

Decisive Battle for Alexandria Impending

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stronghold and the cause of the United Nations," the navy said. The communiqué said merely that at least some British pilots manned the planes, leaving open the possibility that American pilots may also have joined in the defense of Malta.

Aimed To Block Rommel

Authorities said that obviously because of the time they were delivered the reinforcements were more directly linked with Britain's efforts to prevent Rommel from building up his armed columns in Libya than with the current allied efforts to save Egypt.

Axis air forces operating from Sicily had destroyed Malta's striking power several months ago with the result that heavily laden convoys bound for Libya no longer were slashed to pieces by torpedo and other planes from the island.

The neutralization of Malta as a base from which the British could cut the axis lines to Africa is regarded as one of the principal factors in Rommel's ability to bring against the British a considerably greater force than they had anticipated. Conversely, any strengthening of Malta would have worked against Rommel and to that extent might even now influence the course of the campaign in Egypt.

Alexandria is a "well defended base," a London source said, but he added that if it fell the British Mediterranean fleet still would be able to operate from Port Said, Egypt; Haifa, Palestine, and possibly Beirut, Lebanon, which so far have been used only for small warships.

It was stated, however, that capture of Alexandria by the desert army of Marshal Rommel would be a great blow as the Egyptian port is a well established naval center with docking and repair facilities.

Nazi Line Strated

Gen. Robert Stone, commander of British garrison forces in Egypt, said at Cairo "the position seems pretty satisfactory. We scored several successes yesterday."

"In an armored battle yesterday, a number of enemy tanks were knocked out," a British communiqué said. "The enemy ap-

proached certain of our positions during the day, but fighting on a large scale did not develop."

Allied air forces in which United States squadrons are flying wing to wing with the British—strafed German-Italian concentrations by daylight and bombed motor transport and air fields in the Fuka area, 30 miles west of El Daba, the British said.

Between axis forces and the Nile river stand several lines of defense, thousands of soldiers and hundreds of cannon while other allied units harass the German flanks and allied airplanes strike from overhead.

Youth Drowned While Bathing in Waverly Lake

ALBANY, July 1.—(AP)—Clem Bankhead, 20, drowned in Waverly lake, an artificial pond at the junction of the old and new highways east of Albany, Coroner E. C. Fisher reported today.

Bankhead, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Bankhead, Route 2, Albany, attracted the attention of Wanda Holt, another swimmer, who attempted to rescue him. She got into distress herself, however, and was to be rescued by other swimmers.

Jail Sentence Drawn For Grain Sack Theft

A sentence of 30 days in the county jail was imposed in the justice court here today upon Magnus G. Braten, 43, who pleaded guilty to a charge of petty larceny. Braten admitted that he had stolen a number of grain sacks from the Douglas County mill for sale to a second hand dealer, Justice of the Peace Ira B. Riddle reported.

Oregon Forests Closed Except on Permit Basis

SALEM, July 1.—(AP)—Governor Sprague ordered federal forests and private lands within forest service protection areas in Oregon closed yesterday to entry except by permit.

Federal officials, who requested the order, said campers could stop without permit only at designated recreational centers.

Early Rationing

Maids of honor attached to the royal court in the reign of Henry VIII had the following rations: Breakfast—a gallon of beer and a serving of beef; dinner—a gallon of beer and a piece of beef; afternoon "snack"—a gallon of ale and a handful of bread; supper—a gallon of wine, mess of porridge, and a piece of mutton; after dinner—half a gallon of wine and a piece of bread.

500,000 Lose U. S. Jobs Or Aid in Congress Action

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along with \$280,000,000 and an enrollment averaging 400,000, with a large number of its beneficiaries being persons temporarily unemployed during the conversion of industries to war production.

