

Jap Air Bases In Solomons Put Out of Use

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Interception against United States missions. It, therefore, can be assumed nothing is left at Ballale. The attacks reported in today's...

The Japanese are estimated to have some 40,000 troops on Bougainville, the only big island they hold in the Solomons, and they are believed still in the process of trying to transfer by barges from nearby Choiseul remnants of their forces driven out of the central Solomons. Choiseul's barges have been pounded anew by allied raiders.

A headquarters spokesman reported that the Japanese troops who were driven back into the jungles north of Finschhafen, New Guinea, last week while trying to establish an avenue of escape to the coast were bloodily repulsed when they launched fresh counterattacks with artillery support.

Three such attacks were thrown back with heavy losses Saturday and a fourth Sunday. These occurred three miles north of the allied airbase at Finschhafen.

One Japanese 75 mm. field piece was put out of action in the latest fighting. Allied Boston attack planes bombed and strafed enemy positions to the rear of Sattelberg mission, the Japanese strongpoint northwest of Finschhafen, Japanese in that sector have been in an untenable position from the point of supply since Finschhafen was captured October 2.

Northwest of Finschhafen, Mitchell medium bombers silenced anti-aircraft positions Sunday around Alaxishafen, strafed the airfield and set fires in areas where planes are dispersed.

Still farther northwest, a reconnaissance bomber crippled a 1000-ton Japanese cargo ship off Wewak.

Yesterday's communique had outlined other disaster for the Japanese airforce, reporting destructive smashes at Rabaul and Kahlil.

Local Postage Boost, Luxury Tax Approved

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The tax on liquor (100 proof) would be raised from \$6 per gallon, to \$10, representing an increase of 5 cents per drink, figuring 80 drinks to a gallon...

The schedule on postage rate changes follows:

Local letters, first class - Now 2 cents an ounce, raised to 3 cents; out-of-town letters, first class - 3 cents, unchanged; air mail - 6 cents an ounce to 10 cents; special delivery - now 10 cents to 25 cents, unchanged; 2nd class mail - (doubled), now 1 cent each 2 ounces, to 1 cent per ounce; 3rd class mail - now 1.5 and 2 cents for each 2 ounces, to 3 and 4 cents for each 2 ounces; money orders, now \$ to 22 cents, to 10 to 15 cents; registered mail - now 20 cents to \$1.50 per article, to 20 cents to \$1.35; insured mail - now 5 to 25 cents per article, to 10 to 70 cents; COD mail - now 12 cents to \$1.20 per article, to 24 cents to \$2.40.

Allies Capture Ten Towns

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today to have been made at the Adriatic coast, scored its most recent advances for inland. Advancing six miles west from Vinchikuro they captured Bojano, on the main inland highway toward the key communications center of Isernia, and five other towns.

American medium bombers and long-range Lightning fighters from this theater delivered another sharp blow against the Germans in Yugoslavia yesterday, hitting the landing grounds at Podgorica, 20 miles inland from the Dalmatian coast not far from the Albanian frontier.

American and RAF planes bombed several towns in Italy where the Germans were well established, hitting especially at communications.

Two allied planes were lost in the day's operations in Italy, but all those which flew to Yugoslavia came back safely.

Large Allied Force Said Assembling on Corsica

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 26 - (AP) - Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower is assembling a large force on Corsica, perhaps for an invasion of the French Riviera or an attack against Italy north of Rome, the newspaper Al-Johanda said today in an unconfirmed dispatch from Bern.

FDR Denies Government Slacker Haven

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 - (AP) - President Roosevelt, aroused by charges from some legislators that federal employment has become a haven for draft dodgers, told congress today that the government's standards for draft deferment are much stricter than private industry's.

"In simple justice to the many fine, public-spirited, and devoted persons in the government employ, these unfair accusations must be emphatically denied," he said in identical letters to Vice President Wallace and Speaker Rayburn.

The very number of ex-employees of the government now in the armed services should "silence the mud-slingers," Mr. Roosevelt declared, adding that on last Jan. 1 the total was 238,154 and is estimated currently to be about a half-million.

