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Tighter Control of Lumber Industry to Follow Strike

War Board's Order Now in Preparation

AFL Crews Returning To Jobs, but Only Few CIO Workers Return

PORTLAND, Ore., June 1—(AP)—The northwest lumber and logging industry went back into partial production today, and at the same time the War Production board announced plans for more rigid control of the industry, from production to consumption.

Although the CIO Columbia river district council, claiming 15,000 membership, late last night announced it could not recommend a return to work, AFL unions throughout the northwest indicated willingness of nearly 30,000 workers to return to lumber mills that have been idle for a week.

Seattle Local 2519, Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL), voted last night to return to work, but stipulated they would petition for an industry-wide strike vote if the WLB does not respond favorably within 30 days to wage increase demands. It has 2,000 members.

CIO Ranks Broken
Three hundred CIO workers at Marshfield, Ore., voted to return to work, and in Eugene, Ore., four out of five mills employing CIO workers announced reopening. This led to speculation that other CIO locals might follow the general AFL return to work.

While general attention was focused on the movement back into mills and camps, representatives of industry and military services met with WUB officials who stressed need for tighter control of the industry as a war necessity.

J. Phillip Boyd, WLB lumber divisions director, said closer

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
ON this 1944 Memorial Day, NEW American graves were being made all over the world. Let's not forget that if we on the home front don't KEEP UP what our men are fighting for these graves will have been made in vain.

AS people gather in every American community to do honor to the war dead, the battle of Italy roars on.

The Germans, fighting with grim skill at their hereditary trade of war, still hold Valmontone, thus keeping the jaw of the trap we have been fashioning for them open. As their retreating forces pour through the gap toward Rome, our planes take a heavy toll.

Twenty-odd miles to the southeast, the British 8th army is pounding at their rear.

A new battle is developing to the south of Rome, with our Americans taking the brunt of it. General Clark says: "The 5th army will take Rome before many days have passed."

London expects Rome to fall within a week.

THERE'S a grim story from Sweden to the effect that German CIVILIANS are lynching our fliers who bail out of damaged planes "IN SPITE of all the German police and military can do."

It could be. But it sounds like propaganda—air war HARDENS German morale instead of breaking it, etc. We can't believe much we hear these days.

AN apparently credible neutral report says the Germans have thousands of small military units

Young's Bay Co. Mill In Full Operation

The Young's Bay Lumber company mill in Roseburg was operating at full capacity today, following the return Wednesday of the mill crew which walked off the job Monday afternoon. All of the approximately 75 men who took part in the walkout have returned to their jobs, it was reported.

C. E. Miller, president of the company, explained today that in his previous statement relative to the breaking of the working contract as a result of the strike, he referred to the general condition and not specifically to the Roseburg mill, as the contract with the union representing the workers has not yet been completely negotiated and made operative.

Wage Racketeers Abused Easing of Draft, Assertion

BOSTON, June 1—(AP)—U. S. Attorney Edmund J. Brandon charged today that many of the 137 Hingham shipyard workers arrested yesterday in what he described as the "worst payroll racket of the war" had "taken advantage of their snug positions as recipients of special deferments" by their draft boards.

Most of the arrested men, charged either with conspiracy to defraud the government, or with presenting false claims, were within the draft age, Brandon said.

Of the 124 men under 38, Brandon said 82 were under 30, and 42 of them were between 18 and 26.

Booked the men showed that 28 were single, and 24 others were married but childless.

Meanwhile most of the arrested men had posted bail of \$500 to \$1,000, and their cases postponed for hearings late this month and early in July.

The arrested men included welders and piece work counters upon whose figures the pay of many of the former was determined.

E. A. Soucy, chief of the Boston FBI, said the arrests followed several weeks of investigation, during which FBI men had obtained jobs as welders to obtain evidence.

Soucy and Brandon said that some of the men had obtained as much as \$15 to \$100 a week through padding their payroll accounts in addition to their already substantial war wages.

The Hingham yard, operated by the Bethlehem Steel company's shipbuilding division, has contracts for naval ships.

Aged Lawyer Who Slew Wife's Lover Acquitted

WASHINGTON, June 1—(AP)—Robert I. Miller, victorious in his trial for murder in the shooting of his wife's lover was free today to resume his accustomed role of defending others charged with crime.

The 67-year-old attorney, acquitted of the murder charge last night, won his case with the aid of fellow lawyers who based the defense on testimony that he shot Dr. John E. Lind, 57, in self-defense when the psychiatrist reached for a gun as Miller attempted to get Mrs. Miller, 42, out of Lind's car. The slaying occurred in the downtown shopping district February 21 and was a sensation in the capital.

