

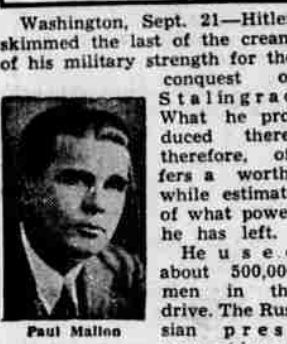
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NAZI CANNON PULVERIZES STALINGRAD

News Behind The News by Paul Mallon



Washington, Sept. 21—Hitler skimmed the last of the cream of his military strength for the conquest of Stalingrad. What he produced there, therefore, offers a worthwhile estimate of what power he has left.

He used about 500,000 men in the drive. The Russian press sometimes says that the Reds were facing a million, but their latest count would be around half that sum.

These were not used all at the same time. Flying wedges of about 75,000 troops manned the front attacking lines. They were withdrawn every few days for a rest and another 75,000 replaced them.

Not more than a million Nazi troops are strung along the vast expanses of the rest of the front line, from the Arctic to the Caucasus.

The best troops were, of course, called into the Stalingrad front and the million holding the other sections of the line represent what was left, some being newly trained, some Italians, Rumanians, and Finns, who have been practicing for months under German supervision.

About 400,000 Italian troops have been re-trained by the Germans. Yet these are still about the worst of the lot. The Finns and Rumanians are much more highly regarded.

BEHIND THIS FRONT LINE are about a million men in what might be called the third class troops, the reserves to relieve the front lines.

On the only other Nazi fighting line, in Libya, Rommel has never had more than 100,000.

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KLAMATH MAN IS WANTED IN FRISCO

Klamath Falls, Ore., Sept. 21—Dudley H. Spencer, a Klamath Falls apparel shop owner, was held in Klamath county jail today for San Francisco authorities following his arrest here Friday.

San Francisco, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—San Francisco police said today Dudley H. Spencer, whose arrest was announced in Klamath Falls, Ore., would be returned here for arraignment on a grand jury indictment charging contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

CHARGE REDUCED IN CASE OF LEO WAGNER

A charge of driving an auto while under the influence of liquor against Leo M. Wagner, was reduced to reckless driving last week by Justice of the Peace William R. Coleman. Wagner entered a plea of not guilty. There was doubt he was intoxicated, the court held. Under the reckless driving charge, he was fined \$35 and costs, and his driver's permit suspended for 30 days.

Joseph H. Yarborough was fined \$10 and costs for having no PUC permit.

SIDE GLANCES By TRIBUNE REPORTER

Lela Rogers attending the Medford-Yreka football game and enjoying it thoroughly.

Bill and Norma Robinson, Walt Allen and Lou Sauer taking time out while picking pears yesterday.

Ray Lenox watering his lawn, pulling weeds and getting it all in trim.

CITY BEING RAZED BLOCK BY BLOCK IS RED ADMISSION

Germans Inch Forward With Support of War's Greatest Bombardment.

By Harrison Salisbury
United Press Staff Correspondent

Long range German cannon and fleets of bombers today were reported to be leveling against Stalingrad the heaviest bombardment of the war.

Soviet reports said that Nazi forces were inching forward under cover of the attack which was pulverizing the Volga river industrial center, block by block.

Cost Is High

Despite the aid of a rain of high explosive shells and bombs, the Germans were said to be making progress only at a cost of thousands of casualties.

As the Stalingrad battle raged, reports indicated that another allied convoy had fought its way through to the Soviet arctic ports. The Nazi radio claimed that heavy losses had been inflicted on the ships but British sources scoffed at the enemy propaganda claims.

Naval sources in London said that the big German battleship Tirpitz, sister ship of the sunken Bismarck, had attempted a foray from her Trondheim base but had been driven back, possibly suffering torpedo hits.

British planes were said to be carrying out constant reconnaissance of the Norwegian waters to observe all movements of Nazi surface craft. The Tirpitz, it was said, is now back at Trondheim.

Close In On Tananarive

British forces in Madagascar were closing in rapidly on Tananarive, the capital, after occupying the railroad junction of Brackaville.

The British report said that the Tirpitz attempted to break out of its base at Trondheim with an escort but ran into British forces and was chased back to port. In the course of the reported action, it was said, the Tirpitz may have suffered a torpedo hit or hits.

The German version of the convoy battle was that 38 allied ships were sunk or damaged in addition to six warships. The Nazis claimed that 51 allied ships had been sunk in 24 hours over the week-end.

