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# U. S. SUBS SINK 3 JAP DESTROYERS; AXIS CONTINUES EGYPTIAN RETREAT

## News Behind The News By Paul Mallon

Washington, July 6—Heroic defense of Sevastopol against hopeless odds, is the best current example of why the United Nations are going to win the war.



Paul Mallon

The Russians held Sevastopol for over a month against one of the most vicious attacks ever launched by the nazis. The way they did it was, in general, the same way they have held Hitler back in Russia for over a year. Their method is a combination of two things:

1—Ability to adapt their weapons and tactics to natural defenses and

2—The tenacity to die rather than to give up.

By using a lot of military ingenuity in adopting their defenses to the terrain, the Russians had made Sevastopol one of the strongest fortresses in the world, perhaps second only to Gibraltar.

Sevastopol is built among rocky cliffs and is protected from the land side by a semicircle of hills. The nazis had to fight their way over these hills and through the narrow passes. The hills were honeycombed with heavy Russian artillery, pill boxes and machine gun nests; the valleys were cut up with deep ditch tank traps.

It took the Germans, even with their unlimited manpower, gunpower and airpower, over a month to hammer their way in. They finally did it by absolutely pulverizing Russian defense with some of the biggest mobile siege guns ever built. Rumors say these guns were over 20 inch, far bigger than the biggest gun on battleships.

FIELD Marshal Fritz Erich von Manstein had 20 to 25 divisions available for the attack on Sevastopol, over 300,000 men but he could only use three

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## WOMEN UNWILLING TO BE PRIVATES

Los Angeles, July 6—(P)—When Uncle Sam's women's army auxiliary corps recently asked for women who thought they would make good officers, hundreds stood in line as the office opened to issue application blanks.

But today, was the WAAC office opened to recruit privates, not an applicant was waiting. And during the first two hours only six women sought to enlist.

## Radio Highlights

Billing Gracie Fields, English comedienne, Baritone Paul Robeson and Comedian Walter O'Keefe as the high spots, a special half-hour of variety on behalf of China relief has been placed on the BLU schedule for 7 p. m. (PWT) Tuesday.

## SIDE GLANCES

BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Little Linda Lowry and Mama Barbara watching the big Tribune press in action.

Clarence English and C. H. Davis doing some high-powered second-guessing as the Craters went down to defeat.

Joan Hoppe returning from a week end at the coast with a super sunburn.

## FOURTH WARSHIP LEFT BURNING IN ALEUTIAN FORAY

Navy Department Announces Successful Attack in Aleutian Waters on July 4th.

Washington, July 4—(P)—The navy announced today that United States submarines had sunk three Japanese destroyers in the Aleutian islands July 4 and had left a fourth destroyer "burning fiercely."

A communique based on information received up to 12:30 p. m., Eastern War time, today said:

"North Pacific area:

"1. On the Fourth of July, U. S. submarines torpedoed four Japanese destroyers in the Aleutian islands.

"2. Three of these destroyers were attacked at Kiska. Two were sunk and the third, when last seen, was burning fiercely.

"3. The fourth destroyer was torpedoed and sunk at Agattu where enemy transports and escorting vessels were located on July 2 and were attacked by army bombers."

Losses Total Five

Today's navy report raised Japan's losses in her efforts to establish occupation forces on the western Aleutians to five ships sunk—three destroyers, one cruiser and one transport—and nine damaged, including an aircraft carrier.

All the attacks prior to the Independence Day submarine offensive had been made by army and navy aircraft which have been limited in their operations by the infrequency of favorable weather.

All the natives and the few white residents have been evacuated from the western Aleutians and from the Pribilof islands in the Bering Sea north of Dutch Harbor.

William Zimmerman Jr., assistant Indian commissioner, reported today that the evacuees, numbering somewhat less than 1,000, had been taken by the navy to Juneau, where the Indian bureau has provided housing.

Attu Unevacuated

The Japanese landing at Attu, however, was said by delegate Dimond of Alaska to have prevented the evacuation of the few residents of that island. There were no natives at Kiska, where the Japanese also have landed.

This has not deterred the army from bombing the enemy's shore installations and any other available targets whenever a rift in the fog permits.

A navy communique Saturday reported four attacks by army bombers, supported by navy patrol planes, from June 21 to July 3.

