

Air War Goes Into 3rd Week

Americans Make 1st Tripleheader Blow on France

LONDON, Saturday, April 29 (AP)—RAF bombers struck at night targets in occupied territory early today, sending the "eve of invasion" bombing into a third straight week, after US heavy bombers blasted air bases and fortifications in France yesterday in their first tripleheader blow.

German raiders meanwhile feinted at the southeast coast of England, but were driven off with two shot down. No bombings had been reported early this morning.

The three American heavy bomber blows yesterday were part of some 2800 sorties from Britain in the 14th day of intensive bombing.

The attacks, which cost the Americans four bombers and three fighters, followed up a 1000-plane, 3500-ton RAF night assault on the Nazi technical center of Friedrichshafen and other important targets.

Since Wednesday midnight the allies have been dropping an average rate of 6 1/2 tons of bombs per minute, night and day, on axis objectives.

Two fleets of Flying Fortresses, each about 250 strong, roared off yesterday morning and hit the big Avoird airdrome 130 miles south of Paris, and coastal fortifications in the Cherbourg area. About 500 Thunderbolt and Mustang fighters escorted one bomber formation to Avoird, while the bulletin made no mention of escorts for the fleet which attacked the Cherbourg sector, 79 miles across the channel.

An abortive attack by German fighters on the formation that flew to Avoird was broken off by the fighter escort. "This was the only encounter with the enemy during the day," a US communique said.

In the afternoon a fleet of perhaps 250 Liberators crossed the (Turn to Page 2—Story D)

Navy Bombers Pound Guam In First Raid

WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—Guam, former US possession overrun by the Japanese in the Pacific, was bombed by the navy and despite the presence of Japanese planes on the ground, no attempt to offset the American attack was made.

Announcing the April 24 attack tonight, the navy also said that Ponape was attacked by army and navy planes on April 26, later the same day re-attacked by the army and the following day again by the army.

The towns of Ponape and airfields were hit and fires started. Fifty-four tons of bombs were loosed on Moen, Etien, Dublin and Param in the Truk atoll by army planes.

Japanese planes aloft made no effort to intercept the attacking force. No casualties were sustained by any United States force.

8 More Canned Goods Go on Ration Free List

WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—Eight more kinds of canned vegetables may carry "not rationed" signs in the stores during May, but the office of price administration says point values "will have to be restored" later in the year.

In a move to clear warehouse shelves for the new season's vegetable pack now in production, the rationing agency today eliminated, for the period beginning Sunday and ending June 3, ration values ranging from three to ten points on number 2 cans of corn, tomatoes, beans, spinach, asparagus, leafy greens, blackeye peas and garbanzo beans, also known as "chick" peas.

Price Administrator Chester Bowles said when the supply of 1943 pack "point bargains" is gone, "higher point prices" will have to be restored to spread supplies evenly through the next winter. The May processed food chart

Bolivia Breaks Up Conspiracy Opposition

LA PAZ, Bolivia, April 28 (AP)—The Bolivian government announced tonight that a vast conspiracy had been broken up with the detention of numerous revolutionaries and that a state of siege had been declared throughout the country.

No details were given, but an announcement by the government said that acting President Major Gauberto Villaroel acted constitutionally with the consent of his cabinet to preserve public order in the face of subversive activities.

No public disturbances were reported. Bolivia has been in an uneasy situation since a revolutionary junta overthrew the government and took control in December, 1943. The new regime, with Major Gauberto Villaroel as president and Victor Paz Estenssoro as head of its revolutionary party, has not been recognized by the United States and most American republics.

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Nazis Say Invasion Fleet Now Forming

LONDON, Saturday, April 29 (AP)—The Berlin radio early today announced that the German anti-invasion command was about to go into action and reported that "another huge allied fleet is forming in the ports of southeast England."

As Nazi speculation on the date of the invasion reached a feverish pitch, the Germans said Nazi raiders struck again at "concentrated allied shipping massed off southwest England."

The German radio previously had claimed bomber attacks on allied shipping Thursday night. A vast outpouring of speculation came from Nazi and neutral microphones, some contradictory and some nonsense, with guessing of the date of D day ranging from May 2 to June 7 and with general prediction that allied invasion from the west would be timed with colossal blows in the south and in the east.

The report of an air attack on invasion vessels in western England was sent from Berlin by the correspondent of the Stockholm newspaper Tidningen, who added that great quantities of allied shipping were massed in southeast England channel ports.

