

Tunisian Drive Slows

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It appeared that the first phase of Gen. Sir Harold Alexander's offensive had been definitely concluded without the expected climactic breakthrough.

It is apparent, too, that axis supplies are getting through to the besieged troops despite allied aerial supremacy and staggering axis losses in planes, ships, and materiel. A further toll of axis shipping was taken Wednesday, and American bombers also attacked Naples and Messina across the straits.

The American troops, fighting against bitter opposition and rough terrain, were reported to have gained in the hills bordering the Sidi N'Sir-Mateur road southwest of Bizerte. Bald hill, the army name for the high barren peak of Djebel Ajred, still was the scene of heavy fighting. Energetic German defense thus far has prevented full occupation of that height, which is about 12 miles west of Mateur.

Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery's Eighth army has been able to gain only two to seven miles since last week's Enfidaville attack because of the terrain which prevents use of his powerful tank armada. The allied communique Thursday reported only "very active patrolling" in that sector.

French troops attacking near the north coast were closest to Bizerte in the Sidi Mansour area 22 miles west of that axis stronghold.

Low clouds were hampering consistent air attacks on the entrenched axis divisions, but despite this Wednesday allied planes destroyed 17 enemy aircraft. Two allied planes were reported missing.

At sea one axis vessel identified as a landing craft was reported sunk in the Gulf of Tunis, and three others, two of them believed to be gasoline transports, were left afloat.

Carrying the war to the enemy's rearward bases US Liberator bombers simultaneously attacked the ports of Naples and Messina in Italy and Sicily Wednesday, while Malta-based RAF fighter-bombers dropped explosives on the torpedo boat base, powerhouse and docks at Syracuse.

Lions Hear Champog Address

Early Oregon presents "one of the outstanding examples in all history of people getting together and seeking to establish government by compact," Dr. Robert Moulton Gatke, Willamette university political science professor, told the Salem Lions club Thursday in discussing the controversy over significance of the Champog meeting of 1843 at which steps toward forming a provisional government were taken.

Dr. Gatke asserted prejudiced historians had greatly exaggerated the importance of the Champog meeting and built up a dramatic legend of a close division not borne out by such records as exist today.

The Champog meeting did, however, confirm the positions of early Oregon governmental officials and continue them in service pending the adoption of a new constitution, Dr. Gatke said.

He said it should properly be remembered as one of four steps the Oregon country took toward attaining an effective government.

Ship to Be Launched

PORTLAND, April 29 (AP)—Oregon Shipbuilding corporation will launch its 17th Liberty vessel of the month Friday—The Ignatius Donnelly. But company officials feared it would not be enough to keep the yard ahead of California shipbuilding of Wilmington, Calif., which might get out 18 in April.

Far From Home

POLITICAL WORRIES FORGOTTEN—Phil La Follette, former governor of Wisconsin, looks down the barrel of a big gun while on duty with U. S. Army somewhere in Australia. (International)

Truman Committee Hears Priorities Dispute

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Sitting to inquire into a dispute involving Rubber Director Jeffers, Under Secretary of War Patterson and Petroleum Administrator Ickes in clashing charges of synthetic rubber and high octane gas priorities needs, members of the Truman senatorial committee listen to testimony in which Donald Newkirk was production board chief, deposed "fighting" among government officials. Committee members (left to right) are: Senators Harry S. Truman (D-Mo), chairman; Ralph O. Brewster (R-Me), Homer Ferguson (R-Mich), and Joseph H. Ball (R-Minn).

Healthiest Youths Named

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ig, route six, Salem, and Marilyn Rasmussen, Hazel Green.

Announced Thursday also were the names of winners of approximately 200 ribbons for exhibits on display until 3:30 p. m. today at 197 South Commercial street.

