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U. S., PRO NAZI VICHY ON VERGE OF BREAK

U. S. BOMBERS BLAST JAP BASES IN PHILIPPINES RAID

Smash Dealt Docks, Ships Airdromes

Spectacular Dash From Australia Costs But One Out of Thirteen Planes

UNITED STATES ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, April 15.—(AP)—Thirteen big American bombers operating from Australia made smashing attacks on Japanese bases and shipping at Manila, Cebu, Davao and Batangas in the Philippine islands Monday and Tuesday, it was announced tonight.

The communique said "enemy shipping, docks and aircraft were destroyed and damaged in an American air attack in the Philippines area April 13 and 14. The flight consisted of three B-17's and 10 B-25's under personal command of Brig. Gen. Ralph Royce, Nichols field, Bantangas, Cebu and Davao were attacked."

The bombers had hardly come to a standstill on the runway on returning to their base some where in Australia when Brig. Gen. Rush Lincoln, representing the united nations air commander, Lieut. Gen. George H. Brett, rushed up and handed General Royce the distinguished flying cross, as directed by President Roosevelt.

The DFC also was awarded to Lieut. Col. John Hubert Davies of Piedmont, Calif., and Capt. Frank P. Bostrom.

Japs Suffer Big Damage.

At Nichols field, at Manila, hangars were destroyed and runways damaged, the announcement said.

At Davao, in the southern part of Mindanao island, one bomber

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FROM London comes word that the Japs have at least three battleships, five aircraft carriers, a number of light and heavy cruisers and several flotillas of destroyers in the Bay of Bengal.

One of the battleships is reported to be a 32,000-tonner, with 16-inch guns, and one of the aircraft carriers is said to be a 28,000-tonner, carrying 60 planes.

A fleet of that size must be assumed to be looking for trouble and prepared to handle it if found.

THE disclosure is made by Churchill in a report to the house of commons. Churchill rates as the great discloser of this war—in fact, almost the only one.

WHAT is a Jap fleet of such strength doing in the Bay of Bengal?

In trying to answer that question, we must remember that fake plays are even more important in war than in football. It might be, a diversion, intended to draw allied strength AWAY from the real Jap objective.

But at the moment it looks as if the Jap objective is India.

Clyde Farnsworth, AP war editor, says in a dispatch:

"With India still not united for battle with Japan and with forth-

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Stormy Career of "Crack Down" Gen. Hugh Johnson, Bitter Critic of U. S. Foreign Policy, Ends in Death

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(AP)—General Hugh S. Johnson—the hard-driving, angry-tongued "Ironpants" of the World war, and of the recovery period NRA, and more recently a caustic newspaper columnist—died of pneumonia today, 12 hours after writing a last column against his doctor's orders for rest. He was 59.

Although he rose from captain to a brigadier general with a distinguished service medal in the World war, Johnson died technically a private. President Roosevelt on last April 30 refused his reappointment as an army reserve officer.

General Johnson came to national fame in 1933, when he stormed across the country organizing the NRA—the recovery period system of codes of practice for business and industry to keep prices and wages from being deflated.

He was assailed as "chisellers," "Torians," and "traitors" all those who refused to cooperate with him. When his NRA was in full swing he estimated that it had made 3,000,000 jobs and increased the country's purchasing power by \$3,000,000,000 a year.

Caustic Words Used

In his vitriolic campaign against violators of the NRA blue eagle codes Johnson added the phrase "crack down" and many others to the American language. In May, 1935, the supreme court declared the NRA setup unconstitutional and Johnson resigned, explaining that his

Brooks, McKeough Senator Nominees In Illinois Primary

CHICAGO, April 15.—(AP)—Illinois republicans renominated Senator C. Wayland Brooks, pre-war isolationist, in yesterday's primary while democrats chose Congressman Raymond S. McKeough, firm supporter of President Roosevelt during four terms in the house, to oppose Brooks in November.

Incumbent congressmen seeking renomination fared well. Of the 26 members of the Illinois delegation, ten had opposition, ten were automatically renominated without contests and six either retired or ran for other offices. Eight of the ten running with opposition were leading and appeared likely to win.

A landslide gave Brooks the nomination over Warren Wright, state treasurer who centered his campaign on his announcement of approval of the Roosevelt administration's foreign policies four days before the Japs raided Pearl harbor.

Brooks, a World war hero who pledged complete support of the nation's war effort after the attack on Hawaii, interpreted the results as approval of the "course I have taken."

