

British Claim Edge in Crete

Retake Middle Part of Island From Nazi Invaders in Battle

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emi airdrome—just below the Crete capital of Canea—by the sudden descent from the skies of fresh Nazi shock troops. The allied assault, re-formed with tanks and field guns, was then renewed.

The British command issued a formal and extraordinary tribute to the allied troops, saying:

As the German losses will show, both the British and empires forces have never rendered a better account of themselves. In the Candia sector Greek troops also fought with the greatest gallantry."

The British, Imperials and Greeks—fighting with no protection against bombers save the ground guns, since all the RAF's fighters had been withdrawn after the first day of the battle—reported nevertheless that 16 Junkers troop transports had been shot down by anti-aircraft fire in three days. There was no information as to the number of German troops thus put out of action, but the maximum capacity of any known Nazi carrier is 75 men.

The German high command still made no specific reference to Crete by name, although reporting great successes against British naval units in "the eastern Mediterranean," but the German press devoted thousands of words to "background" of Crete as of strategic importance.

Such a campaign customarily has been a prelude to an announcement of a German victory.

British informants readily conceded that the crisis was yet to come. Everything in the end depended on the fleet, they said, adding that if it could keep the sea-borne Germans back a little longer the invasion would fail. It was a grave job, they acknowledged, for the navy was under endless attack from the air and was confined, too, in space relatively small to maneuver such great craft.

How much this might, continuing engagement off Crete already had cost the British and Germans was in dispute. The British gave no comprehensive information as to the number of German vessels sunk. They dismissed as "exaggerated as usual" German claims to the destruction through yesterday of a substantial proportion of the British Mediterranean fleet:

Wednesday and Thursday—four British cruisers, "several" destroyers and a submarine sunk; two battleships, two destroyers and a "number" of smaller vessels hit; six cruisers damaged.

Friday—three additional destroyers sunk, two others damaged; five speedboats destroyed; two cruisers left afloat.

The main British hope to hold Crete appeared to lie in the possibility of smashing German efforts at supply; time, London implied, would favor the allies. The Germans already were reported trying to supply their men with food and ammunition from the air.

With all this fighting in Crete the riddle of Vichy, France, and its intentions is closely tied in—for the Germans already are using the airdromes of French Syria in their march into the middle east and could go in with much heavier forces to menace Suez if Crete should fall—and Friday brought important developments from and affecting Vichy.

French officials in Syria acknowledged that a French colonel named Collet and 200 of his troops had fought through their own frontier forces to leave the colony and enter the British territory of Trans-Jordan. French authorities sought to minimize the importance of the desertion. The colonel himself said he left Syria because France had been treacherous in supplying air bases and munitions to the Germans with which to fight the British in Iraq.

In Vichy itself Vice Premier Admiral Jean Darlan declared that Hitler in the French-German "collaboration" negotiations had not demanded the French fleet, colonial concessions or a French declaration of war on Britain, and he added:

"Everyone knows—and the English better than anyone—that I will never hand it (the fleet) over."

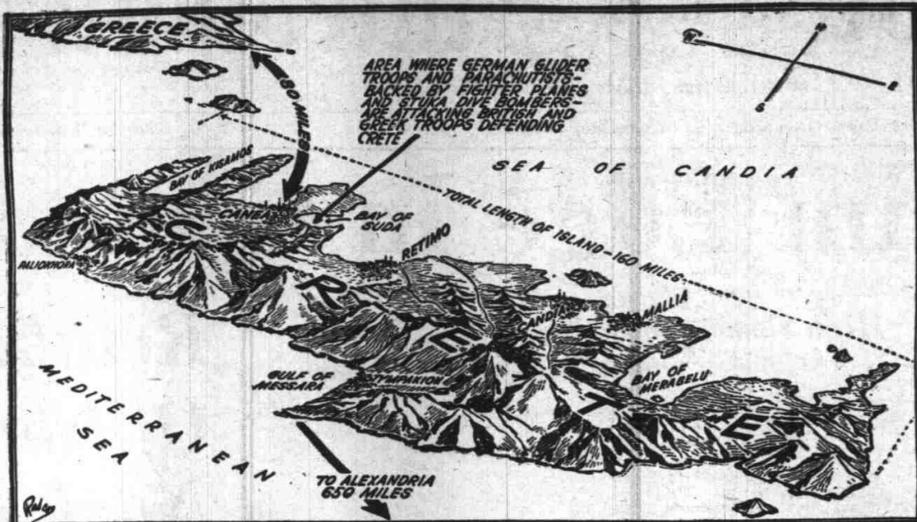
There was some indication that this speech was intended to end a certain disquiet not only in London but in the United States.

