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ENLISTMENT OF NEEDED WAR WORKERS BANNED

Draft Head's Order Shields War Plants

Shipbuilding, Aircraft Output, Agriculture Assured Ample Labor

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—(AP)—The government acted today to assure retention of a sufficient army of war workers on the home front by forbidding enlistment of essential aircraft and shipbuilding workers and expanding the list of necessary jobs to one out of every nine types in industry and agriculture.

Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey announced that the army and navy will refuse to accept volunteers holding essential jobs in the aircraft and shipbuilding industries as well as men who have resigned such jobs with 60 days before they apply for enlistment.

To protect those industries from a drain of necessary men, Hershey said he telegraphed every state that local draft boards should "refuse a release to any registrant who is, or should be, classified in II-B or III-B" and who is employed in the two industries.

To guide local draft boards in determining which persons should have occupational deferment, the war manpower commission announced last night the preparation of a master list of essential war jobs containing about 3,000 of the nation's estimated 27,000 occupations.

The list expands the types of jobs specified in earlier classifications by defining more precisely the general job titles previously cited as vital—to war production. Hershey said his new instructions did not constitute a blanket deferment of aircraft and shipbuilding employees, and added that they would "Continue to be called for military service as they are needed and as they can be replaced in essential jobs."

The intention, he declared, was to prevent a drain on the two war

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

It looks like a big battle is shaping up for Bizerte and Tunis.

The Germans tried blitz tactics, but failed to break through the ring of steel the allies are drawing around these two key points. They now seem to be settling down to a Tobruk-like defense.

(Like Tobruk because they are supplied from the sea.)

Their problem will be to get in reinforcements and supplies from across the Sicilian strait. The allies' problem will be to PREVENT supplies and reinforcements from reaching them in sufficient volume.

RECENT dispatches mention much activity by British submarines in the Mediterranean, with several axis ships sunk. Every axis ship that can be stopped will weaken the defending Germans by just that much. Mention continues of German supplies arriving by air.

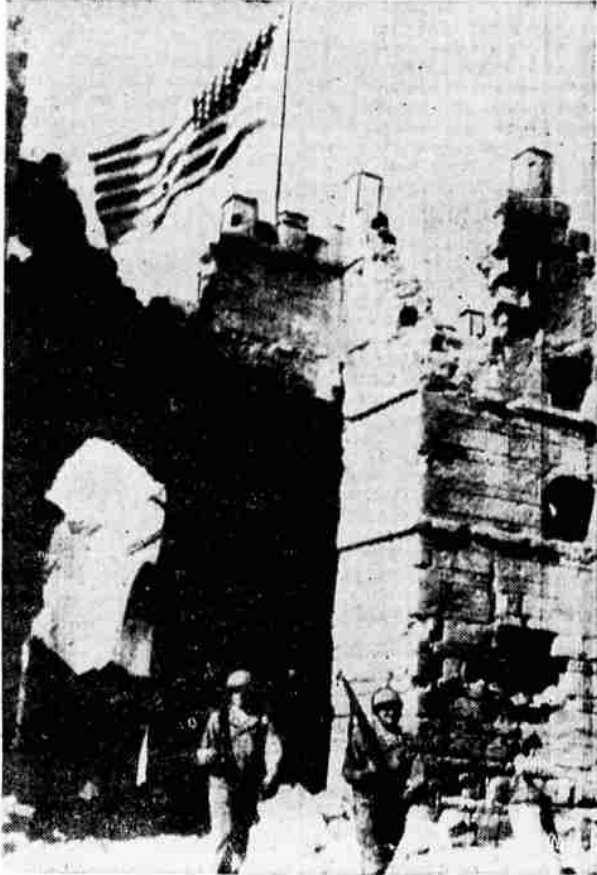
AFTER ignoring Rommel for days, the Berlin radio announces that his Africa corps has escaped entrapment by the British at Bengasi and after receiving reinforcement of guns and tanks is now "deployed in full fighting strength in thoroughly prepared and strongly fortified positions of considerable depth."

