

Nazi Lines Get Heaviest Hits of War

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reported 16 heavy bombers and 10 fighters failed to return. Eighteen enemy planes were shot down in these operations, three by gunners aboard the bombers and 15 by the escorting fighters.

"Bombs were dropped in clear weather with generally satisfactory results," the communique said. "Enemy fighter opposition was weak."

In addition to the attacks by Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth air force, other allied planes — medium, light and fighter bombers and fighters — swept back and forth across France and the lowlands, pounding eight other vital rail centers as well as military installations along the invasion coast.

The massive assault was so sustained and parts of it were so close to England's own shores that the Dover-Folkestone "invasion corner" shook and rattled for hours from the continuous bomb blasts which echoed across the dead calm of the channel.

Pictures and ornaments fell from walls and shelves and British coastal houses and buildings shuddered as in an earthquake.

The spreading daylight operations carried the all-out allied air offensive through its 27th consecutive day.

Seven of the railway targets were hit late this afternoon by a force of possibly 1000 Flying Fortresses and fighters which raided the yards at Brussels and Liege in Belgium, Luxembourg in the Duchy of that name, Sarreguemines in France, and Saarbrücken, Ehrang, and Konz in Germany's Saar basin.

The widespread attacks against railroad centers certainly were the heaviest ever launched against the enemy's communications system, and as reports of the day's operations continued to flow from air headquarters there were indications that this might prove to have been the biggest day of the war for aircraft based in Britain.

The American ninth air force for the first time launched three major attacks in one day, using Mustangs, Havocs, Thunderbolt divebombers and Lightning fighters in its all-day operations that dropped more than 600 tons of bombs.

Over most of Europe an unusual heat haze added to bombardment problems, but it was assumed they caught the important rail yards full of war materials ready for movement toward any points threatened by invasion. Returning airmen said air opposition was light but anti-aircraft fire was heavy in some spots.

Col. Lybecker New Officer At Camp Adair

CAMP ADAIR, May 11.—Lt. Col. J. A. Lybecker, veteran of World War I with the 91st division overseas, came to Camp Adair this week to take over the duties of post director of supply.

Before coming to this post, Col. Lybecker was sales officer and later director of supply at Ft. Lewis, where he arrived in 1917 as a member of the original 42-man cadre of the 91st division. Then, in April, 1917, it was known as Camp Murray.

Enlisting the day after war was declared in 1917, Col. Lybecker served in the 348th FA bn. of the 91st division as a private, sergeant and lieutenant. He was decorated with the purple heart for wounds received overseas.

Col. Lybecker won his captain's bars while in France and held a commission in the reserve corps until 1940, when he was called to active duty as a major.

A native of Spokane, Wash., where he has a banking business, Col. Lybecker praises Camp Adair's facilities and the cooperative attitude of officers and men.

Swing Shift Assembles LC Ship in 10 Hours

PORTLAND, Ore., May 11.—(AP) Swing shift workers at Commercial Iron Works here today claimed a record when they assembled the components of a 157-foot infantry landing craft within 10 hours after keel laying.

Then, with the help of the day shift welders, they had the craft afloat 26 hours after they started assembly work.

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Local News Briefs

County Health Estimate—In-Prorating of county health estimate among the 10 functioning agencies for the county budget committee has been completed, reports County Clerk Henry Mattson. Other members of the three-man committee appointed by the county court are Dr. Willard J. Stone, county health officer, and Connell C. Ward, clerk of school district 24. The total amount required for the operation of the health unit in Marion county is set at \$47,167.50, and this has been broken down to cover the special services rendered.

Jr. Hi-Y's Elect—New officers for the coming year were elected at the joint Jr. Hi-Y meeting Thursday night in the den. Hugh Bellinger heads the Parish Jr. Hi-Y group as president; Sanford Weinstein, secretary; Homer Day, sergeant-at-arms; Leslie Jr. Hi-Y officers are: Kennard Adams, Alan Miller, Don Young, Jack Miller and Teddy Covalt. Parish boys thrashed out anew their plans for a bike trip to Hazel Green, and Leslie boys are working out details of a party for Saturday night.

School Board Elections—Eleven county school districts hold elections June 19 for board member and county school clerk. Budgets will also be voted on at the same meeting and should be posted not later than May 26 by incumbent school clerks. In each district, the new board member replaces the retiring chairman, but takes lowest place in seniority. The chairmanship of each board goes to the board member second highest in time of service to the retiring chairman.

