

ROOST AT S. FLANK REPELLED ENEMY STRIKE NEW BLOWS; SNOW FALLS

Steppes to North of Stalingrad Are Covered

Force of 200,000 German troops has been reported to have been in the Steppes to the north of Stalingrad today as the Red Army reported a series of triumphs indicating that the hordes of Adolf Hitler's crucial October offensive had been virtually broken. It was the 50th day in the siege of Stalingrad.

Some Of Doolittle Raid Fliers May Be In Japs' Hands

Forced Landings In China
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson said today it was possible that some of the American fliers who took part in the Doolittle raid on Tokyo had been forced down after leaving Japan and had been captured by the Japanese.



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Morganton Gets Relief From Seven State Steps

Farm Facilities Are Enlarged
RALEIGH.—(AP)—Seven steps have just been taken to improve conditions at the Morganton State Hospital, Governor Broughton said today in announcing that 200 additional acres in reasonable proximity to the present property had been purchased and were being put into condition for immediate cultivation.



DRAPES SHAPE—LONDON STYLE—Breaking loose from its moorings while being brought down, this barrage balloon draped itself over the ruins of London's Temple Church, bombed during the German raids on the British city.

Enemy Makes Minor Assault In Solomons

No Material Change in Military Situation in the Islands
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—A minor enemy thrust against the western flank of American positions on Guadalcanal Island has been repulsed, the Navy announced today, and there has been no material change in the military situation in the Solomons Islands.

Fortresses Destroy Nine Nazi Fighters

Americans Make Raid on Submarine Base at Loriet, France
LONDON.—(AP)—Nine enemy fighters were destroyed by United States Flying Fortresses in their raid yesterday on the German submarine base at Loriet, France, headquarters of the United States Army Air Forces announced today.

Will Survey Army Men

Might Release Some to Farms and Industry
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The War Department is studying plans to survey men in the Army with a view to releasing some who are physically sound to work in industry and agriculture.

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Price Ceiling Placed on Pork
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Price Administrator Leon Henderson today imposed a ceiling on all common cuts and types of pork at the packers' and wholesalers' level.

Rommel Reported Ordered To Strike

Said To Have Been Placed in Full Mediterranean Area Command
CAIRO.—(AP)—Reports reached here from Europe tonight that Field Marshal Erwin Rommel had been placed in supreme command of Axis land, sea and air forces in the Mediterranean area, where United States and British planes struggled for mastery of the air in battles which the Italians said involved 400 planes.

'Bone' Dry Plan Fought

Navy Chief Adds His Criticism of Proposal
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Secretary of the Navy Knox, saying that the Navy had the liquor problem under the best control yet, added his voice today to those opposing Senator Lee's Democratic "bone dry" proposal for a ban on military areas.

75-Cent Coffee Will Get Grocers In Dutch

War Production Board
RALEIGH.—(AP)—Norman Shepard, State OPA attorney, today disclosed a program of scheduling essential civilian items excepted as military weapons are scheduled to be rationed.

WPB Chief Predicts New, Deeper Cutting Of Civilian Goods Output

War Production Board
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—New and deeper curtailment in civilian production was forecast today by Chairman Donald M. Nelson of the War Production Board.

Notes To Readers

Dispatches from Berlin, Rome, Tokyo and other enemy countries are published by The News with the caution that they frequently contain false statements intended for propaganda purposes. This should be taken into consideration when reading the dispatches credited to Axis sources.

Off To Berlin, Rome, Tokyo Mountains Of Scrap Moving To War Plants Of Nation

Steel Industry Sources
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Mountains of scrap metal piled up during the newspaper-sponsored collection drive, were moving today toward America's scrap-hungry steel mills.

Darlan Is At Dakar

Vichy Admiral Says Dangers Over Port
VICHY.—(AP)—Admiral Jean Darlan, broadcasting at Dakar, told the inhabitants of France's West African base today that "new dangers are hanging over you."

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