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Raiders Also Blast Other Reich Regions

RAF Swoop Preceded By Fortresses' Attack On Air Base in Holland

LONDON, Oct. 21—(AP)—A great fleet of RAF bombers, out for the eighth time this month, smashed at the Germans' second line of industrial defense last night, hitting the big city of Leipzig, where many of the Ruhr's bombed-out industries have moved. In companion raids, Mosquito bombers roared over Berlin, the German capital, for the third time this week while other bombers ranged over widespread areas of the Reich.

Trap-Threatened Nazis Begin Crimea Evacuation

Reserves Fail To Check Red Juggernaut

Last Escape Rail Route Of Germans Also Goal Of Advancing Russians

LONDON, Oct. 21—(AP)—A broadcast of international information bureau, German propaganda agency, said today that eight Russian rifle divisions and several hundred tanks had made a three-mile break through in the front northwest of Chernigov.

The location of the breakthrough indicated the Russians were attacking at the eastern edge of the Pinsk marshes south of the confluence of the Sozh and Dnieper rivers between Kiev and Gomel.

LONDON, Oct. 21—(AP)—The German armies in the Crimea have begun a mass withdrawal from the peninsula via the Perekop land bridge, Moscow advices indicated today, to escape entrapment by a powerful Russian advance threatening their line of retreat.

Battling furiously to stem the steady progress of the red army troops pouring through the Kremenchug bridgehead west of the Dnieper river, the German command was said to be throwing all available reserves into the breach. But the soviet drive, hourly increasing in momentum, smashed further to the west through the Ukrainian steppe country to overlap the Crimea on the north, a Russian communique disclosed.

A second red army column was racing south toward Krivoriiv, important rail junction and center.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE Russians now hold four main bridgeheads on the Dnieper—two above and two below Kiev. They're reported within 15 miles of the main line railroad connecting Kiev and Dnepropetrovsk—immensely important to the defending Germans for shutting supplies and reinforcements back and forth along the fighting front.

Pravda, Moscow newspaper, says the Russians are now in position to launch an all-out offensive from COMPLETELY EQUIPPED bases on the WEST bank.

It is disclosed that the original crossings of the Dnieper were made by the advancing front line troops of the Russian armies without waiting for reserves, supply bases or engineering equipment to be brought up.

This is interesting as indicating their COMPLETE CONFIDENCE in their own superior striking power.

THE Berlin communique announces a "big detaching movement" on the Dnieper front. German communiques are normally intended to confuse, rather than to inform, so we can only guess as to the meaning of this term.

Maybe it means they're "detaching" themselves from the Dnieper line and starting another retreat.

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Hawaiian-Born Japanese Soldiers Prove Mettle in Battling Germans in Italy

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21—(AP)—American soldiers of Japanese ancestry led the Italian mainland attack of a famous American division which had distinguished itself in Tunisia.

Reporting this today, Secretary of War Stimson said the Japanese-Americans had passed the test of nazi fire with flying colors, and now are "fighting in the battle lines along the road to Rome."

They form the 100th infantry battalion. The division was not identified. All were born in Hawaii of Japanese parents. The secretary told a press conference that reports from Italy described them as typical American "doughboys."

Capt. Taro Suzuki of Honolulu, a reserve officer for 16 years—three years on active duty—led the first company to see action.

The fight began at 5:30 a. m. along the historic Apennine way and by afternoon the outfit still was pushing ahead.

"It was our own fight," Suzuki reported to the War department. "The company had to sink or swim by itself. We had walked by blown-out bridges that stopped heavy artillery from being brought up behind us and then worked our way down a winding road. The beads cut us off from

Connally World Peace Plan Given Okay by Senators

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21—(AP)—The Senate foreign relations committee approved without change today the Connally resolution pledging the United States to join with free and sovereign nations in the maintenance of world peace.

Senator Shipstead (R-Minn.), who came out of a closed meeting, said the resolution was adopted after proposals by a group of senators to "strengthen and clarify" its wording had been rejected.

As previously approved by a subcommittee, the resolution reads as follows:

"Resolved by the senate of the United States:

"That the war against all our enemies be waged until complete victory is achieved;

"That the United States cooperate with its comrades-in-arms in securing a just and honorable peace;

"That the United States, acting through its constitutional processes, join with free and sovereign nations in the establishment and maintenance of international authority with power to prevent aggression and to preserve the peace of the world."

