

Allies Continue 'Smash Rabaul' Air Campaign

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played in futile enemy attempts to break up the formations.

As on previous raids, with the exception of one Oct. 18, fighters went along with the Liberators but most of them had to turn back because of a storm over New Britain and the four-engine raiders had to largely fight their way across the target.

Only one member was lost in Monday's raid but six members of the crew were saved. This brought allied plane losses for the five raids to 13. The crews of two fighters and a Mitchell medium bomber on previous raids also were saved.

Forty-three were damaged in addition to those destroyed. One hundred and seventy seven planes were knocked out in a 350-ton strike there Oct. 12. Sixty more were destroyed Oct. 18. Then raids Oct. 23 and 24 destroyed 133 others and probably destroyed an additional 48.

The Oct. 12 total of 177 included at least 125 destroyed.

This continued aerial neutralization of Rabaul has been coordinated with the bombing into uselessness of other enemy bases on Bougainville—Rabaul's front door.

Today's communique announced that in the area just north of Bougainville, a Liberator had bombed and damaged an enemy destroyer.

Another of the intermittent long distance strikes at the Japanese-held nickel mining center of Pomeles, Dutch Celebes, also was reported. Such a raid entails a roundtrip flight of more than 2000 miles from Australia.

In the south Bougainville area where the Japanese have been forced by continued aerial bombardment of American planes to quit using three airdromes, these cratered fields were divebombed again, today's communique added.

The Lakunai airdrome, which received only scant attention in the other raids—Rabaul has at least five fields—drew the concentrated wrath of the raiders.

Twenty-one enemy aircraft were destroyed on the ground and 23 damaged.

Seventy Japanese planes intercepted and 37 were shot down. Twenty others were damaged.

Liberators, which had to fly unescorted, made a daylight strike at Pomeles and two of the big bombers were lost. Their bombs caused damage and spread fire in the mining center's plant area. Ten Japanese fighters intercepted. One was shot down and another damaged.

The deliberate bombing of the big Kahili airdrome on south Bougainville, made possible by complete absence of Japanese planes aloft, was carried out by Liberators, Avenger torpedo bombers and Dauntless dive bombers with a fighter escort.

In the three raids there reported today, it was noted that five planes were parked on the ground. None of the raiders was lost, despite anti-aircraft opposition.

Germans Said Losing Morale In Homeland

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vast majority of the German people until the day of Stalingrad.

"But the primary cause of this psychological depression is the continuous offensive of the allied air force. I cannot insist enough on the disastrous effects wrought on German morale of the night raids of the RAF and the USAF."

"Not only have they annihilated Hamburg, reduced Essen to a smoking mass of rubble, ravaged Cologne, Dusseldorf and Rostock, but all cities and villages, even in secluded districts, have been submitting to this nightly for over a year. Germans cannot sleep without fear, without a valise beside the bed containing their most precious items. For in the event of destruction it would not be possible to replace the least bit of clothing, furniture or utensils."

Committee Votes Excess Profits Tax

By FRANCIS M. LE MAY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27—(P)—A boost in the wartime corporation excess profits tax, from 90 to 95 per cent, was approved today by the house ways and means committee, but the tax-framing body rejected 18 to 8 all proposals to increase corporation normal and surtax tax.

The committee today voted to: 1. Reduce the invested capital credits for computation of excess profits. The credit for the first \$5,000,000 was left unchanged at 5 per cent, but from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 the percentage was reduced from 7 to 5; \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000, from 5 to 3 and over \$20,000,000, from 3 to 2. 2. Keep the corporation over-all tax limit at 90 per cent of net earnings. 3. Raise the specific exemption

Yank Attack Force Arrives for Lae Drive



Floating down gracefully by parachute from a large flight of troop-carrying army transport planes, these American paratroopers land on a rolling field in Markham valley behind a protective smoke barrier which screens them from attack by Japs across the river. They went on to capture the important Lae base. While some men who have already landed free themselves from their 'chute harnesses (bottom), others swing to the ground and collapse their chutes, while others float just above tree tops after leaping from plane near left center. This was the lowest that a mass jump has been attempted in battle and the first extensive use of paratroops in the Pacific area. (AP wirephoto from army.)

Scouts Open Drive for 20 New Troops

A campaign with 20 new troops in Salem as its goal opens tonight when five Salem businessmen meet with the 20 they had selected as their teams to select the names of institutions where they will seek to organize Boy Scout units.