The NYA was born in 1935, with a principal purpose of aiding youths without sufficient means to obtain educational advantages. Its expenditures in seven years have amounted to approximately \$600,000,000 and the agency estimates it has aided the education and training of 5,250,000. In February, 1940, its rolls hit a peak of 950,000. Its available money the last fiscal year approximated \$123,000,000. It expects to have around \$60,000,000 to operate during the next 12 months.

Sites of the 400 CCC camps operating in June included Oregon, 13, Washington, 15, California 30 and Idaho 8.

ELIMINATION OF CCC DEcriED BY FORESTERS

SEATTLE, July 1.—(AP)—The men who man the Pacific northwest forest fire front today described the elimination of the CCC by congress as a setback in a year made critical by a manpower shortage and the threat of enemy incendiaryism.

Lyle F. Watts, U. S. regional forester for Oregon and Washington, said the region under his supervision would lose 18 to 20 forest agency camps at a critical time, if they are liquidated immediately.

To make up for the lost manpower, he said, "means more of a drain on the lumber industry or on farm folks, and both of them are trying to do their damndest to produce. We'll have to call on them. Of course, we have seen this coming and have made plans, but it does add to the difficulties in a year when the threat both from natural causes and sabotage is great and when we must keep production going in the woods."

Fire Protection Hurt

T. S. Goodyear, Washington state forester, asserted that the death of the CCC "will interfere seriously with the entire fire prevention program of all protective agencies."

"The CCC has carried the major part of the fire fighting in Washington for the past eight years," Goodyear added. "For the coast area, faced with a critical shortage of labor for fire suppression, the abandonment of the program removes a large force of trained fire fighters."

Lynn F. Cronemiller, assistant Oregon state forester, discounted the loss of the CCC.

He said that in Oregon forest officials "made our summer protection plans without depending upon help from the corps," because the decreased number of CCC men since United States entry into the war had cut sharply their value in forest protection work.

Japs Mass Army in Plan To Invade Siberia

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broadcast asserted that Japanese troops had completed occupation of the strategic 450-mile Chekiang-Kiangsi railway which leads into the heart of China.

Domei dispatches said Japanese columns driving toward each other along the railway from the east and west had met at Heng-feng after smashing Chinese forces entrenched on a height west of the town.

Chinese military quarters said the invaders might be expected to turn next to the coastal province of Fukien. Fifty thousand Japanese veterans of the Philippines campaign were reported concentrated on Formosa, across Formosa strait from Fukien, while other Japanese forces were

reported driving down Kiangsi province toward Fukien.

Commandos Raid Japs

Battle of Australia—Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced that allied commando-type troops carried out a daring hit-and-run attack on the Japanese garrison at Salamaua, in New Guinea, and inflicted 60 casualties. Only two allied soldiers were wounded.

United Nations headquarters also announced that allied planes again raided the Japanese bases at Lae, just north of Salamaua, and at Rabaul, New Britain.

Madagascar—advices reaching Vichy said British patrols and French advance posts were fighting a series of engagements along the west coast of Madagascar, 70 miles southwest of Diego Suarez. The British captured the big Diego Suarez naval base on the northern tip of the island early in May.

Unspent War Fund Said Enough for 2 1/2 Years

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a reduction of approximately \$1,300,000,000 had been effected in non-defense spending, or about the amount recommended earlier in the year by the special committee on non-essential expenditures which he heads.

Farm Bill Still Stymied

An unprecedented congressional stalemate brought to a technical halt today the far-flung activities of the agriculture department but the thousands of workers planned nevertheless to return to their desks in anticipation of a belated settlement.

Failure of senate and house to agree on appropriations for the fiscal year starting last midnight left the department without operating funds and officials decided to make no new commitments.

Congressional leaders hoped to be able to agree today on a resolution which would authorize Secretary Wickard to continue activities on a makeshift basis until senate-house conferees could agree on provisions of his \$680,000,000 supply bill.

The conferees reached a 4-4 deadlock several weeks ago over an administration request for authority to dispose of wheat at below-parity prices.