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Strike Ties Buses, Cars In St. Louis

3,500 Operators Quit in Wage Dispute; Bakery Drivers Return to Jobs

(By the Associated Press)
All street cars and buses in St. Louis were idle today as 3,500 operators went on strike while elsewhere along the country's labor front conditions eased somewhat as workers in several industries ended walkouts which yesterday had kept idle some 50,000 men and women.

The strike of St. Louis transportation operators, members of the Amalgamated Street and Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employes of America union (AFL), was reportedly over an overtime pay controversy.

In Detroit, scene of many labor disputes in war production plants during the last several weeks, only one controversy remained to be settled—the strike of 1,900 CIO unionists at Parke Davis and company. The War Labor board has sought to end the walkout, which has hampered production of medical supplies, and union leaders today were scheduled to ask the strikers to resume work.

Bread Strike Eased
Striking bakery drivers in the Michigan metropolis yesterday voted to resume bread deliveries. About 1,000 drivers walked out a week ago to support demands for wage increases. Bakeries in Decatur and Pana, Ill., resumed production as 80 AFL unionists returned to work after a five-day walkout.

A second strike in Detroit also ended last night when 1,500 employees of the Federal Mogul company returned to work after staying away from their jobs for five days.

Bread supplies were scarce in Toledo and Cincinnati, Ohio, as the strike of employes of shops

Wind Lashes Portland, Halts Electric Service

PORTLAND, Ore., June 1—(AP)—A 26-mile-an-hour wind ripped through trees, halted electric service, and tore a 16,800-ton tanker from its moorings here early today.

Power in several Portland areas and nearby Oswego was stopped temporarily by trees crashing down upon primary lines. Householders flooded the police station with complaints of trees down in the streets, and a large plate glass window was splintered on a downtown thoroughfare.

The S. S. Nickajack Trail, launched Friday at Swan Island yard, was towed back to the outfitting dock after drifting out into the river.

Warren will be Vice-Presidential Nominee, GOP Governors Believe

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 1—(AP)—Most republican governors on their way home today from their annual meeting expressed the belief in private conversations that Gov. Thomas E. Dewey will win the presidential nomination of their party late this month and that Gov. Earl Warren will be the running mate unless he declines.

Although the non-partisan nature of the gathering caused many to refrain from political talk for quotation, they left these further impressions on reporters and politicians who came here for the three-day business sessions:

1. That Warren of California is not very anxious to have the vice-presidential nomination and actually took occasion here to urge a mid-westerner to go out after it.

U. S. Air Bases In China Goal Of Jap Drive

Yanks' Superiority in Planes Only Offset to Foe's Land Advantages

(By the Associated Press)
Japan's great China offensive today appeared on the verge of expansion into a four-front battle aimed at wiping out new allied air bases now virtually dominating enemy shipping along the Chinese coast.

From Chungking unofficial reports said the Japanese were massing in Indo-China, possibly for a drive on Kuming, U. S. air base on the Burma road. From Honan province came news indicating the invaders were gathering for a new offensive, perhaps against Chungking.

The Japanese now are moving south and west out of north-central China. The drive on Changsha has less than 40 miles to go. Capture of Changsha, key point on the Hankow-Canton railroad, would help block off south-east China from allied use.

Chungking authorities said civilian evacuation had been completed in preparation for the fourth Chinese defense of the city.

The second offensive, west along the Yellow river in Honan, apparently was in temporary deadlock, with Chinese forces attacking in some places.

Air Power Main Reliance
Air power forged by Maj. Gen. Chennault was the only weapon in which the poorly-equipped Chinese had an edge. In Honan this small air group already had thrown a wrench into Japanese plans. It has knocked out much motorized transport and had gained complete air superiority between the Yellow and Yangtze rivers.

In Burma Chinese-American troops pushed down the Mogaung valley, capturing the enemy stronghold at Malakawng. There was no new report of the fighting at Myitkyna, besieged by Lt. Gen. Stilwell's forces.

Central Pacific fliers bombed four Kurile islands Monday, Adm. Nimitz announced, hitting within 1,000 miles of Tokyo.

Jap Resistance "Bent"
The backbone of Japanese resistance in the Pacific has been "severely bent," and in the south Pacific they have lost 150,000 men, 4,800 planes and too many ships to count, Admiral Halsey, told a press conference at Auckland.

Fugitive Nazis From Camp White Captured

MEDFORD, Ore., June 1—(AP)—Capture of two escaped prisoners of war was announced today by Capt. Burt Staats of the Oregon state patrol, who arrested the men last night on a road near Fish lake, 40 miles from here.