From a long list of Salem churches and other organizations or institutions, campaigners will select the 20 they believe most likely sponsors for the troops.

There will be no lack of members, Lyle Leighton, Scout executive said Wednesday as he met with the five captains and with Deputy Regional Executive Walter Whidden of Portland and a planning luncheon. Three out of four of Salem's 903 boys of 12, 13 and 14 years who are not now Boy Scouts want to be, he estimated. The need is for sponsoring bodies.

Whidden has been here from Portland for several days working with Leighton and the Cherry City district organization to prepare for the intensive drive.

Captains are W. L. Phillips, Walter Erickson, Howard Grimm, Elton Thompson and Pat Crossland. Ralph Johnson as district organization chairman heads up the campaign, while Carl Ashenbrenner, Cherry City district commissioner, and Lester Wilcox, who is district training chairman, are on the executive committee for the campaign.

Tonight's meeting is in the Wilamette room of the chamber of commerce.

Allies in Italy Push Forward

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need for a victory to bolster the morale of his people; Rommel's need for a triumph to reestablish his reputation as the war's top general; and the need for any kind of a smashing blow against the allies, hardly likely for the Germans now on the sea, in the air, or in Russia.

Experiences with rains and clouds in Italy during recent weeks have given the armies of Generals Clark and Montgomery reason to recall the warning of Air Marshal Sir Arthur Cunningham during the Sicilian campaign that "we are getting out of the good weather zone."

The air force, continuing Balkan operations, attacked the Germans' Sides and Megalo Milka air fields just outside Salonika, Greece, for the second time, and allied fighter-bombers and light bombers slashed hard at communications behind the enemy's lines in Italy.

US monitors recorded a Swedish broadcast which quoted a Budapest dispatch to Turkey as saying allied bombers last night attacked the western Hungarian towns of Greer and Magyarska, important rail centers through which most military traffic moves to the Balkan and Italian fronts.

From the excess profits tax from \$5000 net profit to \$10,000. 4. Close loopholes which, members said, now permit some corporations to avoid taxes. 5. Require corporations, now exempt from paying taxes, to file returns — except religious and charitable bodies.

Dimout Lifts Entirely Nov. 1

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as far as 40 miles out at sea, which prevents any military interference from the glow of lights along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

The civilian defense coordinator stressed that blackout regulations continue in operation and that all county civilian defense organizations should take cognizance of this fact.

"The fact that Oregon, Washington and British Columbia civilian defense officials met at Olympia, Wash., last Saturday, to obtain clarification of the previous dimout relaxation order, is proof that we had no advance information of Wednesday's suspension order," Owens declared.

Under the suspension order, Gov. Earl Snell, prior to November 1, will rescind his dimout proclamation, issued in conformity with army instructions.

State highway department officials said the suspension order would not affect its lighting system materially for the reason that its lights must be partly masked to comply with the blackout regulations.

Mrs. Heffley Of Monmouth Dies Tuesday

INDEPENDENCE — Mrs. Ella Heffley died at her home in Monmouth Tuesday, October 26, at the age of 75 years and one day. Services will be held from the Evangelical church in Monmouth, Friday, October 29 at 2 p. m. Rev. H. R. Scheuerman officiating. Interment will be in Fir Crest cemetery south of Monmouth, by direction of the Smith-Baum mortuary.

Ella Brown Heffley was born September 26, 1868, in Fayette county, Ind. Married to Ulysses Grant Heffley on December 28, 1887, at Wolcott, Ind. In the fall of 1890 they moved to Oregon, living on a farm in Cooper hollow that Mrs. Heffley inherited from her grandfather, Joshua Brown. Two years later they moved to the farm between Monmouth and Independence, where they lived for 29 years, then moved to the present home in Monmouth in the fall of 1921.

Mr. and Mrs. Heffley celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1937.

Mrs. Heffley had been a member of the Evangelical church for many years. Survivors are U. G. Heffley and their four daughters, Florence and Josephine Heffley of Portland; Mrs. Velma Riley of Monmouth and Mrs. Gertrude DeBoer of Myrtle Point. There are four grandchildren, Maurice and Donald Smith, Mrs. Betty Wilson and Mrs. Helen Leatherman, also two great grandchildren. Mrs. Heffley's two sisters, Mrs. M. E. Hendrick, McMinnville, and Mrs. J. P. Douglas of Huntington, W. Va., also survive.

