

Burma Allies Drive Japs Into Trouble

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on the defensive generally in the Indo-Burma region.

Two of Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's Chinese columns continued their smashes toward the enemy base at Kamaing. One was nine miles to the northeast; another 15 miles northwest. The Chinese cut a main road leading to Kamaing as the Japanese battled "stubbornly."

The Chinese offensive from the Salween river area of Yunnan province, coordinated with the Stilwell drives, was pressed through mountainous terrain. At one point the Japanese were reported to be resisting fiercely but the Chinese command said they were being encircled. Chungking announced capture of several additional towns.

The drive from the Salween, undertaken by 20,000 Chinese accompanied by American tactical advisers, was designed to give China a land life-line from India. The Chinese were about 75 miles from the Burma border and an equal distance from Stilwell's armies.

The American air force held supremacy as it pounded the Ja-

panese in northern Burma and in the Salween zone. A dispatch from the front by Associated Press Correspondent Thoburn Wiant, reviewing the fighting, said allied prospects "for reconquest of northern Burma seem brighter than ever."

On the southwest Pacific front American night patrols caught up with the Japanese 34 miles southeast of Aitape, New Guinea, five days ago and fighting continues.

Allied airmen continued blasting operations in the Dutch New Guinea sector. Wadke was hit for the fourth consecutive day. Raids on the Schouten islands, 250 miles northwest of American-held Hollandia, went into their 13th straight day. Three Japanese planes were shot down at Noemfoor island.

WLB Denies Wage Boost

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are of the northwest pine industry and 11 of the Douglas fir industry.

The war manpower commission and the war production board both certified to the national war labor board that the companies were in critical war production. They also declared there was a production shortage in the lumber industry and a manpower shortage in the companies involved.

The national war labor board held a hearing on the case a month ago and reached a decision yesterday afternoon, the announcement said.

In refusing the increase, the commission added, the board did not deny the existence of a labor problem but indicated there was no conclusive evidence the problem would be solved effectively by the wage increases. Labor member dissented in the action, which was voted 8 to 4.

The employees were represented by the northwest council, lumber and sawmill workers, affiliated with the carpenters union and the International Woodworkers of America (CIO).

Nazis Predict New Red Drive

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raiders failed to return from the flaming junctions.

Aerial combat continued on a moderate scale over most sectors of the land front. The war bulletin said 29 enemy planes were destroyed Tuesday.

The Russian communiqué said there were "no important changes on the front" during the day, but a Berlin broadcast declared "at least two Soviet infantry divisions in the area of Grigoropol on the lower Dnepr have been cut off from rear communications by German offensive operations and face annihilation."

A supplement to the communiqué issued early today said 500 Germans were killed and 150 captured in fighting yesterday southeast of Stanislawow, when Soviet troops attacked and then beat off two swift German counter assaults.

The Russians also reported that three German trawlers and two patrol launches were sunk by planes from the red banner Baltic fleet during an attack on a Nazi convoy in the Gulf of Finland. The supplement said 16 German escort planes were destroyed.

British Have New Cruiser

LONDON, May 17 (AP)—The British admiralty divulged the identity of a new cruiser today and disclosed for the first time that the famous Helleat fighters were being used as fighter-bombers.

A communiqué describing a carrier-borne surprise air attack on Nazi shipping and shore installations near Stamboland, on Norway's west coast, said the flagship of the naval force was the cruiser Royalist, so new details of her type, speed and armament still are secret.

Bomb-carrying Grumman Hellcats bombed oil tanks and a fish oil factory, scored hits on two supply ships, damaged two trawlers and possibly three other supply ships, while escorting Wildcat and Helleat fighters shot down nine Nazi interceptors. One enemy plane may have been downed and two others were damaged.

Five naval aircraft are missing, said the admiralty announcement.

Applicants Get Warning

FORT DOUGLAS, Utah, May 17 (AP)—High school youths who took army-navy qualifying tests throughout the west last March 15 must complete their enlistment in the enlisted reserve corps before July 1 or they will be dropped as applicants, ninth service command headquarters said tonight.

Approximately 5000 students in the eight western states took the examination but many have failed to complete their enlistment, Maj. Gen. David McCoach, Jr., commanding general, said.

Qualified students who complete their enlistment will be assigned to colleges for training. Students not over 17 years nine months old on July 1 can expect a minimum of six months enrollment at a college or university before call to active military service, McCoach said, adding:

"Insofar as is practical, students will be assigned to colleges as near as possible to their homes."

Designated schools include Oregon State college, Corvallis.

"Always Comfortable" **HOLLYWOOD** Tonight and Thursday

Wally Brown Alan Caray in "Rookies in Burma"

John Carradine Patricia Morrison Alan Curtis in "Hitler's Madman"

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ON the HOME FRONT

Salem Toastmasters are not proud of their jobs, of their voices, their stances, their grammar, their gestures—or even of their reputations! But they are proud of "being able to take it."

Men who find criticism upsetting to their digestions either quit eating at Toastmaster dinners, quit attending them or buy milk of magnesia by the carload.

And this tough attitude results in definite improvements in the public speaking habits not only of the club's members but their friends.