Those winners are:

- Posters (rest) Blue—Elaire Morton, Salem Heights; Harold Kufner, Sweleg; Cletus Bittler, Raymond Predeck, St. Mary's school; Mt. Angel.
- Red—Ernest Freeman, Chester Royer, Talbot.
- Posters (victory garden) Blue—Lynn Barker, Middle Grove; Floyd Fox, Jr., Silver Cliff; Lucille Jaquet, Victor Point.
- Red—Robert Wagers, Robert Beutler, Middle Grove; Freda Beringer, Gervais; Janet Harder, Keizer.
- Posters (posture) Blue—Jean Howe, Butteville; Donna Wiederkehr, Sidney; Marilyn Houth, St. Mary's school; Mt. Angel; Elsie Moulgas, Salm Heights.
- Red—Marian Ninger, LaVonne Frey, St. Mary's school; Mt. Angel.
- Posters (exercise) Blue—Richard Griffin, Stayton; Patricia Thompson, Auburn; Diane Anderson, Auburn; Norma Peterson, Cloverdale; Margene Stahl, Middle Grove; Wayne Lerman, Stayton.
- Red—Beverly Gulick, Hazel Hermandson, Lincoln; Cecelia Kirkwood, Eldridge; Joan Berning, Elaine Purdy, St. Mary's school; Mt. Angel; Paddy Eyerly, Joanne Kucera, Riverdale.
- Poster (general health) Blue—Lella Beach, Auburn; Wayne Goode, Middle Grove; May, St. Mary's school; Mt. Angel.
- Red—Jeanne Waser, Riskey; Norma Camfield, Salem Heights; Russell Sabl, Eldridge; Pat Withers and Nancy Ernest, Woodburn; Mildred Bales, Riskey.
- Posters (first aid) Blue—R. Snyder, Ellen Flowers, Middle Grove; Barbara Niel, Salem Heights; red, Evelyn Fredrickson, Aurora; Leona Rose, Gervais; Mary Bullock, Riskey.
- Posters (nutrition) Blue—Earl Bond, Auburn; Lynn Potter, Mill City; James Wood, Salem Heights; Mt. Angel; Doris Burns, Middle Grove; Lincoln school, Woodburn; Glen Wagers, Middle Grove.
- Red—Mary Frey, St. Mary's school; Mt. Angel; Genevieve Poole, Stayton; Lona Shurka, Auburn; Lincoln school, Woodburn.
- Posters (foods) Blue—Rose Morrow, Richard Covey, Auburn; Germaine Eburn, Patricia Eburn, Eugene; Looney Butte; Billy Wilkins, Lincoln; Jeanne Darby, Victor Point; James Hoffman, Salem Heights; Mt. Angel; Wallace Wenzelroth, Lincoln.
- Red—Dorrel Rehm, Mary Faulhaber, St. Mary's school; Mt. Angel; Edith Howe, Butteville; Warren Henry, Union Hill; Gene Mulkey, Silver Cliff; Katherine Peterson, Rosedale.
- Posters (citizenship) Blue—Elvin Goode, Middle Grove; David Marx, Virginia Kraemer, St. Mary's school; Lynn Lloyd, Woodburn; Clarye Douglas, Donald Cas, Gene Scottfield, Middle Grove.
- Red—Wilbur Vanderbeck, Regina Traeger, St. Mary's school; Mt. Angel; Martha Lung, McAlpin.
- Posters (safety) Blue—David Thiesen, Lincoln; Peterbrook, Salem Heights; Ruculed Thompson, Lincoln; Rita Ann Memman, St. Mary's school, Mt. Angel.
- Red—Martha J. Pearty, James Bradley, Keizer.
- Posters (cleanliness) Blue—Wade Carter, Hazel Dumas and Dorcas Dudley, Middle Grove; LaJone Rahtz, Auburn; Armelia Edler, Salem Heights.
- Red—Richard Sohn, Ray Labourell, Auburn.
- Art (oil) Blue—Lella Beach, Ronald Meisner, Alan Olson, Duane Anderson, Jack Lester, Auburn.
- Red—Lambert Feakins, Robert Feakins, David Thiesen, Patricia Thompson, Richard Sohn, Ray Labourell, Auburn.
- White—Susan Steed, Virginia Payne, Dolores Castor, Clifford Case, Alvin Payne, Audrey Peterson, Junior Sebbs, LaJone Rahtz, Harold Sohn, Auburn.
- Art (water color) Blue—Billy McCroskey, Ross Bingham, Elsie Douglas, Johnny Croisan, Philip Blankenship, Ronald Stroud, Salem Heights.
- Red—Bobby Van Eaton, Norma Campbell, Harold Dornbusch, Billy Sparks, Loraine Sou, Salem Heights.
- White—Elroy Carlisle, Barbara Dootson, Carol Kester, Thomas Burdick, Valma Clemens, Gordon Bennett, Ilem Heights.
- Woodworking (first year) Blue—James Bradburn, Wayne Russell, Ray Koenig, Aurora.
- Red—Larry Gange, Melvin Gange, Jerry Ward, Keizer; Lyle Gilbert, West Stayton; Norma Campbell, Charles Austin, Liberty.
- White—Harvey Kendall, Charles Clark, West Stayton; Allan Dornbusch, Keizer.
- Woodworking (second year) Blue—Kenneth Sherrill, Bobby Messing, Harold Brantner, Myron Teets, Keizer.
- Red—Sark Parks, Delbert Nuttbrock, William McNeil, Keizer.
- White—Alfred Geiser, Gene Snook, Claire Elwood, George Baldwin, Keizer.
- Forestry I Blue—Melvin Moore, Arthur Koll, Robert Downing, Mt. Greg, Liberty, Dorr Goss, West Stayton.
- Red—Lee Karston, Liberty; Clyde Diller, Aurora; Carl Bell, Liberty.
- White—Lawrence Pools, Mill City; Bruce Fountain, Aurora; Doris Clark, Liberty.
- Forestry II Blue—Richard Von, Edward Koenig, Wayne Russell, Ray Koenig, Aurora.
- Red—Verner Bartosz, West Stayton; Lauren Garrison, Aumsville.
- White—Truman McClellan, West Stayton; Dean Odenthal, Aumsville.
- Forestry III First—Matthew Mack; second, Richard Nienke, and Billie Billy Wilkinson, all of West Stayton.
- Our Boys' Club—Marion Rowland, Bonnie Klein, Aumsville; Lucille Jaquet, Jeanne Darby, Victor Point.
- Red—Agnis Malone, Aumsville; Martha DuSette, Fairfield; Vivienne Jaquet, Victor Point.
- Bones improvement (dressing unit) Blue—Naval Morgan, Stayton; Jackie Potter, Ursula Witt, Virginia Dawes, Mill City; Vivienne Jaquet, Victor Point.
- Red—Martha DuSette, Fairfield; Voe Faust, Florence Downing, Mill City.
- White—Valleda Moberg, Betty Clark, Marian King, Ruby Anglesy, Mill City; Elaine Malsel, Neva Boets, Mill City.