Brush Creek Woman Dies

SILVERTON—Death came Friday to Mrs. Anna Laura Lockard, 67, at her home in the Brush Creek district. She had lived there for the past 25 years. Funeral services will be today at 2 p. m. from the Ekman funeral home with interment in Belcrest Memorial park. Rev. Russell Myers will officiate.

Survivors include her husband, James William Lockard; son, Alva Lockard; daughter, Mrs. Golda Sidwell; brother, Rev. Frank Neff of Florence, Ore., and two grandsons, Robert Sidwell of Silverton and William Lockard of Oregon City.

Fantastic "War to the Death" Invades Land of Myths



Island war—This map shows the main towns of Crete, and, on north shore, the principal harbors that could be used by Nazi invaders. The fighting so far has centered about Canea and Suda Bay, where German air troops plummeted down by thousands, and where speedboat landings were attempted. Black arrows show edge German air force has, the island being only 80 miles from Nazi bases in Greece to 650 miles from British airports in Alexandria. Crete is 160 miles long, with high mountain chains along its length. Ancient myths pervade Crete, home of thunderbolt hurling Zeus.

High Rankers Pay Call on Statesman

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Third division's newly-inducted truck drivers, is providing excellent experience in handling army vehicles, the general said.

"There is more of a reason than facilitation of civilian traffic in our ordering the trucks to be spaced 100 yards apart on the road," Gen. Thompson declared. "The principal reason for this type of formation is that it presents a poor target to hostile planes. The men have to have practice to keep the columns dispersed in this loose formation."

The Third command, who from 1934 to 1936 served as ROTC instructor at Oregon State college, was accompanied on his Salem visit by his assistant, Brig. Gen. Charles P. Hall and his chief of staff, Lt. Col. E. M. Landrum. All three served overseas in the World War. Gen. Thompson with the AEF general headquarters and later with the field armies, Gen. Hall with the Second division and Col. Landrum with the 27th Infantry in Siberia.

In One Ear ..

—Paul Hauser's Column

(Continued From Page 1) and feeding hogs. That was during the horse epidemic, using cows and mules. A pair of mules brought 700 dollars.

The Best Brewing company, which is now called Pabst Brewing Co. Pabst was a son-in-law of Phillip Best. Best had one son who became a time-keeper.

I joined the singing choir of Christian Bach at Milwaukee for three years, practicing evenings. Bach lived until he was 93 years old. He was a grandson of Sebastian Bach, the noted composer of Germany.

In 1897, the 19th of September, I was married in Whiting, Kansas to Anna Maria Caroline Gruber of the well known Gruber family of Lingen on the Erie Canal, Hanover. We have 23 living, healthy children, 29 grand children, six great grand children. We took care of my wife's parents also for ten years, Leopold Julius August Carl Gruber.

William George is gone at 73 years. He was an old friend of the Petersen's in the 90ties. To bad to lose him in the prime of his years. If we want to a good old age, we must quit craving for the dollar. We must joke, sing, laugh, have your friends around you like Fritz in Sansocie. If you can't jest, employ a jester. For the heart it is the best medicine.

Piling up dollars will not make you happy. Spend it, giving it will make you happy. Looking at a cold dollar is like death looking at you. Giving it and paying your debts will make you happy. You will rest and sleep soundly. If you have a pile in your trunk you are counting it every day to see if it is all there, watching your grain and potatoes grow. God will help you.

Leme Repairs Start

PORTLAND, Ore., May 23—(AP)—Repairs to the Italian motorship Leme, damaged shortly before seizure by the US coast guard in a general round-up of axis ships, will be started here next week.

Another Big Dance

at Hazel Green TONIGHT

Adm. 55c Per Couple

Governor Appoints Members of Three State Forestry and "Keep Oregon Green" Groups

Appointments to three state forestry advisory bodies, including this year's "Keep Oregon Green" committee, were made Friday by Gov. Charles A. Sprague.

Committeemen representing all parts of the state were named to the "Keep Oregon Green" group, which is to head a statewide drive to protect the state's forests from fire. A "Keep Oregon Green" week will be proclaimed early in the summer.