But they do, every now and then, stick their necks out.

There's Ed Majek, candidate for the city council, who Tuesday night took the pro side of the manager-council form of government for Salem.

And Lewis Arens, state industrial accident commissioner who talked about that large subject "Music" (although we've heard some sounds bearing the label that would have led us to believe they were caused by accidents, industrial or domestic).

Of course, Billy Wood did discuss his fruit-growing experiences; Frank Doerfler delved 100 feet deep into Lake Labish's rich black soil, Linn McLachlan talked about "Pregnant Ideas," but Bill Deemey, salesman, had to go back on Dale Carnegie and be general critic. Dr. W. J. Stone was toastmaster and maybe that wasn't so far out of place, but the boys discussed as table topics the questions of compulsory military training and social security, cradle to grave variety.

Sometimes when Sgt. Herman Doney has been particularly sunny in the way he handles his public relations we wonder if his service shouldn't trade names—let him be a Toastmaster and those lads be "feathernecks."

Surging Allies Get Cassino On Rome Road

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without interference, as British and American forces, in spite of all their strong attempts, have renounced any immediate attack against the German positions in the Cassino area in view of their heavy failure of about two months ago.

Southward from the Liri valley along a twisting 15-mile front to the Gulf of Gaeta, American and French native troops drove a disorganized enemy from the last defenses of the shattered Gustav line and fought through the outposts of the powerful Adolf Hitler line, the enemy's last known fixed belt of fortifications before Rome.

American forces driving up the coast captured the heavily fortified town of Castellonoro, four miles from Frosinone, and pushed on up the coastal road under stiff fire from enemy artillery and snipers.

Castellonoro, whose fortifications were said to compare with those of the Hitler line, was reduced to ruins and littered with German dead. Several American divisions participating in the offensive were without previous battle experience.

The French, whose spectacular advances between the Americans and British has sparked the six-day-old allied offensive, approached the fortress town of Rapenna, four miles southwest of San Giorgio and two miles south of the Liri river. They began fighting up 2800-foot Monte D'Orso, believed to be one of the strongest forward positions of the Hitler line.

In addition to wiping out the Gustav line, which the Nazis had boasted was impregnable, the allied push already was forcing the Germans to throw their reserves into the battle. Two grenadier regiments had been rushed from the Anzio beachhead sector to meet the onslaught. This fitted in perfectly with the avowed purpose of allied commanders to destroy the German army in Italy.

CAPITOL

Now Showing! Katharine Hepburn Joan Bennett Academy Award Winner **PAUL LUKAS JEAN PARKER** In Louis M. Alcott's charming

"Little Women" with Edna May Oliver Henry Stephenson Feature Time: 1:45, 5:15, 8:30

Co-Hit

LARAMIE TRAIL Bud Lynn—Lynn Smith—Burgess Feature Time: 3:45, 7:15, 10:30

Senate Passes Ag Bill After Vote Change

WASHINGTON, May 17 (AP)

The senate passed a \$524,006,718 agriculture department appropriation bill today after first knocking out a house amendment barring any political or lobbying activity by department employees.

Sens. Danagher (R-Conn.) and Wherry (R-Neb.) led a republican fight to retain the amendment, and to broaden it to include thousands of farmers or agricultural adjustment agency committees. They contended some department field employees and some AAA committeemen had engaged in political campaigning.

A 42 to 24 roll call that closely followed party lines defeated an amendment by Danagher that would have applied the ban to part time as well as full-time agriculture department workers. Then the senate struck the entire house amendment from the bill on a voice vote. Sens. Nye and Langer of North Dakota cast the only two republican votes against the amendment.

The agriculture bill as passed by the senate calls for \$10,487,474 less than the amount approved by the house where the measure must now go for action on senate revisions.

Trading Ships Dock in Spain

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who paraded back and forth along the pier.

Among the allied war prisoners were two British generals and an air marshal. The first person to leave the Gradiska was an Irish general in the British army named O'Carroll.

Also among the repatriates was Larry Allen, Associated Press war correspondent and Pulitzer prize winner who was captured by the Germans at Tobruk in north Africa in 1942. He had been interned for 20 months in Italian and German camps.

35 Drunken Drivers Pay

State troopers arrested 35 persons for drunken driving during April, Charles P. Pray, superintendent of state police, reported to Governor Earl Snell here Wednesday.

There were 24 arrests for reckless driving.

Traffic division arrests numbered 1445 with fines of \$11,909.00.

In the general law enforcement division there were 283 arrests with fines aggregating \$3728.40. Twenty-six arrests involved military men. There were 96 arrests in the game code division and three arrests in the commercial fisheries division.

The state police conducted 280 investigations with 174 cases reported as cleared.

Allies Make W. Wall Map

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graphed the installations and brought back the record of bomb ruin and the picture of the whole defense system, piece by piece.

The Germans still are relying heavily upon camouflage, virtually their last hope of secrecy since the allies have won air supremacy over the west wall. That is one reason why so much of the defense system is dug in underground. But aerial eyes of the allied command have been upon the German digging, before and after. Camouflage still is used extensively in an attempt to screen construction and hide completed installations.