U. S. DOUGHBOYS and British tommies co-operate in a cabbage patch at one of the U. S. Army's services of supply depots in Britain—all a part of a mammoth agricultural program. In the foreground Pfc. E. Brown of Maywood, Mo., does the hoeing while Fred Stone, of His Majesty's forces, sets a plant in the ground. (International)

\$3,000,000 Goal Expected

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category Thursday when Manager Guy Hickok of the Salem branch of the First National Bank of Portland announced his institution had bought \$1,284,000 worth of 2 per cent government bonds in addition to \$1,848,960 worth of one-year certificates announced earlier in the drive. The new purchase is allocated to the Salem, Woodburn and Stayton branches.

The First National purchase pushed the grand total for Marion county banks' participation in the loan drive to \$5,932,960. Bank and non-bank subscriptions together aggregated \$8,798,564.

The increasing number of large business firms making allocations of bond purchases to local units was highly commended by Chairman Gard.

"We hope all concerns having out-of-town headquarters will give consideration to the examples already set in this respect," the chairman said, "It helps materially to reach our quotas."

Latest allocation of this type was \$5000, listed by Manager Grant Farris of the Salem service store of the Firestone Tire & Rubber company. Four employees of another firm, Prudential Life Insurance company, here have subscribed for bonds of a total maturity value of \$1400, Gard was advised.

Members of Willamette valley B'Nai B'rith have raised \$40,000 for the Victory fund. The organization's bond committee consisted of Mike Steinbrock, chairman; David Holtzman, Edward Geller and Morris Klorfein.

Adding that "everyone seems to want to get into the campaign," Chairman Gard also said the department stores throughout the county had reported "most gratifying results."

Originally set to close today, the second loan drive will continue through Saturday as far as sales of series "E" bonds is concerned. All bonds will be available until noon Saturday at banks, under a new ruling received here Thursday.