The fire prevention committee consists of the following: Executive committee—H. J. Cox, Eugene; Edmund Hayes, Deschamps; John C. Kuhns, Seward; Harris Ellsworth, Roseburg; F. A. Graham, Jasper; Blaine Hallock, Baker; Glenn Jackson, Medford; Jackson F. Kimball, Klamath Falls; W. A. Lovelace, Reedsport; Willard Marks, Albany; Earl G. Mason, Corvallis; W. B. Morse, Prineville; J. Ed Nelson, Gresham; Mrs. Harold D. Peterson, Dallas; C. J. Pettibone, Burns; Charles F. Pray, Salem.

Other members—Dean Johnson, Toledo; Donald Black, Salem; Charles Childs, Albany; Lefe Compton, Coquille; David Eccles, Salem; Harris Ellsworth, Roseburg; F. A. Graham, Jasper; Blaine Hallock, Baker; Glenn Jackson, Medford; Jackson F. Kimball, Klamath Falls; W. A. Lovelace, Reedsport; Willard Marks, Albany; Earl G. Mason, Corvallis; W. B. Morse, Prineville; J. Ed Nelson, Gresham; Mrs. Harold D. Peterson, Dallas; C. J. Pettibone, Burns; Charles F. Pray, Salem.

Rex Putnam, Salem; Irving T. Rau, St. Helens; Robert W. Sawyer, Bend; Harry S. Schenck, Eugene; H. C. Seymour, Corvallis; B. K. Snider, Lakeview; Richard S. Smith, Eugene; August J. Stange, LaGrande; Manley Wilson, Wauna; W. Walter Weisendanger, Klamath Falls; J. A. Coleman, Klamath.

R. M. Alton, Ed F. Averill, Henry Cabell, Angus Christolm, Fred S. Cutler, William Dalrymple, David Davis, Kenneth Davis, S. V. Fullaway, George T. Gerlinger, Frederick Greenwood, A. F. Hartung, Edmund Hayes, Mrs. Daniel Heffner, D. P. Hemingway, Mrs. Jessie Honeyman, Palmer Hoyt, Carl G. Kinney, E. B. MacNaughton, David T. Mason, Mrs. Don McGraw, O. R. Miller, Carl Moser, L. A. Nelson, Richard L. Neuberger, D. E. Nickerson, Mrs. Ralph W. Rasmussen, Allen Reinhart, Mrs. Charles W. Robinson, Mrs. A. E. Rocky, Donald Sterling, E. B. Tanner, Lyle F. Watsling and Frank R. Wire, all of Portland.

Other appointments Friday were: Oregon board of forest conservation—C. W. Chambers, Umatilla county judge, to succeed Charles E. Baird, Baker, and Ervin L. Peterson, Coos county judge, to succeed Hugh McClain, Marshfield.

Advisory committee for establishment of forest products research laboratory—Albert Herman, Portland; H. J. Cox, secretary-manager, Willamette Valley Lumbermen's association; Stephen N. Wyckoff, Portland; Earl G. Mason, Oregon State college; and Ray Jeub, Coquille.

Machinery Salvaged

ASTORIA, Ore., May 23—(AP)—Heavy machinery was salvaged Friday from the Vatzlav Vorovsky, Russian freighter which grounded on the sands below Cape Disappointment last month.

Horse Show

Amateur and professional entries. Some of the best horses on the coast will be here to compete for the substantial cash purses.

STADIUM STATE FAIR GROUNDS
Tonight 8 P. M.
Sunday 2 P. M.

Reserved Seats 55c
General Admission 25c
Tickets at Quisenberry's Pharmacy

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Rear Guard Of Troopers Spend Night

(Continued From Page 1) sub-columns, totaling another 6000 soldiery.

This morning the state fairgrounds has some of the atmosphere of a medical convention with most of the third medical battalion included in the encampment, while officers of several other units are physicians and surgeons or dentists in private professional life. Fifteen M.D.'s, three dentists and five medical administrative corps men are officers in the medical battalion.

Fort Lewis' only cavalry outfit, the 115th, comprised of men from Wyoming who ride not horses but mechanized transportation, is part of the sub-column.

From Olympia, via Fort Lewis, comes the 205th coast artillery, whose Lt. Col. B. M. James is commander of the entire sub-column.

The third quartermasters' battalion less some detachments and one company of the 60th signal corps complete the roster of 824 enlisted men and 53 officers.

Moving in one series of six march units, the 181 vehicles left Fort Lewis at 5:30 Friday morning, arriving here at approximately 3 p. m. An advance party moved two hours ahead of the column.