AID FOR RETAILER IS RUSHED BY OPA

Washington, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The office of price administration today rushed preparation of a new price regulation expected to relieve growing shortages among retail and wholesale outlets of many important food products.

The regulation, which OPA hopes to issue "early in October," will allow increased retail and wholesale prices to eliminate "squeezes" between these prices and the prices distributors must pay to producers.

OPA officials admitted that the effect would be "slightly" inflationary.

SEEK SLAYER OF ELDERLY WOMAN

Los Angeles, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Police searched today for the slayer of a 75-year-old woman who was dragged into a park and beaten to death while returning from church.

The victim was Mrs. Lillian Stratton. Police said she had been beaten and apparently criminally attacked and robbed within sight of her home.

She was returning from church at about 9:30 last night, police said, while her husband, Samuel M. Stratton, 80, waited on the front porch of their home.

Deserter-Killer



An Army deserter, Robert T. Bailey, above, ponders his killing of two Kenosha, Wis., social workers, after he was arrested in Santa Maria, Calif., and confessed to stripping and slaying the women. Bailey's confession is on the table before him.

Sparta, Wis., Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Robert Taylor Bailey, 20-year-old army deserter, pleaded guilty before Justice of the Peace Harry L. Beckman today to two warrants charging him with first degree murder in the rapist shooting Sept. 7 of two Kenosha social workers.

His plea made him subject to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary, the supreme penalty required by Wisconsin law for murder. Justice Beckman bound him over to circuit court for sentencing. Under Wisconsin law he may be sentenced on his plea without trial.

GRADE SCHOOLS SHOW INCREASE OF 6 PER CENT

It was "back to school" for 1,120 boys and girls in Medford today when the four elementary schools began the school year with reading, writing and arithmetic.

The city school superintendent's office stated that enrollment showed a six per cent increase over the first day of school last year when enrollment totaled 1,060. Lincoln school showed a 30 per cent increase over opening day enrollment for 1941 and Washington, nine per cent. Jackson remained about the same and Roosevelt had a decrease of 7.4 per cent.

By schools the enrollment was: Jackson, 222; Lincoln, 232; Roosevelt, 275 and Washington, 391 students.

Junior and Senior high schools will open next Monday.

WILLKIE LEARNS RED SPIRIT HIGH

Moscow, Sept. 20—(U.P.)—(Delayed)—Wendell L. Willkie, here to deliver a personal letter from President Roosevelt to Premier Josef Stalin, said today that he personally favored a "second front" in aid of Russia "if military people consider it feasible."

On the basis of an intensive 2½-day visit to Kuibyshev, which since the opening of the German offensive on Moscow a year ago has been the headquarters of the diplomatic corps and some government agencies, Willkie said at a press conference.

"I could not find any sign or any indication that the spirit of resistance is weakening in Russia."

ARMY TEAM BEATEN

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 20—(U.P.)—The New York Professional Giants tonight outtrashed and outplayed the Western Army All-Stars to register a 10-7 airight triumph before 30,000 spectators tonight.

Forest Closure is Ordered Throughout State

CHINESE DESTROY FUKIEN ROADS TO FORESTALL JAPS

Highways Levelled in Region of "Bomb Japan" Airfields.

Chungking, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Chinese have destroyed virtually all main roads in Fukien province to help forestall any enemy attempt to recapture the "bomb Japan" air fields in East China, it was reported today.

Highways have been leveled and converted to farm lands and 15-foot earthenworks have been constructed to block Japanese use of motorized equipment and mobile field guns in any campaign against the Chinese-held airfields.

Airfields which the Chinese are protecting in Fukien are within bomber range of Japan and Formosa.

Gen. MacArthur's headquarters, Australia, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Australian troops under Maj. Cyril Clowes have cleaned out the entire Milne Bay area at the southeastern tip of New Guinea and thus have consolidated the biggest Japanese defeat of the war in the Australian zone, a spokesman for Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

News of final, complete victory at Milne Bay roused hope that MacArthur would outsmart the Japanese advancing on Port Moresby from the southern ridges of the Owen Stanley mountains 32 air line miles away.

UNREST SPREADS UNDER NAZI HEEL

London, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Unrest was spreading in occupied France today in answer to new German repressive measures and preparations by the Vichy government to impose a forced labor decree by which French men could be compelled to slave for Germany.

