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In the Day's News

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The internal situation in Germany is clearing slowly (possibly only temporarily).

THERE is a quarrel between the military (army, perhaps navy) and the political (nazi) branches of the German government.

At this moment, at least, (as nearly as our eyes can discern through the fogs of censorship and propaganda) the nazis are ON TOP.

THERE may have been an attempt on Hitler's life. May be not. The alleged bombing may have been merely an excuse for the nazis to START KILLING FIRST.

THE dispatches tell us that all Germany is ruled by the BIG FOUR—Hitler, Goering, Goebbels, Himmler. These four ride Germany as relentlessly as the Four Horsemen rode the harried "fourth part of the earth."

As in Revelation, "power has been given unto them . . . to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth."

READING the dispatches, one repeats instinctively the words of Revelation:

"And I looked, and behold a pale horse; and his name that sat on him was DEATH, and Hell followed with him."

The German name of this rider of the pale horse is HIMMLER, and into Butcher Himmler's hands have been given the powers of life and death over EVERY GERMAN and every resident of the conquered and the satellite countries.

THIS much we can be sure of: FEAR stalks Germany. No one can trust ANYONE. No one can know who is a Gestapo agent

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Robots Take New Toll in Southern England, London

LONDON, July 28.—(AP)—Flying bombs boomed through a channel overcast today bringing new destruction to southern England and the London area.

Many persons were trapped when a robot at lunch time wrecked a store, blew the top off a bus near a road intersection and flung an automobile from the street into a shop.

Fire started in the store. Scores of firemen and rescuers dug to reach buried shoppers and customers. People nearby had mistaken the robot's roar for that of an airplane engine and had failed to take shelter.

Even as the rescuers worked, another flying bomb came over. They kept at their grim task.

One entire village had a narrow escape. Fighter pilots shot down several bombs but one glided nearly a mile after receiving a burst from fighter guns over the town and pancaked near a coal yard.

"The town was saved by a miracle," a spectator said. Throughout the night at another spot, rescue workers dug for nine persons buried in a house. They were guided only by the cries of the victims.

One bomb recently struck a canal through the London zoo and another killed two persons in Hyde Park, it was disclosed. Francis James Mortimer, 68, international famous marine photographer, was killed recently "by enemy action," another announcement said.

Transport Plane Crash in Scotland Kills 24

LONDON, July 28.—(AP)—Twenty-four persons, including 17 wounded American soldiers, were killed last night when a U. S. troop transport plane hit a cliff near Mull of Galloway, in southwest Scotland.

Six members of the crew and a nurse were among the victims. A fire followed the crash and many bodies were burned beyond recognition.

NAZI DIVISIONS FACE TRAP IN YANKEES' SMASH

Eleven-Mile Wedge Driven In Foe's Line

Germans in Normandy Sector Falling Back in Disorder, Fliers Report

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 28.—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Bradley's forces advanced to within two miles of Coutances in Normandy, and field dispatches predicted the fall soon of that city, a choke point for Germans attempting to escape from the Lesay and Periers areas.

The American tank breakthrough had plunged spearheads more than 11 miles deep into the heart of enemy defenses and mushroomed into a front 17 miles broad behind the enemy flanks, threatening entrapment of most of the German forces in the western half of the Normandy front.

American fliers supporting the breakthrough said the Germans falling back through the Coutances bottleneck were in greater disorder than during Marshal Rommel's debacle in North Africa.

(The London Public speculated

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No Execution for Superfort Fliers, Japan Declares

LONDON, July 28.—(AP)—Tokyo broadcast today on official denial that "American pilots who crashed on Japanese soil have been executed or would be executed."

The Japanese broadcast said it had notified the United States government, through neutral Switzerland, repudiating a Singapore broadcast of two weeks ago which referred to a "single journey ticket" for Superfortress airmen landing in Japan. Tokyo's denial apparently was intended to cover only the Superfortress fliers, since the United States government has announced officially Tokyo's acknowledgement of the execution of some of the fliers who bombed Tokyo in the Doolittle attack of 1942.

On July 15 the Japanese, in an English-language broadcast from Singapore, had been reported by allied listeners as saying "any allied airman who falls or bails out over Japan will be executed" and that B-29 fliers who came down had met "the same fate which was meted out to the raiders of Tokyo some two years ago."

Today's official broadcast denied "the existence of such intention" and blamed "American propaganda."