Chemeketa's Bike-Hike—The Chemeketas on Sunday go up the Wallace road beyond Lincoln on bicycles and hike from there to the top of the Eola Hills, announces group leader, Luther Cook. Arrangements to drive or ride may be made by calling Cook at 6336. The bicycle group leaves Doolittle's service station at 9 a.m. Cook anticipates a lovely day with an excellent view of the valley and reminds participants to bring lunch and beverage.

Rhododendrons Featured—The Salem Men's Garden club met Thursday night at the YMCA. They brought rhododendrons and other flowers to decorate the lobby of the Y and pictures of the huge blossoms were shown by John Henry, Jr. Lee Canfield talked on asters, W. G. Hardy on grafting, and J. B. Van Cleave on wild flowers.

Vacations in NY—Beth Siewert, receptionist at the YMCA, is now in New York City on her vacation. She's very much interested in voice study and is checking up on voice schools while there. She has already taken the work offered at Willamette and the University of Oregon.

One Call—First call made by first aiders in 48 hours was to attend D. Glover, 338 Madrona, who cut the first finger of his right hand in a meat slicer while at work in one of the local meat markets. He received a temporary dressing and was taken to a doctor.

Consolidation Election Set—May 22 at 8 p.m. has been set as time for vote on consolidating of school district 83, at Triumph, with the Sublimity school. The last census lists two students at Triumph, 207 at Sublimity, but for the last two years Triumph students have been going to Sublimity.

County Court Richer—Checks from the state totalling \$1838.18 have been received by the county court. The payments represent reimbursement from funds of the state board of health for expenses incurred in Marion county during the first quarter of the current year.

Pan-American Concert—The Salem public library's free concert of recorded music on Pan-American themes starts tonight at 8 p.m. in the downstairs children's room. Reservations will be taken over 6860.

Opens Restaurant—Glen L. Hardman has filed notice of operating the Sunshine restaurant at 605 North Capitol street with the county clerk's office.

County Sells—Sale by Marion county of lots 4, 5, and 6 in block 10, Merrifield addition to Aumsville to Virgie E. Bradley for \$250 has been approved.

JUSTICE COURT—Robert Lettingwell; waived preliminary hearing on charge of larceny and bound over to the grand jury; committed to jail on failure to post \$2500 bail.

MUNICIPAL COURT—Joseph D. Coleman, St. Paul; failure to stop; \$25.00 bail. Floyd Nash, Seaside; reckless driving; \$50 bail. Don Sellen, Albany; drunk and disorderly; \$25 bail.

PSK Fraternity House Sold to Co-op at UO

EUGENE, May 11.—(AP) The Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity house here has been sold to the Men's Co-operative Association for living quarters at an undisclosed amount.

Allies Kill 20,000 Japs In Burma War

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Imphal alone, today's communique said, the Japanese have lost 6100 killed, and another 2000 enemy troops have been cut down by the British and Indian defenders of Kohima; 60 miles to the north, Allied bombers and dive-bombers in great strength are laying down a murderous barrage on Japanese positions both in the Imphal and Kohima areas.

(A Tokyo news broadcast told of sanguinary hand-to-hand fighting on the approaches to Imphal and declared that "the scale of these fierce battles is comparable to the battle of Verdun in the last world war." It said the allies were "recklessly" expending their artillery shells in an effort to stem the Japanese advance and that the fighting now had changed "from mountain jungle warfare to plain warfare, with every type of modern weapon being employed.")

Dispatches continued to indicate the Japanese were making their main effort in the Palei area, some 28 miles south of Imphal, though they are closer to the big allied base at other points. Allied forces were reported to have inflicted casualties on superior enemy units both northeast and southwest of Palei. Lord Louis Mountbatten's troops also captured a Japanese position east of Kangla-hongbi on the Imphal-Kohima highway and improved their positions on the outskirts of Kohima, the communique said.

Men Over 30 Get Blanket Deferment

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Local draft boards, in determining eligibility for deferments, will be guided by selective service's basic list of 35 essential activities, but they may enlarge the list at their discretion.

There will be no easing of the rigid requirements now in effect for occupational deferments for registrants 18 through 25.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP) Newspapers, radio, magazines, news syndicates, and the production of moving pictures are listed as "essential activities" by the war manpower commission, under the heading of communications services.