Obituary

Duncan At the residence, 1195 S. 12th street, Salem, Wednesday, October 27, William Bentley Duncan, age 91 years; father of Mrs. W. H. Derby of Salem, and Mr. Robert B. Duncan of Silverton; brother of Mrs. L. E. Starr, and Mrs. Wilfred Brazeau, both of Portland, and Delbert Duncan of Astoria; grandfather of Mrs. R. C. Bogart of Salem, and William S. Duncan, US navy, Seattle, Washington. He was a member of the First Presbyterian church for 54 years. Announcement of services will be made later by the W. T. Rigdon company.

Soviets Surge Along Front Of 150 Miles

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ing freight cars loaded with Nazi equipment.

Far north of the Ukraine fighting, a Russian attack broke the White Russian front. The red army men were declared to have captured more than 50 populated places and cleared the highway between Nevel and Usvyaty in the sector nearest the Latvian frontier.

Advances of up to six miles were made as the Russians battered through a well-developed system of engineering obstacles, routed a strongly fortified center of German defenses and killed about 600 Nazis. Prisoners and material were taken.

The German radio had acknowledged withdrawals "west of Smolensk."

In the southern Ukraine, where the Germans said a great and faithful tank battle was thundering in the northern outskirts of Krivoriog, the Russians were also pushing up from the south toward Nikolopol on the Dnieper river, where manganese mines—important for making steel—were a counterpoint to the iron mines of Krivoriog.

A Reuter dispatch from Moscow said Russian planes were already pounding Nikolopol as the breakthrough widened west of Melitopol.

Russia Will Turn on Japs, Speaker Hints

Russia will not always turn a calm face toward Japan, but once she has proved her ability to fight and defeat a modern opponent will remember the suffering caused by her oriental island neighbor early in this century and will react violently. So hinted Victor Stepanoff, native of Russia who is now a US citizen-resident of Portland, as he spoke Wednesday night before Salem grange and its guests.

The Japanese method of starting wars is the same on both sides of the Pacific, he pointed out, describing how in 1904 the Jap navy struck at Russia while the czar entertained a great ball honoring an ambassador from Japan.

Napoleon's downfall was really at the hands of the Russians, although western history books emphasize Wellington's share in it, according to Stepanoff, and Germany has been the enemy of Russia since the days of the house of Rurik, Scandinavian prince credited with founding the Russian empire.

Russians today work "as long as they can and on their days off they work free," Stepanoff declared as he told of the sacrifices and losses in that invaded country. Despite popular opposition at its beginning, collective farming in Russia has been more productive than any other kind, the speaker said.

How Russian War Relief, Inc., seeks to help replace the "scorched earth of Russia" as it is retaken by its owners was explained by Marjorie Church Brewster of the Salem committee. Stepanoff is vice chairman of the state committee for Russian relief. Mrs. Brewster and Mimi Dimondstein presented a Russian dance as introduction to the program.

Brief speeches in the interest of rehabilitation of injured servicemen and of the war chest were presented by Col Stewart Arnold and Lyle Leighton.

Postwar Plans Include Roads, Courthouse

A million dollar courthouse, 16 road projects and an estimate of \$61,000 on new equipment needed for roadwork are included in the outline of postwar expenditures presented Wednesday by County Engineer N. C. Hubbs at request of the county court.

The road construction projects would call for expenditures of \$331,000 and are in addition to those previously submitted to the state highway department. The earlier list covered work to be done on federal highway either in conjunction with the county or suggested by the county because the highways affected are linked with the Marion county road system.

The next county budget will make provision for \$75,000 to be set up as the beginning of a reserve fund for the county's share in the matched - money million dollar courthouse construction project.

Already \$100,000 has been set aside toward the \$331,000 road work program and a similar amount is currently scheduled to go into next year's budget.

The 16 proposed road projects are:

Market road between Woodburn and Aurora on west side of Southern Pacific tracks, resurfacing and oiling for eight miles, \$58,000.

Buena Vista road to Buena Vista ferry, five miles, \$25,000 for resurfacing and oiling.

Victor Point market road from Skaffe road to Silver Falls state highway, resurfacing and oiling for seven miles, \$42,000.

