

ITALIANS FLEE FROM INDUSTRIAL AREAS

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THIS is the CORE of the news as this is written: General Eisenhower (who London says, has been entrusted with full authority to deal with any peace offers) and the presence of German troops in Italian soil is the ONLY obstacle to immediate peace.

He adds: "Your part is to CEASE IMMEDIATELY any assistance German military forces in your country. If you do this, we will RID YOU OF THE GERMANS and deliver you from the horrors of war."

WHAT about tells the tale. The Italians are AFRAID of the Germans, who are planted in key spots all over Italy, and Badoglio's new government is probably trying to engineer some sort of three-cornered deal that will get them out without further shedding of Italian blood.

The importance of Eisenhower's statement is indicated by London reports that the Germans did their best to "jam" the air waves so the Italians could not hear it.

LONDON dispatches report strong indications that Badoglio is trying to get the Germans out of SOUTHERN Italy and Italian troops back from the Balkans before appealing to the allies for an armistice.

ANOTHER interesting sidelight comes from Madrid, which hears that Italian regular troops from France to guard the new defense line the Germans

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Four Negroes Dead, Many Injured, in New York Rioting

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—(AP)—With four negroes dead and 195 persons injured, including 40 policemen, after a night of clashes, fresh disorders broke out in Harlem today when negroes set fire to a parked, unoccupied automobile.

Flames shot 30 feet into the air and smoke rose 100 feet. Fire department apparatus was called to extinguish the blaze.

There was another outbreak of looting. Negroes inside grocery stores, having entered through broken windows, clung to shelves and tossed cans of fruits and vegetables into the street where other negroes waited, grabbed the cans and ran.

The new trouble came within an hour after Mayor LaGuardia had gone on the air for the second time and called on the "decent law-abiding citizens of Harlem" to help curb the wave of disorders, declaring:

"The situation appeared under control after additional policemen and firemen went on duty early in the day with arrests continuing. Regular military police patrols had not been increased.

The mayor said stores in 125th street between Lenox and Eighth avenues were looted after windows were broken.

"This was not a race riot," the mayor declared, "there was no conflict between groups of our citizens, what happened was the thoughtless, criminal acts of hoodlums, reckless, irresponsible people.

"Shame has come to our city and sorrow to a great number of decent, law-abiding citizens residing in the Harlem district.

"I saw the recklessness of this mob in action. Strange to say, there was no concerted action. Groups of hoodlums acted on their own initiative."

He added that most of the citizens injured were hurt "by their own neighbors, by missiles thrown from rooftops."

Americans Advance Along Sicilian North Coast

New Positions Are Gained on Catania Front

Allied Troops Now Poised For Thrust Which May End Allied Resistance

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Allied forces "have started an offensive" in Sicily, with U. S. troops seizing San Stefano to crumple the north flank of the axis and the British Eighth army poised making a big push into Catania.

An official statement declared the offensive had begun, and British, American and Canadian armies obviously were making an all-out drive to fold up the Messina bridgehead.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Ten thousand prisoners fell into American hands with the capture of Mistretta, six miles from the north coast of Sicily, it was announced today.

American doughboys have captured "bloody ridge," moved on to take San Stefano in a drive that may presage a Sicilian breakthrough along the north coast, and the British Eighth army has sprung a long-prepared offensive along the east coast, allied headquarters dispatches announced today.

San Stefano is about 60 miles west of Messina.

Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's Eighth army has gained important new positions near Catania—the other anchor of the axis defenses on the east coast—in a series of furious assaults, the

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Examining representing the Public Utilities commissioner of Oregon will make a special trip to Roseburg Wednesday, August 4, to conduct hearings related to highway transportation permit.

Roy L. Shull, of Myrtle Point, is seeking approval for a cream and milk route between points in Coe county and Robert M. Crawford of Oakland wants a permit that will allow him to engage as a common carrier for hire anywhere within 100 miles of Yoncalla.

Utilities Board Sets Hearings at Roseburg

Hearings are slated to begin at 9:30 a. m. in the court house in Roseburg. Evidence advising the commissioner as to the public needs in these matters is solicited from all citizens interested.

Ten Persons Killed in Crash of Army Glider; Possibility Sabotage Probed

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Before a large crowd of horror-stricken Sunday spectators, a troop-carrying army glider, its right wing gone, plummeted nose down for 15,000 feet and smashed like a strawberry box near a runway at Lambert-St. Louis field, carrying to their deaths 10 persons including Maj. William B. Robertson, pioneer airplane manufacturer whose company built the glider.

