# Reds Capture Lebedin; Close In on Kharkov

(Turn to Page 2-Story B) 80 towns and villages fell to driving columns northwest of Kharkov. said the communique.

Opposing tanks crashed over the countryside in a weaving battie of armor, but the Germans receded after 45 of their tanks were - disabled by Soviet fire. Victorious Russians captured fuel and ammunition supplies as the Germans fled, the bulletin added.

Soviet planes were soaring over the ground troops, crushing enemy pillboxes and strong points in the fourth battle for Kharkov. Russian troops on the east and southeast last were reported only a few miles outside the city, and for a week shock troops have been battering reinforced Germans in the northeastern suburbs.

In the Bryansk fighting the Germans fell back to well-prepared defense positions and "offered stiff resistance," the communique said.

Strong points southwest of Spas Demensk fell to the Russians after two battalions of defending Germans were wiped out.

The Russian advance threatened to pierce a whole series of German defenses between Bryansk and Smolensk, the central front anchor, and guns and prisoners were taken. In air combat 27 German planes were reported shot

### Japs Retreat At Salamaua

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vital ridges, From Komiatum, a supply track runs near the airdrome only three and a half miles away. The Japanese now are expected to take up positions guarding the airfield.

Salamaua, which the Japanese have held since January, 1942, recently was laid in ruins by more than 1000 tons of bombs.

Today's communique said that American and Australian troops, which for long have approached it, driving the enemy from ridge and jungle positions, had taken several key points in a drive on the last defense.

Twenty four Japanese planes were destroyed and nine dameged Friday, 66 more tons of bombs were dropped their on air reen-

Liberators, escorted by Lightnings, made this third smash at Wewak.

In the siege of Salamaua, the airforce played a tremendous part, sinking daily the barges by which the enemy sought to send blasting hill top and jungle positions ahead of the slowly advaneing jungle troops.

The announced flight of the Japanese from the Salamaua defenses constituted something new in enemy operations. Usually, as at the Munda airfield, they had manned their defenses to the

In the Solomons area, today's communique reported that patrolling United States naval units had sunk one of two small enemy ships sighted off Doveli, on the northeast coast of Vella Lavella island. Above Vella Lavella in the

northern Solomons, American planes attacked a small Japanese ship west of Buka, leaving it in a sinking condition.

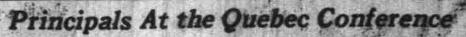
Both of these bases have been isolated since the American cap-ture of Vella Lavella island in the northern Solomons last Sun-

Bairoke, on the northern tip of New Georgia, is the only unconquered stronghold on the is-land since the Americans took the Munda airdrome, ten miles to the south through the jungles, three weeks ago. Since the American offensive

opened in the central Solomons on June 30 the Japanese have made repeated attempts to get reinforcements and supplies to troops at Vila and on New Georgia. These efforts have cost them a score of warships and many Two Nazi Generals barges.

Both the New Guinea and Solomons campaigns are moves to control air bases for stronger attacks on Rabaul, New Britain, the most

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The principals taking part in the Quebec conference take time out of their discussions to pose for this picture together. Left to right: Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of US air forces; Air Marshal Sir Charles Portal, chief of imperial air forces; Gen. Sir Alan Brooke, chief of imperial general staff; Adm. Ernest J. King, US naval chief of staff; Field Marshall Sir John Dill; Gen. George C. Marshall, US army chief of staff; Adm. Sir Dudley Pound, first sea lord, royal navy; and Adm. William D. Leahy, personal chief of staff to the president, Seated are Prime Minister Mackensie King, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

## FDR to Talk To Parliament

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ordination with Russia in the campaigns—apparently soon to be undertaken for final victory in Europe.

Stephen Early, one of President Roosevelt's secretaries, was authority for information about how the chief executive and prime minister worked until the small hours this morning to wipe their schedule clean of all matters requiring their attention up to that

Asked whether that meant "complete harmony" marked the endeavors of the two chiefs of state, Early replied that that was "entirely so."

President Roosevelt's speech at Ottawa, Early said, will be brief and will be broadcast. It will be delivered about 9 a.m. Pacific time, on Parliament Hill outdoors. Thus, in addition to the members of the senate and house of commons, thousands of citizens will be able to see and hear him.

