

BRITISH ADVANCE TOWARDS MANDALAY

***Jan 10--British 14th Army troops now are approaching the central Burma town of Shwebo which is within 45 miles of the port of Mandalay. Other British forces are moving against Budalin, only 65 miles northwest of Mandalay. On the Arakan coast of Burma, the Allies have repulsed a Japanese night attack. The assault was launched against our positions near the recently-liberated port of Akyab. Japanese still continue active in this sector.

The Chinese High Command reports that its troops are battling a new Japanese landing at points 75 miles northeast of the China border city of Foochow. The enemy put ashore on December 26th at the border town of Siapu. Chinese forces counterattacked and recaptured Siapu.

AUSSIES RELIEVE AMERICAN TROOPS

***Jan 10--General MacArthur's headquarters has revealed that Australian troops have relieved U.S. forces in the Solomons, New Britain, and British New Guinea areas. These are sectors where the Japanese have been bypassed and pinned down in operations more than a year ago while MacArthur sped on to the Philippines. Allied troops in the Bismark Solomons area have recently killed 372 more Japanese and captured 20.

MACARTHUR-NIMITZ MAP FUTURE OPERATIONS

***Jan 10--Admiral Nimitz, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Pacific Fleet has conferred with General MacArthur in the Philippines. Their meeting was presumably for the purpose of setting a war timetable for future strikes. The meeting was presumably for the purpose of setting a war timetable for future strikes. The meeting was held in the last week of December. At the same conference high-ranking military officers met to discuss details of importance. While Adm. Nimitz was in the Philippines, he was reported to have visited Pres. Osmeñas at Tacloban. No details were released as to decisions.

"WHAT NEXT?", (Cont. from Page One)

Fighting in the worst blizzard of winter, the Yank First Army plowed through deep snow for a mile on the north side of the salient. General Patton's Third Army also Third Army also gained three miles in the area west of Bastogne, and cut the last of the Nazis two highways out of the bulge. Only frozen dirt roads now remain open to them.

In the south, Seventh Army troops pushed back the German spearhead from the Bitche area. The threat to Strasbourg is now relieved, as the French stemmed the German push sixteen miles south of the city and the Yanks recaptured the German bridgehead eight miles to the north.

LUZON AIRFIELDS GET REPEATED ASSAULT

***Jan 10--Fighter escorted Liberators and Mitchell bombers again struck at enemy airfields and installations throughout Luzon and the Philippines. The bombers unloaded 125 tons of explosives on Manila's Clark Field and Batangas airstrip. During these attacks, American fliers destroyed 26 grounded enemy planes and shot down two Japanese interceptors. Other airmen destroyed and damaged rolling stock and supply dumps over central Luzon. Three American planes were lost on these raids.

In the central Visayas, Yank fliers attacked five airdromes on Negros and Cebu. Allied heavy bombers struck at Japanese positions at Davao and the Del Monte area of Mindinao. Over New Guinea, our planes dropped 21 tons of bombs on the Wewak area. Not overlooking any Jap-held islands, American airmen also hit Borneo, the Moluccas, Celebes, the Lesser Sundas, and the Solomons.

Santa Claus is the only fellow who can run around with a bag all night and not get talked about.



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U.S. TROOPS LAND ON LUZON! LINGAYEN GULF SIXTH ARMY TARGET AREA--

***Jan 10--United States Sixth Army troops landed at 9:30 A.M. Tuesday Philippine time, on Luzon Island in Lingayen Gulf, a little over one hundred miles north of Manila, and secured four beachheads against light opposition.

"WHAT NEXT?", MONTY ASKS

***Jan 10--General Montgomery, British Army Commander, has confirmed that Von Rundstedt can no longer attack his original and major objectives. Montgomery himself has asked, "What next?". Von Rundstedt did succeed in his moral offensive, admitted Monty even though he failed in his big tactical gamble.

This moral offensive appears to be of tremendous importance to the Nazis. The gains of the Wehrmacht during the past month have raised the German fighting spirit at home to a point where they will carry the war through another winter.

Regarding Montgomery's question, "What next?", Allied headquarters indicate that Von Rundstedt will not go on the defensive. Regardless of the casualties and equipment losses he has suffered, it is his plan to keep the Wehrmacht rolling forward as long as possible. That is the only way the home front can be held together.

An Associated Press dispatch said the Germans were retiring last night from the tip of their Belgian positions. Four Allied Armies knocked out 15 miles of the main German escape route and shredded another with artillery fire.

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The news which had been widely advertised for days by jittery Japanese radio announcements, was confirmed in General Douglas MacArthur's communique today.

General MacArthur landed with his troops. The landing was preceded by withering warship and aerial attacks, earlier preparations for the landings had included a week of warship shelling, and terrific air attacks from both land based and carrier based American planes.

