

Let YOUR Answer To
Bombs Be — BONDS!
Buy War Bonds and Stamps
TODAY—Contribute to the war
effort of your nation. Patriotism,
your own self-protection
demands that YOU do your
part—NOW!

MEDFORD



TRIBUNE

Use The
MAIL TRIBUNE
Want Ad Way
Quick Results
At Small Cost

Thirty-eighth Year

MEDFORD, OREGON, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1943

United Press—Full Leased Wire

NO. 154

ALLIES CAPTURE NAPLES HEIGHTS

NAZIS SHOWING RETREAT SIGNS UNDER POUNDING

American Fighter-Bombers
Blast, Strafe Long Columns
in Mountain Passes

By Richard D. McMillan
United Press Correspondent
Allied Headquarters, North
Africa, Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—Signs
of a German retreat from the Sal-
erno area were reported official-
ly today as the fifth army seized
all dominating heights on the
Sorrento peninsula overlooking
Naples gulf and drove inland
from Battipaglia.

Swarms of American A-36 in-
vader fighter-bombers blasted
and strafed long columns of hun-
dreds of German trucks moving
into mountain defiles above
Salerno in what may be the
start of a general retreat. At
least 246 out of perhaps 1,800
trucks were destroyed or dam-
aged Sunday alone.

Planes Have Picnic
The American planes enjoyed
a field day as they ranged up
and down the narrow, clogged
mountain roads running north
from Contursi, 10 miles east of
Eboli, unopposed by German
aircraft.

The ground force's commu-
nications reported weakening enemy
resistance all along the fifth
army bridgehead on Salerno
gulf — another indication that
the Germans had begun to with-
draw from the area.

Seizure of dominating heights
on the Sorrento peninsula,
which separates Salerno and
Naples gulfs, extended the
bridgehead along a narrow piece
of land jutting 24 miles out into
the sea.

On the northeast shore of the
peninsula lies the Castellam
mare naval yard.

Seize New Territory
Pushing inland on a broad
front, the fifth army seized new
territory in the hills north of
Battipaglia, 14 miles southeast
of Salerno, and in the vicinity of
Montecorvino, 12 miles east of
Salerno. Fighting was on a
small scale, however, compared
with that of last week. At least
40 German tanks have been cap-
tured or destroyed since start of
the invasion September 9.
Reinforcements of men, guns,
tanks and supplies continued to
pour ashore all along the Sal-
erno bridgehead and the eighth
army also was moving north-
ward in force for a joint march
on Naples, Rome and Northern
Italy.

The British Fifth corps in
southern Italy made slight ad-
vances, the communiqué said,
wiping out a pocket of resistance
at Gioia, 28 miles northwest of
Taranto, and capturing the town.

Sardinia Taken
The allies over the week-end
also were given a springboard
for an invasion of Corsica, south-
ern France or new points on the
Italian west coast when Italian
troops on Sardinia turned on
their former German comrades
and routed them from the island.
(The German radio reported the
evacuation of Sardinia "ac-
cording to plan." The German
navy, it said, systematically
evacuated all German troops
and war material from Sardinia
despite small shipping space and
a rough sea.)

It also was revealed belatedly
that the islands of Ischia and
Procida, the latter only 12 miles
from the center of Naples, on the
northern approaches to the
Gulf of Naples, were seized for
the allies by Italian ships and
crews accompanied by a lone
British naval officer.

Another allied announcement
reported that a considerable
number of Italian aircraft that
escaped from the Germans had
arrived safely at various allied
days and more were expected.

CRASH KILLS SEVEN
Castaic, Cal., Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—
Seven persons, four of them
servicemen were killed today in
a head-on collision between two
automobiles on the Ride Route
north of Los Angeles. Among
the dead was William B. Stan-
ton, Kansas City, Mo.

Allied Blows in Mediterranean



While the British Eighth Army and the American Fifth were hooking up to battle the Nazis at Salerno, other Allied blows were being struck against the enemy in the Mediterranean area. In northern Italy, British bombers dumped possibly 1000 tons of bombs on Modena on Germany's supply line; and on the Adriatic. Yugoslav partisans have seized the ports of Susak, Bakar, Senj and Split.

Hitler's Overthrow Sought By Germans Held In Russia

Moscow, Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—Officers of the sixth German army, which was destroyed by the Russians at Stalingrad last winter, have organized a "union of German officers" pledged to the overthrow of Adolf Hitler and establishment of a democratic government in Germany to seek peace with the United Nations, it was announced today.

A group of 100 officers of the sixth army who are now in Soviet prison camps, heads the organization which adopted the program of the "free Germany" committee in Russia, it was reported.

A resolution adopted by the German officers declared that "the war is continuing exclusively in the interests of Hitler and his regime and contrary to the interests of the German people."

"Continuation of this senseless and hopeless war can bring national catastrophe any day," it stated. "The bitter lesson of Stalingrad must be applied to save the nation."

