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Oregon Guardsmen Prepare to Mobilize

Malta Bases Bombarded by Italian Planes

British Naval Formation Declared Split by Attack of Enemy

Rome, July 13—Renewed Italian bombing raids on British air and naval bases at Malta, intended to smash that vital Mediterranean strong point and make it ineffective, were reported today.

At the same time, repeated hits with big bombs on two British cruisers and a battleship were claimed in the running, week-long naval and air battle in the Mediterranean.

The loss of an Italian destroyer "as a result of enemy bombardment"—the second to go to the bottom since units of the two navies first met in action on Monday—was officially acknowledged.

The action at Malta yesterday, reported by official news agency Stefani, was centered on British air fields. Planes on the ground were machine-gunned and hangars were bombed.

The latest naval brush began Thursday, the Italian high command communique saying that a British naval formation was "constantly pounded throughout the day by our aviation."

The formation, it was added, "divided into three groups during the night, all proceeding eastward but at different speeds."

Formation Split
"When contact was regained in the early hours of yesterday through active scouting by our naval reconnaissance planes, the three groups were followed closely and bombed by a whole mass of planes leaving bases in southern Italy, Libya (North Africa) and the eastern Mediterranean."

The score of the week of intermittent fighting in the Mediterranean, as the Italians put it:

Italy claims: British warship, "probably a battleship," believed sunk; one destroyer sunk, two damaged; bomb hits on 42,000-ton battle cruiser Hood and on the 22,000-ton aircraft carrier Ark Royal and another unidentified aircraft carrier; serious damage to other unidentified ships; a British-escorted freighter sunk.

Italy admits: Two destroyers sunk, a submarine lost, a British hit on a warship which killed 29 and injured 69; loss of several planes.

British Garrison Holding
Cairo, Egypt, July 13 (AP)—Although heavily outnumbered, a small British garrison still is holding all its positions against the Italians assaulting Moya, fortified post in the British Kenya-Ethiopian frontier district, British army headquarters said today.

The communique said the besieged British had inflicted heavy losses on the Italians.

(The Italian high command said its forces had occupied a fortified village near Moya.)

In the western desert, the British communique said, two Italian columns approaching Fort Capuzzo were "effectively engaged again yesterday."

FDR Keeps Country In Dark on 3rd Term

Arlington Bomb Base

Arlington, Ore., July 13 (AP)—A site near here has been selected for an army bombing practice base, it was reliably reported here today following a visit by Capt. John Gates of McChord field, Wash.

The site selected is about two miles from Arlington on high, level ground, now almost barren and unoccupied except for sheep herders, according to the report.

Land has already been purchased, it was learned, and two concrete runways will be built in the near future.

The site of Arlington was selected, it was reported, after Gates and two other army officers looked at various others in the northwest as far as Utah.

Laval Chosen Vice President

Vichy, France, July 13—Pierre Laval, apostle of appeasement for dictators, became the key man of the new French authoritarian government today with his designation as eventual chief of state in succession to Marshal Henri Philippe Petain.

The 64-year-old Petain chose the 57-year-old Laval as "vice-president of the council of ministers" in a cabinet of 12 men, including himself as its head.

The cabinet planned to meet today for the first time.

The aged "hero of Verdun," in a decree for publication in the official journal today, set up the succession especially by ordering that in the event he is "impeded" from exercising the functions of chief of state before the nation ratifies the new constitution, Laval "will assume them in full right."

Forests Fired By Lightning

Spokane, Wash., July 13 (AP)—Lightning scored a "100 per cent hit" on the parched forests of the Inland Empire last night, plastering the region's vast timberland with "so many fires we actually can't get an accurate count," Procurement Officer Cliff Hunter said today.

A total of 371 fires has been reported by 3 a. m. Hunter said. "We have shipped 140,000 pounds of food and equipment to Missoula, Mont. (Headquarters for the north Idaho, eastern Washington, western Montana forest region.)"

"We dispatched a special train carrying 300 fire fighters to the Kootenai forest east of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, this morning."

"Things are happening so fast it's impossible to grasp the magnitude of the situation."

Renomination is Held Probable

Washington, July 13 (AP)—Belying his reputation for a eager interest in politics, President Roosevelt today gave a good imitation of a citizen only mildly interested in the democratic national convention and the ensuing presidential campaign.

The president included among his week-end cruise guests one of his oldest and most trusted political counselors, Justice Samuel I. Rosenman of the New York supreme court.

Justice Rosenman was with Mr. Roosevelt at Hyde Park in 1932 when the then governor of New York was given his first democratic presidential nomination. The White House did not disclose whether he would remain here throughout next week when everyone here expects the chief executive will be nominated by the democratic national convention in Chicago for a third term.

While still reserving his decision on a third term nomination, he declared Italy yesterday that he would not go to Chicago during the convention.

At the same time, he indicated his summer schedule would follow a routine of alternate week-ends on the Potomac and in Hyde Park, seemingly ruling out any campaign tours.

As he prepared to start that schedule with a Potomac cruise this week-end, politicians searched his inscrutable but tantalizing remarks for eleventh-hour hints of his intentions.