He reported that on July 31 the number of full-time government employees, both men and women, was 2,980,404 and the number having occupational deferment was 98,053. No figure was presented on the total number of men of draft age in the government service.

Of the 98,053, Mr. Roosevelt said, 84,000 are employed by the war and navy departments, most of them at establishments outside Washington. Altogether, the two departments employ 1,952,700 civilians.

"The greater part of these," the president commented, "are engaged in war production in government arsenals, ordnance plants, powder factories, and navy yards, or in essential work at government depots, warehouses, proving grounds, air bases, naval training stations, and government hospitals."

He noted that the post office department is the largest government employer after the war and navy departments, and said that of its 315,741 employees only 61—all postal inspectors—had received deferment.

In the rest of the government, Mr. Roosevelt said, there are about 119,380 men of draft age—25,537 single, 26,195 married without children and 67,647 married with children.

Germans Open Pindus Road

By LYNN HEINZERLING

CAIRO, Oct. 26 - (AP) - German occupation forces have opened the Pindus road through the Pindus mountains in west central Greece by setting the two most important Greek guerrilla armies to fighting each other, advisers to the Egyptian seat of the Greek government-in-exile said today.

The Edes army of Colonel Zervas is now fighting both German troops and the Elass guerrillas of Colonel Seraenhis in this region, an informed source said.

The Pindus road from Ioannina through Metsovono to Trikkala, Larisa and Volos. It is an essential line for the Germans hauling supplies from east and north-western Greece.

In explaining the confused situation in Greece, one Greek here said the Seraenhis guerrilla army had refused to comply with an appeal from allied middle east headquarters to cease fighting brother Greeks, asserting that Zervas' troops were collaborating with the enemy.

The allegation against the Zervas group could not be confirmed here.

Bosnia Freed Of Germans

LONDON, Oct. 26 - (AP) - Fiery Yugoslav partisan fighters have driven the Germans from the last Nazi-held center of heavy industry in Bosnia, central Yugoslavia, capturing the steel city of Vares-Maydan after a 12-hour battle, a Yugoslav national liberation army communique announced today.

Stockholm reports, meanwhile, said that Vienna had been bombed on Sunday, and declared the bombers came from Foggia in Italy in the first American raid from new bases there to hit Austria and Hungary. Yugoslav patriots assisted in the raid by sabotaging axis communication lines to Austria and southern Germany, these reports added.

The Stockholm newspaper Sociala Demokraterna said there was chaos in Vienna as bombs fell in the unexpected raid from the south.

Community Cannery Meets Expenses

Salem's non-profit community cannery did not enough during its first season's operations to more than meet its current expenses. Supt. Frank Bennett revealed to school directors Tuesday night.

However, that net is sufficient only to pay a winter-reduced rental for the building the equipment occupies and to buy a first small stock of cans next spring or to meet dismantling expenses, the school executive explained.

Directors advised holding the building through the winter and retaining the cannery for at least another season. Operated by the school system, the cannery made a charge for cans to cover their purchase cost and operating expenses.

Senators Row On Resolution For Postwar

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 - (AP) - Angry words flared in the Senate's international peace debate today over attempts to write stronger language into the Foreign Relations Committee's broad-based resolution on postwar collaboration.

Senator Pepper (D-Fla) declared senators urging a specific plan for this country's participation in international peace plans were "unconsciously intimidated" by a Foreign Relations sub-committee now resisting attempts to re-write the general resolution.

"There was no effort at intimidation on the part of anybody," replied Senator Barkley of Kentucky, the Democratic leader.

Senator Hatch (D-NM) put it that the reception the sub-committee gave to some witnesses "wasn't any too warm." Hatch, Pepper and others advocate a more pointed resolution which would, among other things, resolve the nited States to lend armed resistance against future aggressions.

Pepper and Senator Ball (R-Minn), a co-sponsor of the Pepper amendment, were in frequent clashes with the chairman, Connally (D-Tex) of the Foreign Relations committee who termed some of Pepper's remarks "insulting."