Fire Sweeping Grazing Lands in Deschutes Area

THE DALLES, Ore., July 28.—(AP)—A grass fire that burned across 10,000 acres of grassland in the Deschutes canyon area southwest of here yesterday, was fought today by crews as it threatened homes and ripening grain.

The blaze started 20 miles southeast of here and roared across nearly 20 miles of the grazing lands. H. R. Robinson, fire marshal, said. Fire fighters said if the wind died down there was a good chance of stopping the blaze.

Missing Boy Believed Willamette River Victim

PORTLAND, July 28.—(AP)—Search for the body of Tom Hathaway, 17, who disappeared yesterday while serving as a watchman on a gasoline barge, will be resumed in the Willamette river today.

Dragging of the river in the vicinity of the Northwest Oil Co. installation failed to locate the body of the boy, who was believed to have tumbled from the barge into the stream.

Dewey Opposes Fish's Reelection Because of Racial Issue Injection

ALBANY, N. Y., July 28.—(AP)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey announced opposition today to the reelection of Rep. Hamilton Fish, republican, who is running in the 29th New York congressional district, on the ground Fish had raised "racial and religious issues."

In a statement dictated to reporters by James C. Hagerty, Dewey's press secretary, the G. O. P. presidential nominee said: "Two years ago I publicly opposed the nomination and election of Congressman Fish. Statements attributed to him confirm my judgment expressed at that time."

"Anyone who injects a racial or religious issue into a political campaign is guilty of a disgraceful, un-American act."

"I have always fought that kind of thing all my life and always will regardless of partisan consideration. I have never accepted the support of any such individual and I never shall."

Fish, who announced recently he would support the national republican ticket, was quoted by Hagerty as having been interviewed by the New York Post and having told a reporter for that paper the "the Jews are more or less for the New Deal, unfortunately."

Cordon Studies Cut in Truck Tire Allotments

PORTLAND, July 28.—(AP)—Sen. Guy Cordon met with lumbermen today to mull the effect on northwest logging of the OPA's 67 per cent cut in truck tire allotments.

Cordon, who arrived here from California yesterday, said he would present his information to Washington agencies. "I am hopeful that I can divert enough from government stockpiles to keep the absolutely necessary war industries on rubber," he said.

Meanwhile the district OPA reported the tire scarcity "critical" among many bus and truck companies. The Portland Traction company, however, predicted no tie-up in August transportation unless a hot spell should cause a surge of blow-outs.

Oregon Nearing Goal in E Bond Purchases

PORTLAND, July 28.—(AP)—A 24-hour sale of \$1,000,000 in E bonds narrowed the missing gap toward Oregon's \$38,000,000 quota to \$1,056,174 today.

The state has until Monday afternoon to reach the Fifth war loan E bond goal.

Overall sales, which topped the \$125,000,000 quota before the official close of the drive, now stands at \$179,243,926.

New Stamps Valid Aug. 1

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(AP)—Five additional 10-point blue ration stamps—B5 through F 5—will become valid Aug. 1 for purchasing processed foods, the OPA announced today. They will be good indefinitely.

German Oil Centers Get New Lashing

Ploesti, Reich Plants, Rail Junction Targets Of Two-Way Air Raids

LONDON, July 28.—(AP)—American air forces hurled more than 3,000 planes today at dwindling German oil resources, striking synthetic fuel plants at Merseburg in the heart of the reich and the rich Ploesti oil fields in Romania. Half the force was bombers striking from both England and Italy.

Other flights of tactical aircraft returned to the Normandy front in France supporting the American army advancing on Coutances by bombing and strafing enemy transport from Paris to the Atlantic coast. Yesterday, the tactical units destroyed or damaged at least 105 Nazi tanks.

Around 1,000 Flying Fortresses with an equal number of fighters bombed the Luena synthetic oil plants at Merseburg, for the third time this month, and other central German targets. Merseburg is on the Saale river west of Leipzig and is an important rail junction. The Germans said nearby Halle and Dessau also were attacked amid great air battles. Russians Also Strike

On the eastern front, the Russians said they again bombed the East Prussian rail center of Tilsit, destroying five military trains and setting "dozens of fires." The

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Henry Ford Denies Pledge to Finance Crackpot Scheme

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(AP)—Motor Magnate Henry Ford has issued a vigorous denial that he promised financial support to a plan to "alter the course of American history in the next two to four years," a plan outlined in a letter which has been introduced in evidence in the mass sedition trial.