McKeough's opponent, Paul H. Douglas, has been an ardent supporter of President Roosevelt, too. Douglas, University of Chicago economics professor and a Chicago alderman, assailed the Chicago "machine" in his campaign. The Chicago organization headed by Mayor Edward J. Kelly and County Chairman Pat Nash worked up the backing that gave McKeough a lead of more than 2 to 1.

The democratic nominee calculated his triumph as a mandate to continue support of the president whom he called "the greatest American of his time."



HUGH S. JOHNSON

blue eagle was now a "sick chicken."

Impatient of restraint, the general had quarrelled frequently with fellow New Deal officials. He often criticized the "brain trust" of presidential advisers and finally, in October of 1935, he denounced the New Deal for "amazing blunders and failures" and called it "rule by radiants."

He once publicly told Harry Hopkins to "go to hell."

But when the 1936 election campaign began, Johnson was still in President Roosevelt's corner. He declared in campaign addresses that the republican candidate Alf M. Landon had "swallowed the old guard doctrine whole" and called for re-election of the president.

Switches To G. O. P.

Four years later, however, Johnson was in the republican camp. From personal allegiance to the president but hatred of the brain trust his policy had changed to denunciation of what he termed "the third new deal" as pointing the nation toward dictatorship.

He was among the first to back Wendell L. Willkie.

He was a bitter critic of the president's foreign policy. When Mr. Roosevelt refused to renew his reserve commission it was announced that personalities had not entered into the decision.

Johnson, however, sadly termed the action "neither very wise nor very consistent with what at least used to be a very close and precious friendship."

Oregon Japs Arrested; Weapons, Radios Seized

PORTLAND, April 15.—(AP)—Two Japanese were arrested yesterday in FBI raids on 30 homes and business establishments of enemy aliens in the Ontario area of eastern Oregon.

J. Douglas Swenson, FBI agent, said one of the Japanese had in his possession 34,000 yen, worth about \$800 at pre-war rates. Guns, short wave radios and other contraband were seized, Swenson said.

Bridge Job Near Dillard Listed in Call for Bids

SALEM, April 15.—(AP)—Highway projects in six Oregon counties, slated to cost approximately \$1,000,000, are included in bids called for the April 30 meeting of the state highway commission in Portland.

Included is construction north of Dillard of a bridge over the South Umpqua on the Pacific highway, Douglas county.

Convoy Raid Costs British Fifteen Ships

British Mistake Nippon Fleet for Own Craft, Tokyo Report Claims

TOKYO, (from Japanese broadcasts), April 15.—(AP)—Japanese warships operating so close to the shore of India that the sailors could see hills and forts sank 15 large enemy merchantmen in less than an hour on the morning of April 6 in a surprise attack on a British convoy, a Japanese naval commander said today.

The commander, described as an eye-witness of the attack, said there were more than a score of vessels in the British convoy.

He said that as the warships moved up to attack the convoy, officers apparently mistook the Japanese for a British naval unit and continued to sail southward unperturbed.

The Japanese vessels moved in until the eight-inch guns on the decks of the British craft were clearly visible and then opened up with a devastating fire before the British crews had a chance to aim, the commander said. Several vessels were set afire.

NEW DELHI, India, April 15.—(AP)—Despite fierce fighting (Continued on page 6)

Five Firms Fined For Monopoly In Magnesium Trade

NEW YORK, April 15.—(AP)—The Aluminum Company of America, Magnesium Development company, three other corporations and six individuals were fined a total of \$140,000 in federal court today on their plea of nolo contendere (no contest) to a series of Sherman anti-trust indictments alleging restraint of trade and monopolizing of the production and fabrication of magnesium.

At the same time, Thurman Arnold, assistant attorney general in charge of the anti-trust division, filed a consent decree which provides for the compulsory free licensing of patents held by the defendants for the production and fabrication of magnesium.

The indictments alleged that the Aluminum Company of America and I. G. Farben Industrie, A. G., better known as the German dye trust, pooled in 1932 their patents relating to the production and fabrication of magnesium in their jointly-owned company, Magnesium Development company.

In 1932, the indictment alleged, this corporation and the Dow Chemical company, then the only producer of magnesium in the United States, cross-licensed their fabrication patents and Dow Chemical obtained a right to license fabricators of magnesium under these patents.

Two More U. S. Vessels Added to U-Boat Toll

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(AP)—The navy announced today that two United States merchant vessels had been torpedoed off the Atlantic coast and survivors had been landed at an east coast port. One was a medium sized ship and the other a small vessel, the navy said.