Today's German communique said "heavy bomber formations attacked ship concentrations and other strategically important" (Turn to Page 2—Story B)

Stettinius, Jr. Talks Help

LONDON, April 28 (AP)—The United States and Britain have reached a "large measure of common ground" on a wide field of subjects dealing with current and postwar problems, as a result of the conferences of Undersecretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., with high British officials, a joint communique announced tonight.

Informal talks "have been of great assistance in the task of coordinating policies and all those concerned in both governments have expressed great satisfaction with the results," the communique said.

During the three-week period "opportunities have been taken to keep the Soviet and Chinese governments informed as to the course of the discussions," it added.

Nazis Cut Off Sweden-Danes

STOCKHOLM, April 29 (Saturday)—Telephone communications between Stockholm and Copenhagen were completely suspended today, not even official calls being accepted in the German-held Danish city.

It was the second such interruption in communications this week, the Germans last Monday isolating Denmark from the rest of the world at the start of an intensive campaign to stamp out the Danish underground and halt sabotage.

First Danes to reach the Swedish port of Malmo after the first isolation were quoted yesterday by the newspaper Dagens Nyheter as saying 40,000 Danes were armed and ready to intervene if the allies should invade through Denmark.

They said 20 American airmen recently forced down in Denmark still were the object of an intensive German search. Their accounts, however, did not give a clear reason why Denmark was cut off from the outside world.

Navy's Frank Knox Dies of Heart Attack

WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—Frank Knox, secretary of history's greatest navy and one of the two republicans in President Roosevelt's war cabinet, died today of a heart attack. He was 70 years old.

All over the world, wherever the fleet he helped to build is operating, flags went to half staff as James V. Forrestal, acting secretary, flashed the word of his death by radio. The senate and house recessed out of respect. Lawmakers and federal officials joined in expressions of regret at his loss.

In an official message to ships and shore stations, Forrestal announced that the end came at 1:08 p.m., eastern war time. Knox had suffered a first light heart attack in New York Sunday and a second severe one at his home here Tuesday after a recurrence of what he had believed to be indigestion.

The final attack came early today and though friends and relatives had first hoped he would pull through, the navy announced about noon that he had taken a turn for the worse.

To the navy Knox left a heritage of physical and moral courage and a philosophy of vigorous action which had caused him to take an active role in the three big wars of his lifetime and helped him to prominence in newspaper publishing, which was his business, and politics, which he loved.

He was one of the "Rough Riders" of the Spanish-American war. He entered the last war as a private and came out a major of artillery, later advancing to the rank of colonel in the reserves. He entered the newspaper business as a crusading reporter in Grand Rapids, Mich., and ended as a crusading publisher of the Chicago Daily News.

Surviving Knox are his widow, the former Annie Reid; his three sisters, Mrs. Herbert L. Fairfield, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Fred Reed, Chicago; and Miss Elizabeth Knox, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Miss Cammack Dies Friday in Bolivia

Helen Cammack died Friday at La Paz, Bolivia, of typhoid fever from which she had been ill since April 10. Information of her death was received in Salem by members of her family Friday night by cablegram from La Paz.

Miss Cammack had been engaged in missionary activities for the Friends mission board since 1932. She was a graduate of Salem high school, Monmouth normal, Portland Bible institute (now Cascade college), and had taught in several schools of Marion county and then returned to graduate from Willamette university with the class of 1932, later that same year going to Bolivia.

She was back in the United States in 1937-38 and was planning to return again this year. She had her reservations on the Pan American plane leaving May 5 when she fell victim to typhoid April 10.

During her undergraduate days she taught school at Pringle, Wacanda and Grand Ronde. She was born in Salem in 1904.

Survivors include her mother, Mrs. Mary Cammack; two brothers, Forrest and Paul Cammack; two sisters, Mrs. John J. Trachsel and Mrs. Howard Rand, all of Salem; a brother, Albert Cammack of Ontario.

Miss Cammack had prepared text books in the Spanish language which were used in the mission schools and had mastered the Aymara language, one of the basic Indian languages.