Senator Clark (D-Mo.) said the resolution was approved by a 20 to 2 vote, after an amendment by Senator Pepper (D-Fla.) in behalf of those seeking stronger commitments, was defeated, 16 to 5. Another similar amendment offered by Senator Wagner (D-N. Y.) also was rejected.

Majority Leader Barkley announced immediately that the senate would begin debate on the historic resolution Monday.

Gasoline Cut Rumor On Pacific Coast Spiked

SEATTLE, Oct. 21—(AP)—Unexplainable rumors which swept over the Pacific coast during the last two days to the effect that gasoline ration coupons would be cut another gallon in the immediate future were spiked last night by OPA officials.

Arthur J. Krauss, district rationing officer, said he had no word that such a cut was even under contemplation.

The San Francisco office and the Washington OPA headquarters both announced no additional cuts were in contemplation.

Allied Forces In Italy Make Slight Gains

Foe Still Offers Bitter Resistance; U. S. Planes Blast Yugo Rail Yards

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Aleiers, Oct. 21—(AP)—The Fifth army has made slight gains in the area north of the Volturno river, it was announced today, and advanced elements are probing the region to determine exactly where the Germans are setting up their new defenses based on Massico ridge.

The ditches and irrigation canals of this fertile, but now devastated, agricultural terrain slowed up the progress of Lt. Gen. Clark's troops.

On the Eighth army front, Gen. Montgomery's troops stormed the high ground dominating the road running northwest from Vinchiatturo, occupied Basso, a mountain village about four miles due west of Campobasso, and swept into Oratino a few miles to the north.

Yugo R. R. Yards Blasted.

Stabbing deeper into the Balkans than on any previous flights, American bombers from the Northwest African forces wrecked the roundhouse and locomotives at Nis, Yugoslavia, to lend assistance to the guerrilla forces fighting the Germans there.

Nis lies between Belgrade and Solin and is an important junction through which the Orient Express passes. From Nis the line branches to the south to Salonika through Skopje, which recently was raided by the Northwest African air force.

Railway objectives at Nis were left a mass of flaming wreckage by the American Marauders, escorted by P-38 Lightnings.

Nazi Flank Threatened.

Occupation of the high ground west of Campobasso—given up by the Germans with great reluctance—was essential for movement of Gen. Montgomery's forces along the important road northwestward from Vinchiatturo toward the road and railway

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2nd Front Still Top Question at Moscow Parley

MOSCOW, Oct. 21—(AP)—The tripartite conference dug into its agenda in a harmonious session yesterday, and the presence of American and British military advisers suggested that a land attack on western Europe might have been a topic.

Although all official representatives stuck to the rule that nothing about the actual conversations can be made public until the windup of the conference, they relaxed sufficiently to say that a cordial atmosphere prevailed throughout the second formal get-together.

The soviet press insisted before the conference opened that closer military cooperation must precede any improvement in political and economic coordination of the three great powers—the United States, Russia and Great Britain.

In an editorial entitled "chief task of the moment," the Moscow news, yesterday declared that "if the Hitlerite army has not yet been defeated it is only because there is not yet a second front in the west."

Paralysis Epidemic in Chicago Area Mounting

CHICAGO, Oct. 21—(AP)—Infantile paralysis cases in Chicago and Cook county totaled 1,170 today, almost three times the state total of 417 in 1942 and exceeded the 1,100 cases in Illinois in the 1917 epidemic. There have been 102 deaths in the current epidemic, which started last August.

Aussies, Japs Wage Bloody Jungle Fight

Nippons Gain in Initial Drive Near Finschhafen At Cost of 200 Men

THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Oct. 21—(AP)—Several thousand Japanese and Australian troops waged a bloody battle today in the jungle a short distance north of Finschhafen, New Guinea, with the enemy on the offensive.

From Strongly-held positions at Sattelberg, 15 miles inland, the Japanese achieved some success in a drive to join another force on the coast and thus form a solid line along the Song river.

The river mouth, toward which the enemy is on the move, is five miles north of Finschhafen.

This counter-offensive cost the Japanese more than 200 men Tuesday in fierce action against elements of Australia's famed Ninth division, which captured Finschhafen Oct. 2 and before that had gained battle glory at El Alamein in Egypt against the Germans.