Almost everyone in official circles felt convinced that he would accept a "draft" nomination from the convention.

Farley Seems Wavering

Chicago, July 13 (AP)—Tremendous pressure was brought to bear upon James A. Farley today to continue for a time as chairman of the democratic committee, regardless of next week's convention's choice of a presidential nominee.

As the crowds assembled for the big party meeting—virtually certain to renominate the president, Farley's old New York associates urged him to carry one step further his declaration of yesterday that he would not "take a walk" if President Roosevelt runs again.

And, they reported that he was wavering.

Facing nearly 200 reporters in a (Concluded on page 10, column 7)

Rival Labor Leaders Loyal

Washington, July 13 (AP)—Suggesting that the rearmament drive might furnish the means of uniting labor's divided ranks, the White House announced today that 16 AFL, CIO and railroad labor leaders had pledged cooperation with the defense program.

Young Ford Takes Bride

Southampton, N. Y., July 13 (AP)—Twenty-year-old Anne McDonnell and Henry Ford, 2nd, grandson of the automobile manufacturer, were married today in a pageant-like ceremony of the Roman Catholic church.

As they stood at the flower-banked altar of the Church of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen gave a discourse on the power of love.

"Rings can be broken and lost," he said, "but love is undying."

The pretty blonde bride was smiling as she went to the altar, with her long white veil trailing behind her.

The 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Ford was baptized into the Catholic faith, the faith of his bride, by Monsignor Sheen late yesterday in the presence of his parents, his bride-to-be and her parents.

Long before the marriage ceremony, hundreds of villagers had gathered across the street from the little church to view the notables and to applaud such personages as former New York Governor Alfred E. Smith, Henry Ford, Sr., and William S. Knudsen, head of the nation's defense production program.

The bride's 13 brothers and sisters and her 100 first cousins, uncles and aunts formed a cheery family background for her wedding.

Packard Deal Being Made

Washington, July 13 (AP)—A contract between the government and the Packard Motor company was being drawn today for the manufacture of 9000 Rolls Royce engines—3000 for the United States and 6000 for Great Britain.

William S. Knudsen, production co-ordinator of the national defense commission, said that Packard had agreed to produce the motors.

Congress has provided \$43,500,000 to pay for this country's share.

M. M. Gilman, president of Packard, said the company would be ready to start production 10 months after the contract is signed. He estimated that production would reach a rate of 840 per month at the end of 15 months.

Tom Pendergast Indicted Again

Kansas City, July 13 (AP)—Tom Pendergast, deposed Kansas City democratic boss, R. Emmett O'Malley and A. L. McCormack were named by a federal grand jury today in two indictments charging conspiracy to obstruct justice in connection with the \$9,000,000 1936 Missouri fire insurance compromise.

300,000 More Men Called to British Colors

Growing Activity of German Bombers Brings 32-Year-Class to Duty

London, July 13 (AP)—Britain's new, highly-geared mobilization program, which has been putting 7000 men a day into khaki, was extended today to include 32-year-olds as the nation dipped deeper into its reserves of manpower to meet the threat of invasion.

Approximately 300,000 men were called to register before nightfall in response to the latest call to the colors, bringing the total summoned to date to more than 3,300,000.

Lending urgency to the mobilization speedup was the growing activity of German's bombing squadrons, which roared across the channel again during the night to rain explosives on southwest England, Wales and Scotland.

Renewed German sorties came today. The air ministry announced that an "enemy" bomber was shot down in the English channel by British fighter planes, and a raider was chased away over a northeast England town.

Blockade Attempt Fails
The ministry had announced earlier that 11 of the Nazi raiders were shot from the skies in the preceding 24 hours. The new German loss brought the week's "bag" to 73 and the total shot down, since the first daily widespread raids on England June 18, to 110. Two British planes were reported missing in the last phase of the war in the air.

At least 10 persons were killed in Scotland during extensive raids yesterday.

Authorities said that Nazi attempts to blockade Britain by air attacks on ports and shipping had so far failed.

Damage inflicted on shipping was described as small, while the Germans were estimated to have lost more than \$4,000,000 worth of aircraft in the last seven days.

Convoy Ships Short

The ministry of information announced officially last night that the scheduled removal of British children to places of safety in the dominions and the United States had been "postponed."

In explanation, the announcement said that "owing to the great demands now made upon the admiralty there are not sufficient naval vessels available for convoy duty."

However, the government made clear that "children sent apart from the government's scheme will be allowed to leave either at their parents' risk or at the risk of voluntary associations which have arranged for their transport."

Baxter Service Starts Sunday

San Francisco, July 13 (AP)—Bishop-elect Bruce R. Baxter of Salem, Ore., was assigned to the Portland area of the Methodist church today by the report of the committee on episcopacy of the western jurisdictional conference.



R.A.F. Bombs Blast Italian Planes—The British caption on this picture said it shows R.A.F. bombs blasting Caproni high-wing tri-motored bombers on an Italian airport field in east Africa. Note shadows cast by the smoke clouds rising from bomb hits. —Associated Press Photo.

