

Nazis Launch Counter-Push Against Reds

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Strongly-fortified defense centers around Sevastopol itself, notably Fedukhyn Heights, south of Inkerman about five miles from the center of the city.

A Russian maneuver from the south also outflanked the hill of Sakharov Galovka, which covered the entry to the Inkerman valley, the Soviet communique said.

Captured and deserter Rumanian troops said German machine gunners were shooting down Rumanians who tried to leave the Sevastopol defense trenches, the communique added. Many of the enemy were slain and many captured as the survivors were pressed inexorably back against the sea, the Russians reported.

The Sevastopol battle took on more and more the character of a siege, however. The Russians announced they were heavily shelling German positions there.

On the Bessarabian front the Russians reported they took several populated places and enlarged their bridgeheads on the west bank of the Dniestr river in the Chisinau area, killing 900 of the enemy and beating off German attempts to regain lost ground.

These successes, however, were subordinated by the communique, which frankly began: "On April 19, east and south of the town of Stanislavow, our troops fought the enemy, repulsing attacks by large tank and infantry forces."

A news dispatch from Moscow said the offensive appeared to be a strong, well-organized and systematic attack by Germans and Hungarians designed to stage off a drive in the Lwow direction by troops of Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's Ukrainian army.

A secondary purpose would be to try to keep the Russians from driving on through the Czechoslovak frontier passes that they reached April 8.

Lwow, 70 miles northwest of Stanislavow, is a railway junction and German base already under heavy attack by the red air force.

Tonight's communique said long-range bombers made a mass raid overnight on Lwow, hitting concentrations of trains loaded with enemy troops and war materials and causing 40 large fires visible 100 miles away.

The red army for some time has been at points approximately 45 miles east of Lwow.

In the drive towards Stanislavow, the Russians announced on March 29 they had captured Kolomyja, and immediately swept on to take Nadworna, 21 miles southwest of Stanislavow and Tysmienca, seven miles east. That front, on the plains just south of the Dniestr river and north of the Carpathian mountains, has been comparatively quiet ever since, until today's German counterattacks.

Leath Plans Eastern Trip

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representatives in each city, and prospective building sites will be visited and other matters including the availability of office help, transportation facilities, hotel accommodations, airline travel, railroad facilities and mail service will also be studied.

Leath states that there are approximately 125 office employees of this organization, therefore representing a sizable business enterprise. The American Jersey Cattle club does business with approximately 50,000 purebred breeders in America.

Sweden to Reject Allies' Request

STOCKHOLM, Thursday, April 20 (AP)—The government has informed the Swedish parliament in secret session it would reject the US-British request that it halt ball bearing exports to Germany, the newspaper Dagens Nyheter said today.

The paper said the reply had not yet been transmitted to Washington.



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ON THE HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

"Open Friday a. m. — Red's home."

The sign on the Marion barber shop door speaks eloquently to many a Salem man. For Red is, of course, that young marine corporal whose life in the south Pacific they have discussed under the shears and the hot towel these past two years.

And Pat Thatcher may talk as he will of the visit to friends in Lebanon, but there are those not far away from his shop who would wager as much as a new hat that the fishing poles went along.

And Red may tell his father of his fishing in the south seas.

Why, sure, and I have it from his own lips that he fished for tarpon, got them, too. Though, disappointingly, he could not do it in the way his father would have had him accomplish the task. For there wasn't time to cast and play when the marines went out to add to their larder.

The fishing there was done with dynamite. Mullet, tropical sunfish and tarpon rose, very dead, to the top of the water.

Truthfully, Red speaks of his fishing there only when pressed. But last weekend he really fished on some Oregon river, although the jaunt, like that of thousands of other season openers, was unsuccessful so far as the take was concerned.

Down here on South Commercial street we are using our pull with the Almighty so that there may be sunshine and spring clouds, calmed streams and good luck for the Thatchers, father and son, today.

Note to Servicemen's editor: Cpl. Richard Thatcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick G. Thatcher, 1548 Waller street, is at home on leave after 25 months with the marines in Australia and the south Pacific islands.