Probably just west of El Aghella, where the coastal route is narrowed by a salt sink similar

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Pincers Closing on Nazis at Stalingrad

U. S. Prize in North Africa



After a dive bombing attack, U. S. forces in north Africa took over this French fort and raised Old Glory to the flagpole. American soldiers are shown patrolling the stronghold.

Cooks in Poison Deaths Give Bail

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 24.—(AP)—Two state hospital cooks, arrested in connection with the roach powder poisonings which took the lives of 47 inmates last week, were free on bail today.

A. B. McKillop, assistant cook, was released on \$10,000 bail yesterday after Circuit Judge Peter granted McKillop's request that he be given a preliminary hearing on a charge of manslaughter under the culpable negligence law.

Mrs. Mary O'Hare, head cook who is charged with being an accessory after the fact because she withheld information, was freed on \$5,000 bail after she was permitted to wait a few days deciding whether she wants a preliminary hearing.

McKillop sent a patient to the basement to get powdered milk for scrambled eggs, but the patient brought back roach powder. Mrs. O'Hare and McKillop, as well as the patient, failed to tell officers of Wednesday night's error until Saturday night.

Strike Demands Wage Increase for Women

WINDSOR, Ont., Nov. 24.—(AP)—A total of 8,500 employees of the Ford Motor company of Canada walked off their jobs today in a protest which United Automobile Workers union officials said was directed against the company's recent employment of women at less than the rates formerly paid to men.

The Ford plants are engaged on war orders. The company has applied to the regional war labor board for permission to hire women workers at a starting rate of 50 cents an hour, and union officials opposed the application. Canadian Press said the union was understood to have asked a starting rate of 75 cents an hour. There were reports that some 4,000 other employers on two later shifts also would walk out.

Ickes Asks Permit For 2nd Pipeline

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Petroleum Coordinator Ickes told a congressional committee today he has requested authority to construct a second new oil pipeline from the southwest oil fields to the New York-Philadelphia area, and said if approved it would add 200,000 barrels daily to eastern oil supplies.

Ickes told a house committee it would take from nine to twelve months to build the line if authority and priorities were granted. It would supplement a line already being built from Longview, Texas, to Norris City, Ill., and thence to New Jersey.

The line already being built to Illinois, Ickes said, is scheduled for completion by December 15, but probably would be held up because of a labor shortage and delays in obtaining pumping equipment.

He said extension of this line to New Jersey probably would be completed by next June, resulting in daily deliveries of an additional 300,000 barrels of crude oil to the eastern coast.

Trucker Killed in Collision With Train

SILVERTON, Ore., Nov. 24.—(AP)—J. A. Freeman, Jr., Genovais, was killed Monday, when the truck he was driving collided with a freight train.

His father, J. A. Freeman, a passenger in the truck, was seriously injured. Police said poor visibility prevented the men from seeing the train.

U. S. Flier Dies Saving Others From Flames

LONDON, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Full military honors were accorded today at the burial of 2nd Lieut. Harvey Dalton of Westville, N. J., who rode his blazing plane to a hero's death Sunday in a football field after fighting it clear of a populous area.

Food Supplies Dwindle in San Francisco

Buying Hysteria Forces Rationing; Restaurants Closed by Lack of Meat

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Supplies of turkeys, eggs, meats, butter and many other foods grew siltmer today in this crowded war production area—and in most sections of the west, for that matter—with another hysterical buying wave in advance of Thanksgiving, traditional day of plenty.

Sales of coffee already were frozen, butter and eggs were rationed by grocers themselves on a voluntary basis, and there was scant letup in sight for the critical shortage of meats of all kinds.

Poultrymen said only about one-half to one-fourth of the demand for turkeys could be supplied, which meant that great numbers of families must seek a substitute for the grand old bird from a consumer market already short of almost everything.