Violation Of Spy Act Laid To Periodical

"Social Justice," Linked With Father Coughlin, May Face Mail Taboo

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(AP)—Accused of violating the espionage act by making a "substantial contribution to a systematic and unscrupulous attack upon the war effort," the national weekly Social Justice today faced the possibility of being barred from the mails.

Postmaster General Frank C. Walker yesterday ordered the Royal Oak, Mich., postmaster to withhold the publication from the mails until officials at Washington determine its mailability, a procedure which officials said barred the tabloid from the mails immediately, and set a hearing for April 29 on whether the paper's mailing privileges should be revoked.

The Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, who helped found the weekly in 1936 but who said he no longer was its editor, owner or publisher, challenged Attorney General Francis Biddle to "summon me to Washington" to help defend it.

Biddle, author of the charges against the weekly, declared in a letter to Walker that it had mirrored "the enemy propaganda war being waged against this country from abroad."

As early as Dec. 25, 1938, Biddle said, there appeared a "striking similarity" between Social Justice themes and axis propaganda. In its issue of that date, he declared, "whole portions of a speech, made on September 13, 1935, by Propaganda Minister Goebbels, were published in Social Justice as an

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Pharmacist Killed In Struggle With Robber

EVERETT, Wash., April 15.—(AP)—Officers sought in the wreckage of an outlying drugstore prescription room today clues to the identity of the robber who killed William Kamp, 33-year-old pharmacist, after a terrific struggle last night.

Police Capt. Jack Johnson said about \$300 was reported missing. Federal officers were called into the case because of the presence of a postal sub-station in the establishment, the Lloyd drugstore in Everett's old east side district.

Captain Johnson said that Kamp apparently was hit over the head with a bottle or jug before he was shot once through the head.

Douglas County Selective Service Board Lists Points for Registration April 27 of Men 45 to 65 Years Old

Twenty-five registration points have been designated by the Douglas county selective service board for the registration Monday, April 27 of men from 45 to 65 years of age, it was announced by R. L. Preston, chairman.

The registration, fourth to be conducted in the enrollment of men from 18 to 64 years of age, inclusive, will be held between the hours of 7 a. m. and 9 p. m., in compliance with the proclamations of President Roosevelt and Governor Sprague. Governor Sprague's proclamation urges employers and public agencies to give employees all needed time for their work to attend to their registration.

Reduction of travel to a minimum for those required to enroll was the basic consideration of the board in the designation of registration points in Douglas county, Mr. Preston said. The board, however, is unable to provide more than the 25 designated points, due to lack of necessary funds. At each of the points volunteer workers will conduct the registration.

Roseburg will have two booths in operation, as in previous registrations, one at the City hall and the other at the courthouse. The registrations are to be accepted only on Monday, April 27. Some confusion was caused at the last registration by broadcast reports

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French Army Faces Revision Under Hitler's Domination

Reds Smash Nazi Defense At Bryansk

Slaughter, Munitions Seizure Heavy; RAF Blasts Anew at Ruhr

KUIBYSHEV, Russia, April 15.—(AP)—Soviet troops have smashed through the first line of German defenses guarding Bryansk, 200 miles southwest of Moscow, and are battling fiercely in the second line, dispatches from the front reported today.

The direct assault on the fortified lines guarding the key salient barely 60 miles from the frontier of White Russia was said to have developed from an offensive in which numerous communities were recaptured and 3,000 Germans killed in the past two weeks.

The dispatches said nazi supplies engulfed in the westward sweep of the Russian forces included quantities of new rifles and machine-guns apparently moved up for a German spring drive.

Fierce fighting also was reported northwest of Moscow, where the Germans were said to have lost 1,200 men in the past few days.

Red Star said guerrilla detachments operating back of the German lines in the Smolensk area and widely through White Russia had captured numerous German soldiers, including ten officers.

The Moscow news says that relatively heavy German counter-attacks had cost the invaders 22,000 killed and several times that many wounded since April 1, and that the Germans had lost 466

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Users of Oil Heaters Urged to Change Fuel

PORTLAND, Ore., April 15.—(AP)—Dan A. West, director of the OPA consumer division, urged Oregon and Washington home owners yesterday to change from oil to coal or wood heat this winter.

In a government bulletin from Washington he said transportation difficulties made it advisable to install grates in furnaces wherever possible. Use of fuel oil has been limited by the war production board.