Special Garb Not Made Compulsory

Splash of the horse trough, the thud of stocks or the bars of a stockade are reserved for punishment of the whistled gentry who some weeks ago signed a pledge to grow beards and not to shave until after the Salem Centennial, and the rank and file of citizenry will be able to go about their peaceful ways without sinking down alleys to avoid "arrest" and punishment by a kangaroo court.

Publication of a proclamation by Mayor W. W. Chadwick to the fact that all persons not appearing in centennial garb or without whiskers, bright shirts and other modern versions of what the pioneers wore, while not easing the mind of the reading public, has accomplished what it intended—people are talking about the Centennial which, after all, is what is wanted.

Many merchants are not even asking their employees to wait on customers with trailing dresses or requiring men employees to don colorful shirts, neckties and other regalia.

Liberty Preserved
They make no objections if the employee wishes to do so of his or her own accord but they feel it an imposition to issue orders that call for a considerable outlay of cash, for a change of clothing, particularly for the women, is necessary and after all, there will be little use for the centennial clothing after the Centennial is over. It is not similar (Concluded on page 10, column 6)

3-Point Program Offered by Willkie

Colorado Springs, Colo., July 13 (AP)—Wendell L. Willkie said today he would base his campaign for the presidency on three major pledges: "A united people without class consciousness, distinction or hatred; a campaign program and said, 'Our very way of life, our democratic system, is at one of the testing points in our history. We are facing the most ferocious assault, physically, psychologically and ideologically that we have ever faced.'

"You republicans have called on me to lead the fight for the processes of our country, and I am overwhelmed with humility at my responsibility."

Willkie said that "the rehabilitation of our economic way of life is as important, or even more important" than a national defense program.

"If we make our economic life vital and vibrant and have a united people," he added, "no dictator or totalitarian ruler will ever strike at this country."

General White On Hasty Trip To Fort Lewis

Decision at White House Revives Controversy for Debate in Congress

Portland, July 13 (AP)—The young men of Oregon national guards—boys who have held weekly armory drills and gone annually to field encampments—prepared today for their third mobilization in a quarter of a century.

Major-General George A. White of Oregon, commander of the 41st division comprising 10,000 men in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming, left for Fort Lewis, Wash., after conferring with regimental chiefs here last night.

It appeared possible 3800 Oregon troops would pack their kits for an indefinite period, probably at Fort Lewis, the northwest's principal concentration point.

The Oregon guard was called to the Mexican border in 1916, to World War No. 1 and now for defense training.

Subject to the call would be the 16th and 18th Infantry regiments, 41st Signal company, 218th Field Artillery and Company H, 116th Medical regiment disposed as follows:

Local Units Included
Headquarters and headquarters detachment, 41st division, Portland; Company H, 116th Medical regiment, Lebanon; 162nd Infantry regiment, headquarters, headquarters companies, companies E, F, G, and H and band, Portland; other companies from McMinnville, Silverton, Corvallis, Dallas, Salem, Eugene, Tillamook and Roseburg, 188th Infantry regiment headquarters and headquarters companies, Company B and band, Portland; other companies from Oregon City, Woodburn, Grants Pass, Medford, St. Helens, La Grande, Baker, Pendleton and Astoria; 41st Signal company, Portland; 28th Field Artillery headquarters and headquarters battery and entire regiment, all from Portland except two batteries, one from Hillsboro and the other from Newberg.

The only national guardsmen left (Concluded on page 10, column 6)

Merriam Pays Sprague Visit

The Pacific northwest's principal part in the national defense program at present is to keep up morale, said Charles E. Merriam of Chicago, vice-chairman of the national resources planning board, when he arrived here for a brief visit with Governor Charles A. Sprague today.

Defense plans are divided into two branches, one the production of armaments and the training of personnel and the other "morale, keeping the ball rolling," Charles W. Eliot, the resources board's executive officer, told newspaper men.

Neither Merriam nor Eliot would comment on progress of defense plans other than to say "they are going ahead full speed."

The two officials left at noon with their party for Portland. They will inspect Bonneville dam this afternoon.

Liner at New York With Refugee Load

New York, July 13 (AP)—The U. S. liner Washington arrived from Galway, Ireland, today on her final war refugee removal trip, with 1,610 passengers, 273 of them aliens. The ship, as on her last two voyages, resembled a floating nursery.

Frank C. Elliott of Seattle, one of the passengers, told interviewers he believes England's situation is more dangerous than most Americans realize. Elliott, American and Canadian manager for a large London importing firm which does much buying on the Pacific coast, declared:

"It was a vigorous non-interventionist until I saw how that Nazi machine works. Now I'm not too sure we hadn't better get over there in a hurry—in full force. It's generally believed in England that Germany controls most Russian factories. If England falls now, Hitler and Mussolini will control not only Europe but also Asia and Africa, and even much of the Orient, if Japan is as friendly to Nazis as I think she is."

Elliott left Paris the day before it was bombed by the Nazis, and