Leave taking today is scheduled for 6 a. m. No band concert entertained callers at the grounds Friday night, for, said Lt. Col. James, "the only instrument in the series is the chaplain's guitar, and he's getting together some men to swim at the YMCA." Incidentally, the pool at the YMCA was opened without charge to the visitors.

Memorial Rites Planned Sunday

Memorial services at Jason Lee cemetery are set for 3 p. m. Sunday in charge of Ladies of the GAR. Glenn C. Wade is to give the talk, "Voices From Yesterday."

Invocation and benediction will be given by Rev. Harold Lyman. Singing will be led by Daughters of Union Veterans. The Sons of Union Veterans will help decorate the GAR graves.

Oregon Knights of Columbus to Hold Convention at Hillsboro

The Oregon jurisdiction Knights of Columbus will assemble at Hillsboro Sunday for the annual state convention. Thomas A. Windshorff of Salem, state deputy will preside at the two-day session concluding on Monday, May 26, with election of officers and selection of a convention city for 1942.

A motor caravan of delegates and members from Salem to be joined by other delegates from southern Oregon cities and Marion county councils will leave Salem Saturday evening and early Sunday morning for Hillsboro where Solemn High Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 o'clock by the Rev. John Costello, pastor, formally opening the convention.

Marion county members are state convention committees; Edward Bell, Stayton, secretary of the state committee, registration; Gus Minden, Sublimity, audit; Fred Hecker, Woodburn and S. E. Kerr, St. Paul, mileage and per diem; Steve Mertens, St. Paul, good of the order; ecclesiastical greetings for the Willamette valley, L. A. LeDoux, district deputy, Mt. Angel. Fred Muhs of McMinnville will represent western Oregon on the greetings committee.

The chamber of commerce at Hillsboro will be the registration office for delegates. An extensive program of entertainment for the wives of delegates who will attend has been planned by the ladies of Hillsboro council, according to Windshorff.

The state deputy also announced the following changes in reappointments of district deputies residing in Marion county: district 4; Salem, Albany and Corvallis councils, W. Daniel Hay, Salem; district 3; Mt. Angel, Sublimity, Stayton and Woodburn councils, L. A. LeDoux, Mt. Angel.

Force Asked In SF Strike

Maritime Chief Tells Congress Shipyard Strike Should End

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tain production in defense plants the government should be authorized to take them over and operate them.

"If this government has got to submit to anybody's demands in order to keep production up, we might as well quit," he declared.

Ralph Bard, assistant secretary of the navy, expressed the view in response to questions that the government should operate plants in cases of "outlaw" strikes, or of walkouts called on fraudulent strike votes. As an alternative, he said the government might prosecute strike leaders for conspiracy to hold up the defense program.

He testified that work on naval vessels costing \$342,012,000, including four light cruisers and a number of destroyers and minesweepers, had been held up by the strike.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23—(AP)—Harry Bridges, California director of the CIO, will take the stand early next week to contradict the testimony of government witnesses that he was subject to deportation.

The climax of the case, which already includes nearly 1,000,000 words of testimony, leared Friday when the defense failed in efforts to subpoena federal officials in an effort to show Bridges was being "singled out" for prosecution.

WASHINGTON, May 23—(AP)—The defense mediation board, adopting a new procedure in an effort to avert future labor disputes, recommended Friday the appointment of a commission to survey the Pacific northwest lumber industry.

Data on wages, working conditions, and the general state of the industry would be submitted to the board, C. A. Dykstra, chairman, said. He added that he hoped such information would enable the board to "take action helpful to the whole industry."

EVERETT, May 23—(AP)—W. W. Wallace, of the northwest district council of the International Woodworkers of America, reported that Everett members of the union voted Friday night against acceptance of the defense mediation board's back-to-work proposal in the CIO union's western Washington lumber strike. He said the overflow meeting instructed delegates to cast a negative vote at the Olympia session.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 23—(AP)—Failing to agree over a demand for union shop and union hiring halls, representatives of 5000 CIO loggers and employers of the Columbia basin district will carry their dispute to Washington, D. C. Negotiators agreed on all other points, spokesmen said today at the close of discussions.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 23—(AP)—The more than 500 workers at the Aluminum company of America plant here Thursday night authorized a strike vote for next Thursday.

Scio Resident Dies Friday

SCIO—Frank Cutych, 87, a resident of this community for 31 years, coming here direct from Bohemia, died Friday at the home of his daughter.

Survivors are three daughters, one in Czechoslovakia, Mrs. Mary Walter, near Scio, and Mrs. Bessele Novak, Mill City.

