

Senator Declares He Faces "Purge" Effort of White House Origin

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A black and white aerial photograph capturing a massive explosion in an urban area. A large, bright, circular plume of smoke and fire rises from the center of the blast, surrounded by a dense cloud of debris. The surrounding city is visible, with buildings and streets, though some areas appear damaged or obscured by the explosion's aftermath.

(NEA Telephoto)
An enemy ammunition train goes up in huge cloud of white smoke when hit directly by bombs from B-25 Mitchells of the 12th Air Force. The scene is Orvieto railroad yards, 60 miles north of Rome on the main line to Florence. Army Air Force photo.

The senator recounted at length his travels to inspect the military defenses, pointing out that because he was engaged in such activities he is now being charged with failure to answer roll calls in the senate. He charged woeful lack of defense, particularly on the west coast and in the Pacific, and declared that the tragedy at Pearl Harbor was due to the president's appointment of

Turning to the matter of labor, the senator said that thousands of American soldiers have lost their lives because of strikes and labor disputes.

"Labor racketeers," he charged, "are forcing American workmen to pay them tribute in the form of dues and initiation fees, for the privilege of producing arms and ammunition for our men in uniform. Because I am against that sort of thing, the New Deal has taken a man from one of its multitudinous agencies to purge me from office."

"Let him remember that as a member of the board of control at that time he joined with a Democratic governor in naming a Democrat to the state tax commission."

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declared a closed area that may be visited only by special permit. Civilians also were banned from flooded areas of Holland and forbidden to keep boats there.

Harking back to May 10, 1940, when the Germans started their drive toward the channel coast, a Paris radio commentator said that the approaching May 10 "is not only an anniversary for France—it is a new beginning."

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Stockholm dispatches said 1,000 persons were killed in yesterday's American raid on Berlin. A dispatch by the Scandinavian telegraph bureau said targets in Berlin "are getting scarcer and scarcer" and Berliners less and less impressed by the raids. Berliners are saying their city has been "condemned to death," the Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm Morgon Tidningen reported.

Russian bombers intensified the fiery siege of Sevastopol in the Crimea where the Germans did "extraordinarily powerful" forces were attacking to free Russian divisions for decisive battles of the summer. Berlin spoke of the summer. Berlin spoke there on the great eastern front, tion was minor.

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Like their democratic colleagues, the 19 republican delegates to be chosen in West Virginia will be uninstructed. Leaders say there is some strong Bricker sentiment among the candidates, although 13 of those running openly favor Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York.

WINS 2 MEDALS IN LESS THAN WEEK
PAUL MOORE, CAPT. USMC, RECEIVED THE SILVER STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM... IN A DRAMATIC RESCUE OF TWO MARINES IN A SOUTH PACIFIC ACTION... BY SWIMMING THE MATANIKAU RIVER UNDER ENEMY FIRE.
SIX DAYS LATER CAPTAIN MOORE LED HIS MEN IN A SERIES OF BAYONET AND HAND GRENADE CHARGES... AND WHEN WOUNDED CONTINUED TO DIRECT THE ATTACK UNTIL HE LOST CONSCIOUSNESS... HE RECEIVED THE NAVY CROSS.

Washington's 16-man delegation to the national republican party convention in Chicago will be technically uninstructed in its vote but Saturday's state party meet at Tacoma left no doubt as to its stand behind Dewey.

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from which the Japanese have been pressing their drive westward along the Lunghai railway toward that city. Chinese dispatches said most of Loyang's garrison had been evacuated.

gone over strongly to the offensive on all sectors of the Manipur hill front in northeastern India seeking to regain recently lost forward positions but are suffering disproportionately heavy losses, an allied communique said today.

Allied patrols pushing forward on the Kohima road have advanced 28 miles north of Imphal, said the communique from Admiral Mountbatten's headquarters. Early in their invasion of Indian border territory the Japanese blocked this road along 15 miles of its 60-mile length.

A headquarters communique meanwhile announced yesterday that allied troops had withdrawn from Butheudang, on the upper Maya peninsula 65 miles northwest of Akyab port, after "having established ourselves on certain features vital to the security of this line." The withdrawal was described as a part of a readjustment of our positions in the area.

Butheudang, re-occupied by the British 14th army last March, after a previous withdrawal a year ago, is the terminus of the main supply road across the Mayu mountains from Maungdaw.

WASHINGTON, May 8—(AP)—By far the largest number of war prisoners held by the United States are fighters from Nazi Germany.

The War department disclosed today it has interned 183,618 captives, of which 133,135 are Germans, 50,136 are Italians and 347 are Japanese. They now are imprisoned in camps located throughout the United States.

The War department said it had found the prisoners' valuable in alleviating the labor shortage in some areas. The army added that it was carrying on an educational program designed to "de-

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