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Nazis Punch New Hole On Stalingrad Front; Yank Tanks Score High

Reds Struggle Against Wedge In Novorossisk

West Front Yields To Enemy Tanks; Toll Taken

By EDDIE GILMORE MOSCOW, Wednesday, Sept. 8.—German tanks and airplanes have punched another hole in Russian defenses west of Stalingrad.

In the Caucasus outnumbered soviet defenders continued to fight stubbornly against a Nazi wedge driven into Novorossisk.

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Southwest of Stalingrad the Russians said the Germans tried to out-flank red army positions.

No fighting was reported on the northwestern approaches to Stalingrad.

W. Townsend Dies at 69 In Hospital

Watson Townsend, employe of the Oregon state highway department since 1921 and office engineer for the maintenance division since 1926, died at Salem Deaconess hospital Tuesday afternoon.

Lately in poor health, Townsend had been in the hospital for ten days.

"A fine man and an excellent employe," Townsend was termed Tuesday night by R. H. Baldeck, chief engineer for the highway commission.

Townsend became a member of the city council in 1926 by appointment and was twice thereafter elected as alderman from the sixth ward.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Katharine Townsend; a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Millard, and a grandson, Sandy Millard, all of Salem; and two sisters, Mrs. Irene Cunningham and Mrs. Sophia Townsend, both of Portland.

Real Estate Test Is Here Thursday

Examinations for real estate brokers and real estate salesmen will be held in Salem Thursday and in Portland Friday.

Approximately 15 applicants will write in Salem and between 50 and 60 in Portland.

French Plant Bombing Is Promised

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—(AP) Military plants located in France and useful to the Germans "will be bombed at every opportunity," Pierre Laval has been told in reply to his protest against past American bombing of towns in occupied France.

"The American charge d'affaires in Vichy, S. Pinckney Tuck, was called in yesterday by Monsieur Laval (Vichy chief of government), who said that in the recent bombing of Havre and Rouen by combined military forces of the United Nations a number of people were killed and others wounded."

"Mr. Tuck's immediate reply was that these air forces were bombing military plants in the employ of Germany and that of course the Americans do not desire to see French people suffer any more than can be avoided, since they have already suffered to an incalculable extent under German occupation."

Council Talks Of Mill Fumes

Papermill sulphur fumes rose in Salem city council meeting Tuesday night after 18 months' burial and a resolution requiring the city attorney to take action to abate the "nuisance" was referred to the health and sanitation committee for study and recommendation.

Likened by Alderman Charles Helzel to a lidless garbage can on the city's front lawn, the fumes to some folk smell like "bread and butter," Alderman C. F. French declared as he urged investigation before a vote on Helzel's resolution.

Without argument and with only brief discussion, the council moved rapidly through the remainder of the night's business, approving a resolution making the minimum hourly pay of city street employees 68 cents, a change designed to give that group Saturday afternoons off without a cut in pay.

Draft Directors Consider Jobs

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—(AP) Selective service directors of five western states and the labor-management committee of the war manpower commission met in closed sessions Tuesday on matters concerning withdrawal and replacement of vital workers in war industries of the west.

It was expected a definite policy might be established in regard to drafting of key, highly-skilled workers in war plants. Heretofore local draft boards have adhered to no specific policy in taking skilled men who can be replaced only after lengthy training.

Monday's Weather

Monday's max. temp. 85, min. 68. River Tuesday -3.2 ft. By army request weather forecasts are withheld and temperature data delayed.

Desert Strewn With German Victim Tanks

US Forces Defeat Greater Force Without Deaths

CAIRO, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Observers in desert battlefields strewn with wreckage of Marshal Erwin Rommel's latest frustrated lunge toward the Nile reported Tuesday American tanks knocked out more than their own number of axis tanks in their first engagement without suffering a single fatality.

One American tank crew was credited with demolishing five German tanks. American heavy bombers, cooperating with the RAF, raided Suda Bay, Crete, Monday, headquarters of the US army air force in the middle east.

No figures were available on the number of enemy tanks put out of operation by Americans or their more numerous British and imperial allies in the engagement joined by axis forces August 31. (However, Wendell Wilkie declared on his arrival in Turkey after an eyewitness tour of the Egyptian desert battlefields that Rommel had lost 100 of his 200 first-line tanks, was deprived of "40 per cent of his punch" and "is in a hole.")

(Wilkie, traveling as a special representative of President Roosevelt, declared the truth of a great allied victory in Egypt had not been made public, and this statement was made against a background of extreme reserve maintained by the allies throughout recent actions by axis forces. The statement followed Wilkie's assertions at a Cairo press conference to the effect censorship in Egypt is too severe to allow telling of the full story.)

'State Fair' For 4H Opens Here Today

Without flags, furry or fans from the general public, Oregon's "little state fair" opens today with arrival of 4H exhibits at the state fairgrounds.