The letter, purportedly written in 1941 by William Dudley Pelley, a defendant, to Maj. Gen. George V. Horn Moseley, of the U. S. army, retired, said the writer wanted to share his information with Ford, Charles A. Lindbergh, Senator Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.), and Moseley. It said that "Mr. Ford is definitely interested in the preliminary material . . . and has implied that he would put a million dollars behind our gesture . . ."

Outside the courtroom yesterday, a Ford spokesman charged that the statement of the writer, as concerned Ford, was a "malicious lie" and that Ford "has never seen Pelley or Moseley and the former was thrown out of the office building at Dearborn when he attempted to obtain funds."

The letter gave no other details.

Storm Paralyzes Power Service at Grants Pass, Lashes Upper Rogue Area

GRANTS PASS, Ore., July 28.—(AP)—A violent wind and rain storm swept up the Rogue river gorge from the coast last night, shearing roofs from houses and raising a wall of water in the river nearly seven feet high.

Trees were uprooted and plunged into the ground like matchsticks. Traffic was halted along the Pacific highway by heavy trees crashing along the road.

The storm, worst to occur in this area in recent years, paralyzed power service in Grants Pass and crippled telephone lines. Windblown debris was strewn over the city.

Both Grants Pass and areas down the Applegate river were completely blacked out. Crews were still working early this morning to clear trees from power lines and restore electricity.

Main force of the storm, which was accompanied by heavy lightning and thunder, hit the region between the city of Rogue River and Savage Rapids dam. No casualties were reported.

Sgt. Holcomb of Kellogg Prisoner of Germans

Staff Sergeant Ralph H. Holcomb, reported missing in action when he failed to return from a bombing mission over Germany, June 21, is a prisoner of war in Germany, according to a telegram received today by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. K. Holcomb, Kellogg. The message was sent by the adjutant general but reported that word had been received through the International Red Cross. A letter of information is to follow, the telegram stated.

Sergeant Holcomb, radio operator and machine gunner with the U. S. 8th air force, had been in England since October 1943, and was with the first American bomber force over Berlin.

Truckers Warned to File Gas Applications

Warning was issued today from the Roseburg OPA office that, according to rulings from the Office of Defense Transportation, certificates of war necessity held by truck operators will be cancelled for the forthcoming quarter unless applications for gasoline ration are filed prior to August 1. A large number of operators holding such certificates have failed, so far, to submit applications for gasoline ration for the coming quarter and are in danger of losing their certificates unless the applications are submitted at once, it was stated.

Wader Drowns in Lake

PORTLAND, July 28.—(AP)—Stanhope John Pier, 40-year-old Portland taxi driver, drowned while wading in Blue lake last night.

Police said Pier, recently discharged from the army because of a heart ailment, might have suffered a heart attack or stepped into a deep hole.

14 More Jap Ships Sunk by Yank Forces

Way Being Cleared for Assault on Philippines; Tinian, Guam Near Fall

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, July 28.—(AP)—The sinking of 10 Japanese ships and leveling of defenses in the western Carolines by an American task force, which cleared the skies of Nip planes in a day, pointed the finger of offensive today at the Philippines.

The two-day attack of carrier planes, just disclosed by Adm. Nimitz, was centered on Palau, once formidable naval base less than 600 miles east of Mindanao.

Today Gen. MacArthur announced that his bombers in a simultaneous operation swooped on an enemy convoy off Truk, another enemy naval base in the central Carolines, setting afire and probably sinking a freighter and three lugger-type craft.

These sinkings, which included a destroyer, increased to more than 50 the shipping losses—from merchantman to aircraft carrier—Japan has suffered since the invasion of the Marianas opened a little over a month ago. Nimitz' announcement of the task force strike added 26 to the more than 1,000 Nip planes destroyed in that time.

Tinian Conquest Advances

While these new successes sap enemy strength along the

Hengyang Still Held By Chinese Against Japs

CHUNGKING, July 28.—(AP)—Maj-Gen. C. C. Tseng, Chinese army spokesman, declared today that the Canton-Hankow rail junction of Hengyang was entirely in Chinese hands and that both Japanese and Chinese were rushing up reinforcements for a decisive battle.

Previously it had been reported the Japanese had broken into the city and engaged the defenders in street fighting.

The Chinese high command communique said some Japanese forces had been wiped out south of Chinese recaptured Lelyang, Southernmost point of advance in the Japanese grand strategy to split China in two.

Church Denied Office Permit in Home Zone

PORTLAND, Ore., July 28.—(AP)—The city council has denied the petition of the Seventh Day Adventist church for permission to use a residential district building here for Pacific northwest headquarters.