Mayor William Dee Becker, three other city officials, and Thomas N. Dysart, president of the chamber of commerce, were killed in the crash which occurred during the army's first public glider demonstration here.

Lt. Col. J. R. Johnston, army air forces public relations officer, described the crash as the nation's first fatal glider accident since the army began use of the motorized planes two years ago.

Besides Robertson, Becker and Dysart, the dead were: Max H. Doyno, director of St. Louis public utilities; Charles L. Cunningham, deputy city controller; Henry L. Mueller, presiding judge of the St. Louis county court; Harold A. Kreuger, 26-year-old private president and general manager of the Robertson aircraft corporation, headed by Robertson; Lt. Col. Paul H. Hazelton of

Italians Cheer as Troops Refuse to Fire on Crowds



The first picture to reach the United States showing how Italians took news of Mussolini's fall, this radiophoto shows a crowd in Milan cheering Italian troops driving through the city. Latest reports are that Italian soldiers have revolted in Milan and refused to obey orders to fire on throngs crowding streets shouting peace demands. The picture was radioed from Bern, Switzerland, to London to New York.

Erwin Short to Head Local Chapter of D.A.V.

Erwin Short was installed as commander of the local chapter of the Disabled American Veterans Saturday evening in a meeting at the new Legion hall with Erland Sundell, state commander, and Lile Dalley, state adjutant, both of Portland, acting as installing officers.

Other new officers installed included: Otto Cedarvall, senior-vice commander; Tony Stagliano, junior-vice commander; Walter Priddy, chaplain; Louis Rumsby, sergeant at arms, and Levi White, adjutant-treasurer.

Plans were made for the annual hospital day to be held at the Veterans facility and which has been announced for the first Sunday in October.

Yoncalla Flier Is Hurt in Plane Crash

YONCALLA, August 2.—Word has been received from California that Lieut. Keith Cramer, brother of Mrs. Lee Blikenstaff and Mrs. Percy Langdon, both of Yoncalla was seriously hurt, when a plane in which he was riding crashed into the side of a mountain. Lt. Cramer is in a hospital at Beale, Calif. He is well known in this community, having spent several years here, graduating from Yoncalla high school with the class of 1935.

Aussies and Yanks Punishing Japs

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA, August 1.—(delayed)—(AP)—Wounded American soldiers brought to field hospitals from the Salamaua battle front say they and their Australian fighting comrades are taking far less punishment than they are inflicting upon the Japanese.

Captain Don Lovell, of Salem, Ore., is one of these soldiers. He is wearing an elaborate cast because his upper arm was fractured by a bullet. He related that his outfit took an observation post two miles south of Tambu bay and then moved forward with other units to secure Tambu bay. The force had reached Bois village in that area when "the Japs opened up with everything they had."

"The Japs had set a trap near Bois," Captain Lovell said, "but we stopped short of it. Our artillery neutralized the Japs and silenced their field guns and mortar fire within two minutes from the time they opened up."

"We accounted for many times more Japs than we lost."

Death Takes Aged President China; Chiang is Acting

CHUNGKING, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Lin Sen, 81-year old American educated president of the Chinese republic, died last night after a long illness. Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek was immediately designated by the Kowmintang central committee, the nation's highest executive body, as acting president.

At Lin Sen's bedside when he died were Vice Premier and Minister of Finance H. H. Kung, Minister of War General Ho Ying Chin, and other notables. He was taken ill May 12.

Lin Sen became president of China in 1932 when he succeeded Chiang Kai Shek who resigned at that time to devote all his time to preparing the army for the war with Japan.

He was born in Foochow, Fukien, in 1862 and came to California where he received his early education, remaining in the United States for many years.

He returned to China shortly after the revolution in 1911 and was elected a senator, serving in the first parliament in 1912. He was elected to the central committee of the Kowmintang in 1924 and after the 1926 revolution was appointed a member of the Chekiang division of the Central political council. In 1931 he was elevated to the presidency of the legislative Yuan, succeeding Hu Han-Min.

Despite the relative political unimportance of the presidency, his age, his dignity and his interest in China and its problems, particularly those of the youth of China, had made him a great national figure.

Flying Hospital Staff Rescues Six Bomber Crewmen

ADAK, Alaska, July 30.—(AP)—(Delayed)—Six American fliers were congratulating themselves today on a rare, extra lease on life obtained after Kiska's guns riddled their Mitchell bomber, forcing them down in frigid water less than two miles from the enemy-occupied shore.

