

Every time you get your pay, buy bonds and stamps for the USA. Cheer the boys in uniform by getting an interest in fighting men and equipment.

WEBB CITY, Mo., April 1 (AP)—Philip Buhler, 26, left an orphan by the Chicago fire of 1871, burned to death in his home Wednesday.

Nazi-Red Southern Fight On

Titanic Struggle May Determine Summer Result

LONDON, April 1—(AP)—Bitter fighting now under way in the Donets basin on Russia's southern front was reported Wednesday night to be gradually developing into a titanic clash which ultimately may determine the outcome of 1942's warm weather operations on the entire Russian-German battlefield.

Dispatches from both Moscow and Berlin indicated that the entire front from Leningrad to the Black sea now is locked in a seesaw struggle, with both the Russian and German high commands moving masses of reserves into the central and southern zones.

Incessant German counter attacks to recover lost ground and relieve the encircled Nazi 16th army in the Staraya Russa sector on the northwestern front are stressed in reports from Stockholm.

These reports state that the beleaguered German force, which originally numbered 100,000 men, has been cut in half by methodical Russian bombing and artillery fire.

Wednesday night's Moscow communique told of a number of successful operations on the Leningrad front in which about 3000 German officers and soldiers were annihilated during the past two days.

A Russian drive to close a pincer movement on the strategic town of Vyazma from the north is believed to have advanced further with a soviet announcement that 12 villages on this northwestern front had been recaptured within 24 hours.

Meanwhile the Moscow radio broadcast to the people of Vitebsk, only 75 miles from the Polish border, that their hour of liberation is "not far off."

Valley Cities Are Queried

Defense Housing Area Approval Depends On Transportation

W. H. Crawford, Oregon Economic council director, Wednesday sent letters to officials of towns and cities affected by the Corvallis-Albany army cantonment, to determine whether they can qualify under the defense housing critical area provision, which carries preference rating under the priority system.

The letters were sent out at the request of Folger Johnson, Portland, state director for federal housing.

Under the federal regulations cities and towns eligible for the defense housing area must have adequate public transportation already in operation or absolutely certain to be placed in operation in time to serve the project, with the cost not to exceed 40 cents per round trip on the cheapest available basis, and the running time not to exceed two hours per round trip.

Letters were sent to officials of Salem, Dallas, Monmouth, Independence, Albany, Corvallis, Eugene and Lebanon.

Japanese Return to Schools

Japanese-American public school pupils, sent home with books and supplies early this week and told to remain until the new army curfew regulations had been clarified, may return to their classes, state and city school authorities were informed Wednesday.

An interpretation of the regulations by US District Attorney Carl Donaghy places schools in the classification of "employment," to which aliens and Japanese-Americans have not been denied the right to travel, State Supt. Rex Putnam informed City Supt. Frank B. Bennett. Fourteen Salem public school pupils and approximately 10 Willamette university students had been affected by the earlier interpretation.

SEATTLE, April 1—(AP)—Pas-

Japs Advance Only in Burma

Two Groups Reject Freedom Proposal; Nehru, Wavell Talk

Sikhs and Mahasabha Fear Results; British Are Fearful That All-India Congress Uninfluenced by Comment

NEW DELHI, India, April 2—(Thursday)—(AP)—Sir Stafford Cripps disclosed Wednesday with a show of optimism that he was prolonging his stay here after all but a glimmer of hope apparently had vanished for the proposal of post-war dominion status he had brought to India.

He said his postponed departure was due to this view of the general situation and that "I think I can possibly do something useful next week."

(This indicated that Britain may have decided to modify her all-or-nothing provision in the dominion offer since Indian objections to some points apparently were wrecking the whole plan).

LONDON, April 1—(AP)—Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell, British commander for India, have arranged to meet for a talk on control of Indian defense, said a dispatch late Wednesday night from New Delhi to the Daily Herald.

Wavell's forthcoming meeting with the dominant Hindu leader in the all-India congress party was looked upon as a new attack in the effort of Sir Stafford Cripps to settle the Indian problem with the offer of dominion status after the war.