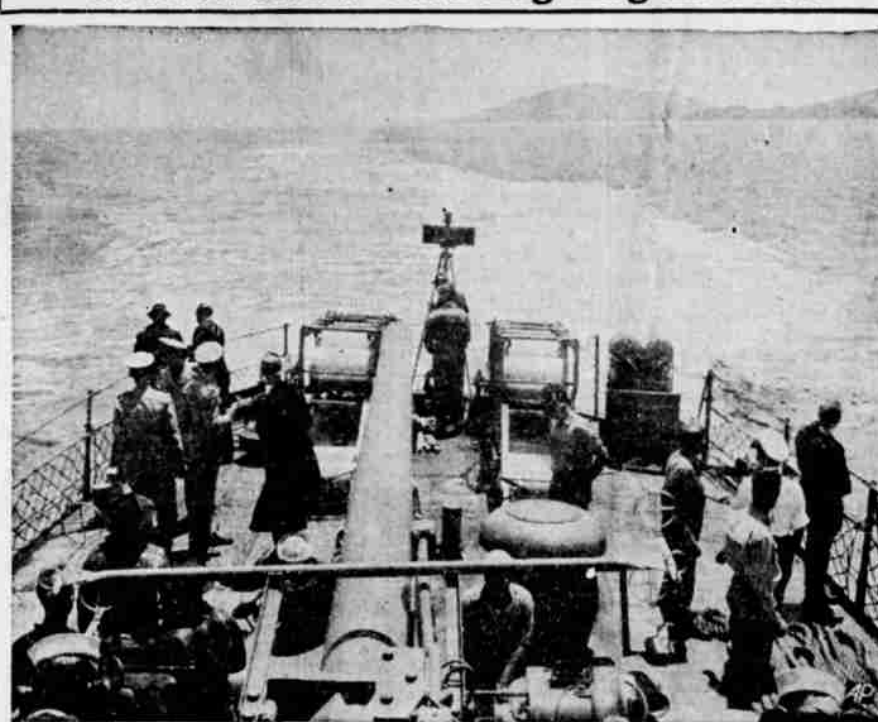
## GANDHI PROPOSES INDIAN FREEDOM

Bombay, July 6—(P)—Declaring that "India is as much interested as her allies in warding off attack," Mohandas K. Gandhi proposed today that India be made free and that united nations troops be allowed to remain to defend the country against the Japanese.

The influential nationalist wrote in his weekly newspaper Harijan:

"I argue that allied troops, if they remain, will do so not to exercise authority over the people or at India's expense, but will remain under a treaty with the government of a free India at the united nation's expense for the sole purpose of repelling Japanese attacks and helping China."

## U. S. S. Shaw Cuts Zig-Zag In Trial



The United States Destroyer Shaw (above) was making about 20 knots during a trial run at a West Coast port and was zig-zagging as her wake shows. Note depth charges on extreme stern. The U. S. S. Shaw was bombed in the Jap sneak attack on Pearl Harbor and the Japs claimed they sank her. But she is very much back in service.

## EIGHT SMASHUPS DURING WEEKEND; THREE ARE HURT

Eight automobile accidents were reported over the holiday weekend, two collisions putting participants in Community hospital. Other accidents reported were minor and only slight damage to the cars involved.

Dan Koenig, driving a lumber truck on the Tiller-Trail cut-off road, received medical treatment in Community hospital after his truck rolled over on the road this morning at 6 o'clock. He received a fractured pelvis, arm and broken ribs. He was brought to Medford by Per's ambulance.

Charles Morris Johnson of 204 South Central avenue and Melvin Wilmoth Shannon of Camp White were given medical attention at Community hospital early Sunday morning after the car Johnson was driving east on West Main street ran into a telephone post at South Orange street. The report filed stated that Johnson evidently fell asleep at the wheel. Shannon received several cuts on the head when he was thrown through the windshield by the impact. Johnson had a cut lip. The car was badly damaged.

Robert H. Phillip of Four Corners and Lester C. Orton, both operating passenger cars collided seven miles north of Medford on highway 62 Saturday at 5:45 a. m. Another accident occurred at Eagle Point when cars operated by George Irwin and Mrs. George H. Basler, both of that town, collided on the highway near Eagle Point city limits Friday at 8:30 p. m.

Bob Tingley of 816 South Central avenue and Robert Henry Nelson of Klamath River, Cal., were drivers of passenger which were involved in a minor accident at the intersection of Grape and Eighth streets Saturday at 10:05 p. m. Automobiles driven by R. C. Dunham of Marshfield and J. Logan of Talent collided six miles south of Fern Valley Friday at 7 p. m.

Cars driven by Richard Kidwell of route 2 box 392 and A. M. Kinglary of Jacksonville were slightly damaged Sunday at 8 p. m. when they collided at the intersection of West Main street and Riverside avenue. Carl Gross, operating a pickup and Mrs. Wale Hoppe of East Main street, driving a passenger car, collided on South Fir street Sunday at 7:15 p. m.

