

### **ETY THIRD YEAR**

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## **Fathers' Truman** Committee **Reveals Big Losses** Induction Faspected **Of Allied Shipping**

## Present Moves Expected to Mee Submarine Menace; Liberty **Ship Production Being Changed**

WASHINGTON, April 21-(AP)-The Truman committee disclosed Wednesday that approximately 12,000,000 tons of allied dren in Oregon by next fall shipping were sunk last year-more than the total tonnage unless their children were acbuilt in 1942 by the United States and Great Britain combined.

Calling the losses "heavy but not disastrous," the special senate unit investigating war production problems reported losses

were reduced in the latter months of the year, and declared confidently:

"The submarine menace can and will be effectively met."

declared in a report on shipbuilding and shipping, is a stepped-up production of new merchant and escort vessels, and the combined use of destroyers and destroyer escorts, escort airplane carriers, land-based airplanes equipped for anti-submarine work, and subchasers.

The Vancouver shipyards4 of Henry Kaiser have recently launched two "escort" type carriers to be used in convoy duty to combat the submarine menace. One, HMS Ameer, is being turned over to Great Bri-

"All of these are being provided," the committee declared. "The only question is that of time." county courthouse. Deliberations

Although the number of ships are scheduled to resume around lost in 1942 was not given, the 9 a. m. committee noted that 746 ships, The jury retired to eat at 6 totaling 8,090,800 tons, were built in this country's merchant ship- p. m. Deliberations were to resume after dinner. yards last year.

In other sections of the 75-page, After four and one half hours' 45,000-word document, the com- deliberation had passed, the jury mittee, headed by Senator Tru- asked for new instructions.

## Col. Wooton Tells of **Draft Shuffle for Oregon Registrants**

The military draft will be taking married men with chilquired before December 8 1941, or they have claims for deferment based on reasons other

than dependency, Col. Elmer V. Wooton, state selective service director, said Wednesday. Married men maintaining bona fide family relationship in their home with pre-Pearl Harbor children will be temporarily deferred in class III-A, the director said in discussing recent classification

changes. Wooton recently returned here from Washington, DC, where he conferred with Lewis B. Hershey, national selective service director and other officials, relative to

more stress on a registrant's im-

ated 13 hours and 15 minutes.

portance to an essential activity than to his dependents.

WASHINGTON, April 21 -(AP) American airmen pounding Kiska on a now-or-never schedule have stepped up the fury of their attacks to 15 raids in a single day, or men who acquired dependents the navy announced Wednesday. after war was declared, but this The urgent need for telling re-

sults in the aerial offensive and calls in the next few months

Army Drives Onward

**US Heavy Bombers Attack Rommel** 

Action of American heavy bombers (of the type shown above) was restricted Wednesday by heavy snow storms at the scene of the heaviest action. Their continued raids on Rommel's supply lines and bases are slowly but surely inching the noose tighter around the "Desert Fox's" trapped forces.—IIN Soundphoto.

# **Japs Execute US Fliers;** Warning Sent to Tokyo

### By WILLIAM T. PEACOCK

WASHINGTON, April 21-(AP)-Japan has put to death some of the eight American fliers captured after the bombing of Tokyo and, treating the others as criminals, is denying them the rights to which prisoners of war are entitled.

ing military prisoners—was dis- County Hits

This new horror by the enemyin violation of covenants concern-TTO

\$2,500,000 Mark Is

Marion county passed the two-

thirds mark Wednesday in its

drive to fulfill its quota of April

war bond purchases outside of

banks in the sum of \$2,500,000,

Victory Chairman J. J. Gard an-

nounced in reporting a new sales

total of \$1,685,000 in this classifi-

A \$250,000 addition was made to

the country's totals Wednesday

when W. M. Hamilton, division

manager, announced that that part

of a \$3,300,000 bond purchase

made by Portland General Elec-

tric company had been allocated

money-handling institutions in the

county. Gard announced Wednes-

day that the United States Na-

tional bank had bought \$2,500,000

for its Ladd & Bush-Salem branch

and its Mt. Angel branch. The St.

Paul State bank had reported \$50,-

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WASHINGTON, April 21 -(AP)

The house added a restriction of

**Passed by Sales** 

**Outside Banks** 

cation.

