

ALLIED TROOPS MARCH TOWARD TUNIS

Assassin Of Jean Darlan Put To Death

Sentence Court Martial Quickly Carried Out in North Africa LONDON.—(AP)—Reuters reported from Algiers that a firing squad put to death this morning the 22-year-old assassin of Admiral Jean Darlan, quickly carrying out the sentence of a court martial for the Christmas eve slaying.

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Last 24 Bomber Planes

J. S. Airmen Strike in Solomon Area WASHINGTON.—(AP)—American bombers in the Solomons ushered in the Yuletide by blasting 24 Japanese planes at Munda, knocking aircraft batteries there and sending search planes attempting to reinforce them and supplies.

On battle fronts everywhere men risk their lives to discover the location and strength of the military units of the enemy. Yet at home, so many of us are presenting ourselves as "know-it-alls" when we hear military news.

Caution: Don't Give Information About Our Military Units Abroad

Do not tell the names of ships upon which sailors serve. Do not tell the troop units in which soldiers serve overseas. There is no objection to revealing that Pvt. John Jones is in Australia, or that Sgt. Tom Brown is aboard the U.S.S. Wisconsin, in the Atlantic.

Heavy Blow Is Struck Inside of Stalingrad

Large Factory Occupied By EDDY GILMORE MOSCOW.—(AP)—Russian columns pressed their way to the largest factories in the middle Don area relentlessly ahead today at the heels of retreating Nazi legions and struck a smashing blow within Stalingrad itself where one of the largest factories was occupied after 500 Germans were killed, the Soviet midday communique said.

Red Army troops in the middle Don area have captured 49 settlements and railway stations, as well as dozens of populated points, the communique said, and to the Ukraine at two different locations, it was reported.

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Aussies and Americans Closing In MELBOURNE, Australia.—(AP)—A mixed force of Australians and Americans has rapidly closing in today on two sides of Japanese fortifications in the Buna Mission area of New Guinea.

The mid-day war bulletin said the occupation of another village in the Milneba-Kantemirova section during last night's fighting with about a battalion of 80 Axis troops wiped out in the engagement.

Seeks Name of Lonely Draftee Whom She Kissed

HARTFORD, Conn.—(AP)—If Mrs. Albert Vost of West Hartford can learn the identity of the soldier who asked her to kiss him good-bye, the young man will be getting plenty of mail as long as he is in the Army.

Another American General Wounded

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA.—(AP)—A second American general wounded in the fighting in New Guinea, Brig.-Gen. Clavis E. Byers of Columbus, Ohio, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS WISHES FULFILLED—Five-year-old Bruce McCandless Jr. (left) listens while his sister, Susan, three, tells Santa Claus that their biggest Christmas wish—to see their daddy again—has been fulfilled.

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Report Boy Kidnaped

ROCK ISLAND, Ill.—(AP)—Rock Island police are investigating the reported kidnaping of Kenneth Morrison, 3, who disappeared Christmas night from the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Melvin E. Morrison of Rock Island, while they were visiting in Davenport.

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Drive Within 12 Miles Of Capital City

Details Not Known, but Signs Indicate Tebourba May Have Fallen

LONDON.—(AP)—British and American troops were reported today to have thrust to within twelve miles of the Axis stronghold of Tunis in what would represent a sensational development in the muddy Tunisian campaign.

British and Japs Clash

Further Penetration Of Burma Indicated

NEW DELHI.—(AP)—British slight penetration of Burma by British troops was announced today by the British High Commission in the China Hills area, about 100 miles northeast of Aungmye, a military official disclosed.

Report 25 Britons Given German Death Sentences

LONDON.—(AP)—Reuters said the Rome radio broadcast a report today from Paris that 25 British had been sentenced to death by a German military tribunal at Bamberg, France, on charges of committing sabotage.

Guide to Good Reading

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