The Florida Senator replied that Senators "do not like to be browbeaten. And if they are able to prevent it they do not expect to be browbeaten."

Connally brought Ball to his feet in obvious anger when the Texas senator accused him of trying to "emasculate the resolution" because it is "not the kind he wanted."

Declaring "the shadows of world war III stalk in this senate this afternoon," Pepper said the committee's post-war resolution "is like an old mother Hubbard. It covers everything and touches nothing. At least our resolution says something."

The advocates of a more specific resolution encountered frequent questions as to whether their action of using military force might not open the way to send the United States into a future war without the consent of congress but Pepper insisted that was not the intention.

"I'd never consent to any agreement," said Senator Millikin (R-Okla.) "that would let any organization commit the United States to war without the consent of congress."

Senator Eastland (D-Miss.) sent up an amendment today which would pledge the United States to freer international trade and to "remove impediments and restraints which tend to hinder the prosperity of the United States and other nations, and which prevent nations from access upon fair and equitable terms to the raw materials and trade necessary to their national well-being."

Pepper cautioned the senate against repeating what he termed "the political chicanery" which kept this nation out of the league of nations.

Nazi Retreat Lays Reich Open to Bombs

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their military fronts eventually must disintegrate. The Allied high command is believed to have plans for hitting Europe with all available force at the time when aerial destruction has had a maximum effect on both the physical ability and the moral strength of the Germans.

This time probably is only a few months away.

Russians Near Krivoi Rog

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The Germans made no effort to conceal the gravity of the plight of their armies in Russia. The German high command so-called penetrating into the Mellitopol sector after fierce battles, and said only that "some" were sealed off, implying that others were not.

Although the Russians reported only reconnaissance and artillery action on sectors other than those in the south, Berlin said that the red army had opened an attack "on a broad front in White Russia," a front about which Moscow has been relatively silent lately—perhaps in preparation for an announcement of a big breakthrough.

How to Promptly Relieve MUSCULAR ACHES-PAINS

MUSTEROLE advertisement text: You need to rub on a powerfully soothing "counter-irritant" like MUSTEROLE for quick relief. MUSTEROLE is better than an old-fashioned mustard plaster—it actually helps break up painful local congestion!

ON the HOMEFRONT

The story of a 17-year-old rural Marion county boy who to his comparatively long record of training school escapes has now apparently added desertion from the army and escape from an army stockade was told here last night by state police after they had apprehended Paul John Schneider in a car the youth told them he had stolen in Arizona.

Schneider, who during the more than two years he was a pupil at the state training school at Woodburn for boys got most of his publicity through breaks, was released 18 months ago and entered the army, state officers said Tuesday. How he got into the organization when he could not have been more than 18 years of age they said they did not know.

For while, he apparently got along with army discipline, but (and this is the story Paul John said to have told state police, who told it to me) last July the lad deserted, stole a car and was apprehended by Arizona state police. After 18 months in jail, he was released to the army and, apparently not long ago, escaped from the stockade and stole a car.

Yesterday, Paul John says, he saw a state police car behind him, got worried and so speeded, eventually traveling so fast he could not keep the car on the road. When the vehicle left the highway, the arrest was made—on a charge of reckless driving. Then the officer found that there were a number of license plates in the car; the boy said he had stolen them, and, questioned as to why he had speeded at the approach of the officer, allegedly admitted having stolen the car he drove.

In Salem justice court, he was held on the reckless driving charge and committed to jail for 10 days. During that time, Oregon will check to see whether Arizona "wants" him. I'll wager it doesn't. No one seems to want John Paul except the army and it, apparently, didn't want him badly enough to build a stockade that would hold him.

Today's action replaced the flat uniform subsidy rate with variable rates ranging from 50 cents for common, cutter and canner classes of cattle to \$1.45 for good grade, with the medium grade eligible for a 90 - cent rate and choice grade for a \$1-rate.