Advices reached London that patriots in occupied France had killed two Gestapo policemen in an attack on a German punitive detachment in the Paris area, that two armored cars and a truck had been set afire in an attack on a German military garage and that a German military train had been blown up, with unknown casualties, at a station in the Seine department near Paris.

FAVOR DRAFTING MEN FOR FARMS

San Francisco, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—A conference of agricultural representatives today approved a resolution urging congress to amend the selective service law to provide for drafting of manpower for agriculture and industry.

The resolution declared California's farm labor shortage to be "acute," and said the shortage "threatens the future production of such crops and livestock as are declared necessary to the war effort."

Delegates to the conference will submit the resolution to their respective organizations for approval before submitting the proposal to congress.

FOUND SHOT

Tunbridge Wells, England, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Mrs. Juanita Paglia, pretty 20-year-old ambulance corps driver from California, and wife of a British army officer, was found critically wounded in her bedroom today and friends quoted her as saying that she had shot herself.

End of "Dual Citizenship" Proposed by Sen. Holman

Washington, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Sen. Rufus C. Holman, R., Ore., today proposed a constitutional amendment which would permit congress to deprive American-born individuals of Japanese, German, or Italian ancestry of their citizenship rights.

The amendment, proposed in the form of a joint congressional resolution, would end "dual citizenship" by providing that "persons who under the laws of any foreign nation shall not become citizens of the United States, whether born in the United States or not, except to the extent and subject to such terms and conditions as the congress may prescribe."

Holman said the suggested amendment would deprive American citizens of Japanese descent of citizenship because they are claimed by Japan as Japanese citizens. It might also apply to Americans of German and Italian descent, he said.

Congress, however, could—and probably would—permit American-born citizens of friendly foreign nations to retain their full rights as American citizens, Holman said.

Holman also introduced a bill to halt all further immigration and permit the entry of aliens only if their departure were guaranteed after not more than a six-month visit.

NEW LEGION CHIEF FROM TENNESSEE

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The 24th national convention of the American Legion today chose as its wartime commander Roane Waring of Memphis, Tenn., to lead the organization through possibly the most critical period in its history.

He was elected by acclamation to succeed Lynn U. Stambaugh of Fargo, N. D.

Donald Nelson, chairman of the War Production Board, told the convention that America faces a long and horrible war, and that "two things are chiefly demanded of us—unity and endurance."

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The American Legion Auxiliary completing its national convention here today, elected Mrs. Alfred J. Mathebat of Alameda, Cal., as its new president.

BRITISH SAILORS BALK AT STOOPING

Stockton, Calif., Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Fifty-two British sailors, who resumed stoppage in protest against working conditions as volunteer farmhands, were called off the job today by the commanding officer of their warship.

Upon receipt of orders from his superior officer, Lt. J. A. Dougall, in charge of the group, ordered the men to leave the Weyl-Zuckerman beet ranch.

"We want to do our part in helping solve the harvest problem," Dougall said, "but our boys cannot be expected to work in squalid quarters such as they have been assigned to. All we ask are reasonable accommodations and a more suitable type of labor."

STORAGE SHORTAGE DUE

Washington, Sept. 20—(U.P.)—The office of defense transportation, warning that a "pinch" impends in refrigerated storage space required to preserve stocks of perishable foods, appealed tonight to operators and users of refrigerated warehouses to utilize cold storage facilities as efficiently as possible.

FIVE DIE IN CRASH OF HEAVY BOMBER

Boise, Ida., Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Five men were killed and five injured when a heavy bomber crashed in flames while returning to the Gowen field air base at midnight, army officers announced today. Two of those killed were Negro ground crew members and one of the injured was also a Negro, public relations officers announced.

War Bulletins

Ottawa, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Navy Minister Angus L. Mac Donald announced today that the Canadian destroyer Ottawa has been sunk.

The commander of the Ottawa, Lieut. Comdr. Clarke Anderson Rutherford, was killed and four other officers and 107 ratings were missing and believed lost, Mac Donald said.

On the French Frontier.

Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Reports from France tonight said that 3,000 French citizens were arrested by the Nazis in Paris over the weekend.

The arrests were made either on suspicion of participation in the attack on a movie theater in which one Nazi soldier was killed and 30 wounded or for violation of the strict weekend curfew imposed by the Nazis.

Nearly 400 townspeople attempted yesterday to break up the convention, which had begun three days earlier, police said.

