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An allied spokesman said U. S. bombers had sent more than 1,000,000 pounds of bombs raining down on axis-held Tunisian ports in the week ended December 12.

Allied headquarters meanwhile disclosed that Lieut. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, allied commander

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Those attacks, in the region Kotelnikovsky, have been so the sharpest the Germans have been able to mount against the Red army's winter offensive.

The midday communique to a night engagement near a way line in that area in 35 tanks supported German troops. The Russians counterattacked killing 200, they said.

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and today stood:  
 reported..... \$437.75  
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 "Jam Session".... 14.00  
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## Priorities on Farm Machinery

ton., Dec. 21.—(P)—The auction board today assigned top priority—AA-1—to critical material necessary for manufacture of farm machinery. The priority recommended by the office of civilian supply, applied to material for farm machinery as well as for repairs. The rating was assigned in order to speed work on tractors and other equipment for the spring planting season. In the assignment are included steel, in addition to other materials, which will be delivered in 1943's quarter.

## Olds for Service

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 st group numbered less than a small number of registrants likewise expected in the month of youths born during November and December, 1924. This enrollment starting next Friday continuing thru Thursday, December 31. Selective service officials today called attention to that registration of 18 youths born during the months of 1924 is compulsory under the selective service act and that violators will be subject to heavy

prospects of a merry Christmas. More names keep coming in, and any person desiring to adopt old people, sick people, little children or whole families should call the bureau at 9270.

## Find Body of Man Frozen to Death in Shed

Apparently frozen to death, the body of a man identified as Walter Everett Scott, 63, was found this noon in a baled hay mow in a shed at the Werthimer Cattle company, Montgomery.

The body, frozen into a rigid position, was discovered by Harry Booth, 238 North Fourth street, an employe of the Werthimer company who had gone to the barn for a load of hay. The Kane county sheriff's office at Geneva was notified and an investigation was made by Harry Crawford, deputy sheriff.

Identification of the body was made by a sugar rationing book which was found in Scott's clothing. His address in the book was 423 Garfield avenue, Aurora. Other cards in his pocket indicated that he had at one time been a resident of the Kane county home.

There was no indication of foul play. Scott's face was covered with blood from small cuts but Deputy Crawford voiced the opinion that these had been sustained by rolling about in the hay.

The body was removed to the Healy chapel where an inquest will probably be held under the direction of L. Victor Peterson, coroner, of Elgin.

**New Low on Smallpox.**—Springfield, Ill., Dec. 21.—(P)—Approximately 60 cases of smallpox have been reported in Illinois in 1942, about 40 less than in 1941 and a new low record for the state. No

Horii, had been reported action.

The bloody trap was dropped with capture of the Caldera region Friday by A shock troops, and General Thur's command announced a general attack, spearheaded by tanks and artillery, was now in progress against the Japanese remnants on this right flank. A communiqué declared the "enemy's position deteriorating."

It was the first time the Allies had used tanks in an attack on this front. Photographs identified the light American-made "General" tanks manned by Australian troops. The mikado's men at B

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## Snow and Warm Weather Forecast

The weather forecasts for Chicago and vicinity: Rising temperature and T



forenoon occasional snow, temperature tonight 20 above. For warmer and

forenoon, light snow north. For Indiana: Slowly rising temperature tonight and Tuesday noon. Light snow north tonight.

For Wisconsin: Slowly rising temperature with occasional snow tonight and Tuesday noon.

For Iowa: Rain and light snow tonight. Occasional light snow Tuesday forenoon. Slowly rising temperature.

**Aurora College Weather Forecast.** For 24 hours ending yesterday: Maximum temperature 15; minimum, 5; mean, 10. Deviation from normal for the day