

RUSSIANS CLOSE MINSK ESCAPE ROUTES

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
S OBERING news comes from the Pacific.
Saipan is the hardest battle of the Jap war and has cost us more casualties than ANY OTHER Pacific invasion—more than Guadalcanal, more than Tarawa.
Our dead there up to June 28 total 1474, our wounded 7400 and our missing 878.

UP to the same date, we had BURIED 4951 Japs. What the total of the enemy's wounded may be we don't know. As usual, there are practically no Jap captives.

THE burrowing Japs had burrowed hugely in the long years they held Saipan. The limestone hills and bluffs are honeycombed with caves and tunnels. We have to take ALL these burrows and kill the defenders to the last man—that being the way the Jap fights.

U.S. Liberators from CHINA bomb harbors and docks at the southwest tip of Formosa Island, just off the China coast.

That might be significant. If we land on China, we'll have to take Formosa first. Formosa is within fighter range of Luzon, northernmost of the Philippines. The weak spot in our bombing from China is that we're so short on gasoline there.

THE Chinese say the Japs have STARTED NORTH from Canton toward Hengyang, to meet their forces that have been moving southward. When they join, as now seems inevitable, China will be cut in half and isolated from the Pacific.

After that, one guesses, the Japs will turn westward to clean out our China air bases.

THE British, who have pushed on east beyond Caen to the Odon river, which they have crossed, are standing firm against powerful German tank attacks.

The scale of the fighting there is indicated by the fact that since D day they have destroyed 142 German tanks and disabled 180 more. (In a hot battle, disabling a tank is momentarily as good as smashing it.)

The Germans are reported to be throwing in INCREASING reserves, some of which are said to have been BROUGHT FROM THE RUSSIAN FRONT. If that is true, they're SCARED of us on the western front.

They're now bringing up most of their reserves at night, daylight movement in sight of our planes having been found too costly.

THE British are using massed anti-tank guns (light, mobile two-pounders, six-pounders and 17-pounders) to meet the German armored attacks.

To understand fully the importance of this fighting, remember that Caen is ALSO a port. The more ports we get, the stronger we'll be.

THE Germans say (via radio) that their robots are launched from UNDERGROUND emplacements.

Dewey Plans Meeting With 25 G. O. P. Governors To Organize Campaign

ALBANY, N. Y., July 3—(AP)—Governor Thomas E. Dewey indicated today he may travel within the next month to a conference with other republican governors on presidential campaign plans.

Avoiding comment on national issues, the G. O. P. nominee told a news conference he doubted that he would make any speeches soon.

He said, however, that he had discussed the possibility of a meeting with the other 25 republican governors, including Governor John W. Bricker of Ohio, the vice-presidential nominee.

Personally, Dewey said, he would like to stay in Albany for the next two months, spending weekends at his farm near Pawling. He added, however, that "I may have to travel some in the next month."

Republican campaign headquarters will be opened Wednesday in the Roosevelt hotel in New York City, Dewey disclosed, adding that it was the "Theodore Roosevelt hotel."

Dewey said his weekends at Pawling would be devoted largely to study and to writing speeches. He had no plans, he said, to receive political visitors there.

The governor will work the Fourth of July in the mansion, with no visitors on his schedule. He will go to Pawling Friday, where a reception by the townspeople is planned that afternoon. Pawling has a population of about 1,200.

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Mr. Kissinger will be replaced by Sheriff Bud Carter. Mr. and Mrs. Kissinger will serve as jailer and jail matron, replacing Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Hartshorn, who have resigned after three and one-half years of service. Mr. and Mrs. Hartshorn were forced to leave the position because of the latter's health.

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Three More Nazi Generals Killed

LONDON, July 3—Three more German generals have met sudden death in the battle for White Russia, the Nazi communique said today, raising to 19 the number of general officers killed or captured in less than a month.