June Call Set For New List

Prompt Classification Ordered; Call in May Possible

WASHINGTON, April 1—(AP)—Draft headquarters served notice Wednesday that some of the men who registered on February 15 may be summoned to the training camps in May, and that June most probably would see a portion of them in the service.

Those who registered on that date were men between 35 and 44 inclusive and those who had become 20 and 21 in the recently preceding months. A lottery determining the order of their liability for service was conducted on March 17.

The intent of the army regarding this group was made plain in selective service order to all local draft boards. They were told to start classifying the new registrants immediately and prepare to fill the June call, and possibly the May call, in part from them.

This clarified an uncertainty as to whether these men would be lumped with the earlier registrants and become subject to early call or whether the army would exhaust the first group before tapping the second.

The method of coordinating the two groups is to be explained in detail in a later announcement. As recently outlined, the plan is as follows: After the men have been classified, a local board determines how many from each group are IA. If it has, for example, 60 IA men from the first group and 40 from the second, all calls from the army for new men are filled 60 per cent from the first and 40 per cent from the second.

Army Engineer at Portland Shifted

PORTLAND, April 1—(AP)—Col. Cecil R. Moore, US army engineer in charge of the Portland district, said Wednesday he would report to Fort Lewis Friday for troop duty.

Moore, who had been district engineer here since 1938, will be succeeded by Lt. Col. Donald J. Leehy.

Fire Fighting Sand Provided

Small Charge Planned In City Distribution From Several Bins

Bins of clean sand to be used, if occasion arises, in fighting incendiary bombs will be made available to residents of Salem within a few days, City Defense Chairman L. F. LeGarde declared Wednesday night.

Although donors of the sand have offered to haul it without charge to the city, he said, a small charge to householders is contemplated for the dual purpose of making the quantities available go further and to provide a fund to reimburse the haulers for at least a portion of their mileage costs.

Fear that placing the sand at strategic points around the capital city might not mean that it would be there when needed was expressed by LeGarde, who said if a charge were made there would be some curb on ardent gardeners and the builders of children's sandboxes.

Bins are to be built at the three district fire stations and later an attempt will be made to place some in each immediate neighborhood.

LOS ANGELES, April 1—(AP)—Mass evacuation of Japanese families—one with 44 members—to the government's new Owens valley camp at Manzanar, Calif., began in earnest Wednesday.

Five hundred of them—from moon-faced babies clutching teddy bears and dolls to wrinkled old men carrying all their worldly possessions in cloth sacks—left "Little Tokyo" by special train for the internment center that is to be their home for the duration of the war.

All of the families, including the one with 44 members, ranging from babies to grandmothers, will be kept intact at the camp.

From Besieged Bataan



Smoke rises over Nichols field, US army airport near Manila (above), after a Japanese raid December 10 fired homes. The picture, one of the first out of the Philippines since the war began, is by Associated Press from the US army signal corps. The lower photo depicts Pres. Manuel Quezon of the invaded Philippine commonwealth as he held an informal call on Gen. Douglas MacArthur during the battle of Bataan, before MacArthur left to assume supreme command in the southwest Pacific. Quezon, in the International Illustrated News photo, wears a tin helmet and stands beside MacArthur, who is hatless.

Victory Parade Monday, 11 a. m., Includes Troops

Salem's "Victory parade," first planned by the retail trade bureau and now consolidated with civilian defense agencies' observance of Army day will be held next Monday at 11 a. m., Col. Carl Abrams, grand marshal, announced Wednesday.

Pres. Roosevelt has proclaimed April 6 as "Total War" day. The purpose of this parade, Abrams said, "is to stir up a more intense interest in defense and the need for universal and unified action."

All the federal troops available here will march in the parade, including a large detachment of cavalry and mechanized units, the grand marshal disclosed.

All civilian defense groups, such as the police and fire reserves, citizens' defense corps, ambulance corps, sheriff's posse and air raid wardens, will take part in the parade, Ed Colby, deputy county coordinator, said. In addition all other organizations, civic and fraternal, veterans and labor, are being urged to participate.