WFA Experts Study Potato Crop in State

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—War food administration experts are re-surveying the potato situation in Washington and Oregon to determine whether there will be a surplus sufficient to justify opening a plant in Oregon for the conversion of potatoes to alcohol.

William M. Case, principal marketing specialist for the commodity credit corporation, said the changing condition of the early crop, with some of it being lost through adverse weather conditions, has made early estimates inaccurate.

Local potato interests, he said, had advised that 400 carloads of potatoes were on hand in both Washington and Oregon, but a more recent report from surplus commodities representatives indicated there were only 77 carloads surplus in the two states.

"It takes a large surplus to justify starting an alcohol conversion plant," Case said. "Some large plants handle 30 carloads a day."

Case said consideration also might be given to moving the Washington-Oregon surplus to California to start two large alcohol plants there operating before the California potato harvest reaches its peak.

Irish Effort To Save Rome Looks Futile

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—German broadcasts made clear that the Nazi government intends to continue the policy it has followed—a tongue-in-cheek declaration that Rome is an "open city" while making every military use of it.

The situation, according to official views here, offers very little hope that the ancient seat of one of the world's great religious faiths will be spared heavy destruction.

De Valera's note was dated March 15 and Mr. Roosevelt's reply was dated April 3.

Sprague Campaigns Coastal Counties

PORTLAND, Ore., April 19 (AP)—Publisher Charles A. Sprague of Salem will take his campaign for republican nomination as US senator into Columbia and Clatsop counties tomorrow, his Portland headquarters said tonight.

He will make talks in St. Helens and Astoria, and will spend Friday in Tillamook county. Next week he will campaign in eastern Oregon.

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PAT THATCHER

New Havocs Now Operate From England

A US HAVOC LIGHT BOMBER BASE, England, April 19 (AP)—The new A-20 light bombers, which were brought out from the wraps of official secrecy today with the disclosure they are operating again from England, already have had their share of adventures during several weeks of action.

Lt. William Ostrander, Las Vegas, Nev., had to ditch his flak-damaged Havoc in the North Sea while returning from one mission. His two gunners, Sgts. Irving Binney, Woodside, Ill., and John E. Wilson, Bogalusa, La., bailed out and floated down onto English soil.

Ostrander was pulled out of the ocean a few minutes later.

While one-engine landings in the twin-engine medium and light bombers have become frequent, Lt. Horace F. Pair, Atlanta, Ga., pushed his skill a little further and executed a non-engine landing. One engine quit on the way to the target, but Lt. Pair managed to keep the plane in formation and carry through his bombing. The second engine conked out on the way back to his base, so he crash landed.

The only injuries in his mishap were broken ankles suffered by Lt. Pair and one of his gunners, Sgt. Herbert Marion, Ryderwood, Wash.

One of the pilots on yesterday's raid, Maj. L. O. Hawel, 48781 East 190th street, Seattle, piloted one of the six American planes in that joint RAF-USAAF attack on French railroad yards in 1942.

Rationing Will Ease Up

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Officials believe it would be possible to avoid a return to rigid rationing during the next twelve months. By that time, the war in Europe may be over and direct war demands lighter.

A factor in the situation is official concern over the possibility that the war might end with the government holding huge amounts of food in reserve. The problem of preventing a sharp decline in farm commodity prices is expected to be difficult at best. It would be complicated by the existence of large government stocks.

Another factor is a belief in official quarters that not nearly as much food will be needed for European relief feeding as was thought earlier in the war.

Portland Man Finds That He Just Can't Win

PORTLAND, April 19 (AP)—"I wasn't drunk," a defendant arrested pounding on an apartment house door told municipal court here.

"I came home at 2 a.m. and my wife was drunk and wouldn't let me in. She is the one who should be fined."

"I quite agree with you," replied the judge. "I'll fine her \$20. You pay it."

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Curtin Expects Allies to Keep World Peace

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19 (AP)—Prime Minister John Curtin of Australia, en route to Washington for war and postwar conferences with President Roosevelt, said today he looked to the United States and her allies to prevent world peace from being disturbed again by aggressors.