Marion - West Clayton road, resurfacing and oiling between those points, six miles, \$36,000.

Powers Creek road above McLaughlin school, one mile of new construction, \$12,000.

Greens bridge road from Marion - Jefferson road to Greens bridge, widening, resurfacing and oiling, two miles, \$14,000.

Abiqua road, resurfacing and oiling, 3.5 miles, \$21,000.

Dominic road north of Mt. Angel from Meridian road to flax plant road, regaveling and oiling, 3.4 miles, \$19,000.

Scotts Mills - Crooked Finger road, regaveling and oiling from Scotts Mills to road No. 782, 2.5 miles, \$15,000.

Turner - Pacific highway via Cloverdale, regaveling and oiling 2.5 miles from Pacific highway, \$13,000.

Whitaker - Drift Creek - Silver Falls city road, regaveling and oiling two miles, \$12,000.

Horsehoe Lake road regaveling and oiling one mile from road 403, west, \$6000.

Hubbard - Broadacres - Champeoer road, regaveling and oiling from Four Corners to Broadacres, 3.5 miles, \$21,000.

East Butteville - Cemetery corners road, regaveling and oiling from Butteville 2.5 miles to county line, \$15,000.

Liberty - Pringle road, regaveling and oiling 2.5 miles, \$15,000.

Road 401 in north end of county, regaveling and oiling from St. Paul - Newberg road to Ray Bell school, 1.5 miles, \$9000.

Delinquents Not All Young, Speaker Says

Children and young persons do not fill the lists of American delinquents, according to Eida Russell, head of the large statewide committee named by Gov. Snell last week to investigate the problem of juvenile delinquency in Oregon. Speaking at a luncheon meeting of the Soroptimist club of Salem yesterday, Miss Russell declared that action of so-called juvenile delinquents is merely a reflection of the action and attitudes of adults around them.

Restlessness, disinterest in conduct or dignity, lawlessness are not limited to the youth of the land, she maintained, although except in the more serious cases adults who engage in such emotions and activities are not branded as delinquents.

Young persons who grow toward responsible citizenship tomorrow must have more than entertainment provided by others or than guidance from a hind in an iron glove, Miss Russell, former superintendent at Hillcrest school for girls and now an executive with the state protective society, told her audience of women.

Adult supervision but not adult dictatorship is needed, according to her.

Just as an appeal to youth, accompanied by understanding, may bring cooperation and betterment of conditions, so appeals to groups which may have been considered detrimental to good community conditions can repay highly, the speaker said.

The army is not waiting to pick up little girls along city streets nor to encourage children to run away from home; if properly approached, the army in any community's midst can and will offer fine adult leadership, Miss Russell declared, citing examples.

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ON the HOMEFRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

Question from a very young Salem lad whose father is a chief petty officer in the navy: "If a general wears a general's coat and a captain a captain's coat, why doesn't a petty officer wear a petty-coat?"

Lyle Leighton, who has to his credit six months of the several years he thinks may be required before he can be considered a resident of Salem in the most accepted sense of the term, Tuesday took a portion of the educational course outlined for every would-be Salem enthusiast.

Says Mr. Leighton, Boy Scout executive, "Salem has the most polite police force I have ever met." Of course, just between you and me, if you take a good look at him you will know he hasn't met many police or police forces. "I'm afraid I'll have to give you a citation," Leighton declares the officer said after he had sired the scout executive's car to a stop just beyond the hitherto unseen "stop" sign.

Same way at the police station; everyone was polite; not so polite it hurt; the \$2.50 it cost the newcomer to learn about the sign should have done that.

But putting up money or laying it down doesn't hurt everyone. The not-very-big boy who dropped some coins on a State street sidewalk Wednesday night was looking for the last nickel as I approached. He agreed with me that it must have gone down the nearby vent when I said casually "Too bad," he jumped up and swaggared off with "Well, I guess it won't hurt ME."

Wallace Says Postwar Jobs Can Be Had

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him around in times of peace so as to scare labor, not realizing that he is an even greater enemy of capital than he is of labor."

The former secretary of agriculture said "allied food problems in 1944 will be far greater than in 1943 but, great as they may be, our food outlook is infinitely brighter than that of the axis. So far the axis has lived by robbing food from the weak. Now those days are coming to an end and the Japanese and German manpower will be so depleted that it will be increasingly difficult to feed the axis peoples."