By official allied estimates, German casualties since the inception of the three-front offensive beginning with Italy have reached around 394,000 to date. The Russians have announced the death or capture of 219,000. German casualties in Normandy have been estimated at 75,000 and those in Italy were set at 80,000 to 100,000 about ten days ago.

The German communique told of the deaths of artillery generals Pfeifer and Martinek and of Lt. Gen. Schenemann. Thus from June 6, no less than 11 enemy generals have been killed and eight captured.

Theaters Schedule Free Show For Bond Buyers

All persons who purchase war bonds on the date of Thursday, July 6, will be admitted free of charge to either the Indian or Rose theaters for the regular shows, Mrs. Donn Radabaugh, theater manager, announced today.

"Free Movie day" is being staged as a part of the cooperation of motion picture exhibitors in the Fifth War Loan drive.

The theaters will play host to all persons who invest in a Series E, War bond of any denomination, purchased either at the theater or through a bona fide issuing agent. Presentation of a receipt for a bond purchased elsewhere than at the theater will be acceptable proof for free admission, Mrs. Radabaugh states.

Local plans were developed in cooperation with the Douglas County War Finance Committee.

Allied Forces Capture Siena

ROME, July 3—(AP)—French troops and American artillery and tank forces occupied the medieval metropolis of Siena 31 miles below Florence today after more than a week of heavy fighting through tough German defenses.

The occupation touched off a wild demonstration by the population of 50,000 which cheered and applauded and paraded its famous silk flags for the first time in four years in a belated impromptu celebration of the ancient "Palio Delle Contrade."

The city, whose art treasures are rivalled only by those of Florence, was virtually untouched by war damage except for a few small bombs dropped in the last several nights and demolitions of public utilities carried out by the Germans.

Dispatches said three bombs landed within 30 yards of the city's beautiful black and white marble cathedral, tearing up paving blocks in the Piazza Del Duomo.

Fall of the city coincided with a rapid advance by the Eighth army west of Lake Trasimeno in the center and gains up the Adriatic coast which brought the fall of Osimo only nine miles from Ancona.

A few hours earlier Americans on the Italian west coast crushed German resistance at Cecina, after the most vicious fighting since the fall of Rome.

New Jailer and Matron Are Appointed Here

Appointment of Mr. and Mrs. William Kissinger as deputy sheriffs was announced here today by Sheriff Bud Carter. Mr. and Mrs. Kissinger will serve as jailer and jail matron, replacing Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Hartshorn, who have resigned after three and one-half years of service. Mr. and Mrs. Hartshorn were forced to leave the position because of the latter's health.

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Vice President Wallace En Route From China

LANCHOW, China, July 3—(AP)—Vice President Henry A. Wallace was en route to the United States today after ending his 12-day tour of China with a visit here yesterday at the shrine containing the supposed remains of Genghis Khan.

In a farewell statement Wallace said he had learned that despite economic difficulties and current military reverses, "the spirit of resistance to Japan continues strong in the Chinese." United States army officers and men, he added, "are full of fight in the best tradition."

Japanese Take Vital Rail Line

CHUNGKING, July 3—(AP)—A communique from Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters indicated today that Japanese troops had cut the Canton-Hankow railway at Lelyang, 34 air line miles southeast of Hengyang in their drive to split China.

The announcement said two missions of Warhawks struck Lelyang, destroying a pontoon bridge and strafing supply compounds and troops.

Chinese authorities last reported a Japanese column at Anjen, 35 miles southeast of Hengyang on a highway leading to Lelyang. If Japanese have by-passed Hengyang a strategic Hunan province railway junction 95 miles south of Changsha, and reached Lelyang they are only 115 miles from Kungong, provisional capital of China's southern province of Kwangtung.

Other Japanese forces are attacking northward from Canton in Kwangtung in an effort to join the southward moving forces in Hunan.

Official Chinese reports last night said Hengyang remained in Chinese hands although it had been pounded both by American bombs and Japanese incendiaries.