The prime minister said at a press conference that the conflict has taught the allies that no single power can stand alone and that a concert of nations is needed during and after the war.

Curtin said all occupied countries should be taken from the enemy. He declared that no allied country should claim certain territory, such as an island, merely because its forces captured the region. If Australian troops, he said, took a Pacific island they could do so only with the full cooperation of allied sea and air power. He said Australia will not proclaim sovereignty over any such island or region.

The premier stressed that the Japanese-mandated islands should never be allowed to become "potential bases of strength to an enemy."

The question of handling Japan after the war is one for the peace conference, he said.

John Beford, Early Mayor, Dies Yesterday

John Robert Beford, who was the first mayor of West Salem, died Wednesday afternoon at his home, 530 Statesman street. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Emma K. Beford and two daughters, Miss Ruth Beford and Miss Betty Beford.

Mr. Beford came to Oregon in 1889 from Canada by way of California where he spent some time. He came to West Salem in 1901 and lived there until about three years ago, when the family moved to Salem. He was the first man elected mayor of West Salem and served for several years in that position.

He was a member of the Methodist church all his adult life of the First Methodist church in Salem since he came to West Salem. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Clough-Barrick and time of the service will be announced.

Lovell Talks About Russia

Russia suffered the second worst invasion in history, its people do not want it ever to be repeated, R. Ivan Lovell, Willamette history professor, told fellow members of the Salem Rotary club Wednesday noon. Lovell sketched the ways in which Russia holds a commanding position in the world of nations in the matter of population, land, minerals, agricultural produce and industrial products.

The possibility that East Prussia might be given to Poland at the close of the war met with the approval of the Willamette faculty man who said it would mean the breaking up of the old Junkers party group.

Wallace Will Visit Siberia on Journey

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—The Herald Tribune in a dispatch from Washington says it has learned authoritatively that Vice President Henry A. Wallace will go to Siberia as well as China on his impending trip.

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RAF, AAF Drop 9000 Tons Of Bombs in Thirty Hours

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of 4400 tons of bombs last night on railroad installations near Paris and elsewhere behind the Nazi Atlantic wall.

Aerial warfare never before has witnessed a bombardment of such sustained volume and violence, and the end is nowhere in sight. Those who have followed the European air war closely the last few months feel certain that the present pace of the attack cannot only be maintained, but can be increased from British bases augmented further from the Italian theatre.

The allied 30-hour offensive cost less than one per cent of the attacking force.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NAPLES, April 19 (AP)—The straits on battered and overloaded rail communications supplying German forces on the southern Russian front was disclosed today to have been increased tremendously by the mining of 300 miles of the Danube river, historic and all-important commercial lifeline of southeastern Europe.

British bombers spent several nights dropping mines along the river and shooting up vessels from Budapest to Bucharest. The axis radio announced that all traffic had been halted on the great waterway.

The river has been the principal channel along which Rumanian oil, as well as grain and other loot from the Balkans, flowed toward Germany. Its importance to Nazi war plans has become even more vital as the Russian army pushed into Rumania and allied bombers from Italy began their methodical destruction of rail communications in Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia.

Using Wellingtons and American-built Liberators, the RAF night fliers first went in at very low altitude and dropped scores of mines along the river by parachute. The next night the gunners of a low-flying Liberator shot up

and exploded a tanker that spread blazing oil and gasoline among some 30 other craft, blocking all traffic. Crewmen said the surface of the Danube was blazing for at least 1000 yards.

Although the operation was extremely hazardous, both because of nearby mountains and enemy anti-aircraft fire, the only loss was a Wellington that crashed into the river.

British Crack India Lines Of Japanese

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numerically superior Japanese force which attacked night and day.

The main dispatches from Dimapur have advanced to within 1,000 yards of positions held by the Kohima garrison in preparation for the final nutcracker action against the Japanese. It was announced.

British mountain guns were reported in positions dominating enemy batteries. From inside Kohima, the other observer radioed that fighting had been particularly heavy in the western part of the town. There British troops, in strong defensive positions, were steadily shelled from above by Japanese 75-millimeter guns. All Japanese infantry attacks during the past week, however, were declared to have been thrown back with heavy losses.