The enemy took the initiative for the first time since General MacArthur, in a swift series of paratroop and amphibious pincer thrusts, began enveloping New Guinea bases from which it would be possible for him to invade New Britain.

It also was the first time in months that the opposing forces had come to grips on such a large scale, indicating Japanese determination not to continue further the withdrawals they made from Salamaua Sept. 12, Lae Sept. 16 and Finschhafen.

Aussies Gain Elsewhere

But inland from this battle scene, other Australians moved slowly up the Ramu valley less than 40 miles from Madang, the next important coastal base northwest of Finschhafen. Latest advices were that these Australians had slain 72 more Japanese in extending their positions while Mitchell bombers pounded the junction of Isernia.

This is the main north-south highway of central Italy in this part of the peninsula. At Isernia it joins with the lateral road, leading southwest to Venafro, picked by the Germans as the

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McNary Opposes Tax Boost Until Waste is Halted

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21—(AP)—Senate Minority Leader McNary of Oregon voiced opposition today to an increase in individual or corporation income taxes "until after congress stops the administration's profligate waste of public funds."

McNary told a reporter he did not believe there will be any new tax bill this year, adding that some economies in expenditures should be made to cut the gap between the government's outgo and income.

Similarly, Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.), a member of the finance committee, said he thought it much more important at this time to preserve the national economy than to saddle an additional tax burden on citizens.

"I think we probably can increase taxes about \$3,000,000,000 or \$4,000,000,000, above present levels," Vandenberg said. "We could do more if we had not already provided a 12 1/2 per cent increase for both 1944 and 1945."

Chairman Doughton of the house ways and means committee said today he had given assurances that the administration "will make every effort to locate and eradicate all unnecessary expenditures" in the government.

The statement was interpreted at the capitol as a move to save proposed new tax legislation from defeat.

Rep. Robertson (D-Va.) a committee member, said the proposal for a 10 per cent federal retail sales tax "is pretty sick, but it's still alive."

Masonic Grand Master to Visit Roseburg Lodge

Kenneth M. Robb, above, Masonic grand master for Oregon, will pay an official visit to the Roseburg lodge Saturday, it was announced today by W. F. Harris, secretary. Members of all Masonic lodges of Douglas county are being invited to attend. The meeting will start at 8 p. m.



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Chinese Exclusion Law's Repeal is Voted by House

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21—(AP)—The house voted today to repeal the 61-year-old Chinese exclusion act and permit immigration of 105 Chinese annually on a quota basis.

The legislation, introduced by Rep. Magnuson (D-Wash.) also amends naturalization laws to permit Chinese to become American citizens.

The bill now goes to the senate.

Earlier the house defeated on a standing vote on an amendment which would have eliminated that part of the bill extending an immigration quota to the Chinese.

The house also ruled that amendments offered which would have cut or eliminated all immigration quotas were not germane to the bill and could not be acted on.

Author of one such amendment was Rep. Allen (D-La.), who said he believed all immigration should be stopped until the postwar reconstruction period had assured employment to Americans. Allen said his amendment followed a resolution adopted by the American Legion at its recent Omaha convention.

Butter Piling Up in Portland Market

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 21—(AP)—Butter has started to pile up on the Portland market in the wake of a government order increasing its ration value to 16 points a pound, the Journal said today.

The newspaper's survey showed the butter shortage has been eliminated within the past few days and surplus stocks are accumulating in the hands of dealers, manufacturing retailers and retailers despite a slight decrease in the total amount of butter manufactured.

The butter surplus was expected to jump within a few days because fall rains have set in. Pastures will show steady improvement and production will increase.

Former Baseball Star Drowns on Fishing Trip

EUREKA, Calif., Oct. 21—(AP)—Oscar Merle Bowers, 45, one-time top-notch pitcher for the Seattle baseball club, drowned yesterday while on a fishing trip in eastern Humboldt county, coroner W. L. Wallace reported today.

Bowers lived at Orinda, near Oakland, and operated two restaurants in Oakland, after his retirement from baseball.

The accident occurred on Mill Creek. Bowers, crossing the stream, lost his balance and slipped into a deep pool.