Protests were filed by neighbors who said the building would be a business office, contrary to zoning laws. The church planned to move the office here from Walla Walla.

Bus Skids, Upsets on Wet Klamath Falls Street; 21 Passengers Injured

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 28.—(AP)—A southbound Portland-San Francisco Greyhound bus skidded and turned on its side here last night, sending 21 of its 37 passengers to local hospitals for the night and inflicting minor injuries to a number of passengers not hospitalized.

Going out of control on rain-wetted pavement just inside the north entrance of the city, the big bus careened for two blocks and overturned in the front yard of a house at a turn. The rear end of the bus cracked the corner of the house.

V. J. Wrigglesworth, Eugene, driver of the bus, said he was caught by surprise by the slippery pavement, and was unable to control the vehicle.

Passengers were hurled from their seats and the dark interior of the bus became a tangle of arms and legs. The driver got the emergency door open on the upper side and two Klamath men who heard the crash, kicked in the windshield.

Physicians said several passengers were seriously injured, but none was believed in a critical condition.

Eyesight Restored To Heroic Airman, Blinded in Battle

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., July 28.—(AP)—Blind Sgt. Forrest L. Vosler of Livonia, N. Y. holder of the congressional medal of honor, opened his eyes the other morning at Valley Forge general hospital.

The maze of red, blue, green, purple and yellow colors in the Red Cross Afghan lying lying across his feet startled him.

"Gosh, they're bright, just like a technicolor movie, much brighter than I remember when I could see last December."

He could see now—as the doctors said he would. Now, he decided, he would be able to go to Washington to receive the nation's highest decoration from the hands of the president—maybe even accept Mrs. Roosevelt's recent personal invitation to visit Hyde Park.

Brought to Valley Forge on June 2, his wounded, infected right eye was removed in the hope that the vision in the other would clear.

But young Vosler—not yet old enough to vote—still carries a chunk of shell in his chest from the Flying Fortress raid over Bremen last December.

Their plane, shot down by German fighters, plunged into the North sea and Vosler, wounded and blinded by gunfire, crawled out on the wing, followed by a wounded tail gunner. Suddenly, Vosler, hearing a noise behind him sensed what had happened. The tail gunner, weak from wounds, had slipped into the water.

Without hesitation, Vosler plunged into the water, groped and found his companion and then held him afloat until both were pulled to safety. It was this heroic action that won him the award.

Man Saved From Fire Found Draft Violator

NEW PORT, Ore., July 28.—(AP)—Helpful policemen assisted in putting out the blaze when the mattress in Harvey P. Winchester's hotel room here caught fire.

Then the officers found Winchester lacked a selective service registration card, so they checked up and learned he had been indicted December 7, 1943, in Sacramento, Calif., for failure to report a change of address. He will be returned there to face the charge.

Abolishment of Lamb Rationing Is Urged

PORTLAND, July 28.—(AP)—Asserting that lamb cuts are spilling in Oregon meat markets because of lack of buyers, Oregon farm groups appealed to the national OPA today to abandon rationing of lamb.

Telegrams were sent to the OPA by the Oregon State Grange, Oregon Farm Bureau, Oregon State college officials, and livestock and woolgrowers' groups.

Vital Cities Engulfed In Russian Tide

Series of Victories on 1,000-Mile Front Post Germans' Blackest Day

LONDON, July 28.—(AP)—Brest Litovsk, last great fortress position before Warsaw, was abandoned to the onrushing Russian armies today along with Kaunas in Lithuania, Berlin announced.

Soviet troops charged within 30 miles of the Polish capital. In a 17-mile advance beyond the San river, they penetrated to a point 128 miles from German Silesia.

Brest Litovsk and Kaunas gave the Russians 10 major triumphs in 24 hours as they whipped through the Baltic states, Poland and the Carpathian foothills toward East Prussia, German Silesia and Czechoslovakia.

Nearest Russian troops were within 340 miles of Berlin itself with the capture of Garwolin, 30 miles southeast of Warsaw.

Other Russian triumphs were announced in a record spurge of orders of the day by Marshal Stalin, coloring Moscow's skies with many-colored flares for five hours until midnight.

Lwow Left in Flames

The importance of Brest Litovsk lies in the fact that railroads radiate from there to Warsaw, all sections of East Prussia, Moscow, Minsk and Vilno. There in 1918, a peace treaty in the last war removed revolted Russia from belligerent allied ranks.