All men 30 and over in these fields thus are eligible for draft deferment; men between 26 and 29 inclusive are eligible if they are "necessary" men.

The listing specifies that magazines must be those "of general circulation which are devoted primarily to the dissemination of public information." Other fields included as essential communications services include the development of film, signal systems, radio communications, cable service, telegraph, telephone and television.

Cannery Wage Meet Today

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HOLLYWOOD TONIGHT!

"Gliders over Broadway" with The Great Glidermen (Marcel Ferry) & Julie Berry.

"The Avenger" with Tim Holt & Udalee Lee.

Cartoon & News

ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

The golden spike marking the completion of the Union Pacific railroad had just been driven and the west was "on the map" May 15, 1869, when the organization which was to become Salem First Presbyterian church was organized by James B. and Margaret Forsyth. John and Eliza Patterson, Andrew R. McCall, James M. Martin, Rebecca Boothby, Lydia Cole, John W. and Jane McCaslin, Mary E. Campbell, Margaret McCully, Jane Cannon, Samuel and Margaret Wilson, Mrs. M. E. Wilson, David Allen and Hugh Thompson.

—V— Mrs. John H. Scott, a member of that same church today, is the daughter of James M. Martin. Rebecca Boothby became the mother of Mrs. John McCourt. Carl F. Smith, clerk of the session today for the church, is the grandson of the Samuel Wilson. There are others in the church itself and in this community who descended from members of that little group.

Unable to follow the lead set by their fathers because there was no western land into which they could take their families for the building of a better world, they remained here to continue the tasks begun for them.

When Mrs. Scott on Sunday night lights the candle with which the mortgage on the church's \$130,000 modern home is to be burned she will represent that group. Mrs. Otto J. Wilson, holding that candle, to many in the congregation, will represent the church's many faithful ministers, one of who, Dr. H. A. Ketchum, was her father.

The many hundreds of mothers, and fathers, too, who have worked faithfully in the First Presbyterian organization here, serving it in many capacities even as they served their families, will have a representative in Mrs. Ida Niles as she serves once more, handing the candle from those who have helped build to those who have willingly shouldered the burdens of a growing congregation.

Faithful church treasurer is Charles E. Siegmund who sees some of his work reflected in the privilege which is his of burning the mortgage held by him.

Paul B. Wallace, who, frankly, would probably have been one of those left holding it had not the congregation lived up to its pledges and paid out on that formidable document.

Children of the church, representing the many families which have been its foundation, Robert Elstrom, Jr., and Alecia Gilbert will receive the ashes.

—V— Seventy-five years is a long time, and the word "diamond" applied to this anniversary is figurative, indeed. For there are no precious stones, no great paintings, no hangings of irreplaceable value in Salem's First Presbyterian church. But there is dignity and beauty and cleanliness and—of course, there are the families.

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Japanese Gain Full Control Of China Rail

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on the east-west Lunghai railway hammered their way to within six miles of the city, where they were engaged in fierce fighting by the Chinese. The bulletin said casualties on both sides were heavy.

An attempted second Japanese crossing to the south bank of the Yellow river into north Honan province northeast of Loyang has been thrown back, however, and the Chinese have recaptured Yingshang, in Anhwei province on the east, from which the Japanese had based a diversionary thrust into Honan, the communique said.

There was nevertheless a spreading air of concern in China as the Japanese threatened Loyang from several directions. Possession of the city would give them a western protective screen strengthening their hold on the Peking-Hankow railway. This line gives them good communication and transport from their northern base right down to the Yangtze river in central China.

Bandleader Herb Kay Dies at 40 in Texas

DALLAS, May 11.—(AP) Herbie Kay, 40, nationally known band leader, died at a hospital here today. Kay had been here for several weeks, coming from the Mayo clinic at Rochester, Minn., where he had gone for treatment.

His widow, the former Betty Denning, lives in Dallas. Kay was the former husband of Actress Dorothy Lamour, who got her singing start with the Kay band.

Hen-Killing Animal Wrecks Chicken House

REDMOND, May 11.—(AP) The government trapper was asked today to catch a hen-killing animal so powerful it demolished the hen house on the Henry McCall ranch on Crooked river.

Farmers think the predator, which springs and then escapes from traps set for it, may be a large bobcat. The animal's highest toll was 60 hens, killed after ripping through the hen house roof.