Eugene Radio Station Owner Taken by Death

EUGENE, July 3—(AP)—Frank L. Hill, owner and operator of Eugene's radio station, KORE, and for many years a civic leader, died here yesterday. He had owned the station 20 years and at one time was part owner of a Boise, Ida., station.

Surviving are his widow; a son, Normal Hill; a brother, Harold Hill, a sister, Mrs. A. T. Fraedrick, all of Eugene.

Chairman of Red Cross, Davis, Passes Away

ALEXANDRIA, Va., July 3—(AP)—Funeral services will be held Wednesday for Norman H. Davis, chairman of the American Red Cross.

Davis, a native of Tennessee who became a millionaire banker in Cuba by the time he was 35, and later was an American "ambassador at large" in efforts for disarmament and peace, died of a cerebral hemorrhage early yesterday at Hot Springs, Va.

Lt. Hammond of Medford Casualty in Italian Area

MEDFORD, July 3—(AP)—Mrs. Robert R. Hammond, Medford, has been informed by the war department of the death of her husband, First Lt. Hammond, in action in Italy. He attended Medford high school and the University of Oregon. He commanded a heavy weapons squadron at the time of his death.

Yanks Launch New Drive In Norman Arena

Artillery Supports Infantry Thrust On 10-Mile Wide Sector

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 3—(AP)—In a swift reversal down the Cherbourg peninsula, Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's American First army at dawn today opened a 10-mile wide attack toward the German stronghold at La Haye du Puits.

Doughboys fought forward on mud-bogged fields under a heavy artillery barrage.

The assault, unimpeded off near the west coast of the peninsula, from the line flung across it just

(By the Associated Press)

A German offer to cease robot bomb attacks on England if the allies will cease bombing Germany met a defiant answer in London today. "The time has now come when the German nation should be made to realize that we have the power to retaliate—an ever growing power," the London Daily Sketch commented.

It was announced today that flying bombs have killed Maj. Gen. Sir Arthur Scott, retired, who had lectured in the U. S. on labor and social problems.

two weeks ago that sealed off the upper half of the land neck. Artillery Gives Support

The American infantrymen were supported by heavy artillery including some of the most powerful guns yet used in the French campaign, but rain and cloudy skies hampered allied aerial aid.

Even as this assault thrust forward on the allied right flank, other Americans maintained pressure against the big road town of St. Lo toward the center of the Normandy front, and the British held firm southwest of Caen on the eastern flank. There were indications that Field Marshal Rommel was regrouping his forces there—numbering 11 divisions—after being beaten back in 25 thrusts against the British wedge across the Odon river.

Activity dwindled in the Caen sector, where Field Marshal Gen. Erwin Rommel appeared to be regrouping his seven panzer and

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Bombing of Moemfoor Island Is Taken to Indicate Allied Jump To Point 800 Miles Nearer Goal

(By the Associated Press)

General MacArthur's sector of the Pacific war stirred to new life and significance today with a three-ply blow against Noemfoor island, possibly indicative of a new allied jump toward the Philippines.

While the still-undecided battles for Saipan and Hengyang mounted in bitterness, the 15-by-12-mile island lying in New Guinea's Geelvink bay caught two weekend bombings and a P-T boat shelling.

MacArthur's headquarters reported the second raid brought 150 aircraft with a 230-ton bomb load over Noemfoor's three airdromes Saturday. The unusual weight of the attack suggested MacArthur could be preparing to leap 50 miles from Biak island to Noemfoor. Or he could be clearing the way for a jump farther west to New Guinea's northwest tip. Noemfoor is 800 miles from the Philippines, 600 from Palau.

Danish Revolt Is Reported Growing

STOCKHOLM, July 3—(AP)—Danish patriots continued their general strike in Copenhagen this morning despite an appeal by the German-controlled Danish radio for a return to work, the Free Danish press service said today.

Reports received by the news agency through underground channels said the Germans had closed in last night on a Danish student house near the University of Copenhagen and arrested several score students.

