killed in cold blood when they cried out in pain.

Mr. Rogers branded the atrocity as an outcome of the brutality with which the Nazis have indoctrinated every generation of their youth since the beginning of the Hitler regime. 'It proves once and for all, he declared, that the Germans are not fighting a racial war, as they claim, but are ruthlessly murdering men of their own race. He placed them in the same class as the sadistic Japs, who had also exterminated thousands of innocent bystanders of their own race during the war in China. It was all the more proof, if there had been the slightest doubt, that the war must be carried through to the end and that those responsible for such indignities should be liquidated.

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1000 YANK PLANES IN ITALY-AUSTRIA RUN

***Dec 22-- Flying from Italy, 1000 America in Greece. ican bombers pounded Germany, making the sixth consecutive day they have attacked enemy targets from these bases. Three undisclosed points in Austria and the city of Pilz in Czechoslovakia were the objects of yesterday's attack.

On the first Army front, American ground troops were denied air support as heavy fog held our planes to the fields. However, 300 flying fortresses, bombing by the war. instrument, scattered 100 tons of bombs between Trier and Gemund on road and rail intersections crowded with German troops and vehicles moving to the front. RAF heavy bombers also dropped 1000 tons on Trier itself. As in the dark days of Salerno, the full weight of Allied air power was being used to turn the tide.

REDS WIDEN FRONT IN HUNGARY

***Dec 22- The Eastern Gates of Fortress Europe were buckling yesterday, as desperate Nazis sought to stem the Russian advance in Slovakia and Hungary. On an 80 mile front in southern Slovakia and Northern Hungary the Red Army threatened to break the German defense line hinged on Kassa and Presov.

Fanatical stormtroopers still held Budapest, for Budapest is the gateway to Vienna. Several more villages on the outskirts of the city were captured and 1,000 German and Hungarian prisoners taken.

BRITAIN HAVING TROUBLES

holding off crack British and Greek troops in the Athens area, and have taken the RAF headquarters 10 miles north of the city.

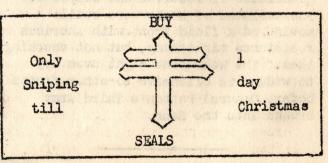
Anthony Eden yesterday told the House of Commons that Great Britain is seeking neither strategic, economic nor any other advantage in Greece. He

declared that Britain's purpose is to end the conflict as speedily as possible

Prime Minister Churchill also addressed the Commons, told them Britain, america and Russia must stand united in this most difficult and momentous hour of the war. "The three Allies are in entire agreement in regard to the general determination which binds them", said Mr. Churchill. He concluded that complete and effective cooperation between these nations would go on in all aspects of the war.

SUPERFORTS HIT MUKDEN

****Dec 22-- Lashing out in a new direction, American Superfortresses attacked Japanese-held Mukden in southern Manchuria. Targets hit were railyards, shipyards and other war industries. Press dispatches report that up to 60 of the giant bombers took part in the raid. Mukden is a Chinese rail center and steel manufacturing city north of Darian in southern Mancharia. This was the 31st B-29 operation. It should be noted that in this strike, the Superfortresses came from bases in China. Every gallon of gasoline for the big motors of the B-29 has to travel by air twice before it hits the target; it first must be flown over the hump of the Himalayas from bases in India, a slow and painstaking job. Then the gas must be reloaded into the superfortresses for their trip to the target. So that every American raid made from China bases represents a major accomplishment.



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PACIFIC AIR WAR (Cont'd from page three)

ton freighter. B-25 started fires at Fabrica and punagente sirisomes in the Visayas. Over Bornes, American fliers damaged a small freighter, three fuel barges, six all storage tanks, and a parked plane. The Celebes, Moluccas, New Quines, New Ireland, and the Palaus also received attention from far-reaching American bombers. In the central Pacific, American heavy bombers hit the oft-tombed Japanese island of the in the Lacans.