The disorders began after a group of about 20 Klamath Falls residents reportedly attempted to cut the telephone wire carrying an address from N. J. Knorr, witness leader at Cleveland, O., to the convention hall.

The witnesses protested and the crowd grew. Windows were broken, an ammonia bomb was thrown into the hall, and several automobiles were overturned. Tracts distributed by the sect were burned in the street.

Sgt. Carl Cook of the marine recruiting service helped police in restoring order by urging the crowd to return home to avoid injuring women and children among the 1,200 convention delegates.

Most of the delegates were from California and Oregon. Police said the townspeople had charged that the sect was "unpatriotic."

WOMEN NEEDED IN DAIRY INDUSTRY

San Francisco, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Milk industry spokesmen today asked the war manpower commission to train women to become milkers to alleviate a crisis they attributed to price ceilings and rising feed and labor costs.

Declaring "there are now actual shortages of fluid milk in several cities in this state," the spokesmen announced appointment of a committee to act as liaison between the industry and government agencies. The committee will be headed by Fred H. Abbott, University of California agricultural college professor.

Sentry Shoots When Challenge Unheeded

Salt Lake City, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Falling to answer three customary challenges by a sentry, Private Michael Caruso, 28, San Francisco, was shot to death at the Salt Lake army air base here early today.

A native of Madison, Wis., Caruso was recently inducted into the army at San Francisco. Air base public relations officers declined to release the name of the sentry.

California to List Venereal in State

San Francisco, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Attorney General Earl Warren today authorized the state board of health to establish a statewide file of venereal diseases cases.

State Health Director Bertram P. Brown said the file will be established in the San Francisco office of the bureau of venereal disease, with a supplementary file in Los Angeles.

Medford Chief of Police Gives Views on Curfew

(Editor's note: In an effort to learn the sentiment concerning the proposed Medford curfew ordinance, the Mail Tribune will interview law enforcement officials and prominent residents. First of such interviews is given below.)

"A curfew in Medford would be a good thing," Chief of Police Clatus McCredie stated today. "But," he continued, "we will expect the cooperation of parents and the public as a whole in enforcing the regulation."

BAN ON HUNTING REMAINS UNTIL ADVENT OF RAIN

National and State Forests Join in Closure—Fishermen Also Hit by Decree.

All National Forest lands in Oregon have been closed by the regional forester, effective Tuesday, according to Karl L. Janouch, forest supervisor of the Rogue River National Forest in a notice issued today which followed by only a few hours the closure notice issued by A. D. McReynolds, district warden here for the State Forest department.

Although the deer hunting season will open on schedule, closing of the forests practically rules out all hunting and other forest activities in Oregon, because of "unfavorable conditions." It was indicated, however, that if existing conditions changed, forests would be reopened and hunting permitted.

Fishing Out Also

Mr. Janouch pointed out that the federal order closes to hunting all of the Rogue River National Forest except a small portion lying in California, and will also prevent fishing except at Lake O' Woods where there is an improved forest camp. The order supercedes the closures previously in effect and contrary to former ruling, fishermen will not be permitted to reach streams which parallel nearby roads.

Warden McReynolds pointed out that all areas will be patrolled and violators dealt with in accordance with the law. He emphasized that individuals working in the closed areas under a permit are not allowed to hunt under such work permit, any more than the individual who does not have a permit.

In the national forest, highways and county roads, improved forest camps and summer home areas will be open but no other areas may be entered except by those employed or having urgent business therein, and then only after securing written permit from a forest officer. Permits are not required of any actual settler going to or from his home.

BILL WOULD GIVE DRAFTING POWER

Washington, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—Sen. Lister Hill, D., Ala., today introduced a bill to give President Roosevelt greater authority for wartime mobilization of the nation's manpower and industry.

Introduction followed a week of statements by top manpower and selective service officials citing seriousness of the manpower situation and urging that Mr. Roosevelt be granted power to "draft" labor.

Hill said his bill would not provide for drafting labor because such procedure would amount to "involuntary servitude." He also opposed full government control of industry which he said would be a step towards totalitarianism.

NEGRO FOLLOWERS OF JAP PLOTTER NABBED

Chicago, Sept. 21—(U.P.)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation announcing the arrest of 84 negroes for alleged sedition and selective service violation, today disclosed a widespread plot instituted several years ago by Japanese fifth columnists to win the allegiance of American negroes.

The negroes arrested here were members of three religious cults which allegedly teach that negroes owe allegiance to the Japanese because of racial ties, and that they should evade military service.