In order to be eligible for these subsidies, the slaughterer or processor must pay producers prices within a specified range. That range by classes is: cutter and canner cattle, \$7.45 to \$8.45; common grade \$10 to \$11; medium grade \$12 to \$13; good \$14.25 to \$15.25; and choice \$15 to \$16.

If a slaughterer pays outside these price ranges, his subsidy will be reduced by the amount he falls below the minimum or the amount he pays over the maximum. For example, a slaughterer who pays 16.50 for choice grade cattle will lose 50 cents of his \$1 subsidy rate.

3-Power Talk Proceeds in Full Harmony

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW, Oct. 26 - (AP) - Delegates to the three-power conference met this cold, damp day in a growing atmosphere of cooperation which all quarters predicted would lead to a complete understanding among Britain, the United States and Russia.

There was definite assurance from all circles that Secretary of State Cordell Hull, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and Foreign Commissar Molotov had dedicated themselves to the assumption that the conference already is a success and that its fruits will be hailed as successful.

One also gets the impression from talks with persons who are sitting in on the meetings that the results of the conference—although they deal with matters small and large—are going to have an important effect on the peace of the postwar world.

Hull, Eden and Molotov sat down again at Speridonovka palace at 4 p.m. Earlier in the day the drafting committees met in a joint session and made some progress.

There was still no indication as to how long the conference will last and for security reasons no speculation will be allowed.

This much is certain, however, the conference is in no sense nearing its end. The delegates are in the midst of some of the most important questions of the meeting and will likely continue with them for some time.

US Announces New Roll-Back Beef Subsidy

By OVID A. MARTIN

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 - (AP) - The government announced tonight a plan under which its roll-back subsidy on beef will be used in an effort to tighten control over live cattle prices and to give financial relief to a small group of slaughterers caught in a squeeze between controlled meat prices and heretofore loosely controlled cattle prices.

Unaffected by the plan will be present ceiling prices on beef at the retail meat counter.

The plan — which was announced by Economic Stabilization Director Fred M. Vinson — is expected to maintain prices of live cattle within a stated range approximating present market price levels. That range will be between \$7.45 per hundred for lowest grade to \$16 for highest grade.

The roll-back subsidy, which was inaugurated last June, has been \$1.10 per hundred pounds on live cattle, irrespective of grade. This subsidy was established when the office of price administration rolled back meat prices 10 per cent. The subsidy, which is paid to processors and slaughterers, was designed to enable the latter to pay producers the same prices for live cattle as before the meat prices were reduced.

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The government set up a new subsidy payment of 80 cents per hundredweight to non-processing slaughterers—those who, it says, have been caught in a squeeze. Such slaughterers do not process cattle by-products and consequently are not in a position to compete equitably, Vinson said, with large slaughterers who process all by-products. Vinson said this latter subsidy would be financed from economies expected to be effected through substitution of the flat roll-back subsidy with a graduated scale of such subsidies.

The graduated subsidies—by offering a greater rate on good grade cattle—are designed also to encourage the feeding of more cattle to heavier weights—a development which would provide the country with a larger supply of beef. The rates, however, are designed to discourage the production of choice or prime beef—a type which requires extra amounts of feed, time and labor.

To prevent a breakdown in that phase of the program designed to encourage greater feeding of good grade cattle—a development which might follow an abnormal slaughter demand for cattle—Vinson directed the war food administration to develop a system for allocating supplies of cattle among slaughterers and feeders.

Rep. Kiesberg (D-Texas), criticized the program, asserting that it would discourage beef production and bring about a beef famine late in the winter.

Nazis Charge Italian Officer With Treachery

LONDON, Oct. 26 - (AP) - Gen. Alfredo Guzzoni, 66, Italian commander in Sicily during the allied campaign and formerly one of Mussolini's most trusted officers, has been arrested by the Germans on a charge of treachery, a DNB broadcast said tonight.

Voters May Decide School Building Issue

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tion point and McKinley school is practically overflowing; the senior high school was never quite "finished," since it lacks space for music and dramatics, the superintendent declared.