Ag. Jobs Available For Ex-Service Men

CORVALLIS, May 11.—(AP) Ex-service men interested in agriculture will be found positions on farms through a new placing system organized by Oregon State college extension service, selective service, and the state war veterans service committee.

County agents will be in charge of locating farm jobs for men whose names will be turned over to the farm labor office by state selective service officials.

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Stimson Stresses Big Damage To Nazi Communication Lines

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP) Secretary of War Stimson, in a war review, stressed again today the heavy damage being inflicted by allied air forces on European communication lines vital to German movement of armies and supplies to combat any invasion thrusts.

A week ago the war secretary expressed the opinion that such damage was beyond the Nazis' ability to repair, and he told a news conference today the enemy is falling still farther behind in efforts both to improvise communications and conserve defensive fighter plane strength.

"The enemy's transportation system in northwestern Europe appears to have been shaken badly," Stimson said. "The Nazi fighter force has been reduced and enemy air opposition is sporadic, but they can still muster considerable strength in the air to meet an attack which they consider threatens a vital installation."

On other fronts, he reported: The enemy withdrew three to 11 miles along a 20-mile front near the Adriatic end of the line in Italy with the British 8th army advancing. Allied air operations based in Italy were growing in power, and the attacks on Bucharest railway yards have disorganized and shattered traffic into that area. The capacity of oil refineries at Ploesti has been reduced at least temporarily to less than one fourth normal.

The red army's capture of Sevastopol, completing the Crimean campaign, gives the soviet forces sea and air bases to dominate the Black sea and threaten the Romanian coast, and also frees the soviet armies in the Crimea for use elsewhere.

In the Pacific, allied forces have consolidated new positions and are now using Hollandia airfields. In the Admiralty Islands 3180 dead Japanese have been counted, 1100 more are estimated to have died, and allied forces captured 158 prisoners. Around Hollandia and Alitape, 1502 Japanese were killed and 290 captured in two and one-half weeks after the landings. Our losses were small.

"It is significant that the number of Japanese surrendering is increasing," Stimson remarked.

The army air forces in the Pacific—the 5th, 7th, 11th, and 13th—between December 7, 1941, and March 7, 1944, destroyed 3072 Japanese planes in aerial combat and 892 on the ground, a total of 4064, while losing 1163 to all types of enemy action. These figures include American planes lost in the Philippines and Hawaii early in the war.

China-Burma-India theatre—allied ground forces are making advances in India and Burma, but in China, the Japanese have taken control of much of the railway route from north China to Hankow.

Kaiser Urges Welfare Aid

NEW YORK, May 11.—(AP) Henry J. Kaiser, shipbuilder, today urged support of welfare agencies as "the national conscience which expresses itself in supplementing the inadequacies and deficiencies which beset many of our homes."

At the first report luncheon of the great New York fund, Kaiser told 400 campaign workers that "it is good for us to remember that there has been a great deal of emphasis of late on the need for a rebirth of a spirit of independence."

But, he added, welfare fund-supported agencies "not only make a priceless contribution to good business, but also to national health, and teach the invaluable lessons of good sportsmanship and fair play."

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Sewell Freed On Poster Removal Case

CHICAGO, May 11.—(AP) Paul D. Sewell, assistant to the operating manager of Montgomery Ward and Company, was freed today on a charge based on his removal of a government poster from a bulletin board in one of the firm's buildings while they were under federal control.

US Commissioner Edwin K. Walker dismissed the case after Assistant District Attorney William Connor told him the government would drop prosecution.

Earlier, Francis Heisler, counsel for local 20 of the CIO United Mail Order, Warehouse and Retail Employees union, filed a petition in superior court asking that the concern pay \$21,067 to the union for attorneys' fees and losses which, he alleged, resulted from an injunction issued against the union during a recent strike.

Heisler maintained that the injunction, limiting the number of pickets at the plants to 42, deprived the strike of some of its effectiveness. CIO unionists went out April 12 but returned April 26 at the request of President Roosevelt, and the injunction was dissolved.

The union, winner of a collective bargaining election this week, awaited a reply from Sewell Avery, Ward's chief executive officer, on its request for a meeting to discuss a new contract. The CIO was prepared to seek inclusion of a maintenance of membership clause, while Avery has stated he would oppose such a provision.

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