## Six Deaths by Violence Mar Oregon July 4th Celebration

Six violent deaths marred Oregon's fourth of July week-end celebration. Four persons died by drowning and two in a traffic collision.

The traffic victims were Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Robertson, Eugene, whose automobile collided with a train near Eugene Saturday night.

Robert Hollingsworth, 29, of Roseburg, drowned in the South Umpqua river Saturday after stepping into a deep hole while wading.

Mrs. Viola V. Hayes, 28, Bandon, attempting to step from one boat to another, fell into Floras lake near Bandon Sunday. The body was not recovered.

Ernest Richmond, over 30, Grants Pass oil station operator, and his son, Bobby, 7, drowned Sunday in Bolan lake in southwest Josephine county.

The boy fell from a raft and the father, wearing heavy boots, jumped in after him and both perished. Mrs. Richmond was with them on the fishing trip.

## FOURTH OF JULY COOL; MAXIMUM 88 DEGREES

After five days of temperatures over 100 degrees Medford felt the cooling effect of 88 degrees maximum July 4 the weather bureau reported today. Minimum for Saturday was 60 degrees.

## Nelson Bucks Proposal For Synthetic Rubber

Washington, July 6—(P)—War Production chief Donald M. Nelson protested today against a proposed program to produce synthetic rubber from grain on the ground that it would require critical materials "urgently needed for the war effort."

Opposing a bill calling for creation of a rubber supply agency to direct manufacture of synthetic rubber from grain alcohol, Nelson told a senate agriculture subcommittee sponsoring the measure that construction of such distilleries would require copper and steel.

"Every pound of copper and steel taken away from our present supply," he asserted, "would hinder the war program. And that is of paramount interest."

Further, by placing production of synthetic rubber under an agency director, you would take from the president his control over priorities. This director could do anything he wanted to direct the flow of materials needed for war.

Accordingly, Chairman Gillette (D., Iowa) assured Nelson the committee would defer action until Nelson could present additional objections within a week.

An accusation by Senator Norris (Ind., Neb.) that the War Production Board was "doing nothing about the production of synthetic rubber from alcohol" drew an emphatic denial from Nelson.

"That's a very unfair statement," the production chief retorted.

"Why?" inquired Norris.

"Because we are doing something about it and when I appear before the committee again I will make a statement about that situation," Nelson declared.

## CONGRESS HOLDS TIGHT DEADLOCK ON AGRICULTURE

Senate and House Unable to Agree Even to Extent of Temporary Financing.

Washington, July 6—(P)—The long senate-house deadlock over farm policy persisted today with the two chambers unable to agree even to the extent of passing a resolution to tide the agriculture department over temporarily until its regular appropriation bill can be enacted.

The senate, on a voice vote, approved stop-gap legislation providing up to \$93,900,000 for the department's July operations and permitting the sale of government-owned grain for livestock feeding without price limitations for this month only.

In the house Rep. Tarver (D-Ga.) submitted similar legislation, making available to the department for July the appropriations which the senate and house previously have agreed upon and permitted it to meet its regular payroll Wednesday.

But Rep. Hope (R-Kans.) blocked its consideration today when uncertainty developed as to whether it would permit or prohibit the sale of government-owned grain for livestock feeding at prices below parity.

The department has been technically without funds since June 30, largely because the senate and house have not been able to agree on a senate provision in the money bill which would permit sales of government-held wheat at about 83 cents a bushel for livestock feed.

Minority leader McNary (R-Ore.) opposed the full-parity bill, expressing belief it would hurt wheat and corn producers.

## Bolt of Lightning, Careless Smoker Blamed for Fires

Lightning and a smoker were believed the cause of two fires just east of the Crater Lake National Park boundary Saturday afternoon July 4. Rogue River National Forest headquarters reported today.

A blaze in the vicinity of Cowitz Butte, probably started by a dry-lightning storm in the morning, burned over about 20 acres before brought under control by crews and equipment sent from Lake O. Woods and Union Creek guard stations.

The Indian Service at Ft. Klamath loaned a tractor and plow to the crews, headquarters announced.

The other fire was small and was extinguished by a tourist, Harold Selby of Dallas, Ore., who discovered the blaze and kicked dirt on it, thereby preventing a possible serious conflagration. The forest service believe this fire was started by a careless smoker.

## NO TIME LIMIT FOR CAN SUGAR

Hobart Price, rationing boards executive secretary, announced this afternoon that no time limitation has been set on applications for domestic canning sugar. A time limit for applications was set on industrial and institutional sugar users but Mr. Price also announced today this time has been extended to the evening of July 8.