Stopgap Proposed

It was reported, meanwhile, that the agriculture department and the office of price administration were considering using unexpended commodity credit corporation funds as a stopgap to prevent a tight situation which might cause vegetables and dried fruits to break through price ceilings fixed by OPA Administrator Henderson.

Henderson was said to have suggested to congressional leaders that general legislation should be enacted to provide for subsidies either to agriculture or businesses which were "squeezed" between rising wholesale and frozen retail prices.

But in view of the temper of congress, informed sources said that such legislation would have little chance. Therefore, these persons said, Henderson and Secretary Wickard would have to resort to some other expedient.

MARKET REPORTS

LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., June 30.—(AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—CATTLE: Market active, steady; load common grass steers 10.75; sorted at 10.00; odd grassers up to 12.00; extreme top fed steers Monday, 14.15, new high since April, 1919; cutter to common dairy type heifer 7.25-8.50; beef heifers up to 10.75; canner and cutter cows 5.50-6.50; fat dairy type cows up to 7.25; weighty beef cows down to 6.75; good young cows 9.25; medium-good bulls 10.00-65; strictly good quotable to 11.25; cutters down to 8.00; good-choice vealers strong, mostly 13.00-14.00; few 14.50-15.00. HOGS: Market active, strong to 10 cents higher; good-choice 17.0-21.0 lbs. 14.50-60; medium grades 14.35 down; 230-270 lbs. 13.50-14.00; light-lights 13.50-14.00; good 315-500 lbs. sows 10.75-12.00; heavier downward to 10.25; choice light feeder pigs 14.50. SHEEP: Market steady, poorer quality considered; few good-choice springers 11.50; medium-good 10.50-11.25; few feeders 10.00; good ewes salable 3.00-5.00; culls down to 1.25.

CHERRIES, APRICOTS

PORTLAND, July 1.—(AP)—CHERRIES: Bings 9 cents pound; Royal Ann 7-8 cents; pie 6 cents; Black Republican, 9 cents. The first offering of Oregon-grown apricots was on the farmers' wholesale market today from The Dalles. It was delivered by Walter Erickson and sold at \$1.10 a box. F. G. Miller, also of The Dalles, sold a load of Mayflower peaches at \$1 and also offered the season's first Lambert cherries.

Many Alterations

In a 264-mile stretch between the state of New Hampshire and the province of Quebec, the United States-Canadian boundary line changes direction 767 times.

Entire Soviet Front Afflame With Battles

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tary dispatches said axis troops had occupied Balaklava, eight miles below Sevastopol, and seized Fort Malakov in Sevastopol's immediate defense ring.

Balaklava was the scene of the storied "charge of the light brigade" in the Crimean war of 1853-56.

Fort Appears Doomed.

Soviet dispatches said red army defenders of Sevastopol, under assault by approximately 225,000 axis troops, beat off a series of heavy attacks yesterday, but it seemed clear that the Germans were slowly battering their way into the ruined fortress city.

On the Kursk front, 500 miles north of Sevastopol, red army headquarters reported that Marshal Timoshenko's forces were inflicting "colossal losses" on the Germans and had already knocked out 350 nazi tanks in the three-day-old offensive.

"In one sector alone during the

day, we killed over 2,000 German officers and men," a soviet communiqué said.

The Moscow News, now published in Kulbyshev, took note today of the coming United States Independence day by stressing again the importance of establishing a second front in Europe.

Replying to a nazi broadcaster who had said the United States had never fought any real battles, the newspaper said "the best answer to this and similar contemptible slander against the American people is what the fascists will soon get in western Europe from the AEF and the British army."

Two State Taxes Waived For New Fiscal Year

SALEM, July 1.—There will be neither a state property tax nor elementary school tax for the fiscal year starting July 1, 1942, and ending June 30, 1943, the state tax commission announced Tuesday.

Both of these taxes also were waived during the current six-month period.

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