Woman Injured In Auto Crash

When a car driven by William Wulfmeyer, route seven, was struck by another driven by Norman Alfred Goodin, Oswego, at the Capitol and Center streets' intersection Thursday afternoon, Mrs. Wulfmeyer, 70, was thrown to the pavement. She was taken to Salem General hospital, where two cuts over her right eye were stitched, and her condition was said to be good at a late hour Thursday night.

Wulfmeyer was fined in municipal court \$5 for running through a red light and \$6 for driving a car without an operator's license. The accident occurred at 2:50 o'clock, with a city police officer among the witnesses.

Coal Strike Dispute Hot

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itself," he said flatly "The production of coal must continue."

The controversy produced immediate reverberations on Capitol Hill where Senator Connally (D-Tex) raised the cry of "dictator" against Lewis. The senate agreed to consider Monday Connally's bill authorizing government seizure of strikebound mines and industrial plants.

"It may be necessary," Connally said, "For the president to take over the mines and afford protection to those who want to return to work."

Emphasizing the effect of coal strikes on war production, Mr. Roosevelt's telegram said:

"The continuance and spread of these strikes would have the same effect on the course of the war as a crippling defeat in the field."

"The enemy will not wait while strikes and stoppages run their course," he added. "Therefore, if work at the mines is not resumed by 10 o'clock Saturday morning, I shall use all the power vested in me as president and commander in-chief of the army and navy to protect the national interest and to prevent further interference with the successful prosecution of the war."

He described present strikes, and the declaration by Lewis that the nation's 450,000 miners will not work after midnight Friday without a contract, as a "clear violation" of labor's no strike pledge and a challenge to the "power of the government to carry on the war."

"Without coal," he asserted, "our war industries cannot produce tanks, guns and ammunition for our armed forces. Without these weapons our sailors on the high seas and our armies in the field will be helpless against our enemies."

Lewis' demands on the Appalachian operators include, besides the \$2 a day increase, payment of wages for time spent traveling within the mines to and from working places, and unionization of minor supervisory employees. The basic pay for inside work now is \$7 a day.

Some mine employees not on inside work are paid less than \$7, however, and a minimum of \$8 is asked for them.

The Appalachian contract, covering 330,000 miners, is not binding on operators in other fields, but usually serves as the master agreement on which other pacts are based.

Contending they were striking against delay in contract negotiations, 37,000 miners in western Pennsylvania, 18,000 in Alabama, 8,640 in West Virginia, 12,000 in Kentucky, and 2000 in Ohio already have halted work.

Those strikes have cut production more than 500,000 tons of coal daily and a general shutdown would cripple or halt the nation's steel mills and railroads.

The solid fuels administration in its latest report said there was a 43 days' supply of coal above ground March 1. Railroads averaged a 28-day supply, with some central and western carriers having only enough for 17 days. Steel mills average 29 days' supply, but some steel operators have said a general coal strike might cut operations 25 per cent in the first week.

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Charley "Red" Barrett, who was the International league's leading pitcher and most valuable player at Syracuse last season, held the Giants to six safeties.

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New York..... 010 000-3 6 1
Barrett and Klutz; Mungo, Coombs (7); and Mancuso.

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WSC Freshman Faces Oregon State Nine

PULLMAN, April 29 (AP)—Freshman Ward Rocky, who blanked the University of Idaho Tuesday on hits and runs and struck out seven, was picked Thursday by Coach Jack Friel to man the mound for Washington State college in this Saturday's baseball contest with visiting Oregon state college.

Allies Threaten Tunis



Allied drives (black arrows) along the Tunisian front (black line) threatened Mateur, Tebourba, and Pont du Fahs—all gateways to the Tunis-Bizerte area. French troops in the north were within six miles of Lake Achkel; US forces were about 18 miles southwest of Mateur; British neared Tebourba, and both British and French neared Pont du Fahs, with one French force reported two miles from the city—Associated Press Map.

RAF Airmen Sow Mines

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said "rural territories" were bombed.

The Germans announced 18 bombers were shot down, four over the occupied western districts, while the British officially acknowledged the loss of 23 of their own bombers during the night.

The British were unusually terse in giving details of their night's operations, but this is part of the strategy of mine-laying. The loss of 23 bombers indicated the force involved was comparable to those on some recent factory-wrecking raids.

It was disclosed during the day that the recent marked slackening of operations by the Eighth US air force may be an indication that the Americans are gathering new strength for a large-scale and violent outburst of aerial onslaught.

