

Blitzkrieg Still Pounds Reds; Odessa in Pincers

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by German and Rumanian troops knifing down the Bug River valley to the sea. The soviet high command, silent for the first time on key sectors in the 53-day-old struggle, reported that Russian troops had routed a German elite division of 15,000 men and smashed another division, killing and wounding 7,500 men, in an unspecified sector of the 1,200-mile front. "During the night of Aug. 12, nothing of importance took place on our front," the red army's mid-day communique asserted. Some Russians interpreted the communique as indicating that the new German smash toward Odessa and Leningrad had been stemmed, reducing the third big naz offensive of the war to minor local actions.

Ukraine Clean-Up Near The Germans, however, reported that Hitler's invasion armies were crushing the last soviet resistance in the western Ukraine. Berlin commentators predicted that Marshal Budenny, in supreme command of Russian armies in the Ukraine, would have to surrender the entire Dnieper river bend to swift-striking German and Rumanian troops. Moscow dispatches reported that red warplanes had destroyed a large bridge over the Danube river at Cerna-Voda, halting all military transport between Bucharest and Constanta.

DNB, the official German news agency, said that the Luftwaffe was violently pounding soviet troop concentrations and traffic facilities "along the entire east front" and that rail connections around Leningrad had been shattered in many places. In the Lake Ilman sector, be-

low Leningrad, DNB said naz troops encircled a Russian infantry regiment and killed all but a few wounded, who were taken prisoner. A British war office spokesman, declaring there had been prodigious losses on both sides, said that while the Germans were seeking a battle of annihilation "it is not clear yet who has been annihilated in many of the large-scale battles."

The spokesman said German troops driving down the north-east shore of Lake Ladoga from Finland toward Leningrad had been halted in the last few days, and that on the Estonia front, other German forces were making some progress, threatening the important soviet naval base at Tallinn.

He pictured Leningrad's defenses as "too strong" to be taken and expressed the opinion that the Germans were aiming primarily at the isolation of the old-time capital of the czars, Russia's second biggest city.

Paralysis of Phone Lines in U. S. Threatened

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Albany, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Detroit, St. Louis, Chicago, Omaha, Denver, Newark and San Francisco. The four points at controversy in the negotiations were said by the union to be an automatic progression of wages in place of the current merit system, maintenance of a union membership clause, seniority, and holiday pay for all observed holidays. The union quoted Commissioner Fitzpatrick as saying that if tomorrow's conference did not bring results, he would ask Secretary of Labor Perkins to certify the case to the defense mediation board.

Strike Epidemic Alarms War department officials, meanwhile, voiced "grave concern" over a pronounced increase in the last week in strikes in plants holding army contracts, following a two-months let up in defense labor troubles. Thirty strikes affecting army production were reported to the war department as of yesterday with 23,400 men out. A week ago today about 14,000 were idle, a level which had prevailed fairly steadily since early June, when the army took over the North American Aviation corporation at Inglewood, Calif., to

restore production of warplanes under presidential order. Three strikes were described as particularly serious in their effect on warplane, tank and machine tool production. These were the AFL International Association of Machinists strike at the Curtiss-Wright propeller plant at Caldwell, N. J., involving 400 to 600 men contributing to the bottleneck in plane output; the CIO United Automobile Workers strike at the Allentown, Pa., plant of the Mack Truck company, involving about 4,000 men engaged in making tank and anti-aircraft gun parts, and the CIO-UAW strike at the Ameco Twist Drill company, Jackson, Mich., a machine tool plant having 100 per cent defense orders. Two hundred and fifty men are reported out there.

Chemical equipment output has been retarded, officials also said, by the shut down of the Henry Vogt Machine company, Louisville, Ky., where 900 men are idle following a strike of the CIO-Steel Workers Organizing committee.

Hunter Who Killed Kin Faces Crime Charge

DALLAS, Ore., Aug. 13.—(AP)—District Attorney Bruce Spaulding yesterday filed a charge of involuntary manslaughter against Floyd Bowman of Falls City in the accidental shooting of George Bowman, a cousin. The accident occurred during a deer hunt. Bowman waived grand jury proceedings and was given until Friday to plead.

MARKET REPORTS

LIVESTOCK PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 12.—(AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—HOGS: Slow, fully 25 lower; good-choice 175-215 lb. drives \$12.50-75; 225-260 lb. weights mostly \$11.75-12.00; light lights largely \$9.75-10.50; heavyweights to \$9.50; feeder pigs salable around \$12.00. CATTLE: Steady; steers scarce; few light grassers 9.75-10.25; common down to \$8.25; few beef heifers \$8.50-9.50; common dairy heifers \$9.00-50; canner and cutter cows \$5.00-6.00; fat dairy cows \$6.25-50; few beef cows \$7.00-65; young cows to \$8.25; common-medium bulls \$7.50-8.50; good beef bulls salable to \$9.50; good-choice vealers \$12.00-13.00; common to \$8.00. SHEEP: Steady; good-choice spring lambs \$9.50-75; choice closely sorted eligible to \$10.00; few feeder lambs \$8.25-75; six decks mostly feeders still back; few slaughter ewes \$3.75-4.50.