Deferred Man Poetic in Note To Local Board

The Douglas county selective service board today received what it termed a unique notification from one of its registrants, who will be remembered by Douglas county radio fans. Erwin W. Thomas, a former member of radio station KRNB staff, is now located at Wenatchee, Wash.

He is registered locally and was called for induction, but reports back to the local board as follows:

Have you heard? I've been deferred. Rejected—Is the better word.

Oh, watta mess. Send mail to this Address—Erwin W. Thomas, No. 1049 Radio Station KPQ, Wenatchee, Wash.

Crash Injures Ex-U. S. Referee, Kills Sister

WHITE SALMON, Wash., April 15.—(AP)—Mrs. Jennie Marvin, Los Angeles, was killed and her brother, Anderson M. Cannon, Portland, Ore., attorney, was injured yesterday in a car-truck collision on the north bank highway near Bingham.

Cannon, former referee in bankruptcy in the Oregon federal district court, was hospitalized at Hood River, Oregon.

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Subs to Blast Japs Sought In 800 Million Bill

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(AP)—A new \$800,000,000 submarine construction program to give the United States the under-seas striking power for a crippling blow at Japan's long Pacific supply route is being presented to congress.

The program provides for 170,000 tons of undersea craft, which would allow for more than 100 of the present 1,500-ton cruiser type submarines. Sixty-five of this type already have been authorized under the 1940 supplementary programs, and the navy last October had 186 submarines in service.

Success of American submarines now operating in the Pacific and Indian oceans against Japanese troops and supply convoys was believed to have led to development of the new program. Submarine commanders have reported sinking or damaging 58 Japanese naval and supply ships.

As new submarines come into service, American admirals would have the undersea strength to use the same wolf-pack tactics against the Japanese which the Germans have used against Atlantic convoys. The United Nations have been able to keep ahead of these sinkings with their huge ship-building program. The Japanese, however, are believed to have limited shipbuilding facilities and therefore to be especially vulnerable to protracted submarine warfare.

(By the Associated Press)

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Physical Fitness Dept. Abolished

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(AP)—The much-discussed division of physical fitness, formerly part of the office of civilian defense, was abolished today by Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt.

Many of the members of the division's staff were dismissed effective May 1, and their activities absorbed immediately by McNutt's office of defense, health and welfare services.

McNutt announced that nine of the 36 division employes, together with Director John B. Kelly, Philadelphia contractor and nationally known athlete, would be retained in the consolidation.

Kelly, with a staff of two, will have headquarters in Philadelphia and will hold the title of assistant director of defense health and welfare services—without compensation.

All of the various sports "coordinators" established by Kelly throughout the country to promote bowling, ping pong, tennis, horseshoe pitching and other activities were dropped by McNutt, although he noted in a statement that he hoped they would "continue to promote these vital community programs" on their own.

"Carelessness" Blamed For Fire on Normandie

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(AP)—A house naval subcommittee blamed "carelessness and lack of proper supervision" today for the fire which damaged the liner Normandie in New York but reported that opportunities for sabotage were "abundant."

Concluding a two-month investigation, the subcommittee issued a report sharply critical of government handling of the big ship and disclosed that orders had been given for it to sail on February 14, five days after it burned and capsized.

Asserting that the fire unquestionably started from sparks from a blow torch which ignited life preservers, the subcommittee said investigation failed to disclose any persons intent on acts of sabotage and said the fire "was not started with willful or malicious intent."

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Elevation Of Laval Due To Nazi Threat

Angry Answer to U. S. Note May Be Followed By Recall of Envoy

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(AP)—The United States has held up shipments on non-military supplies to French north Africa pending clarification of the situation in Vichy.

This was disclosed today by acting Secretary of State Welles who said that two ships in New York harbor loaded with supplies for north Africa, which were about to sail in accordance with an agreement announced last week, would be held in port. Arrangements to send a Red Cross ship with milk and children's layettes to unoccupied France also have been held in abeyance, he said.

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In London, a British foreign office spokesman declares bluntly the re-entry of the No. 1 French collaborator, Pierre Laval, into the Petain government had reduced Vichy to the level of a "nickel Balkan state" under the thumb of Adolf Hitler.

The British spokesman said the Vichy cabinet shake-up, elevating Laval to the new post of chief of government, "clearly indicates the complete subservience of Vichy policy" to Berlin.

Petaim Acts Under Threat.

Well-informed London quarters said Hitler had forced 85-year-old (Continued on page 6)