Discouraged from attending other features the show, that part of the general public interested in buying animals in the fat stock show auction is invited to attend Friday morning at 10 o'clock, 4H officials said Tuesday.

Salem Brewery Fined \$1000

SEATTLE, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Five brewing firms and associations and a number of individuals were fined a total of more than \$6000 Tuesday by Federal Judge John C. Bowen upon their pleas of nolo contendere to two counts of an indictment charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust act.

The Golden Age Breweries, Inc., Golden West Brewing company, Blitts-Weinhard company and the Salem Brewing association were fined \$1000 each and the San Francisco Brewing corporation was fined \$750.

Fines of \$250 were given the following individuals: Charles H. Lurmann, San Francisco, treasurer, San Francisco Brewing corporation; George W. Slackman, Salem, president Salem Brewing association; Morris Rosauer, Spokane, former vice president and general manager Golden Age Breweries; Henry W. Westinger, Portland, president Blitts-Weinhard company, and Joseph M. Rothchild, Portland, vice president of that company.

Ahead



CLARENCE C. DILL Tops Washington race

Stassen Leads Election Race

Ellender and Ball Renomination Apparent

By The Associated Press Apparent renomination of Sen. Allen Ellender in Louisiana and the lead of Sen. Joseph H. Ball in Minnesota over an opponent who charged he misrepresented his constituents' sentiments by his support of pre-war administration policies were the prime returns from primary elections in seven states Tuesday night.

Gov. Harold E. Stassen, who plans to enter the navy next spring, and his candidate for lieutenant governor and successor, farmer Ed Thyne, also took early leads in the Minnesota republican voting.

Oregon Fuel Signup to Begin Today

PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—(AP) Householders will register in 29 Oregon cities Wednesday in a survey to determine how much fuel is needed to keep homes warm this winter.

The signup, to be voluntary, will be concluded at rationing boards. It will continue for four days. Householders will declare the amount of fuel on hand, and the amount yet needed.

Result of the survey will be turned over to the OPA, which is seeking a solution of the fuel shortage.

Truckers Give Pay Increase

PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Voluntary pay increases for approximately 1200 drivers were granted Tuesday by the Truck Operators League of Oregon, representing long-distance freight haulers of the state.

The announcement, made jointly by James Scudder of the league and Marvin C. Mayo, secretary of local 162 of the Teamsters' union, said long-distance drivers would receive up to \$9.50 for an eight-hour trip and delivery drivers employed by the firms within Portland, up to \$7.50 for an eight-hour day, an advance of 50 cents from the previous levels.

Red Cross Talks Camp Adair Needs

Needs in furnishing of day rooms and hospital supplies for Camp Adair were discussed with representatives of six Red Cross chapters met Tuesday in Corvallis. From Marion county chapter went Mrs. Olive Bynon, executive secretary, and Mrs. Chester Luther, chairman of the camp and hospital committee.

Japs' Milne Bay Force Destroyed; Allied Planes Hit Enemy Ships; Kokoda Battle Done From Air

US and Britain Complete Plan, Global War

New Troops in Iraq; China Expects Jap Raid on Siberia

By FRED VANDERSCHMIDT Associated Press War Editor Solid proof of allied power in the Middle East which may very soon be at the direct disposal of the Russians came Tuesday night from the highest and best informed sources.

For the global war as a whole it was disclosed that US-British planning was complete by the end of last July, when General Marshall and Admiral King, heading the US army and navy, completed ten days of decision-making in London.

Even as this was announced, it was increasingly apparent that intrigue was boiling at both ends of the Berlin-Tokyo alliance.

German propaganda levied a vicious attack at Sweden, accusing the northern neutral of sheltering a fountain-head of communist propaganda. This may presage important military developments in the far north of Europe, such as the long-feared German drive to control the whole Scandinavian peninsula with the object of harried Russia completely on the north.

Chanking was tense with expectation Japan is going to attack Siberia at any moment, it being reported the Kremlin had rebuffed new Japanese territorial demands. Other observers feared the Jap consolidation in China meant something else: Perhaps heavy reinforcement of the revived front in the southwest Pacific islands, perhaps attack on India, perhaps an offensive into the enemy footholds in the Aleutians.

The British and allied fighters in the Egyptian desert, built into a new army with 40,000 to 50,000 troops which were brought around the cape in a fleet of American ships, is stronger than ever; it has pressed back and grievously damaged the Rommel Africa corps with an unprecedented array of artillery and with complete superiority—all this despite the loss of 80,000 men in Libya and Egypt earlier in the year.

In a tough, optimistic report to the house of commons, he summed the United Nations to new offensive action and called the allied attack on Dieppe "an indispensable preliminary to full-scale operations" in western Europe.