PRODUCE PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 13.—(AP)—BUTTER—Prints, A grade, 39c lb. in parchment wrappers, cartons 39c lb. PEAS—Coast No. 1, \$2 box; Brownsmead, \$1.80-2.00 box. POTATOES—New white, 10-cals, \$1-1.10 cental. COUNTRY MEATS—Selling prices to retailers: Country killed hogs, best butchers, 126-140 lbs., 16 1/2-17c lb.; vealers, fancy, 19-19 1/2c; light thin, 14-17c; heavy 12-16c; yearling lambs 10-13c lb.; 1941 spring lambs 17c lb.; ewes, 5-9c lb.; good cutter cows, 12-12 1/2c; canner cows, 11-12c lb.; bulls, 14 1/2-15c lb. Other produce unchanged.

WHEAT PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 13.—(AP)—Open High Low Close Sep. 93 93 93 93

Draft Extension Bill Wins by One Vote in House

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without any further house consideration. He said he would discuss the matter with senate military affairs committeemen before reaching a decision. Wheeler Voices Criticism. Senator Wheeler (D., Mont.) described the "draft extension bill" as a clear indication that "the people will not tolerate the carrying on of an undeclared war."

"Despite all the pressure on the congress from the president, the army general staff, a last-minute appeal by the secretary of state, and all the British propagandists," he said in a statement, "the house passed the bill by only one vote. "Some of the members of congress were absent and not voting. Some failed to record their votes. This vote clearly indicates that the administration could not get a resolution through congress for a declaration of war."

Both house and senate bills declare that, since "the national interest is imperiled," the president shall have power to extend the training periods; that in "hardship cases" men may be discharged from service when their release is not incompatible with the national defense, and that a \$10 monthly bonus be paid service men in addition to their regular salary after they have served their year.

Dozens of recently inducted young men were scattered through the packed galleries during the day-long house debate. Scores of women called members off the floor when the amendment stage was reached and besought them to vote this way or that. Republicans hammered away verbally for their contentions—the army already was large enough to meet emergencies, and selectees had been promised that they would be kept in training only a year. Democrats made answer by pointing to newspaper headlines. "The Vichy government at this moment is aligning itself with Hitler," shouted Representative Luther A. Johnson (D., Tex.) during one exchange.

And in obviously partisan spirit, Democratic Leader McCormack of Massachusetts chided the minority party for its 20 months of unfulfilled predictions that the United States soon would go to war. He said he had heard of a conversation between two republicans which went like this: "What do you think of Roosevelt?" "Why, he's doublecrossed us by keeping us out of war."

America Acts to Meet German-Vichy Threat

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relations with the Vichy government and recognizing Gen. Charles De Gaulle's Free French regime. NAZIS SAY U. S. PLANS TO GRAB MARTINIQUE ISLAND. By the Associated Press Germany charged the United States today with planning to seize the French island of Martinique, in the West Indies, as a result of French Chief of State Petain's newly-announced policy of stronger collaboration with the reich.

Authorized quarters in Berlin declared bluntly that certain American groups which "for a long time have cast covetous eyes on Martinique" would use Petain's speech yesterday as an

excuse to "satisfy their lust" for the island. In London, authoritative quarters said Petain planned to "subjugate the French people and force upon them a policy which they detest."

British Minister of Supply Lord Beaverbrook's London Daily Express, referring to strong new powers granted to France's vice premier, Admiral Jean Darlan, declared: "Darlan has become France's Fuehrer and Petain his Hindenburg."

Petain is 85. Germany's late President Paul Von Hindenburg was 86 when he died, after yielding full powers to the rising satellite, Adolf Hitler.

In Berlin the naz foreign office hailed Petain's speech as important because powers outside the continent "which desire to establish guardianships over France were rebuffed" and because the aged marshal had solidly allied himself with Hitler's "new order" for Europe.

Mother, Daughter Hurt in Bus-Auto Collision

WOODLAND, Calif., Aug. 13.—(AP)—Mrs. R. C. Woodruff and her daughter, Jolenne, Klammath Falls, Ore., escaped serious injury in the collision of their automobile with a passenger bus yesterday west of Davis. The impact knocked Mrs. Woodruff unconscious and inflicted a leg cut and bruises. Miss Woodruff suffered a fractured left arm.

Meat Industry of U. S. Accused of Price Fixing

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—(AP)—A federal grand jury today indicted 118 corporate and individual figures in the meat industry in 29 states on charges of "conspiring to fix the price of ham at Easter time in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act."

Elkton

ELKTON, Aug. 12.—Leroy Morganti has secured employment in Portland. Mrs. J. H. Hicky of Dunsmuir, Calif., is visiting in Elkton with her niece, Mrs. Edith Gates. She

Stock and Bond Averages

Table with columns for Bonds and Stocks, including dates like Wednesday, Prevalent, Month ago, Year ago, 1941 high, 1941 low.

has visited here on previous occasions and has a number of friends in the Elkton area. B. S. Adams and A. B. Haines spent Thursday attending to business matters in Roseburg. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wade and daughter, Margaret, spent the week-end visiting at Hood River with Mr. and Mrs. George Easterly. Mrs. Easterly and Miss Nella Winters returned with them to Elkton to visit friends here. Charles Clements, who has been employed for several years in the Wade store at Elkton, left Mon-

day for Medford where he has accepted a position in the hardware department of the Montgomery Ward store. The place vacated here will be filled by Miss Eileen Clemo.

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