An example of what may be expected in future years was cited by Bennett as he discussed current population trends Tuesday night. Thirty pupils in any grade will fill a classroom for any teacher; in the first grade, individual attention is considered especially important.

But every first grade classroom in the Salem system has 30 or more pupils. Yesterday there were 44 in the first grade at Washington school; 42 at Grant and 41 at McKinley. Enrollment throughout the district has continued to grow, Bennett told the board, but the first grade situation has become the most serious.

That is not the climax of the story. In 1937 when most of this year's first graders were born there were 1136 birth certificates filed in Marion county; last year there were 1493; already this year there have been more than 1300.

If there is any indication that public sentiment favors the type of financing which Bennett declared the individual family "considers wise when it is making building plans," voters will surely be called upon to ballot on the question next spring so that provision for establishment of a building fund can be made in the next fiscal year's budget.

Single Men's Draft Ahead Of Dads Voted

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the House refused to accept an amendment requiring the induction of fathers under 31 before older parents are taken.

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Dr. Douglas Resigns State Defense Post

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lem was with the county - city health department.

Coming to Marion county in 1926 after the Commonwealth fund had established the county health unit here, he remained when the fund - supported unit was reorganized into a county-city health service and he then became the first full-time county-city health officer, in which capacity he remained until early 1941, when he was commissioned.

"Now that attack from without appears more remote, the emergency medical services of civilian defense is confronted with the responsibility for preparing local resources in physicians, nurses, nurses' aides and other volunteer helpers to handle natural disasters and the results of sabotage," Dr. Douglas said Tuesday night.

"Groundwork has been laid for this activity throughout Oregon and volunteers are helping to meet the situation caused by the constantly - decreasing supply of trained medical men and nurses available for civilian work. I know this work will continue without setback as it is in competent hands in every community," he added.

Douglas commences private practice Monday, but his family will continue to reside here until arrangement for a home in Portland have been made.

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Soldier to Take Bride

DALLAS — A marriage license was issued from the county clerk's office Friday to Clyde Blankenship Dillow, soldier at Camp Adair, and Lorraine W. Flewelling, domestic, Monmouth.

GRAND advertisement with images of people and text: THE ONE MAN TO LOVE, THE ONE MAN TO LOVE, THE ONE MAN TO LOVE. DANCING WITH THE BRIDE. OBERON AHERNE. FIRST COMES COURAGE. FOOTLIGHT GLAMOUR. Now Showing. A Columbia Picture. THE GREAT SHOWDOWN WITH THE BIG BOSS. STATE. It's Check Full of This Thing Called Love! Rosalind Russell Melvyn Douglas in "This Thing Called Love". With Their Heads in the Clouds... Their Hearts on the Ground... "Flight Angels". Virginia Bruce, Dennis Morgan, Ralph Bellamy. OPEN 6:45.

LIBERTY advertisement: Starts Today! Big Double Bill. Screen's Top Aerial Combat Thriller! For rough and ready romance ride with the Northwest Rangers. Aerial Gunner. Chester Morris. Richard Arlen. Jimmy Lydon. With their heads in the clouds... their hearts on the ground... Flight Angels. Virginia Bruce, Dennis Morgan, Ralph Bellamy.

ABOVE SUSPICION advertisement: Starts Today! It happened on a honeymoon... but their hectic romance was only part of the excitement! Love in the morning—and fight from murder at night! It's a story with all kinds of thrills—from kisses to killings—and Joan and Fred are just the pair to make the most of every action-packed moment! Fred MacMurray, Joan Crawford.

CLANCY ST. BOYS advertisement: Added! Jungle Girl. 2 HITS! LEO GORLEY, HUNTZ HALL, BOBBY JORDAN.

HOLLYWOOD advertisement: Through Skies of Death! Tonight and Thursday. My aboard this army transport on its secret, hazardous mission through China. NIGHT PLANE Chungking. Film with JITO KUGLER. TIM HOLT gives you a real thrill. Film with Neta and Short.

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