Aluminum Plant Battle Finally Won

War Board Authorizes Project in Northwest; Oregon Seeking Site

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21—(AP)—The production executive committee of the War Production board has decided to approve construction of an aluminum-from-clay plant in the Pacific Northwest, Representative Angell (R-Ore.) said today.

The action came after members of congress from the northwest states protested action of the WPB in ordering discontinuance of all aluminum-from-clay projects in the country. They presented data to show that the nation would be without material to produce aluminum in three years unless the plant was approved.

Angell said the action meant that the plant, to be constructed by the Columbia Metals Corporation, would be permitted to go ahead subject to the usual higher priorities for critical material and manpower issued to other projects.

"The action of the committee assures the future of the aluminum industry for the Pacific Northwest as local clays will be used to produce alumina," said Angell.

"Such production will relieve us of having to depend on South America for our supplies and do away with the heavy transportation charges of shipping bauxite into this country and transporting it across the nation."

Prior to the rejection of construction of the plant by the WPB, several sites in Washington and Oregon and northern Idaho were considered as locations

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P. M. Brown Resigns as OPA Chief

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21—(AP)—President Roosevelt accepted today the resignation of Prentiss M. Brown as price administrator.

Brown turned in his resignation in a letter dated last Tuesday, in which he said he thought the price control program was well defined in laws and in presidential orders and the main task now is one of administration.

The president is expected to send to the senate soon the nomination of Chester Bowles, general manager of OPA, to succeed Brown.

Bowles prior to becoming general manager of OPA was the agency's director for Connecticut.

Brown, former senator from Michigan who was defeated for reelection, took over the reins of OPA from Leon Henderson less than a year ago.

In his letter to Mr. Roosevelt he said the OPA organization had been greatly improved and he believed it was in competent hands. He said he thought price control was not only successful but also appreciated by the country.

Fleet Admiral Pound Of Great Britain Dies

LONDON, Oct. 21—(AP)—Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound, who resigned early this month as first British sea lord because of ill health, died today in London at the age of 66.

Sir Dudley directed the British fleet through four of its most critical war years and is credited with shaping more than any other man the course of Britain's modern naval policy.

Like Prime Minister Churchill, Sir Dudley was half American. His mother was Miss Elizabeth Pickman Rogers, of Boston, who married Alfred John Pound, an English lawyer.

City Vital to Nazis

Leipzig, Germany's sixth industrial city, is situated in the middle of the country, 100 miles southwest of Berlin and almost on the Czechoslovak border. It has one of the world's largest railroad terminals on lines linking it with other important industrial centers like Berlin, Regensburg and Kassel, also recently blasted by Britain-based allied bombers.

It was the first big attack of the war on the city and represented a round-trip flight of more than 1,000 miles for the raiders.

With a population of more than 700,000, the city manufactures airplanes, munitions, chemicals, textiles, rubber products and machinery.

Leipzig's big railroad yard is one of the prime junctions for traffic to the nazis' dire-pressed Russian front.

Its airplane plants include engine and assembly factories for the Junkers-88, which is believed to be one of the chief types engaged in recent London night bombing, and Messerschmitt-109's which, with the Focke-Wulf's, have constituted the Fortresses' main opposition.

Yankees Also Score

The American daylight assault on Dueren and the collateral bombing of Gilze-Rijen airbase in Holland which led the Leipzig attack yesterday in a round-the-clock double blow at Germany, brought out the largest escort of American fighters ever put up and was supplemented by RAF Spitfires.

The powerful guard took the

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War Fund Drive In Douglas Makes Good Progress

The canvass on behalf of the National War fund is making good progress in all parts of the county, Thomas Parkinson, county chairman, reported today. Several communities have sent in to headquarters for additional supplies, Parkinson reported.

Solicitors are busy this week in the Roseburg residential and industrial areas and are collecting contributions from firms and employees. The solicitation is being directed by D. E. Carr and James Mess.

The city's residential districts will be contacted next week by workers organized by the Roseburg Ministerial union.

The National War Fund campaign is being conducted throughout the entire nation to raise funds for 17 national agencies, while in Oregon funds also are being collected for six state charitable institutions.

Giving precedence to the war fund solicitation, the treasury department set no quota for war bond sales during the month.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Redanata

A lot of the boys on the European battle fronts are missing out on the current duck season at home, but they're sure gunning a sizable horde of geese-steppers.