Staats and Officer Charles Neal returned the prisoners, Heinz Kiehle, 24, and Josef Fahrner, 22, to Camp White authorities. They escaped from a Camp White work detail May 30.

that he will keep quiet about the drive to nominate him up to convention time despite Gov. John W. Bricker's reiterated challenge that he come out in the open and discuss issues.

3. That Dewey will have the support of the big California delegation which Warren recently released from its nominal pledge to the Californian, although Bricker insists he has many friends in the 50-vote group.

4. That most of Pennsylvania's 70-vote delegation, officially uncommitted to date, will be in Dewey's column, as well as a big majority of New Jersey's unpledged 34. Here again the Brickerites would not let these assertions go unchallenged.

Republican Governor Andrew Schoepel of Kansas predicted Dewey's nomination on the first ballot soon after Gov. Bricker reasserted in a press conference a belief that the convention would not make a choice on one roll call.

Nazi Defenses Along Channel Given Pasting

Bombers Rip Rail Lines Used in Moving Forces To Combat Invasion

LONDON, June 1—(AP)—In simultaneous overnight assaults, powerful forces of RAF bombers hammered Nazi defense installations along the French channel coast and fanned out over a 200-mile front in France to blast three of the largest railroad centers through which the Germans are shuttling their forces to meet the impending allied invasion.

Murky weather prevailed over the English Channel early today, however, and there were no signs of aerial operations from Britain—the first lull in the allied offensive in two weeks.

In the rail center attacks last night some 500 RAF night bombers smashed the Trappes yards 16 miles outside Paris, Tergnier 75 miles northeast of Paris and Saumur 150 miles southwest of Paris. Eight British planes failed to return from the operations. Probably well over 2,240 tons of bombs were dropped in the night attacks.

Halifaxes and Wellingtons of the Mediterranean allied air force bombed railroad tracks by the Danube river's iron gate canal on the Romania-Yugoslavia border last night.

After a one-night interval the Germans again sent some planes against England. These raiders dived over East Anglia and dropped a few bombs, but they appeared to be mainly "on the snoop." It was officially reported that no one was hurt by the German foray and only slight damage was caused.

Rich Centers Blasted
In daylight raids yesterday powerful forces totaling possibly 3,500 allied planes struck from the west and south, bombarding the four German rail centers of Hamm, Osnabruck, Schwerte and Soest and the rail oil source at Ploesti in Romania.

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Russians Repulse Nazis Near Iasi With Heavy Loss

LONDON, June 1—(AP)—Large scale German attacks on Russian lines north of Iasi in Romania cost the nazis "thousands of dead" yesterday without advancing their lines "a single step," Moscow said today.

A broadcast soviet communique declared the nazis, using tanks and infantry, made incessant assaults on the soviet lines, but counter-blows by red infantry, artillery and tanks stalled all efforts to push beyond the "insignificant wedge" achieved the day before.

The Russians said they had knocked out 122 German tanks and shot down 164 enemy planes in the first 24 days of the battle—the first sizable break in a six week lull on the long eastern land front.

Berlin reports said the aim of the attacks was to improve German-Romanian positions in the area, from which the nazis have predicted the Russians would attempt a drive into the rich Ploesti and Danubian oil fields.

Whether the battle presaged any immediate grand offensive on the eastern land front was not known. Berlin and Moscow have predicted a resumption of fighting on the eastern front in connection with the western invasion of Europe.

Only minor action was reported on other sectors of the front by the Russians.

Wings Won at Training Center



Included in a list of 375 pilots contributed to the army air forces May 27 in graduation exercises at eleven advanced flying schools of the central training command, having headquarters at Randolph field, Texas, were the three Douglas county youths pictured above.

At top are two from Roseburg—William O. Goodlow, left, 444 Ella street, and Dale E. Borgen, 102 Roberts street. At right is Bruce B. Blevins, Route 2, Roseburg.

Army, Air Forces Ready for Invasion, Stimson Reports

WASHINGTON, June 1—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson said today that with 3,657,000 army troops already overseas, the deployment of the air and service forces is practically completed "and the period of decisive action is at hand."

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DeValera Triumphs in Eire's General Election

DUBLIN, June 1—(AP)—Prime Minister Eamon De Valera won a clearcut victory in Eire's general election Tuesday with the incomplete count of returns today showing his Fianna Fail party with 68 seats in the dail (parliament), only three short of a majority.

Returns from 17 districts still were outstanding. The fine Gael (opposition) party won 25 seats, the farmers nine, independents eight, labor seven and national labor four.

All of the Brooklyn-born prime minister's cabinet had retained their seats in the dail. De Valera called the election last month after defeat of a government-sponsored transport bill. The question of Eire's neutrality did not figure in the campaign.