The six were given a virtual death sentence by anti-aircraft fire during a mass raid on Kiska. Their plane's motor began smoking, then quit. They began into the sea but so easily that none of the six was seriously injured.

However they all were facing immediate death in the water in which a man ordinarily can live less than half an hour and which has claimed probably as many American lives as Kiska's guns.

The navy's flying hospital, a Catalina piloted by Lieut. Jessie B. Jolley, Turlock, Calif., however, was cruising just outside the range of shore guns when Jolley saw the Mitchell hit the water.

He went in immediately, alighting on the water beside the struggling crew.

His crew and a doctor aboard the navy plane pulled First Lieut. Everett N. Hendrickson, 5421 Giddings street, Chicago, Ill. and the entire crew of the Mitchell safely aboard the flying boat.

Others rescued were co-pilot Lieut. Carl M. Foster, 613 East 28th street, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bombardier Flying Officer Edmund J. Benulac Jr., 100 Dresden street, Kensington, Md.; Staff Sgt. John H. Roeder, Carmel, Ind.; Serg. Lloyd H. Galloway, Myrtle, Idaho, and Private Darrel M. Ford, Route 4, Winchester, Ind.

Governor Snell Will Go Forest Committee Meeting

SALEM, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Governor Earl Snell said today he would attend the first meeting of the forestry committee of the council of state governments, which will be held in the mid-west in September.

Governor Snell last week was appointed chairman of the committee by Governor Herbert R. O'Connor of Maryland, chairman of the council of state governments.

Farley Predicts Early Termination of War

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 2.—(AP)—Former Postmaster General James A. Farley said today he would not be surprised if the war is over by Christmas.

"The people may go to bed some night and awaken to find victory in their laps, so rapidly are things happening now," he said in a Journal interview.

The former democratic party national chairman declined political comment.

Military Services Are Held for Spanish War Vet

Military services were held this afternoon at the veterans cemetery for Charles A. Anderson, 64, Spanish-American War veteran, who died at the Veterans hospital last Thursday. The arrangements were in charge of the Douglas Funeral home.

Allied Planes Hit Oil Fields Italy Raided

Biggest Low Level Mass Attack in History Staged On Source of Axis Fuel

CAIRO, Aug. 2.—(AP)—An armada of 175 Liberator bombers of the U. S. Ninth air force flew a 2,400-mile round trip yesterday to dump 300 tons of explosives in a low level attack on the Ploesti oil fields in Rumania, one of the chief sources of the axis fuel supply.

Announcement of the raid, described as the "biggest low level mass raid in history," was made last night by Major General Lewis H. Brereton, commander of the Ninth air force.

A communique issued by the middle East command today said that "20 of the Liberators are reported to have been shot down over the target area and a number have not yet returned to base."

At least 51 enemy planes, including Messerschmitt 109's and 110's and Focke-Wulf 190's were claimed destroyed, the bulletin added. It described enemy opposition over the target area and on the return journey as heavy.

The German high command, in its Monday communique, asserted that 36 four-engine bombers were shot down. It said that 125 planes participated but that only 60 to 70 were able to make

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Albany Cannery is Destroyed by Fire

ALBANY, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Fire destroyed the old Albany cannery yesterday, with loss estimated at \$40,000, ate into 20 acres of piled hogged fuel and spread into nearby timber and brush before hundreds of townfolk, wielding wet sacks and blankets, quelled the flames.

Aided by a favorable wind, the firefighters prevented the blaze from catching in grass that would have led the flames to the Pacific highway.

For a time the D. E. Nebergall meat packing plant was threatened.

The cannery loss was not determined immediately but the plant, abandoned five years ago, was re-equipped last year with \$20,000 worth of machinery but had not yet resumed operation.

Origin of the flames which broke out in the cannery was not known. They swept the building rapidly and spread into the hogged fuel piles deposited by the Albany plywood mill. Sparks fell in timber and brush, starting other small fires.

Albany's fire department kept hoses trained on the fuel piles for hours after the other fires were extinguished.

Prices on Dried Prunes Increased

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The War Food administration announced today support prices for west coast natural condition raisins and dried prunes which it said would reflect increases of roughly \$45 per ton over 1942 prices.

The agency said the increased prices cover higher production costs and encourage the drying of sufficient quantities to meet military, civilian and lend-lease requirements, but added that the increase would not be reflected in retail prices.