Lwow, third city of Old Poland and one of Europe's greatest rail centers, topped last night after days of street fighting. The city is on the Bucharest-Warsaw-Berlin railway and was a barrier to Czechoslovakia and Hungary.

Moscow's Izvestia said Lwow still was burning from German demolitions and that "dozens of thousands of innocent people" had been slain in a Nazi reign of terror.

Siauliai, third city of Lithuania, also fell last night. Thus the last major railway was cut by the last of the estimated 300,000 troops of the 30 divisions of two German armies could escape or be supplied.

Other cities taken by the Russians included Stanislawow.

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Umpqua Forest Fires Controlled

Eleven fires have been reported by the Douglas County Fire Protective association and the Umpqua national forest service to have started from the electric storm of Thursday night.

Fred Southwick, warden of the Protective association, reported a small fire in the Days Creek area which was noticed about 9 o'clock Friday morning. This fire was in only one tree and was quickly extinguished by the Riddle suppression crew.

Ray B. Hampton of the Umpqua national forest staff reported Friday seven fires in the South Umpqua district, one in the Bohemia district and two on the North Umpqua. The largest of these fires is in the northeast corner of the North Umpqua district. The telephone communication to the Diamond lake area is broken and no word has been received from any other source.

No difficulty is anticipated in overcoming the fires, as the suppression crews of each district have the fires under control, Mr. Hampton stated.

Allies Near Florence; Battle for Pisa Opens

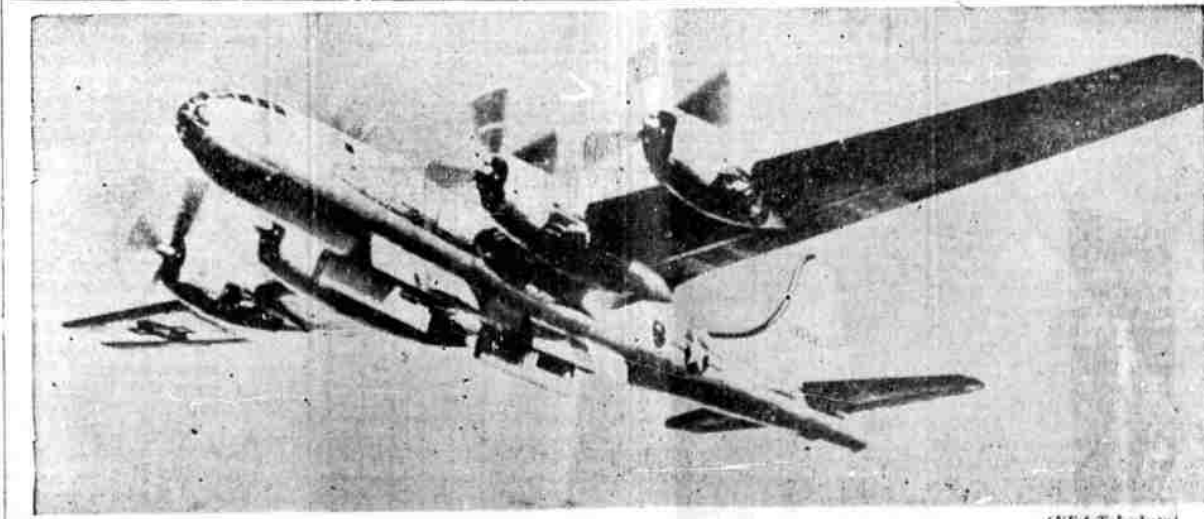
ROME, July 28.—(AP)—The Eighth army plunged steadily on toward Florence today against stiff German resistance, veteran New Zealand troops capturing the town of San Casciano only seven airline miles from the city as American and German artillery duelled across the Arno river in the opening stage of the battle for Pisa.

Indian units made one of yesterday's most substantial gains, punching three miles toward the Arno valley. Still further west, other Eighth army forces stabbed to within four miles of Empoli, on the Arno 28 miles east of Pisa.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Hitler rates a salute of only one arm on the home front, but both arms are being hoisted by the nazis to the allies on the war front.



DOUBLE PUNCH FOR SUPERFORTRESS—The B-29 Superfortress carries such a tremendous bomb load that it takes twin bomb bays (both open in photo) to enable the giant craft to disgorge its deadly cargo. Bombs drop alternately from bays so that the plane's center of gravity remains undisturbed. This is the type of air weapons used by the Americans in the second and third bombings of the Japanese homeland.