Turkey flocks are large enough, growers explained, but pickers are scarce and other problems enter also.

A scarcity of eggs was the latest to develop. With stocks going down, John Lawler, manager of the Poultry Producers of central California, recommended "horse-sense" rationing of eggs by the sale of only one dozen per customer to make the supply last over the holidays and into the season of heavier production.

As for butter, most retailers obtained about one-fourth their normal amount, and in turn allowed their customers one-quarter pound cubes each.

Restaurants Closing

More restaurants in this area closed for lack of meat. Others put up "closed" signs but continued serving regular customers, providing meat substitutes such as spaghetti, cheese dishes and the like.

Frank Marsh, deputy regional administrator of the office of price administration, said the meat shortage was only temporary. Packers, he said, would be permitted to furnish more meat after new ration books are issued shortly after the first of the year.

He thus replied to criticism about the OPA's asserted failure to recognize the great influx of workers to war production centers along the Pacific coast, which need to meet a supply greater

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Lively Victory Center Program to Be Staged at Junior High Tonight

A feature of the local observance of "Women at War" week will be the Victory center program to be held at 8 o'clock tonight at the Roseburg junior high school auditorium. Numerous entertainment numbers will be presented, with a quiz program between members of civilian defense units as the chief feature.

Patterned after the "Battle of the Sexes," a popular radio feature, the contest will pit women defense workers against the men. Marshall Pengra and Helen Ellisworth, members of the KRNC staff, will conduct the quiz.

Representing the women's units will be Mrs. Tom Parkinson and Mrs. George Wharton of the Grey Ladies; Mrs. Vincent Beschel and Mrs. G. M. Krell, filter center; Mrs. H. L. Bailey and Mrs. Clair K. Allen, motor corps; and Mrs. Roy Young and Miss Vera Caruthers, medical unit. The men will include H. D. McKay and Judge Carl Wimberly, mounted police; Andy Schlick and John

Japs in Buna Trap Facing Annihilation

Fight to Death Goes On As Allies Press Closer After Capture of Gona

GENERAL MacARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Nov. 24.—(AP)—American and Australian soldiers fought their way yard-by-yard toward Buna today against Japanese forces that apparently have chosen to be exterminated rather than to surrender their southernmost New Guinea beachhead.

Extending the picture of relentless envelopment, today's communique reported an Australian jungle column had moved into Gona, enemy anchor 12 miles above Buna, and was mopping up the die-hard garrison there.

Simultaneously, a American forces overran Cape Endiader, which lies three miles southeast of Buna, overcoming stiff resistance from many machinegun nests and tree-top snipers.

While some of the allied left wing forces were completing the mop-up job in Gona, others turned down the coast toward Sananda, between Gona and Buna, which the enemy was reported to occupy in force.

The Japanese were resisting fiercely around Buna although they were forced to fight with no air support and no sea support.

General MacArthur's bombers kept close watch along the coast for any effort to reinforce or evacuate the Japanese units which are being slowly shoved back into the sea.

Japanese Rafts Sunk

Allied planes continued to sup-

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Letters From Master Revive Dog's Appetite

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 24.—(AP)—His 4-year-old Spitz dog, Texas, was despondent after Ed Weidman, Jr., joined the army. It ate little and became ill.

Then letters from his master began to arrive. The family said they knew the dog recognized the scent because he yelped excitedly whenever one of these letters came. His appetite returned and so did his health.

He dashes out to meet the mailman daily now.

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Coffee Stretch Recipe Evokes Series of Groans

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Not even a doughnut dunker came forward today to voice approval of President Roosevelt's recipe for using old coffee grounds to give an extra cup of the eye-opener beverage.

Gourmets groaned audibly—as loudly as when Mayor F. A. LaGuardia advanced his recipe for coffee stretch-out. The president and mayor differ only in that Mr. Roosevelt suggests drying out the old grounds before using a second time.