MacArthur's communique today said that the landings opened an operation which closed the back door to Japan's supply lines to the East Indies and brought the decisive battle in the Southwest Pacific close at hand. The huge convoy was heavily attacked prior to the landings by Japanese planes and coastal batteries. In making the landings, our forces shot down seventy nine planes, and sank two destroyers, a midget submarine, and a cargo ship.

Luzon Island is the largest land mass in the Philippine archipelago. Unlike Leyte, the island is well suited for open warfare in which tanks and other mechanized equipment can be used. Japanese exact strength on the island is not known but she undoubtedly has at least a quarter million men on the island and possibly twice that number. The Japs have many good air fields and such impor-

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AMERICANS ARE INTERESTING

(By-Felipe C. Medino, School Teacher, Dagami, Leyte, Philippines)

Jan 7—The Americans as a whole are interesting people to me. The gods in the island of Leyte including the mountain gods in Amandiwing welcomed their coming. And we provincial folks down here were glad of it, very, very glad of it. Why? They are interesting people, I say. No, sir. I don't want a quarter dollar, Sgt. Crull. It is true you are interesting people. In the first place, you are new in your ways. In the second place, you are modern in your views. In the third place, you are tall, big, handsome, healthy in your physical make-up. In the fourth place, you are kind-hearted, hospitable and generous. Surely, Sgt. Crull, I am talking sincerely, honestly. Cross my heart.

Don't you know that I am one of those favored by our old superior god named Bathala to know a little bit the English language? Of course, I'm not boasting. I can, in any way, carry on a nice conversation with the Yanks. I understand them pretty well. That is all. It is all right, talking, chatting, and laughing with these American soldiers. See, native folks, they are interesting. Aren't they?

Oh! the Japs. I am forgetting them. They are dull, very dull people. They are as dead as stones when you talked with them. They are like parrots talking nonsense. Tamed parrots speak better than the Japs. Isn't it, Sgt. Crull? I don't like them. They are brutal, more brutal than the Vandals that overran Europe centuries ago. They had destroyed our lives; closed our schools; ruined our homes, robbed our foodstuffs. You like dead Japs. You said dead Japs are nice good Japs. As for me, I can tell you that I am an isolationist who neither likes dead or alive Japs.

JAPS USING FLYING BOMB IN CHINA

***Jan 9—Major General Chennault says that the Japanese are using some kind of flying bomb for air defense in China. He said his fliers told of seeing some such objects, but avoided them. The General did not know whether the flying bombs were launched from ground fields or planes. The device, Chennault said, has had no great success, but since the Japanese airforce is incapable of defense they are bound to try to work out something. Major General Chennault went on to say that his 14th Airforce fliers had destroyed 241 Japanese planes in December for its best mark to date. Despite the loss of their eastern bases to the Japs last fall, Chennault disclosed that his planes also sank 73,950 tons of shipping, and probably sank or damaged 113,000 tons, not including three more naval ships, and scores of small craft.

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LUZON: (Cont'd from page one.)

tant strategic installations as Corregidor fortress, the Naval base at Cavite, the Navy Yard at Subic Bay, Clark Field, and Army centers in Manila.

In pre-invasion smashes against Luzon, Army and Navy Pilots have rakes the Island from



one end of the Island to the other daily since December 30. In addition Jap bases from the Kuriles to Japan itself have been hammered to render them useless for aid to the Jap Luzon garrison.

Besides its enormous strategic importance, the Island has a great spiritual value to Americans. It was on Luzon that Americans made their deathless stand on Bataan and it was also Luzon that the Japs forced American survivors of that fight into the infamous death march of Bataan.

General MacArthur in his communique said that the Japs evidently had not prepared for a landing in the Lingayen sector and it was this fact that led to such light losses in the landings. MacArthur said, "We are now in his rear. His main reinforcement and supply lines to The Philippines are cut and his ground fight on Luzon will have to be made with such forces as he now possesses there." No mention was made of the size of the forces involved, but MacArthur described the operation as, "A far flung amphibious operation."

(No further details revealed at the present time.)

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WATER THEY GONNA THINK OF NEXT!

There are some guys who think that Leyte has plenty of water. Foolish Lads! Oh yes, we have tubs of water to fill up foxholes, to leak through tents, or to drizzle down your neck--as long as you leave your clothes on. But not for showers!

The rains came, but they also go, and even the DEADEYE engineers have a helluva time locating them. And when they do, the water is usually in limited quantities.

And so, in one of the rainiest battle areas in the world, water must be conserved.

There's a GI way to talk, walk, and strip a cigarette, and now even the privacy of the shower has been invaded. But this time the purpose is evident, and it's worth can be vouched for by these men who have gotten all soaped up only to have the water supply suddenly give out.

To save water, the following "Circular" is quoted:

SUBJECT: Taking a Shower(Standing Position)
TO: To get clean.

First step--under pipe.

Then, turn on water. As soon as dust in ears has turned to mud---TURN OFF WATER.

Apply soap--fast, before the water evaporates.