# **Tommies Storm Axis Heights** At Takrouna

## **Foe's Rear Bases Pounded** By Allied Airmen; Berlin **Admits 'Unequal Fight'**

### By WES GALLAGHER

**ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, April 21** (A)-The British Eighth army has captured the axis coastal pivot of Enfidaville, has swung five miles northwest to storm the mountain citadel of Takrouna, and also has gained two miles in the Djebel Garci area farther inland amid "very severe fighting," it was reported Wednesday night.

Striking along a 10-mile front after a tremendous artillery barrage, Eighth army infantrymen armed with knives for closequarter fighting, scaled the enemy's mountain positions at some points only 45 miles south of Tunis, while the British

**British Blast** Nazi Bases **Russians Bomb East** 

**Prussian Railway Center**, Tilsit

Allied headquarters announced the capture of Enfidaville, LONDON, April 21-(AP)-Sweep-50 miles below Tunis, and said "all initial objectives" were caping out in force in perfect flying tured yesterday after fierce

final 90-minute assault.)

first army gained slightly in the

Medjez-El-Bab sector 35 miles

(The Morocco Radio-some-

times premature in its announce-

ments-said Wednesday night in

a broadcast recorded by the As-

sociated Press, that the Djebel

Garci, 10 miles inland from the

coast, had been captured after a

west of the Tunisian capital.

'Lower 13' The answer to the threat of the undersea raiders, the committee Jury Still Out **Group Returns for New Instructions** 

> After 41/2 Hours ALBANY, Ore., April 22 -(AP) The Lower 13 jury considering classification changes and placing

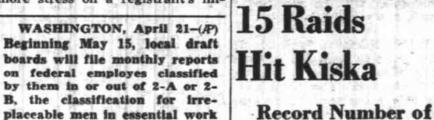
first-degree murder charge against Robert E. Lee Folkes, negro dining car cook, retired early this morning without reaching verdict.

Circuit Judge L. G. Lewelling ordered the jury locked up at 12:45 a. m. after the eight women and four men had deliber-

Temporary beds were fixed up in the jury room in the Linn

> All states are about on an equal basis so far as the necessity for inducting men with dependents is concerned, Wooton said. Oregon is now inducting only single men

pool of men is near exhaustion



man (D-Mo.), reported:

berty ship is being redesigned in- vice on the number of votes reto the "victory ship," with more quired to reach a verdict on the nigher speed and greater cargo ted in the instructions of Judge carrying capacity, although the L. G. Lewelling. change, sponsored by the maritime commission, is opposed by the navy and the war production board on the grounds it would be wiser to stick to the present simplicity and standardization of de-

sign. 2. The navy has done "a mag- Byrnes Okehs nificent job" in building a firstclass fighting fleet "that can stand up and slug it out with any other navy."

3. Nevertheless the committee believes that "the navy should be less conventional and conservative in its thinking," spend less time propounding explanations of unfortunate situations, and encourage new ideas.

4. Our merchant shipbuilding record compares favorably with the British, but-

5. "It is no military escret that we do not have enough shipping to supply our allies with the weapons and food which they require and to transport and maintain overseas as many soldiers as we can train or as much material as we can produce."

6. The concrete barge program has been "most disappointing." 7. Ships must be utilized efficiently; provision must be made

for sufficient docks, cranes, lighters and trained longshoremen.

decks, tankers now are carrying dex. large quantities of combat planes and torpedo boats which formerand torpedo boats which former-ly took up space below decks on Ruml Talks dry cargo ships.

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9. There is wide disparity in the efficiency of private shipyards. The Oregon Shipbuilding corporation delivered 12 Liberty ships

## **Poison Gas** Warning Sent

LONDON. Thursday, April 22 of taxes that should be abated

today that it had received reports ers. that "Hitler is making preparations for using poison gas against the Russian front," and warned Oregon Rivers that such a development would Threaten Flood the same weapon "upon German munitions centers, seaports and other military objectives throughout the whole expanse of Ger-

**Expect Jury Report** 

Foreman Lee A. Doerfler, of 1. The quantity-production Li- Albany, said the jury needed adpowerful engines, 50 per cent different degrees of guilt permit- wives only and with collateral de-

its calls this year with single men Judge Lewelling advised the following registration and classieight women and four men that fication of the 18 year olds. a unanimous vote is required for

Aside from some 18 and 19 year olds deferred to finish the semester in high schools, this group of single men is now near

Lumbermen's be sufficient only to fill June calls in part, Wooton declared.