A heavy rush of domestic applications for canning sugar certificates has all but swamped the board, Price said, and he emphasized that this was not necessary as there is plenty of sugar for domestic canning and no time limit set for applying for same.

## To Wed Hopkins



Mrs. Louise Macy (above) and Harry Hopkins, presidential aide, would be married in about a month.

## CHIANG FORECASTS JAPANESE DECLINE BY END OF WINTER

In Chungking, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek marked the start of the sixth year of war with Japan with a broadcast today declaring that "by the end of this winter Japan's strength will be only one-tenth of that of the allies."

Gen. Chiang said confidently that Japan's invasion army plunging deeper and deeper into the morass of Chinese resistance "now is beyond recovery."

American warplanes, flashing through the far Pacific skies in growing numbers, were declared today to be teaching the Japanese a cautious new respect in the Battle of China and crippling any Japanese attempt to pass for an invasion of Australia.

Military dispatches said the Japanese, after bombing the helpless Chinese with impunity through five long years of war, were now switching to night aerial attacks in an effort to avoid the fierce resistance encountered from fliers of the new U. S. army 23rd pursuit group in China.

In communique No. 1, United States headquarters announced that the newly established American air force, swinging quickly into action, inflicted heavy blows on Japanese airfields at Hankow, Nanchang and Canton over a four-day period starting July 1.

"Communiques will be issued daily," the first war bulletin said, indicating the American's determination to press home unrelenting attacks against the Japanese invaders of China.

On the ground, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's armies were reported to have struck back at the Japanese captors of Ithwang, in Kiangsi Province, retaking the town after the enemy had held it only 24 hours.

Chinese dispatches said the counter-attack had weakened Japanese efforts to trap large Chinese forces in central Kiangsi, and declared that the invaders were still unable to bridge the last 25-mile gap between their columns driving along the strategic Kiangsi-Chekiang railway.

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## SHARP NEW CRISIS SEEN AS GERMANS CROSS RIVER DON

Hitler Throws Million Men Into Kursk Drive—Russians Forced Back.

By Roger D. Greene  
Associated Press War Editor

British headquarters announced today that Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck's Egyptian armies had driven the axis into retreat for the second successive day, while in the Russian campaign a sharp new crisis was indicated by a German claim that Nazi spearheads had crossed the river Don.

London military quarters said Adolf Hitler, now pressing a full-scale offensive, had thrown more than 1,000,000 troops into the Kursk drive in a mammoth wheeling operation to overrun the approaches to the Caucasus.

Tank Battle Scene  
Kursk, 130 miles north of Kharkov, was described by the Russians last week as the scene of the greatest tank battle of the year.

Advices reaching London said the Germans, using 1,500 first line aircraft and 10 divisions to spearhead the lunge eastward, had already forced the Russians back in the region of Voronezh on the Moscow-Rostov railway.

The Vichy radio, often a Nazi propaganda outlet, asserted that Gen. Heinz Guderian's tank columns had cut the vital rail line.

Two German columns were said to be approaching Voronezh from the northwest and southwest, aiming at a junction west of the Don for an assault on the city of 212,000.

Meanwhile, the battle of Egypt took a brighter turn for Britain's imperial desert fighters.

British On Offensive  
A Berlin dispatch to a Swiss newspaper quoted German military circles as admitting that the British had succeeded in bringing up enough reserves to take the offensive.

A bulletin from Imperial GHQ said British troops, pressing the initiative, attacked Field Marshal Rommel's forces in fierce all-day fighting in Egypt yesterday and "in a night attack drove the enemy from a strong point, inflicting heavy casualties."

The New York Times said private advices indicated that Gen. Rommel might fall back to Matruh, 110 miles west of the present battle zone, to shorten his supply line and await reinforcements.

The Paris radio broadcast a report that Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavell, the British general who drove the Italians out of Egypt last year, had arrived in Cairo and gone into immediate conference with Gen. Auchinleck.

Gen. Wavell is now commander-in-chief in India.

In Russia, German dispatches described operations along the Don as a "big and broad offensive thrust," and the Berlin press proclaimed it "the beginning of the big push."

"Strong enemy groups encircled west of the Don face annihilation. Soviet attacks supported by tanks to relieve the pressure broke down," Hitler's headquarters said.

## Bee Truck Wreck Brings Activity

The busiest man in Southern Oregon was discovered by Dr. C. C. Goldsberry of this city yesterday on the Klamath Falls-Ashland highway near McCollum's mill. He was the driver of a truck, with 30 or 40 hives of bees aboard. The truck tipped over, and the driver was highly active righting hives, and fighting the rolled bees. Many motorists stopped to view the commotion and offer advice, from a safe distance.