Wash. (Optional)

Step under pipe, and turn on water.

When de-soaped, TURN OFF WATER.

AND YOUR BUDDIES WILL THANK YOU. (J.J.A.)

MORE BLOODSHED IN GREECE

***Jan 10-- One brief dispatch which came out of Athens yesterday stated: "British troops in Greece killed fifty to one hundred more of the Elsas forces as they pursued them into the hills west and north of the city".

That dispatch records one of the greatest tragedies of this war..... men of freedom killing others who are fighting for the same cause. After three years of Nazi terror, during which time thousands of

Greeks died for lack of bread, there should now be rejoicing in Athens. Instead, the Greek Elsas and the British Army have fought to the death and leftists remnants have flown to the hills with bitter hatred in their hearts.

The British say the Elsas forces want to control Greece by an Armed dictatorship, that the legitimate government belongs not to them, but the pre-war regime of King George. And the leftists cry that King George's regime was itself a dictatorship. It would be against the will of the Greek people, they declare. So the leftists have refused to lay down their arms. Several times, when the British had announced a coming conference, new fighting flared up and the conference failed to materialize.

As a pre-requisite to a conference, the British insist the Elsas lay down their arms, but for this the leftists are not yet ready. They have borne arms through the darkest days of the war and still hesitate to hand them over to what they term the old regime. Skillful diplomacy will be required to convince them that the United Nations have no ulterior motives and are merely seeking a democratic government for Greece.

HE PAID TO TALK IN TEXAS

In Texas the law required all labor union organizers to register with the Texas Secretary of State before soliciting for members. R. J. Thomas of Detroit, a CIO representative and head of United Auto Workers, overlooked this statute and was accordingly sentenced to three days in jail and fined \$100.

Whereupon the United States Supreme Court came to his rescue and declared the law which had caused his imprisonment was unconstitutional. Under the right of free speech, ruled the Supreme Court, you cannot force a citizen to sign his name each time he expresses his opinion. The Court was divided five to four on the issue.

DEADEYE FORUM

***Here is a chance for you GI's to express your opinion on world problems. From time to time we shall print a question which should be of interest to everyone. To this question we ask that both officers and men submit a written reply to the DEADEYE DISPATCH Office. Then, the two best arguments, one for and one against the issue, will be printed. Why not discuss the problem among your platoon or company, and have someone write up the results of your discussion.

The first question for our Deadeye Forum is that of compulsory military training. Chief supporter of compulsory military training is President Roosevelt. He has asked Congress to make peacetime military service a law, suggesting that it be established along the lines of the old CCC.

Foremost organized groups against the President's plan are the National Guard Association and the various Christian Churches. They believe that the nation's security can be adequately guaranteed by a State Militia and that an extension of an army reserve would put an unnecessary burden upon the country.

What do you think about it? Your opinions today will be the principles which guide our country tomorrow. Would you want your own son to undergo a year or two of compulsory army training?

NEWS SHORTS FROM HOME

Chicago(ANS)---Sgt. George Simon wanted to surprise his wife, Jewell, so he didn't write her that he had won a furlough as a reward for 21 months service in Africa, Italy and France. Mrs. Simon, apparently convinced that she wouldn't see her husband until the end of the war, also planned a surprise--she joined the WAC without telling him. Both succeeded. Simon arrived home just in time to see his wife leave for training at Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

Detroit(ANS)---In its second year of operation, Willow Run bomber plant more than doubled its first year's output, and re-

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The Deadeye Dispatch:

Dear Sir or Madam:

I desire to insert in your newspaper the following advertisement:

LOST; in rear echelon movie area, Division CP, raincoat with cloth first lieutenant's bars. Finder please return to Lt. Davidson, Public Relations tent (next to officers' mess.) REWARD: ONE WEEK'S RATION OF BEER.

AD MGR NOTE: This was not a paid advertisement. We wish we could charge in ration coupons!

NO BUZZ BOMBS FOR U.S., SAYS NAVY.

In Washington, the Navy Department indicated Monday night it was not in accord with Admiral Jonas Ingram's statement regarding robot bomb attacks on the Atlantic coast. Admiral Ingram, Atlantic Fleet Commander, had earlier declared that it was possible and probable the Germans would attempt to launch bombs against the United States East Coast in the next month or two.

The Navy said there is no reason to believe that such attacks are probable at present, even though they are possible. Ingram had stated that the bombs, probably not of the blockbuster type would be launched from submarines, planes or surface craft. But he qualified his statement by revealing that subs are no longer much of a menace since the Atlantic Fleet had convoyed 11,000 ships across the ocean without losing one to enemy action.

cently the Ford Motor Co. was awarded a \$6,000,000 contract to make jettison type gasoline tanks for aircraft.

Columbus(ANS)---Juvenile delinquency is decreasing in Ohio for the first time in four years, Director Calhoun of the State Bureau of Juvenile Research said.