Wage Boost

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WASHINGTON, April 21-(AP) James F. Byrnes, economic stabilization director, announced Wednesday he had approved the action of the war labor board in granting a wage increase in the

western pine lumber industry, and at the same time had asked Prentiss Brown, price administrator, to leave present pine lumber ceilings in effect until the institution of a premium price plan such as has been utilized for non-ferrous metals. Byrnes said he was anxious

that the WLB decision should not result in any increase in the cost of living. He said OPA had in-

formed him that the decision might possibly necessitate an increase in the price of lumber consumed by civilian industry aggregating about \$7,000,000, but that 8. Through the ingenious use the major portion of this would of steel supports welded to the not affect the cost of living in-

Stalemated

WASHINGTON, April 21 -(AP) at an average of 393,858 man- The friendly democratic-republi-1,620,679 man-hours on one ves- night, with the two parties agree

ing to take the issue on income tax abatement, including the Ruml skip-a-year plan, to the house floor for another finish fight.

Their truce broken, the two parties again aligned themselves at opposite poles on the amount

(P)-The British government in an to achieve a current tax basis extraordinary announcement said for the 44,000,000 income taxpay-

PORTLAND, Ore., April 21(AP) The weather bureau predicted Wednesday that the Columbia river, now slightly over flood car.

against the enemy outpost in will include men with dependents, Aleutians was believed by inthe state director indicated. He formed persons here to result pointed out that Oregon had at one from evidence that the Japanese time been calling some men with are about ready to finish converting the rocky island into an pendents but was enabled to fill air base of their own.

The 15-raid day, a record breaker in Aleutians operations, was Monday. The tonnage of bombs dropped was not reported in Wed-

nesday's communique but must have been enormous since on the previous day in only nine raids exhaustion and the students fighter planes alone dropped 34,completing the school year will 000 pounds of explosives.

The Monday raid was carried out by Liberator heavy and Mitchell medium bombers and Wooton said it is not true that by Lightning and Warhawk all single men will be inducted fighters. The planes roared in before any men with dependents to the attack at varying altiare taken. He said some single tudes and scored numerous hits men will continue to be deferred on the main enemy camp, on in class II-A and Class II-B so the runway and on defensive long as they are irreplaceable in positions. Some fires were startoccupations essential to the support of the war effort. This group ed. of single men, Wooton added, is

**Trips** Aimed at

**Knocking Out Base** 

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### cannot be eliminated if induction **Kaiser Employe** will dangerously curtail activities essential to the war program. Wooton said there is some mis- Says CIO First understanding regarding the new

hardship classification, Class III-PORTLAND, April 21-(AP)-A witness at the Henry J. Kaiser

"Class III-D will afford defershipyard labor hearing testified ment only to those registrants Wednesday that CIO union regiswhose induction would cause tration cards appeared among extreme hardship and privation timecheckers at the Swan Island to their dependents", Wooton yard before the AFL campaigned said, "and the word extreme is to organize the checkers. (Turn to Page 2-Story F)

**Mexican Laborers** the cards. Sent to Washington

being kept as small as possible but

PORTLAND, April 21-(AP) Walter A. Duffy, regional farm Temblor Recorded security administration director, SAN FRANCISCO, April 21-(AP) announced that 400 Mexican farm A slight earthquake was felt by

laborers left Mexico City today residents of San Francisco's Sunfor Washington sugar beet and set district about 4:40 p.m. PWT, Wednesday. truck crop areas.