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Joyce's Janie



"Be Kind to Animals Week" Hollywood dog fancier, petite and alluring Joyce Reynolds, pictured here with her pet dog, Princess Janie, declared, "We're sure that any dog lover will agree with us that kindness should be extended to animals every week of the year; that we should concentrate on this kindness every week out of the 52." (International)

Japanese In Trap

Kohima Forces Launch Smashes Against Invaders

SOUTHEAST ASIA HEADQUARTERS, Kandy, Ceylon, April 28 (AP)—The powerfully reinforced defenders of Kohima, Allied base in eastern India, have smashed into Japanese positions west of the mile-high town and captured a number of enemy strongpoints, it was announced today.

Allied tanks and infantry, which fought their way into Kohima along the 35-mile road from Dimapur earlier in the week, were reported making steady progress in "very difficult country" as they launched an offensive to clear the area of Japanese invaders.

The Allied counter-offensive was forecast in dispatches yesterday, which told of reinforcements pouring into Kohima and painted a dark picture for the several divisions of Japanese troops now more or less stranded around Kohima. (Turn to Page 2—Story C)

Wilbur E. Birdsall Killed in Action

MONMOUTH, April 28 (Spec.)—The death of 1st Lt. Wilbur E. Birdsall, son of Leslie G. Birdsall of Sweet Home, has been announced by the navy. The young man, who was in the marine corps, attended Oregon College of Education from 1940 to 1942. He left school to enter the naval air corps and later was transferred to the marine air corps.

He was the fiance of Miss Virginia Stovall of Marshfield, senior student this year at OCE. While in college he was president of the Associated Men students, and member of Theta Delta Phi and Wolf Knights.

Helen Traubel Concert Thrills Salem Audience

By MAXINE BUREN We who attended the concert sung by Helen Traubel on Friday night, enjoyed our greatest musical thrill, for never has there been a concert in Salem such as this.

Beginning with an unprecedented ovation, the audience continuously expressed its appreciation through breathless listening and thrilled applause.

Drawing upon our best superlatives, we would fall far short of doing this great singer justice—but we say only, that she gave the most thoroughly satisfying and thrilling concert we have ever heard. Her voice, her personality and her program lifted her to the top of our list of musical heroines.

Miss Traubel's first song endeared her to the audience, because unlike many first songs, it was appealing to the audience yet worthy of the singer. "God Is My

Ward Controversy Rages on 2 Fronts

Avery Gets Confidence Vote of Firm

CHICAGO, April 28 (AP)—Board Chairman Sewell Avery received a vote of "full confidence" from Montgomery Ward and company shareholders today after he began a widely watched legal battle against government control of the firm's Chicago plants.

Avery and the 12 other directors were re-elected at the jam-packed annual session of stockholders. The gathering, setting a record for attendance, echoed at times with cheers and laughter and heard some criticism and boos.

Avery was greeted with a prolonged ovation when he arrived, and later the participants in a voice vote marked by only one or two nays, adopted a resolution saying they "heartily approve of the policy of Montgomery Ward and company in insisting upon the maintenance and protection of the lawful rights of the company" and expressing "full confidence in the management under the present leadership of Sewell Avery."

Developments occurred in rapid-fire order in the case rooted in Avery's refusal to accede to orders from the war labor board and President Roosevelt to extend an expired contract with a CIO union and his subsequent fight against federal seizure of the Ward properties here. These were the highlights:

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Tokyo Claims Plane Carrier

NEW YORK, April 28 (AP)—The Berlin radio claimed tonight that "reports from Tokyo state an American aircraft carrier has been sunk east of the Marshalls." The navy department in Washington said it has no information on such a report.

The Nazi broadcast, heard in New York by the Blue network, added that the carrier "suffered two torpedo hits" scored by a Japanese submarine.

The Tokyo radio reported earlier today, in a broadcast to North America that "a number of hits" had been scored on an American carrier off the Marshalls but did not on that transmission claim a sinking.

'Ike' Tells Fliers Even More to Be Required

LONDON, April 28 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, in a quick tour of airfields from which allied pre-invasion blows are being delivered, advised one group today that "as much as you have done in the past, more is going to be required of you."

Calling on the fliers for continued teamwork, he said, "one thing above all you must do, and that is to pull together."

Gondola Load of Tin Collected in Salem

One freight gondola was loaded with salvaged tin cans and other tin on the platform at the Oregon Electric loading depot, Chemekeeta and Front street, this morning awaiting shipment to the detinning plant at San Francisco, as the result of the Thursday and Friday pickups at Marion and Polk county schools.