Col. Abrams said general orders for the parade would be issued by his chief of staff, Capt. E. R. Austin, later this week. The parade will form at Marion square at 10:45 a. m.

"I am calling on all business houses and industries to close between 10:45 a. m. and 12 noon," Col. Abrams added.

Sen. Douglas McKay as chairman of the Marion county defense council, is heading up the group making plans for the parade. Communities outside of Salem should either participate in the Salem parade or arrange an appropriate Army day observance of their own, Colby advised.

Columbia Bill Is Introduced

WASHINGTON, April 1—(AP)—A possible break in the long deadlock over the establishment of a Columbia power administration appeared Wednesday as Sen. Homer T. Bone of Washington introduced a new bill, extending to the proposed authority the privilege of issuing revenue bonds for financing a vast public power network.

The authority would administer the Bonneville and Grand Coulee power projects and could issue revenue bonds for the acquisition of other projects.

PORTLAND, April 1—(AP)—Congressional investigation of the national labor relations board will be demanded unless a vote on union preference is ordered in a shipyard here and in San Pedro, John Green, national president of CIO shipyard workers, said Wednesday.

Accusing the NLRB of an alliance with the AFL, Green said the board had sidetracked CIO charges of discrimination against the two yards.

Yanks Repulse All Attacks in Bataan; Aussies Mobilized

Jap Warehouses Burned, Philippines; Chinese Join Forces in Burma as Enemy Retains Supremacy in Air

By WILLIAM SMITH WHITE Associated Press War Editor

American resistance was rising Wednesday night in the Philippines, Australia's mobilization was reaching the peak of urgency, and only in the Burma theatre was the Japanese enemy making progress of consequence.

Successive war department communiqués told of the defeat of a major enemy attack on General Wainwright's main line on Bataan peninsula, Luzon, and reported two audacious and highly successful American-Filipino raids on the Philippine island of Mindanao.

There one body of troops struck a Japanese supply base near Digos and burned 22 enemy military warehouses to the ground, while native Sulus thrust to the very center of the Japanese-occupied city of Zamboanga, destroying machinegun nests and other enemy positions, killing many Japanese and withdrawing without losses to themselves.

On Bataan, some American outposts had to withdraw a short distance under heavy enemy assaults which were subsequently checked in violent hand-to-hand fighting with the loss of no material American position.

Moreover, as the accent remained on American military action, the navy announced that US naval and army forces had now destroyed or were presumed to have destroyed a total of 28 axis submarines, the bulk of them in the Atlantic. Three of these sinkings were announced during Tuesday.

All single Australian marines from 18 to 45, and the married, as well between 18 and 35, were called up for immediate military service and the toughest kind of war training was put into effect under the general supervision of Generalissimo Douglas MacArthur and the personal direction of his right hand man for all the allied ground forces, General Sir Thomas Blamey.

Allied bombers rode the southern skies again in a continuation of their counter-offensive against the enemy's invasion bases on Timor and New Guinea, and their successes against enemy aircraft within the last three days were thus tabulated:

Four planes shot down for certain, 18 destroyed in all probability, 11 known to have been damaged, for a total of 33.

In Burma the enemy held complete control of the air over the allied right, manned by the British, and was by all signs in substantial command along the Chinese-held left as well.

On the right, where the allied anchor of Promé stands athwart the routes to the central Burmese oil fields, the forward English and Scottish troops which previously had been isolated by an enemy roadblock thrown in at the town of Shwedaung had by heroic counter-attacks cut their way back through to the main bodies, but the invader's pressure upon Promé itself was hourly growing.

Large enemy forces strongly held Shwedaung, which is just 10 miles below Promé, and other columns were astride the railway some 30 miles southeast of Promé in the vicinity of the town of Paungde. The whole of the allied right was thus facing crisis.

On the allied left, after the bloodiest battle yet fought in Burma, the Chinese had reformed some 12 miles north of Toungoo, the important town on the road to Mandalay that now was wholly in enemy hands.