The president, Early said, does not expect to come back to Que in a new raid 350 miles up the bec from the Canadian capital. spokesman, said: "The question of coast on Wewak. This brought to He will be in Ottawa only one an allied attempt on the European 248 the number of enemy planes day. These plans indicated that smashed there within a week. The the conference among the prinwhich might have supported the W. L. MacKenzie King of Canada, Salamaua garrison were wiped out would wind up Tuesday at the in raids Tuesday and Wednesday. latest, with a joint press conference and the issuing of a formal

No announcement was made of Mr. Churchill's schedule after that time.

Besides the Russian question matters expected to be dealt with at the conference include:

1. Explore the present situation in Italy with a view especially supplies and reenforcements, and to questions of governing occupied territory. It is conceivable morning to Thursday evening. some announcement might come out of Quebec bearing upon Italian surrender.

> 2. Consider drawing up of a statement on the Quebec conference, which among other things could add the prestige of the meeting here to appeals for the conquered peoples of nazi Europe to prepare for the hour of inva- fighters. sion. In view of the way London and allied headquarters in North Africa have been driving home the preparedness theme, some assurances from here directly to the forces waiting to strike in-

side Europe seems most probable.

3. Evaluate the roles of the smaller, technically neutral powquestions of what Turkey, Spain and Sweden may do appear to be

4. Consider the question of esween the British-American powers and the Giraud-De Gaulle nition, measured by various past reigned. pronouncements on the subject, would be for colonial France only and would not apply to metropolitan France. 5. Explore steps necessary to

keep China in the war.

# Reported Dead

LONDON, Aug. 20 -(A)- The Berlin radio Friday night reportvital Japanese base in the area just north of Australia. 44-year-old chief of staff of the German air force, and Maj. Gen. Chamier-Glisezenski, whom it identified as "inventor of many German secret weapons."

# CHARLE DEFERRA MOW READY

Also Corn and Tomatoes Ferguson Fruit Stand Just 50 Feet From West End of Marion-Polk County Bridge

#### Sawyer Is Killed, Carriage Accident

LEBANON - Walter William Heiser, 50, sawyer at the Mc-Gready mill at Sweet Home, was killed Thursday when the carriage slipped, crushing his chest and pelvis. Heiser was a native of Oregon.

Survivors include his wife, Lavina; two sons, Ernest of Albany and Randall overseas in the marine corps; one daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Stahl of Portland; three grandchildren and one greatgrandchild.

The Howe funeral home of Lebanon is in charge of arrangements, not yet completed.

#### Berlin Talks Up to Quebec

By the Associated Press Berlin's answer to the meeting of British and American leaders at Quebec was a broadcast statement Friday night that Germany is "building up new strength and reorganization and planning all fields of German strategy."

The Berlin radio statement, sites. continent is little discussed by the German public. Whether such an is left open here."

#### Naval Air Arm **Gets New Setup**

H (Continued from Page 1) H Thursday's Flying Fortress raid

Fifteen German airdromes had been hit in 26 attacks from Sunday

In that period, the allies hammered home anew proof of their mastery of the air over western

They shot down 123 German fighters over the French coast, enemy airdromes and the channel with loss of eight Flying Fortresses, two fighter-bombers and 23

#### North Italy Said Chaotic

ON THE SWISS-ITALIAN ers when the battle for Europe FRONTIER, Aug. 20-(P)-Norfinally gets going full blast. The thern Italy was described as patch Friday to the Zurich newsof vital political-military import- paper Die Tat which told of the arrival of German reinforcements as Italian army guards patrolled tablishing formal relations be- city streets to prevent civilian demonstrations.

Intensification of military precommittee now governing in parations were reported at Como. French North Africa. Such recog- where a military government



BUILDER - Former profes-sional strong man John Gallag-

#### Snell Lauds Traditions Of Pioneers

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20-(P) Governor Earl Snell of Oregon Friday urged delegates to the annual American Pioneer Trails association convention to "keep alive the tradition of American pioneers."

Delegates responded by telling of observances planned to height-en interest in pioneer history. Oregon members, sponsoring a centennial celebration, told of plans to mark the old Oregon

trail permanently. Marvin Richardson, Walla Walla, Wash., announced a pageant would be held October 10 at the site of the Whitman mission where the first overland wagon arrived from the mid-west October 10, 1843.

The 1947 association convention will be held in Salt Lake City. J. W. Condie, Boise, said an

Idaho state council of the association had been formed recently. In behalf of Governor C. A. Bottolfsen, he pledged Idaho's support for marking of historical

# **Allies Smash** other 215 out of a fleet of 225 cipals, including Prime Minister operation is discussed at Quebec the W. L. MacKenzie King of Canada is left open bere."