Reports through Sweden said that the 89-year-old Prussian, Marshal Karl von Rundstedt, was the supreme commander of anti-invasion defenses. Marshal Erwin Rommel, whom the allies chased in defeat half way across the top of Africa, and the tank expert, Col. Gen. Blaskowitz, were said in these reports to be in charge of army groups under the junkers aristocrat.

The controlled Vichy radio said Von Rundstedt visited Vichy Chief of Staff Henry Philippe Petain today. At the same time Rommel, touring the defenses, was quoted by the German radio as saying "the invasion will begin at any moment now" and German forces are ready for "the descent of massed allied parachutists."

Health Group Sets Program

Marion county public health association is sponsoring a program in cooperation with Red Cross, tonight at 8 o'clock in the chamber of commerce.

Invitations have been sent by Mrs. L. Arneson to all home nursing classes in Marion county. Persons interested in the home care of tuberculosis are welcome.

Mrs. Bernice Yeary, nursing supervisor of the Marion county department of health will be assisted by Mrs. Ruby Bergvik of the Marion county public health association who will show film "The Role of the Public Health Nurse" produced by the National Tuberculosis association to supplement special printed material. Recognizing that for the duration adequate beds may be unavailable in many areas, the picture shows how certain standard hospital nursing techniques can be adapted to home treatment.

Body of Student Found in River

YONKERS, N.Y., May 17 (AP)—The body of Miss Valsa Mathai of Bombay, India, wealthy Columbia university student missing since March 20, was recovered here tonight from the Hudson river.

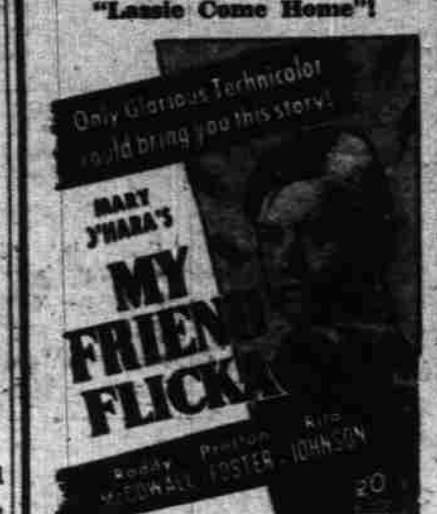
Acting Police Capt. John J. Cronin of the New York City police missing persons bureau said

identification was established through a serial number on a wrist watch found on the body.

A mole on the face and the clothing also corresponded with that of Miss Mathai, he said.

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To the Voters of Marion County



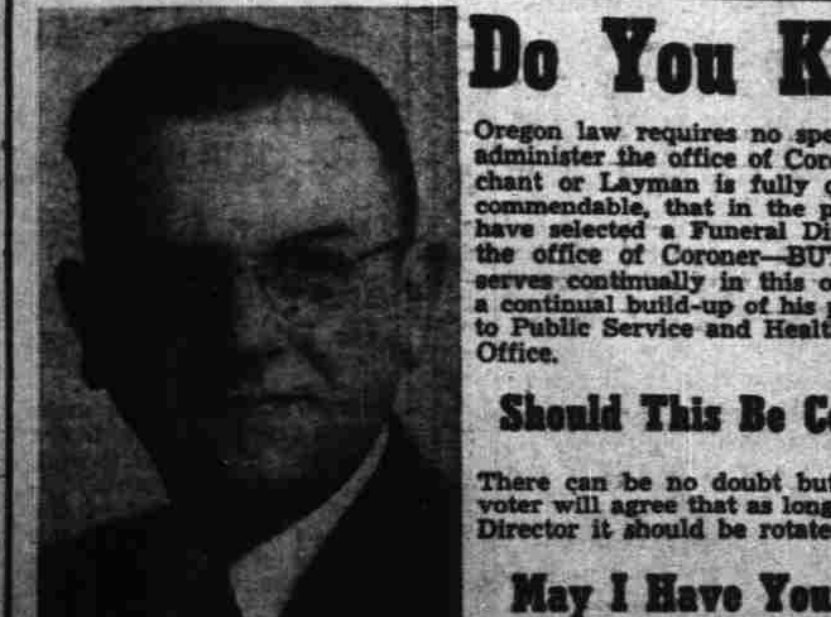
A. E. "Al" La Branch

Not having wealthy backing I cannot reach each of you by letter, so I take this means of telling you that I realize there are several departments connected with the office of Sheriff. First—and probably most important—is tax collection. I have been a resident of Marion County for 48 years and have had experience as a large taxpayer. Second—is law enforcement. That I believe is a duty that should not be shirked. Third—Some have said that the Sheriff's office should have nothing to do with juvenile delinquency. We have a fine Juvenile Court but why crowd the Court when a program of prevention will be the solution for one of the toughest problems confronting us today.

Signed A. E. "Al" La Branch

Your Republican Candidate for SHERIFF

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Vote 79 X Leston W. Howell for Marion County Coroner

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Should This Be Continually Sanctioned?

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May I Have Your Support Tomorrow?

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