Roosevelt. He made known, too, Roosevelt. He made known, too, Two-Thirds warned Tokyo that for this and any future "acts of criminal bare barity" just punishment will be visited on the responsible Japanese officials.

closed Wednesday by President

"This recourse by our enemies to frightfulness is barbarous," Mr. Roosevelt said in a statement to the American people. "The efforts of the Japanese war lords to intimidate us will utterly fail. It

> MADRAS, ORE., April 21-(AP) Corp. Jacob D. Deshazer, one of the American airmen presumed to be a prisoner of Japan after the Tokyo bombing, is a 30year-old former turkey rancher who gave up his business to enlist in the army in 1939.

to Marion county. more determined than ever to blot The banks' quota of \$2,500,000 out the shameless militarism of has been reached, with reports not Japan." yet received from at least four

will make the American people

The president's statement, issued at the White House, was supplemented by the state department. Together, the statements disclosed that: The American government initiated inquiries through the Swiss government immediately after 000 and the Gervais State bank Tokyo's radio broadcast, last Oc-\$100,000.

tober 19, that military trials were planned for the eight Americans. It was not until February 17, The state war bond staff prehowever, that the Japanese govdicted Wednesday night that ernment replied, acknowledging that the Americans had been tried, sentenced to death, commutation of the sentence the sentence of death was applied to certain of the accused." The Japanese reply, under the

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**House Bans** hours each, while another west coast yard, Marinship corpora-tion, at Sausalito, Calif., spent collapsed completely Wednesday FDR, Camacho Visit Corpus Christi Banking Fund

> CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Ap-1 ter luncheon in a mess hall with ril 21-(AP)-The presidents of the cadet officers.

United States and Mexico said farewells Wednesday to their precedent-breaking conferences after President Avila Camacho had been welcomed at the naval air training center here and President Roosevelt had called the occasion "one of the great American historical meetings." The president of Mexico and and string beans.

Mr. Roosevelt inspected the busy training station and saw a brilliant aerial display by a formation of Catalina patrol boats and of the neighboring nations. But, a squadron of dive bombers. Fin- then they did not enter Corpus ing lines of civilian workers, caally they rode back to the rail-road siding and said their fare-wells in Mr. Roosevelt's private ficers and civilian employees of No disclosure has been made

of the greatest American historical meetings.

its own Wednesday in passing "I think you will remember it just as long as you live, for we the senate-approved measure to guev there were clashes reported are receiving on American soil extend for two years the president's authority over the \$2,000,the president of one of our sis-000,000 currency stabilization ter republics." fund. The senate withdrew the Avila Camacho did not speak.

but as he left the mess hall he president's power to devalue the shook hands with the Mexican dollar and the house adopted an amendment by Rep. Reed (R-III.) cadets stationed there.

designed to prevent the use of Touring the training center in the \$2,000,000,000 in the \$5,000,an open car, the two presidents 000,000 international banking saw dozens of patrol bombers bund proposed by Secretary Morand other planes, some in the air, some on the ground, cheergenthau for post-war use.

Salem Executive No disclosure has been made of the real reason for their dra-**Awarded** Position

PORTLAND, April 21-(AP) matic meeting feet at Vancouver by Sunday and will go considerably higher later. The Willamette river will rise can chief executive, which Mr. after the meal. The Vancouver by Sunday and repaying a visit to Monterrey, will go considerably higher later. The Willamette river will rise can chief executive, which Mr. after the meal.

weather, British bombers Tuesday night blasted manufacturing and other war installations in the Baltic ports of Stettin and Rostock, left Berlin alight with fires, and ranged widely over other sections of occupied Europe today in one of the war's biggest air assaults on

German communications.

announced.

fighting which began with Gen. Sir Bernard T. Montgomery's tremendous artillery barrage Monday night.

"Four enemy counterattacks have been repulsed," said the communique. "Fighting continues."

Field dispatches said Enfidaville Simultaneously, a mass raid by Russian bombers on the east Prusfell without opposition after a British column raced around the sian railway center of Tilsit Tuesday night started fires visible city to its coastal side.

nearly 100 miles away, Moscow 'Official axis communiques had not conceded the loss of Enfida-The broadcast said the fires ville, but Capt. Ludwig Sertorius, merged into "one huge conflagra-Berlin radio commentator, appeartion" at Tilsit, and that big explo- ed to be preparing the public for sions "were particularly numer- such , an announcement. In a ous" near munitions dumps, among broadcast recorded by the Assorailroad installations and around ciated Press he said General Montthe harbor and airfield. gomery had concentrated huge All Soviet planes were said to numbers of reserves for an an-

have returned safely from the sault on the axis anchor point, raid, the fifth big attack by the and that the battle for the city Russian forces on the northeast Wednesday afternoon still way German area since long-range going on although "with changing (Turn to Page 22-Story D) fortune."