Wallace declared "We are not now and will not be after the war ends a major source of food exports to overseas countries," elaborating: "If we could spare enough ships to move it, the United Nations have this year over 60 million tons of food in exporting countries ready to ship to our allies abroad and to liberated areas. Only six million tons or one-tenth of all this would come from the United States, though probably more than one-third of protective foods, like dairy products, meat and eggs."

He said "We do not propose to feed a single person anywhere in the world who is not willing to produce to the extent of his ability. We have no more use for a 'gimme' nation than Captain John Smith of Virginia had for a soft-handed, lazy cavalier. But it is also part of the American tradition that we will not willingly stand by in the midst of preventable starvation."

Final Rites To Be Today

INDEPENDENCE — Funeral services for Mrs. Augusta Nelson, who died Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. Salathe at Suver, will be held at 2 p. m. today, Thursday, from the Smith-Baum mortuary here. Dr. E. B. Hart of Corvallis will officiate and interment is to be in Fir Crest cemetery, south of Monmouth.

Born February 16, 1884, in Sweden, she came to this country in 1883, residing first at Stromberg, Neb. In 1910 she was married to Alfred Nelson and moved to Muskegon, Mich., where she resided until 1941, when she came to Oregon on a visit. For the past seven months she had resided with Mrs. Salathe.

Survivors include the widow, five sons and two daughters, William Nelson, Michigan; Ragnar Nelson of Portland; Albert and Angel Nelson of Michigan; Ewald Nelson of Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. T. Bergstrom of Chevy Chase, Md., and Mrs. Salathe. There are seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

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State College Observes 75th Anniversary

CORVALLIS, Oct. 27—(P)—Oregon State college observed its 75th anniversary today as educators marched with soldier-students and speakers looked into the future in the reflected light of the school's history.

The Charter day celebration, marking the state's first step in support of higher education when the legislature in 1868 designated old Corvallis college as a land-grant institution, brought out robed professors to parade with army men assigned here for study.

Harrison C. Dale, Harvard-trained president of the University of Idaho, hailed land-grant colleges as "perhaps the most typically American achievement in the whole field of education."

"The land-grant college, whenever it has been true to its original purposes and intent, has emphasized the two most essential and significant qualities demanded of our citizens in winning the war," he said.

"These are technical knowledge, or what industry call 'know-how,' and those qualities of imagination, initiative and leadership which have never been absent in the philosophy of education, to which Oregon State college has consistently subscribed."

Gov. Earl Snell praised the college's past contributions to the state and lauded it for its role now under trying handicaps while aiding the war effort by training men in the armed forces. He predicted great success for the school in the future.

Dr. A. L. Strand, OSC president, thanked the people of the state for their support of the institution and praised the spirit of the staff he inherited as the new president.

War-time conditions restricted the size of the celebration but the parade included some 50 representatives of past graduating classes.

Wildcat Coal Strikers Grow

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members of the WLB in a special concurring opinion on last night's decision asserted that "the way to a solution of the nation's coal problem is clearly discernible" in the board's suggested substitute for the Illinois soft coal wage agreement.

"The WLB suggests to the parties in this case," they said, "an approach whereby the wages of miners in basic rates can be increased by \$10 per week as long as they work for 48 1/2 hours a week instead of 42 hours at the face (production time). This would solve the portal to portal issue consonant with the fair labor standards act. It would provide the country with the coal it must have. There would be, moreover, no violation of the wage stabilization program."

Wayne L. Morse and Dr. George W. Taylor are the authors of the opinion and Dr. Frank P. Graham concurred in it.

Phone Rate Hearing Nov. 1

A hearing on the application of the Interurban Telephone company for an increase of rates will be conducted at Silverton on Tuesday, November 9, by examiners representing Public Utilities Commissioner George H. Flagg, according to announcement issued Wednesday from his office.

Twenty five cents per month on all business telephones, 50 cents per month on all residential telephones within the city and a higher scale for varied service rates on rural phones are sought in the company's petition.

Total annual increase in revenue of the company would be \$4,367.40, the commissioner estimates. Information was not at hand to justify the increased rates.

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from either the standpoint of the earning position of the company or the requirements of its employees at the time the announcement of the hearing was made, it was said at PUC offices.

The hearing, commencing at 2:30 p. m. at the Silverton city hall, will be open to the public.

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