He disclosed that "complete agreement on war policy and war plans" had been reached by Britain and the US as early as the end of July.

Tuesday morning's White House announcement disclosed the American delegation for the July conference included Gen. George C. Marshall, army chief of staff, Adm. Ernest J. King, commander-in-chief of the fleet, and Harry Hopkins, the president's personal representative. Stephen Early, the president's secretary, was in London at the same time for conferences with Brendan Bracken, the British minister of public information.

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Where Japs Hit, Are Hit



Disclosure that a Japanese landing force of 700 at Milne bay (A) has been practically destroyed was the most favorable news from Gen. MacArthur's headquarters in Australia this morning. Ground fighting was static, but allied planes struck the enemy in the vicinity of Kokoda (B). Torpedo bombers struck at Jap warships in the area of Normanby and Trobriand islands, shown above to the northeast of Milne bay.

Marine Tells Tale Of Day on Island, Waiting Jap Attack

(Editor's Note: The following report on an incident in the lives of marines defending their positions in the Solomon Islands was written by a marine corps combat reporter and released Tuesday by the navy department in Washington.)

By SGT. JAMES W. HURLBUT GUADALCANAL, Solomon Islands, August 16—(Delayed) The thrill that comes once in a lifetime. After you've spent a week on a tropical island recaptured from the Japanese, word comes through one morning that an enemy counter-attack is expected during the night ahead.

At noon you climb into said foxhole while the six enemy bombers make their midday courtesy call and exchange cards with your anti-aircraft. You climb out on the all clear to learn the planes have dropped tiny parachutes. The chutes contain food, ammunition and medical supplies for your disintegrated enemy. They also contain pep talks from Tojo saying help is on the way soon.

After another short rest in the foxhole while the Jap subs off the beach lob a few five-inchers in your general direction, you clamor out and put in an hour or two cleaning your pistol and rounding up all your ammunition.

A few minutes before dusk, the CO (commanding officer) gathers the gang around and passes the word that several unidentified transports have been sighted on the horizon. He gives quiet instructions on repelling the invaders and making every shot count.

You retire to the general neighborhood of the old foxhole and devote half your mind to figuring the speed of transports and the other half to resolving to do the best you can as long as you can. The telephone rings sharply. The officer responds to its ominous summons. He turns around and calls out sharply:

"Ships have been identified as American destroyers carrying ground crew personnel for the air field."

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Fighting Six Miles From Gap

Widespread Fighting Unusual; Japs Hit Milne Bay Again

GEN. MacARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Wednesday, Sept. 8.—(AP)—A Japanese landing force of 700 has been "practically destroyed" at Milne bay in southeastern New Guinea, and allied torpedo-bombers and fighter planes probably damaged a destroyer in attacks off the Trobriand islands north of there, a communique announced Wednesday.

While the ground fighting in the Kokoda-Myoala sector, less than 80 miles from Port Moresby, was described as static, allied bombers scored heavily on the Japanese coastal base of Buna which feeds the Kokoda salient.

An allied spokesman said the Japanese still were held on the north side of the Owen Stanley mountains range about 2000 feet below "the gap," which is virtually the only pass trail through the rugged mountains. This fighting area is estimated to be still six miles from "the gap."

Fighter planes also bombed and strafed Japanese positions in this area, which is near a 8000-foot gap leading through the Owen Stanley mountains to Port Moresby.

"Unusually widespread fighting both at sea and on land in the New Guinea area marked the day's development, and for the first time allied use of torpedo-bombers was mentioned. These were Australian-made British and American types and they made three separate attacks in the Normanby-Trobriand island area off the southeastern coast.

Here was the situation by sectors as reported in the latest communique: Milne bay—"Enemy ground forces have now practically been destroyed. His (the enemy's) casualties are estimated at approximately 700 and comprise the Kure No. 5 landing force."

This Japanese group probably was named after the Kure naval base near Nagasaki, Japan. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Fund Allotment Next Step on USO Center

Only action now required to put Salem's USO center into a federally-provided building for the duration is allotment of the needed funds by the federal budget bureau, Harry H. Stoops, regional recreation representative for the federal security agency, declared here Tuesday night.

The declaration followed receipt by Gov. Charles A. Sprague and various Salem civic leaders of messages from Sen. Charles L. McNary to the effect that the president had approved a Salem USO project amounting to approximately \$12,000.

That the approved funds would be used for renovation of the Salem American Legion home, now used by the USO under a temporary arrangement with the Legion, and for rent payments during the first year of occupancy was understood by W. H. Crawford, secretary of the Oregon Economic (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Trial Blackout Surprises Boston

BOSTON, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Densely populated metropolitan Boston underwent its first surprise blackout Tuesday night and it came with such suddenness that many of the 1,600,000 persons in the 41 cities and towns thought it was the real thing.