Most of the fruits are set aside for the government, but quantities will be made available for civilians under a commodity credit corporation program and be resold through normal trade channels at prices equivalent to last year's levels.

The grower support prices for raisins are: Thompson seedless \$155 per ton; muscats \$165 per ton; Sultanas \$150 per ton. Prices for dehydrated raisins will be announced soon.

Grower support prices for prunes are: California "three-district" 8 1/2 cents per pound (basis of 80 prunes per pound) and California "outside district" 8 1/2 cents per pound. Support prices for Washington and Oregon prunes will be the same as for California "outside" prunes. The WFA said these basic prices are expected to return to growers an average of \$185 per ton for three-district, \$180 per ton for northwest fruit.

Bargaining Election Set For Eugene Fruit Growers

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The national labor relations board today ordered a collective bargaining election among employees of the Eugene Fruit Growers association's Eugene and Junction City plants within 30 days to determine if they desire representation by the AFL Cannery Workers' union.

Bombing Threat Results in Mass Exodus Even Before Air Assaults Hit Objectives

Flurry of Activity at Vatican Believed to Herald New Peace Discussions; Women Demand Peace and Release of Prisoners; Italy Wants To Negotiate but Hesitates at Surrender

LONDON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Hundreds of thousands of Italian civilians were reported today fleeing industrial centers in Italy, starting the mass exodus even before flying fortresses blasted at Naples Sunday to resume aerial assaults because Premier Pietro Badoglio's government failed to answer demands for surrender.

Dispatches from Madrid said Rome advices indicated a flurry of activity at the Vatican which apparently was connected with some sort of peace discussions, but there was no evidence that Badoglio had made any move to deliver a direct request for an armistice.

The impression grew here that nothing short of a direct reply would satisfy the allies and that possible attempts to put forth peace feelers through an intermediary would not save Italy the pounding she has been promised.

Hour after hour yesterday, allied radio stations dinned into Italian ears the ominous warning of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower that aerial death and destruction

German-Italian Clashes Reported

Crete Patriots Warned Not to Join Uprising; Exodus From Berlin is Started

(By the Associated Press)

The explosive Italian situation threatened serious trouble between Germans and Italians today, while in Germany Berliners were reported to be evacuating the German capital.

British headquarters announced it had definite information that Italian troops in Crete resisted German efforts to disarm them and were still standing firm although they had been fired upon. Some Italian units, however, were tricked into surrendering their weapons.

An Istanbul dispatch from Turkey said the Germans and Italians were at bayonet point also on the Greek mainland.

A message to Crete patriots, broadcast 30 times from London and Cairo, warned them against taking part in the clash.

"Do not make a general rising until we land. Await a signal. You will get full instructions," the message said.

While masses of allied aircraft appeared to be bringing down the European roof on the axis' head, a contagion of near panic was causing Berliners, not essential to the war effort, to leave the German capital.

Nazi officials were reported in Stockholm dispatches to be convinced that allied air fleets were about finished with knocking down Hamburg and were ready to go on to the next target—perhaps Berlin.

Women Demonstrators.

The Algiers radio reported that in one Italian town marching women shouted "peace" and "set free our prisoners," but press reports and broadcasts from Rome continued to criticize the allies for failing to offer Italy "a place of honor" among nations after fascism was ended.

"We want to negotiate but we don't want to capitulate," was the tenor of the Italian press and radio reaction.

Reports that Badoglio's aim in holding out was to win a form of neutrality which would remove Italy from the war but avoid an allied occupation were met with a barrage of ridicule here. The press emphasized that Italy will be used as an allied base for striking Germany whether she surrenders or prefers to be taken by force.

Central Oregon Milk Producers May Quit

BEND, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Central Oregon milk consumers faced a threat by dairymen today to go out of business unless a price increase is granted by August 12.

A committee of milk producers from Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties said they would liquidate their herds systematically if the increase is not forthcoming.

A demand for an increase from 85 cents to \$1 a pound butterfat was denied last week by the office of price administration, which suggested that distributors report by August 5 whether or not they could effect economies that would make possible an increase for producers without an increase for consumers.

OPA promised action on this report by August 12.

Parkland Dairy at Junction City Quits

JUNCTION CITY, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The Parkland dairy suspended operations today after 27 years. Owner Olse Peterson said high cost of feed and scarcity of help caused the closure.

Levity Fact Rent
By L. F. Rosenzweig

Italy's new maladministration appears to have preferred a rain of bombs and terror to a reign of civilization and order.