Referring to the white house recommendation, as revealed by Mrs. Roosevelt without her endorsement, Richardson L. Wright, president of the Wine and Food society, said:

"Not a bad recipe if you like colored water.

"Personally, though, I'd rather drink tea."

"You might as well try to squeeze an orange a second time" declared W. F. Williamson, secretary of the National Coffee association.

"When they were boy scouts they might have made coffee like that and drunk it—and liked it—but I'll bet neither the president nor the mayor has drunk coffee made like that for thirty years!" Williamson challenged.

Further disapproval of the recipe was voiced by President J. George Frederick of the Gourmet society.

"I'm distinctly against it," he said.

"The best way to stretch coffee is not to use the old grounds over, but to preserve left-over coffee in the ice box. There is always some left over."

Floods in Oregon Claim One Life

PORTLAND, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Rain-swollen western Oregon streams flooded lowlands yesterday, isolating homes and damaging bridges and buildings. One man was feared drowned.

The Sandy river washed out a bridge at Brightwood and carried away the home of George W. Scott. Waves broke up the house and attempts of neighbors to rescue Scott were unavailing.

Minor property damage was reported around Portland as Johnson and Kellogg creeks overflowed.

The weather bureau said tributaries of the Willamette river would break their banks. At Jefferson the Willamette overflowed, but flooding was not expected in the lower river.

Kansas First, Oregon 4th In Scrap Metal Gather

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—(AP)—More than 6,000,000 tons of iron and steel and other scrap for manufacture into tanks, ships, planes and guns was credited today to the newspapers' united scrap metal drive by Richard W. Sloucum, chairman of the campaign.

Sloucum said that although the official collection ended more than a month ago, many drives still were in progress in some states.

Because of these continued campaigns, he explained, it was impossible to compile complete totals although the national average already is nearly 82 pounds for every man, woman and child.

Kansas led the states in today's compilation with 158.7 pounds for every citizen, or a total of 142,874 tons.

Oregon was fourth with 129.3 pounds per capita, 70,508 tons.

50,000 Slain Or Captured In Red Drive

Guns, Ammunition Also Obtained by Russians In 2-Pronged Smash

MOSCOW, Nov. 24.—(AP)—The jaws of a double Russian offensive which battlefield reports said had hit deeply into the cold steppes west of the Don bend and cost the Germans 50,000 dead and captured were closing steadily today upon the nazis' whole Stalingrad salient.

Despite German resistance in an effort to keep open a corridor of reinforcement or escape to the long-besieged Volga bastion, the Russians reported new gains to maintain their average of six to 12 miles a day northwest of Stalingrad and nine to 12 miles a day southwest of the city.

The deepest reported penetration was on the Chir river, 125 miles west of Stalingrad and 75 miles west of Kalach, the railroad town on the Don bend which the Russians seized over the weekend.

Much Booty Taken

Soldier-toughened defenders of Stalingrad helped themselves, too, clearing the Germans from 17 blockhouses, killing 250 and capturing two guns and an assortment of smaller arms, the communique said.

The offensive columns northwest of the city were said to have smashed enemy resistance at several points, knocking out nine German tanks, capturing seven guns, an ammunition dump and a wireless station in one area while in another 13 tanks were disabled or fired.

In a surprise attack on one town, the Germans were reported to have been unable to organize a defense and 1,000 of them were killed while 70 trucks and 25 planes were destroyed.

South of Stalingrad, one unit

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Krebs, Author of "Out of the Night," Faces Internment

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Attorney General Biddle announced today that Richard Krebs, who wrote a widely-sold book on his experiences as an agent of the Gestapo and the OGPU under the name of Jan Valtin, had been arrested near Bethel, Conn., on a warrant ordering his deportation to Germany.

The next step presumably will be to intern Krebs as an enemy alien, since he cannot be returned to Germany during the war.

The justice department declined to comment on this in line with its policy concerning enemy aliens.