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All Saved From Wreck of Vessel Off Golden Gate

SAN FRANCISCO, June 1—(AP)—The sea today was pounding the Liberty ship Henry Bergh to pieces on the rocks of Farrallon islands, 30 miles west of the Golden Gate, but her more than 1,000 navy passengers were safe.

The 10,500-ton vessel ran ashore in fog and rain at dawn yesterday while bringing the sailors home from war service in the South Pacific.

Rescue operations were orderly, and the navy said there were no reports of casualties among the men, hundreds of whom floated in life jackets or rode rafts until picked up by patrol boats.

Robert Klares, 24, of Minneapolis, said that when the alarm sounded "my first thought was that in the fog and darkness we had hit another vessel."

"But the skipper told us in a good natured calm voice over the speaker system that we had gone aground and directed us to get off the ship in rafts and boats," Klares said. "The water was covered with oil and was cold as hell."

The navy reported the transport was breaking "into pieces rapidly." Efforts were speeded to salvage all possible material.

The Henry Bergh, operating under private charter as a transport, was built in 1942 by a Henry J. Kaiser yard at Richmond, Calif., and was owned by the War Shipping Administration.

Collapse of Car's Floor Derails Freight Train

METUCHEN, N. J., June 1—(AP)—Several cars of freight and the sleeper on the Washington-Boston express were derailed early today from eastbound tracks on the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad three miles west of here.

No one was injured in the derailment which railroad spokesmen said was caused by the collapse of flooring of a moving freight car and spilling onto the roadbed a load of brass.

Valmontone Line Cracked By Doughboys

Kesselring Struggling Doggedly to Save Torn Remnants of His Army

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, June 1—(AP)—American doughboys have driven a deep wedge into the enemy's Valmontone line, occupying strategic high points in the historic Alban hills northeast and northwest of Velletri, and are now fighting within sight of Rome.

(A broadcast from Bern said Rome residents could see the smoke and flashes of battle through binoculars and telescopes, with the fighting so near "that cannons, firing with the frequency of machine-guns, caused the houses of Rome to tremble and the windows to rattle continuously through the day and night.")

The advances were won against the strongest kind of German resistance, a communique said today. One salient carried the Americans forward nearly 3,000 yards—more than a mile and one-half.

The allied command was silent on Velletri itself, but German radio reports indicated the shell and bomb-battered town had been left to the Americans after hot street fighting.

The eighth army meanwhile, advancing steadily up highway 6, the Via Cassilina, captured Frosinone, provincial capital 54 miles from Rome. Frosinone, with a population of well over 20,000, is the most important town and communications center yet seized in the drive along highway 6. It fell to British infantry and armor after a sharp battle.

Nazi Defenses Smashed
A dispatch from Associated Press War Correspondent Edward Kennedy said the Americans broke through the German defenses east of Velletri and fought their way ahead 3,000 yards and occupied a point on Mount Pesciol ridge in the Alban hills to the northeast.

Other American elements plunging forward in the vicinity of the Apennian way captured dominant high ground near the lake of Nemi, northwest of Velletri.

"This latter gain brought the Fifth army to 15 airline miles from Rome's gate of Saint John Lateran through which the Apennian way enters the capital," wrote Kennedy.

From these heights the American infantrymen could see Saint Peter's famous dome rising in dim lines from a hazy mass of buildings that formed Rome.

Three miles west of the fortified town of Lanuvio, armored units crossed the Fossa de Campolone, a drainage canal, and maintained steady pressure on the enemy in that area interlaced with canals and ditches.

An official spokesman said all the gains in the Lanuvio sector were made in difficult terrain

Japs' Conviction Of Fraud Reversed

SAN FRANCISCO, June 1—(AP)—The conviction in the Seattle district federal court of two Japanese-Americans of conspiracy and the making of fraudulent statements to obtain a state department export license was reversed in circuit court here yesterday.

The circuit court returned the case to the district court for further trial "if the government be so advised."

The two men, Charles T. Takahashi, owner of the China Import and Export company, and Edward Y. Osawa, manager, were sentenced in 1943.

Court records said the men had obtained permission to ship goods to a firm in Shanghai and were seeking permission to export oil storage tanks to the same firm during the period of an executive order limiting export of critical materials.

The prosecution valued the ultimate destination of the tanks was to have been Japan.

The reversal was on the grounds of illegal search and seizure of personal papers from the pair by federal agents at the customs house.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reinhardt

D-day occurred yesterday—in the U. S. senate, the alphabetical letter standing for DEBT, which was raised high enough to squeeze the rain out of Old Man Stratosphere.

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