**Russ Defeat** 

Nazi Attack

In Caucasus

itor here, said today.

spring offensive.

ties.

LONDON, April 22-(AP)-Pow-

More than 400 of the enemy

being entirely wiped out in hand-

lensk front, and north of Chu-

between opposing scouting par-

**Polish Radio** 

Cries Out,

**Is Silenced** 

(Sertorius again stressed the "gigantic masses" of allied war material and said that allied air supremacy also made it "a rather unequal struggle.")

Sleet and snow storms closed over a large part of the axis mountain strongholds in northeastern Tunisia to restrict the great allied erful Russian shellfire has de- aerial offensive which yesterday feated the newest German at- was directed at smashing the last tempt to storm Red army posi- fighter fields available to the entions in the Kuban delta of the emy.

Caucasus, and inflicted heavy The communique said 27 axis losses on the attackers, the Sovplanes were destroyed yesterday let midday communique, as re- at a cost of eight allied aircraft. corded by the Soviet radio mon- Along with other planes shot down on previous days but not reported before, this score boosted to were killed, some small groups 151 the total of enemy planes destroyed in the last three days. to-hand fighting after they had

managed to reach the first Rus-The capture of Enfidaville sian defense lines, it was said. opened up the coastal road lead-The attacks were part of a ing to Bou Ficha, 12 mile. fardrive which the Germans have ther north, but before it can be used general Montgomery's men been mounting in the area for the last several days in what may be must clean out axis troops in an attempt to start a new axis mountains flanking the road on the west. Marshal Rommel was The noon war bulletin said that turning every acre of ground in Russian troops had dug in on his final pocket into bloody batnewly-won positions on the Smotlegrounds.

> A dispatch from Associated Press Correspondent Noland Nor-Gaard, who is with the Eighth army, said the violent fight for Takrouna bega. Tuesday with the axis counterattacking from above the city in an effort to smash British troops who already had encircled the mountain town.

Takrouna has been a native stronghold since the days of Carthage.

STOCKHOLM, April 21-(AP) The enemy's rear bases in Sicily The secret Polish radio appealed for help Wednesday night in a also were being pounded steadily broadcast from Poland and then with visible results. Reconnaissance showed that flying fortress uddenly the station went dead, The broadcast was heard here: attacks on Palermo had blocked cial report said these ships in-Warsaw again is echoing to cluded a destroyer, minelayer,

"The last \$5,000 Jews in the the harbor with the hulks of 28 Ghetto at Warsaw have been con- ships, sunk or damaged. An offimned to execution.

tanker, two escort v

In contrast with an elabor-

ate banquet served the two chief executives in Monterrey Tuesday night, their luncheon here was the regular ration of flying cadets at the world's largest aviation training establishment. The main course was frankfurters, mashed patatoes

Lacking, too, was the pomp and pageantry which Monterrey splurged on the chiefs of state the training center.

stage of 15 feet, will reach 18 President Avila Camacho was They ate in a mess hall with

February 17 date, was not re-

The witness, Dana Smythe, timechecker leadman at the yard, named several graveyard shift workers whom he said distributed

and that, as the state department phrased it, "following for the large number of them,

was \$50,000,000. Banks will take

private purchases in the second war loan campaign will reach \$30,000,000 Thursday, but warned that the next \$20,000,-

000 will be hard to get. Edward C. Sammons, co-chairman of the finance committee,

said the goal for private purchases

### sketry volleys. Marion county grand jury, in session since Wednesday morning, is expected to report on a num-ber of routine criminal investiga-tions late today or Friday. Marion county grand jury, in session since Wednesday morning, is expected to report on a num-tions late today or Friday. Marion county grand jury, in session since Wednesday morning, is expected to report on a num-tions late today or Friday. Marion county grand jury, in session since Wednesday morning, is expected to report on a num-tions late today or Friday. Marion county grand jury, in session since Wednesday morning, is expected to report on a num-tions late today or Friday. Marion county grand jury, in session since Wednesday morning, is expected to report on a num-tions late today or Friday. Marion county grand jury, in to tell you I regard this as one house at Palermo also were dame-