The Danish liberty council was said to be spreading word to the patriots to continue the strike until the Danish Nazi "Schulburg Corps" is removed from the country. German orders lifting a state of siege in Copenhagen and restoring utilities was said to have had no effect on the situation.

Reports reaching Stockholm said the strike had spread to 20 Danish towns, including Aarhus on Jutland, the second largest city, and Klundborg in western Sjælland.

The Danish liberty council also set as objectives of the strike the lifting of the curfew and freeing of hostages.

Emory Land Advanced To Rank Vice-Admiral

WASHINGTON, July 3—(AP)—Emory S. Land chairman of the maritime commission and chief of the war shipping administration, was promoted from rear admiral to vice admiral under legislation signed today by President Roosevelt.

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Thousands Of Nazis Trapped By Red Thrust

Soviet Vanguard Only 10 Miles From City Railway Line Is Cut

MOSCOW, July 3—(AP)—Soviet tanks and cavalry struck within 10 miles of Minsk today, and another column carving deep beyond that city hammered within 65 miles of Wilno, which is only 100 miles from east Prussia.

Pounding at the front gates of Minsk, red army men captured Sloboda, 12½ miles to the northeast, and then pushed within 10 miles of the White Russian capital.

But by-passing columns already were sweeping around the city on the northwest and southwest, cutting the Germans' escape railways to Wilno and to Brest-Litovsk.

The rush on the northwest posed a threat to Wilno, former Polish city just 15 miles from the old Lithuanian border. This drive captured Wilejka, 65 miles due east of Wilno, and 46 miles north-west of Minsk.

Pravda said all German counterattacks in this area had proved futile, and said the nazis were dying by the thousands.

Immediately east of Minsk Gen. Ivan Chermefnitsky's third army cavalry and tanks were waging a savage battle down the Warsaw-Moscow highway—Napoleon's old road of disaster—and last reports had Russian tanks pressing on about 20 miles from the city in this quarter.

Nazi Collapse Reported

Just as fascinating as the red army's whirlwind offensive was the apparent collapse of the German armies in White Russia.

"We see the German army falling apart everywhere," reported Pravda correspondent Vadim Kozhevnikov. "In Borisov there were three concentration camps for German deserters. During the first days of our offensive the number of prisoners in these camps was doubled."

Another Pravda dispatch reported "huge quantities of German equipment strewn around the forests and swamps of White Russia. In places the stench of German dead is so strong it is difficult to breathe."

Many Prisoners Taken

"Thousands of new German prisoners are being taken," reported Kozhevnikov. "The forests swarm with them. Towards evening the Germans crawl out of the woods and send delegations to give themselves up. I saw a

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Jap Murdered at Tule Lake Segregation Camp

SAN FRANCISCO, July 3—(AP)—A Japanese alien was stabbed to death at the Tule Lake segregation center last night, the war relocation authority headquarters here announced today.

He was Yazo Hitomi, 44, former Sacramento insurance man, and general manager of the cooperative enterprises organization at the Japanese camp.

The WRA said he had been stabbed through the throat, apparently with a long-bladed knife. His body was found where it had fallen against the porch of an apartment adjoining his.

News-Review Will Not Be Printed Tuesday, July 4

There will be no publication of the News-Review Tuesday, July 4, as this newspaper will join in the general holiday. The News-Review radio station, KRNR, will be on the air throughout the day and will broadcast news at the regular periods, with news coverage an any special happenings or outstanding news events. The holiday will be observed generally throughout Roseburg by closing of banks, offices and all stores, except certain of the food stores which have previously announced holiday hours.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Don't worry about the prevailing print value on apple sauce. During the coming political campaign Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Public will get a superabundance of it gratis—plus a liberal supply of baloney and tripe.

Symbol of Independence the World Over



On the Fourth of July this year, the Stars and Stripes, flying proudly over American soldiers on every continent of the world and the islands between them, and over sailors and marines on the seven seas, shines out as a symbol of freedom to all the earth's peoples.