(Turn to Page 2-Story F) air as the last of the big bombers swept past.

But even then the "triple strength" raid wasn't ended. As darkness fell, RAF Welling-

tons, guided by fires visible 80 miles away, loosed a cascade of already undermined by the day identified by name.

Italian and German fighters apfirst wave of raiders, but 38 of thority which can bring strongthe attackers were shot down be- perhaps decisive-pressure on the fore the combined fire power of course of prices and business in formations.

It was a shattering blow against the axis defense of southern Italy. The city is one of Italy's four largest rail junetions and if the Germans plan to reinforce the Italian toe they must maintain Foggia's rail connections.

The appearance of a large number of fighters sharply emphasized the importance axis commanders place on this strategic "more chaotic than ever" in a dis- point across the peninsula from

Fall of volcanic Lipari and Stromboli Tuesday put all seven of the islands in allied possession, headquarters announced today, winning absolute control of the sea between Sicily and lower Italy and improving positions for any jump onto the mainland.

Other bomber squadrons ripped up rail lines and targets south of Naples and elsewhere - downing six more axis planes-and British warships joined this phase of the softening attack by hurling shells into Scalea, on the west coast of the Calabrian peninsula.

Seizure of Lipari, largest of the Acolian Islands, and Stromboli apparently was unopposed. Stromboli is but 37 miles from Cape Vaticano, well up on the Italian boot, and Lipari lies 35 miles northwest of Messina, Italy had used them as forward observation points. Although they can handle only small boats, they would be strategically important in invasion of the Italian main-

> DANCE TONIGHT Veterans Hall

Corner Hood & Church St. Music by The Oregonians

# Layton Tells **Own Version** Of Drowning

(Turn to Page 2-Story C) dence to get some beer. At

pendence they continued to Buena Vista and along the way, turned off and parked on Lover's Lane, a road along the Willamette

Layton said her plunge into the they were playing along the banks, both unclothed. When she went into the water, he said he put his foot in but found the water cold; he couldn't swim and was so badly scared he didn't know what to do.

In answer to Spaulding's query as to why he threw the girl's clothes in the river, he said he didn't want them around and did not know what to do with them. He returned to the car, Layton said, found two tires low and pumped them up before driving on to Independence. There he had to bed and to sleep. The next day he accompanied his perents and he accompanied his perents and his sister on a strawberry picking Shows Italy

Earlier, Mabel Friesen was called to the stand by the state and testified that Ruth was a good swimmer. Dorothy Edigar, another friend of Ruth's, told Spaulding she had seen Ruth swim and dive, but had never seen her swim un-

The state rested its case this morning after abandoning an attempt to introduce a trans-cript of Layton's testimony before the Polk county grand jury. Circuit Judge Arile G. Walker denied a defense mo-tion for a mistrial, based upon the introduction of testimony by Hattie J. Bratzel, court re-

Layton, in response to a question by Hoy designed to bring out alleged third degree treatment of US navy—the Aeolian group off the defendant when state police obtained from him two signed statements, said "The lieutenant grabbed me by the shirt and said 'Is that what you did to Ruth Hildebrand?

The defendant said Sgt. Walter Hadfield had told him Howard was "the third degree man." adding that state police had stripnot known he had an attorney un- await her "resurrection." til Hewitt appeared with Sgt. Emahiser to go before the grand jury, and had no opportunity to talk with Hewitt prior to that

Judge Walker recessed cour until Monday at 9:30 a. m.

#### Stabilization Plan Doubted

(Turn to Prge 2-Story G) 2000-pound bombs that spread the pending proposals in Washington old fires and started new ones, several nevertheless talked freely and toppled the walls of buildings on condition that they not be

"Neither this nor the earlier time in severa lweeks to meet the they call for super-national authe Fortresses flying their tight the United States or other participating countries," one banker

Winthrop W. Aldrich, chairman of the Chase National bank of New York, has been an outspoken critic of the "super-bank" approach to the problem. He told the American section of the international chamber of commerce on April 29:

"To be enduring, the stabilization of exchange rates must rest \$10 bills, and another with four on the firm basis of sound internal fiscal and monetary poli-

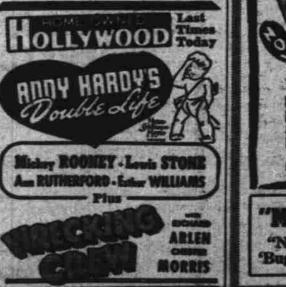
"We cannot erect a monetary superstructure until we have built a firm base. " . . . An over-all stabilization

represent an unrealistic approach to the problem. "Each nation must, as it did after the last war, painfully retrace its steps to monetary sta-

of exchange rates would seem to

#### Two Girls Missing From Hillcrest Home Two girls were reported miss-

ing from Hillcrest home Friday evening. They are Lottie Coates, 23, and Juanita Miller, 18. Both have brown hair and brown eyes and are of about the same height and weight—five feet, four inches to 130 pounds of weight.