This juncture was effected by the survivors of a Chinese Toungoo garrison originally estimated at 8000 to 10,000 men which, under the command of the American General Joseph Stilwell, had crossed the Sittoung river under terrible enemy fire and rejoined the main Chinese forces.

Neuberger to Enlist

PORTLAND, April 1—(AP)—Richard L. Neuberger, Portland magazine writer, announced Wednesday in a Washington, DC, dispatch that the Oregonian that he planned to go into the army and would not seek reelection to the state legislature.

Plant Idleness Due Shortage Of Materials

PORTLAND, April 1—(AP)—Inability to obtain materials and lack of orders were the major causes of idle capacity in 73 of 110 metal-working plants in Oregon outside of Portland, a survey showed Wednesday.

David Eccles, state war industries coordinator, said his study disclosed that 21 per cent reported idle capacity was due to lack of orders, 23 per cent due to lack of materials and 13 per cent due to lack of materials, orders and skilled labor. Only 8 per cent gave shortage of skilled labor as the lone cause.

Meanwhile, Eccles said attempts were being made to interest Portland business leaders in the possible development of an electric steel furnace for production of pig and sponge iron from ore deposits in Columbia and Curry counties.

Tuesday's Weather

Weather forecasts withheld and temperature data delayed by army request. River Wednesday, 3 feet. Max. temperature Tuesday, 62, min., 48. Rainfall, 15 inches.

Two Craft Are Sunk In Break

Ten Norse Ships In Sweden Try Trip to Britain

STOCKHOLM, April 2—(Thursday)—(AP)—Ten Norwegian ships berthed in Sweden since the German invasion of Norway made a dash for England early Wednesday, and at least two were torpedoed and sunk just outside the three-mile limit.

A third ship was damaged, and two others turned back into Goteborg, the Swedish west coast port where they had been tied up.

Presumably the five others reached the open sea.

The sunken ships were identified as the 12,358-ton Skyttern, and the 8222-ton Buccaneer. The former, floating whale oil factory built in 1901 was registered at Oslo, as was the Buccaneer, a tanker.

Survivors were believed to have been taken aboard the attacking vessels, and presumably these were naval ships since the waters at the entrance of the Kattegat are under German control.

The ships were struck about six miles off Kaerlinge, which is slightly north of Goteborg. The area is opposite the northern tip of Nazi-occupied Denmark.

In London an informed British source said there was no confirmation of the reported attempt to break through the German blockade, but "naturally we would be glad to add to our services any good Norwegian ships."

Free French Said Ready

DeGaulle Calls for Recognition if Forces Fight

WASHINGTON, April 1—(AP)—Vice-Admiral Emile Muselier, naval commander of Gen. Charles DeGaulle's Free French forces, has resigned from the French national committee in London, it was disclosed Wednesday.

LONDON, April 1—(AP)—Gen. Charles DeGaulle, showing his resentment at lack of recognition accorded his Free French movement by the United Nations, declared Wednesday that his followers would march "shoulder to shoulder with her allies on the express condition that her allies go forward with her."

(Forty five words of this dispatch were deleted by censor).

The Free French leader, addressing a luncheon audience, called the men of Vichy "infamous champions of capitulation," and then asked:

"How could anyone suppose that in their attitude toward fighting France (the Free French), the democracies would indulge in an absurd kind of snobbery and let themselves be influenced by their regret at not finding in her ranks a great many erstwhile famous names?"

This was the first time that General DeGaulle so openly and emphatically expressed the evident bewilderment of his faction and that of many Britons over the relations of the allied governments to the Vichy regime, on the one hand, and to the fighting Free French on the other.

Bulletins

BERN, Switzerland, April 1—(AP)—Burmese Foreign Minister Mihal Antonsen declared Wednesday that his country intends to fight soviet Russia to the finish because "we are fighting for a new state and a new human being."

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 1—(AP)—The United States embassy announced Wednesday night that a North American ship was attacked last night off the coast of the state of Ceara, adding that the stricken vessel had sent a distress signal.

CHUNGKING, China, April 1—(AP)—A number of civilians were killed and wounded, and many homes were damaged Tuesday afternoon when 20

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