Russ Down 116 Planes In Caucasus

LONDON, Friday, April 30 (AP)—Russian airmen were reported early today to have shot down 116 German planes in two days of fighting in the Caucasus, where German dispatches said the Red army had launched an "expected large-scale attack" in an effort to throw the Nazis into the Black Sea.

A Moscow broadcast recorded by the Soviet Monitor said the Russians lost 45 aircraft during operations Wednesday and Thursday, but the Soviets remained silent about any land offensive in the Caucasus.

The German military commentator, Capt. Ludwig Sartorius, in a broadcast recorded by the Associated Press said the new Soviet push in the Kuban river valley above Novorossisk, the last major German foothold in the Caucasus, had become a full offensive involving infantry and tanks as well as airplanes, he added: "The enemy so far has failed to score any success."

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Roundup Gives Strike Scene

By the Associated Press

At Indianapolis, a sixteen-hour strike by several hundred employees of a General Motors plant making airplane engines was ended.

About 200 employees of Bethlehem Steel's Lackawanna, N.Y., plant who had walked out Wednesday, returned to their jobs.

Cleveland residents had to walk to work or thumb rides Thursday morning when an AFL strike tied up street cars and buses. However, the transportation employees voted in late afternoon to return immediately to their jobs.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 29 (AP)—President Lloyd A. Thrush of the Progressive Mine Workers of America asserted Thursday night that he would do everything in his power to keep members of his union at work in the Illinois coal pits.

PITTSBURGH, April 29 (AP)—Reports from Pennsylvania's soft coal miners Thursday night indicated they were remaining firmly behind President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers, and preparing to stop all work at midnight on Friday.

HARLAN, Ky., April 29 (AP)—President Roosevelt's call for soft coal miners to return to work by Saturday found 28 eastern Kentucky mines shut down Thursday because between 12,000 and 13,000 workers were still out.

There Goes 'Nother One

DETROIT, April 29 (AP)—Fritz Ostermueller, 35-year-old south-pitcher of the St. Louis Browns, said Thursday he had been ordered to report for a draft physical examination at City Hospital in St. Louis next Tuesday.

Polish Envoy Quits Moscow

MOSCOW, April 29 (AP)—The ambassador of the Polish government-in-exile, Tadeusz Romer, left Moscow early Thursday on a slow withdrawal from the soviet union, headed first for the alternate Russian capital at Kuibyshev for a stay of about two weeks and thence to Teheran, Iran, to await further assignment.

Upon leaving, he privately expressed the hope that something could be arranged to patch up the diplomatic rupture between the soviet and his government following the latter's request for an international Red Cross investigation of the German "Smolensk graveyard story."

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ELSMORE NOW SHOWING

WILLIAM FLYNN and ANN SHERIDAN TOGETHER NOW IN WARNER BROS. MIGHTY... NEW ENTERTAINMENT!

EDGEL OF DARKNESS

WALTER HUSTON-NANCY GOLEMAN

Continuous from I. F. M.

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THE FOREST RANGERS

FRED MACMURRAY PAULETTE GODDARD SUSAN HAYWARD CO. FEATURE

HENRY ALDRICH EDITOR with JIMMY LYDON as HENRY ALDRICH

Dynamite with blondes!

ALAN LADD

Topping his successes in "This Gun For Hire" and "The Glass Key", as

Lucky Jordan

A Paramount MELAN WALKER

Michael Page-Sheldon Leonard Marie McDonald

Directed by FRANK TUTTLE - Screen Play by Donald Ware and Karl Tunberg

ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

Although I had sworn I would not believe the nation really rationing until the extra shoes had been moved out of the women's dressing room at The Statesman, I take it back!

It was higher mathematics at Salem food stores Thursday as grocers and butchers attempted to sell shoppers how to use just exactly the number of blue and red stamps they had left for the ration period which closes today.

"If you really want to sell something get it on the rationed list," suggested one weary meatman. "Why we've sold more meat for money and coupons than we ever sold for money alone!" he declared.

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HOLLYWOOD Tonight and Sat.

ANGELS Dennis Morgan Virginia Bruce

FLIGHT

"The only time to be afraid with lightning when you're on the ground!"

Richard Dix "Sky Giant"

Second Ace Hit

"King of the Lumberjacks"