Krebs, a native of Darmstadt, Germany, is 37.

His book was entitled "Out of the Night."

Krebs was arrested after Biddle had approved a deportation order based on alleged violations of the 1917 and 1924 immigration acts.

The violations were described as illegal entry into the United States after once having been arrested and deported and after committing a crime (perjury) involving moral turpitude.

The board of immigration appeals voted unanimously for the deportation order, the department said, after first denying Krebs' application to suspend the proceeding, on the ground that he had not been a person of good moral character during the past five years and that he was otherwise deportable.

Fate of Tunis, Bizerte Rests On Outcome

Land Forces Poised for Assault; Darlan Swings Dakar Over to Allies

LONDON, Nov. 24.—(AP)—A violently erupting struggle for air supremacy was fought over Tunisia and along the axis Mediterranean shuttle route today, while British and American forces on the ground were getting set for the all-out assault upon Tunis and Bizerte, once the enemy is driven from the north African skies.

There was every sign the aerial conflict would be a hard one, for great fleets of German planes were gathering in the Mediterranean theater and axis reinforcements still were reaching Tunisia through the allied gantlet.

"The fight is going to be tough and longer than might be expected," said a spokesman at allied headquarters in north Africa.

Bearing him out were reports from both sides telling of the mounting fury of the struggle.

The British middle east command announced at Cairo that at least three more large enemy planes, which may have been troop transports, were sent plunging into the sea yesterday off the Tunisian coast.

Broadcasting what it called an allied communique, the Morocco radio said that allied air activity had grown "very intense" and that another violent bombing raid had been made on Tropolli, in Libya.

The Algiers radio said nine axis planes were destroyed in an allied raid on an enemy-held airfield in Tunisia and a Vichy broadcast told of heavy air raids last night by Germans and Italians on Algiers, Bone and Baugle, allied-held ports in Algeria.

Combats Widespread. A heavy bombing assault on Bizerte and strafing of grounded enemy planes at Palermo, the Sicilian base from which axis reinforcements are being flown to Tunisia, were carried out Sunday night by the RAF, the Cairo war bulletin said.

An axis merchant ship was sunk the same night by British torpedo planes southeast of Sardinia. Cannon-toting British planes attacked a schooner off the Tunisia east coast yesterday.

The middle east command said aerial activity was on a small scale yesterday over Libya, where the British 8th army had occupied and passed on west of Agedabia at the heels of Marshal Rommel's licked Africa corps making for El Aghella.

From Rome, the Italian high command broadcast that reconnaissance clashes occurred yesterday in Libya and on the Tunisian border while in aerial operations eight allied planes were claimed shot down and five allied ships, including a destroyer, heavily damaged.

Dakar Swings to Allies. The general picture in Africa was improved greatly by the announced adherence of French forces at Dakar to Admiral Darlan, now cooperating with the allies in north Africa, but the task of driving axis Tunisian forces into the sea grew in magnitude hourly.

The action of French leaders

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Saboteur Aiders Sentenced to Die

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Three men convicted of treason were sentenced to death today and their wives were each sentenced to 25 years imprisonment and fined \$10,000.

The defendants, convicted of aiding and sheltering Herbert Hans Haupt, one of the eight Nazi saboteurs who landed in America by submarine last summer, were:

Hans and Erna Haupt, parents of the saboteur; Walter and Lucille Froehling, the youth's uncle and aunt; and Otto and Kate Wergin, friends of the Haupt family.

It was the second treason conviction in 148 years of American history.

On August 6, Max Stephan was convicted at Detroit, Mich., and sentenced to be hanged for aiding the flight of a Nazi saboteur who escaped from a Canadian concentration camp.

The six defendants in the Chicago treason case were convicted November 14. Subsequently Anthony Cramer was convicted in New York, November 18, for helping two of the saboteurs who accompanied young Haupt to America on a mission of destruction.