Funeral services will be Sunday at 2 p. m. at the M. O. Lowe chapel, Scio, with burial at the Scio cemetery by the side of his wife, who died in 1912.

Circulate Petitions

ASTORIA, May 23—(AP)—Commercial fishermen began circulating petitions Friday for a referendum on the bill passed by the last legislature prohibiting commercial fishing in a number of coast streams.

Salem to See Some of Many Troop Trains

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ing the 161st and 163rd infantry regiments.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23—(AP)—Olive-drab army trucks in a 80-mile long caravan snaked over the Golden Gate bridge and through San Francisco Friday, the vanguard of 35,000 soldiers enroute to central California for the west coast's greatest war games.

The motorized unit comprising the third division from Fort Lewis, Wash., and troops of the IX corps camped Friday night at Sallina, one day's march from the Hunter Liggett reservation where 65,000 soldiers will fight a mimic war next month.

Another column of 1,800 troops, the advance unit of the 41st division, paraded through the city of Marysville Friday and bivouacked at the airport there.

Marysville was affluted with flags and cheering civilians lined the streets as the troops passed in review before Brig.-General Jesse Drain, commander of the 81st brigade and chief officer of the column traveling the eastern route south, and Mayor Charles I. Hust of Marysville.

This lead convoy, which left Fort Lewis Monday, made the briefest jaunt of the seven-day trip, moving to Marysville from Red Bluff, 83 miles. Saturday it will leave for Modesto.

Some 6,000 trucks of the 41st towing high field artillery guns, and 4,000 men, camped tonight at Red Bluff.

The last of the third division IX corps cleared Fort Lewis this morning, moving down the western route along highway 99.

Officers said the military migration, greatest troop movement in far west history, would be completed by May 29.

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Sh-h-h-h Here's Some Inside

Dope on How to

HOW TO HOLD YOUR MAN!

James Stewart Hedy Lamarr
"Come Live With Me"
Time: 1:30-2:50-10:25
—2ND HIT—
John Wayne The Hunter Thomas Mitchell

"The Long Voyage Home"

Time: 1:30-2:50-10:25
ADDED COLOR CARTOON
—MIDNIGHT SHOW—
Bessie Russell Helvyn Douglas

"THIS THING CALLED LOVE"

Continuous show daily, Matinee 1:30
DON'T MISS SALEM SADDLE CLUB HORSE SHOW FAIRGROUNDS May 24-25

Become a STAR in your own kitchen. PLAN TO ATTEND THE OREGON STATESMAN "Happy Kitchen" COOKING CLASSES

For DATES TIME PLACE See Sunday's Oregon Statesman

Control of Sea Seen as Need

Knox Makes Plea for Stronger Measures Against Germans

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time would never come, he said, when any nation could "successfully achieve world domination without a combination of those powers, and at the base, sea power."

Meanwhile, congress was putting legislative machinery in shape for President Roosevelt to take formal possession of axis and other ships in American harbors and press them into any service he deems fit.

The measure was finally approved by a senate-house conference committee Friday, and all that remained was the formality of separate votes by the two chambers.

Another important measure, the "mandatory priorities" bill cleared congress Friday when the senate approved, 35 to 2, a conference report and sent the bill to the White House. The measure gives the office of production management sweeping authority to place the production of munitions for the British and the United States ahead of all production for civilian consumption.

While these events were occurring in Capitol hill, President Roosevelt appointed new heads for the army air corps, the infantry and the chemical warfare service. Major General George H. Brett, acting chief of the air corps, was selected as chief; Brigadier General Courtney Hodges was named chief of infantry, succeeding Major General George A. Lynch, retired; and Col. William N. Porter was appointed chief of the chemical warfare service, succeeding General Water C. Baker, retired.

H. H. Arnold, who has held the temporary rank of Major General as chief of the air corps and deputy chief of staff, was made a permanent major general. He will remain as deputy chief of staff, but will turn over his air corps duties to Brett.

During the day Capitol hill heard reports that the war department was about to ask congress for \$2,500,000,000 for 13,000 more fighting and bombing planes, a force which would be in addition to the present army goal of 21,000.

WASHINGTON, May 23—(AP)—Oregon's congressional delegation held the first of a regular series of conferences Friday to discuss state matters.

Development and administration of the Bonneville power authority occupied today's discussions and Senator Holman said that progress was made toward united action. Senator McNary and representatives Pierce and Angell also attended. Representative Mott sent word that he was unable to be present but would attend future meetings.

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