MONESE CONTINUE CAINS

cttocking Guinese forces and light gains are the Ewagsi Province will town of Social. They have the town surrounded from three sides and have taken the heights overlooking the city. Chunking reports that the Japahese are offering stiff resistance. American fighter-bombers destroyed a large enemy freighter at Hankow while other planes struck at rail lines at Nanking. In Burma, Allied troops have pushed down to within 30 miles of Akyab. Akyab is a sea port on the Bay of Bengal in southern Burma.

A spokesman for the Chinese 8th Route Communistic Army said that their forces had liberated more than 1,400 Chinese towns, and more than 262,000 Chinese inhabitants.

NEWS FROM HOME

Santa Monica, Calif. -- A girl was born to actress Rita Hayworth Sunday night by Caesarian operation. Her husband is the well-known radio star Orson Welles. They were married in September of last year.

Chicago, Ill. - The world's most powerful beacon which has been blacked out since Pearl Harbor was relighted Sunday night. It is of 2 billion candlepower and is mounted atop the Palmolive Bldg.

LIBRARY DONATED TO PHILIPPINE LIBRARY

Easton, Pa.— A gift of one thousand books from LaFayette College of Easton to the Silliman University Library in the Philippines, which was destroyed by invading Japanese, was announced by the college president, William Mather Land.

THAT WOMAN AGAIN

Hollywood, Calif. — "I have committed no crime", shouted Charlie Chaplia 68 Joan Barry's lawyer, and accused the attorney of trying to make him appear a master. He demical he was intimate with Joan Barry at the time her now 14 matter old daughter was conceived, said their intimate relations had ended menths before that.

Joan, who is 24, seeks to have
Chaplin declared the father of her child.
The question goes back to that December
night in 1942 when Joan came to Chaplin's
Beverly Hills home and insisted on staying because she had no place to sleep.
Chaplin insists that she slept in the
guest room and denied making love to her.

After she entered his home, Joan tried to kill herself just to create a scandal, said Chaplin. Joan was finally persuaded to spare herself when Charlie offered her a chance at movie fame and reproached her for such an action.

Chaplin is currently married to 19 year old Oona O'Neil, daughter of famed playwright, Eugene O'Neil.

Houston, Tex. -- Firemen at a station in a residential area just wish those people who hurry out late at night to mail letters would leave a return address. They promise a hot reply. Twice in one week firemen were routed from beds to respond to false alarms, both caused by persons shoving letters into fire alarm boxes.

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RELIGIOUS SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS SUNDAY For Division C.P. Area

Gatholic Mass........... 0900 E.M. Mess Tent

Protestant Services...... 0900 Chaplain Fry Recreation Tent Rear Echelon Area Christmas Eve Short Service.... 1800 Chaplain Bishop, Carol singing and the Christmas Story. Recreation Tent Rear Echelon Area

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"B" Btry, 361st FA Bn, at 1115 on December 18, fired ten rounds of propaganda shells, thereby claiming the distinction of being the first artillery unit to fire propaganda shells in the SW Pacific. The results were said to be good in that a number of Tojo's boys surrendered to our infantry. As the Bn CO put it, "Baker is really shooting the bull".

Someone - anyone - should inform T/5 John "Muscles" Brogan as to the whereabouts of "B" Btry's switchboard. One black night some of the more trigger happy boys opened up with a few rounds, and at the same time the switchboard rang. Brogan made a break, running down two men in his haste, but for all his efforts he landed in a dugout - not at the switchboard.

Latest and best rumor: Our rear echelon has gone to Casablanca, where we will join them as an MP Battalion.

Handsome Harry Spaak is in receipt of a letter from his moll in Nevada City, Calif. You remember, the one that voted for Roosevelt, the first name of the candidate in question being Theodore.

"Two-gun" McNiel, Texas hot dog magnate, has asked permission to open a buffaloburger shop. He has acquired several century-old recipes from our Filipino allies. Note to Mess Sgt: please keep this eccentric away from the kitchen.