British tanks crawled up 1,000-foot slopes for the attack which knocked the Japanese from hill positions northeast of Imphal.

Turkey Plans To Cooperate

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—Turkey has formally replied to British-American notes requesting a cessation of chrome shipments to Germany and the reply is believed to place the nation on the side of the allies "within the limits of Turkey's material possibilities," it was stated in an NBC broadcast from Ankara tonight.

Snell Predicts Accident Wave

PORTLAND, April 19 (AP)—Gov. Snell predicted today that casualties inflicted by jalopies on the nation's highways after the war might exceed the number killed in battle.

Gov. Snell addressed the opening session of the regional meeting of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators.

"With the coming of peace it will be the single desire of millions of our citizens to take to the open road again," Gov. Snell said. "For several years that will mean that cars with better than 250,000 miles chucked up, with ragged tires and mechanically unsafe, will be racing along our highways to present one of the gravest hazards that could befall our nation. Casualties might well exceed those caused directly by the war."

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Bombers Hit Nomoi Island Second Day

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Thursday, April 20 (AP)—Four-engine Liberators based in the Solomons bombed the Nomoi islands in the Carolines for the second successive day Monday and again met neither anti-aircraft fire nor opposition from enemy interceptors at that southern guardian of their Truk fortress.

Flying at medium altitude over the target, the big bombers saw a number of Japanese planes in the air, but they failed to give battle.

On Tuesday, an unopposed bomber force hit Woleai, far to the west in the Carolines, concentrating on the airbase and supply installations, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

Woleai is 450 nautical miles west of Truk, and the strike represented a long haul from Solomon bases. Nomoi is 150 miles southeast of Truk. The day before a strong bomber force neutralized the Satawan island air-drome there.

Two American planes were lost in day and night raids on Rabaul, the shattered enemy base of New Britain.

Liberators bombed several Japanese bases in northwestern New Guinea, but weather hampered other operations.

Hitler Reaches 55th Birthday

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war until the war is over. It needs a well-trained eye to discern the trend of historical developments while a war is still going on."

Suggesting that many Germans may not approve of Hitler, Goebbels recalled contemporary opposition to Frederick the Great.

Of the damage caused by the allied air raids on Germany, Goebbels remarked that "Ten years after the peace has been declared there will hardly be any signs left of the destruction caused by the enemy's terror raids."

"All of us," Goebbels said, "Consider ourselves engaged in

the fustler's historic mission. For us the war aims are not so clearly defined but unalterable. So to serve our aims means to be loyal to the fustler and to follow him through all the storms of war."

Hart Declines Making Guess On War's End

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19 (AP)—Returned from an on-the-spot investigation at Pearl Harbor, Adm. Thomas Charles Hart declined today to hazard a guess on the Pacific war's duration, but expressed the belief "it is going very well, despite the fact we have a great deal of geography to overcome."

He told a news conference he could "absolutely deny" that drunkenness among naval personnel had any weight whatever in the extent of the 1941 Pearl Harbor attack.

"That feature," he added, "has been investigated to death."

The admiral is a member of the general board of the navy, and was charged with unearthing evidence for the postponed court-martial of Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short and Adm. Husband Kimmel, military commanders in Hawaii when the war began. Beyond hitting at the drunkenness reports, he said "that's all I've got to say on that (Pearl Harbor) subject."

Japan cannot possibly make up in new building or repairs for the great destruction its merchant shipping has suffered, he continued, and for much of this accomplishment the nation can thank its submarine service.

"I think no other arm of the service... has contributed more than they have toward rolling back the Japs."

Frozen Foods Use To Increase Soon

PORTLAND, Ore., April 19 (AP)—A vastly increased array of frozen foods, wider use of plastic and glass containers, and increased use of mobile stores and increased use of mobile stores were among the predictions made at the meeting of 100 Oregon food merchants here tonight.

The consensus was that credit and deliveries will continue to be curtailed, while self service and fresh packaged meats will become more popular.

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