# Tanker Henry C. Wallace Launched

The liberty tanker Henry C. Wallace, named for the former secretary of agriculture and late father of the vice president, was Isunched at Wilmington, Calif. Left to right: Mrs. Earl Warren, wife of California's governor; Gov. Bourke B. Hickenlooper of Iowa; Mrs. D. C. Hutchinson; Mrs. Hickenlooper, wife of Iowa's governor, the sponsor, and Lou Grinage, side to the sponsor.

For Murder

Case Suspect

fellow swing shift worker.

seen since Tuesday.

to search for Harry F. Lewis, 31,

shipyard worker charged with

Police found Mrs. Gillen's b dy

in Lewis' room last Wednesday.

Lewis also left a suicide note,

but police discounted it. Jealousy

tive for Lewis, who has not been

# Sick Nation

By WILLIAM SMITH WHITE LONDON, Aug. 20-(A)-Italy was plainly a sick belligerent Friday night, with her king issuing to the people of Sicily a procla-mation which was silent about any intention to go on fighting the war. There was consider feeling that allied armies might move next against fresher and stronger objectives than the cracked axis southern wall.

Although it is far too early to play the bugies of conquest over the Italians, King Vittorio Emanuele's curious and timorous message to the people and the loss of seven more Italian islands to the the west coast-were immensely heartening to the allied world.

What the king told the people of Sicily in effect was that although they now are "cut off" from the rest of Italy and have for the present nothing but things to grieve about, they should hold faith "in a better future."

In this figure, he said, Italyped him except for shorts, and and he presented the country as had left him alone in an anteroom after putting a pill in a for the future than reasoned conglass of water. He said he had fidence for the present—would "The future will bring a re-

ward for your sufferings," the king said in the proclamation, which was broadcast by the Rome radio and recorded by the Associated Press. "I have lived with you this ter-

rible moment," the king told the Sicilians. "I have heard your voice. I have understood your suf-

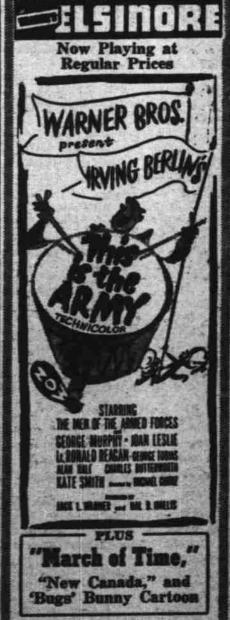
"Italians of Sicily, your king is near to you."

He called insistently for Sicily's loyalty to the crown and the House of Savey. For years the Sicilians have been regarded as tepid in regard to fascism.

A later Rome broadcast indicated that the proclamation was an attempt to forestall a separatist British and American proposals is movement, rather than an implipeared in strength for the first likely to get anywhere as long as cation that peace might be near

#### **Transient Dies** With \$1364

Harry BeVier, a transient with \$1364, died in a local hospital at 11:30 Friday night after a heart attack. He was received at the hospital at 7 p.m. His address was given as Sandusky, Ohio, The money was in three wallets, one with 62 \$20 bills, one with 12 \$1 bills. He was said to have been working in Redmond, Calif.



#### West Europe Police Search Gets 6th Day Of Bombing PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20-(A)

(Turn to Page 2-Story E) had "been in any scraps" and re plied, "Not recently." killing Mrs. Virginia Gillen, 24, red-headed divorcee and Lewis Asked if the Japanese air force should be considered as

Ramsey replied:
"I believe we have under-estimated the Japanese airplane productive capacity. They show an was ascribed as the slaying mo- ability to replace losses which is

To inquiries about enemy task forces, he said that although the PHOENIX, Ariz., Aug. 20 .- (P)- Japanese lost two of their best Police and newspapers were first-line carriers in the battle of asked Friday by the mother of Midway, their strength has "im-Harry E. Lewis, 31, wanted on proved materially since."

murder charges in the death of Asked whether it could be as Mrs. Virginia Gillen, Portland, sumed that the Japanese have



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