The declaration urged other German military men to "declare war against this ruinous regime and take measures to organize a government which would enjoy the confidence of the people." It added that "only such a government can create conditions for an honorable exit of our country from the war and insure such a peace as will not bring misfortune to Germany and contain the seeds of new wars."

The resolution said in part: "All Germany knows the meaning of Stalingrad. We have experienced all the tortures of hell... We cannot remain silent any longer."

"The great military and political reserves... and steadily worsening economic conditions in Germany compel us to recognize the hopelessness of Germany's position..."

The resolution then listed the German reverses in Russia, Africa and Italy, cited the capitulation of Italy and said that withdrawal of Finland, Hungary, and Rumania from the war "confidently anticipated," leading Germany toward "isolation more terrible than in 1918."

It continued: "Every thinking German officer understands that Germany has lost the war. The people feel that as well as the ruling circles who are responsible for all our misfortunes."

OFFER OFFICER WIVES HOUSING INFORMATION

It was suggested today that officers' wives in Medford wishing information on housing facilities in the Salem, Corvallis or Albany area contact the Officers' Outpost. Many officers' wives from that area are here seeking housing, and are anxious to obtain information and in turn can give valuable information on housing conditions near Camp Adair, it was pointed out by Outpost staff members.

About 25 officers' wives are now living in the Camp Adair region were at the Outpost this morning endeavoring to find places to live.

Japs Reel Under Terrific Air Blows

WOMAN KILLED BY S. P. ENGINE NEAR ALLEY BROS. MILL

Husband, Daughter of Mrs.
E. M. Morgan Injured in
Sunday Morning Mishap.

Mrs. Florence Edna Morgan, 46, was dead and her husband and 14-year-old daughter, Joyce Lorraine, were in Community hospital today with painful but not critical injuries after their automobile stalled on the Southern Pacific railroad tracks at the Alley Bros. mill crossing three miles south of town Sunday morning and was struck by a locomotive pulling a caboose. The tragedy occurred at 11:40 o'clock.

Mrs. Morgan, knocked unconscious by the impact, died before she could be rushed to a hospital. Her husband, Edward M. Morgan, 64, who was driving the Ford coupe, suffered multiple body bruises and severe lacerations of the left hand and wrist.

Girl Least Hurt
The daughter miraculously escaped with the least serious hurts. She was sitting next to the right door, with her mother in the middle, and received only multiple bruises on the body despite the fact the coupling pin on the front of the locomotive smashed straight through the door and, with the cow-catcher, carried the wrecked car a distance of 248 feet before the engine stopped.

According to Deputy Coroner Carlos W. Morris, Mrs. Morgan, who suffered a broken right leg below the knee and probable skull fracture and internal injuries, was thrown clear of the car 75 feet from the point of impact, along with her husband. Joyce, he said, finally fell out of the car 300 feet down the tracks.

Morris, who helped state police investigate the accident, said the Morgans, who reside opposite the Alley Bros. mill, were coming to Medford. For between 100 and 150 feet the road parallels the tracks before it swerves sharply to the east to cross the rails.

Boys See Accident
Morris quoted two young boys, Chester Keene and Furl Moore, who were sitting in a car on the opposite side of the crossing, as saying they saw the Morgan machine approaching the crossing apparently unaware of the train, which was traveling north in the same direction behind them.

Morris said the two boys told him and state police they ran to the crossing and flagged the car to warn the Morgans of the approaching train. The automobile ran onto the tracks and stalled, and a few seconds later was struck by the locomotive.

Didn't See Engine
Morris quoted Morgan as saying he did not see nor hear the train. The engineer and fireman on the locomotive, Howard R. Miller and Roy Williams, both of Ashland, told investigators they saw the stalled coupe but, although they were traveling slowly, could not stop in time because of the lack of braking surface with the light hauling load.

Announcements of funeral arrangements and a complete obituary will be published later. Conger funeral home is in charge.

Mexico City, Sept. 29.—(U.P.)—President Manuel Avila Camacho today signed a decree whereby workers participating in illegal strikes will be fined by wage deductions. He also ordered measures worked out to bring up "insufficient" wages of workers.

Sales in the Third Victory
Loan drive to date —
\$1,583,513.50

SLIGHT DECREASE IN REGISTRATION AS SCHOOLS OPEN

2,106 Pupils Appear—2,191
Last Year—Senior High
16 Per cent Decrease.

Medford public schools opened today for the current year, with a total of 2,106 pupils on hand for first day registration, according to E. H. Hedrick, city school superintendent. Enrollment in the elementary and junior high schools was practically the same as last year, but the senior high school took a drop of 16 per cent due to the fact that several of the students are still working in the fruit and will enter later.

Total enrollment on the first day last year was 2,191 which, compared with the 2,106 this year shows a decrease of 3.9 per cent in the entire school system.

Comparable figures for the elementary school show that the Jackson school had 241 students registering today, representing an increase of 8.6 per cent over 222 pupils registered last year on the first school day. Lincoln school suffered a loss of 7.8 per cent, 206 students appearing today against 223 last year. Roosevelt school was up 2.5 per cent with 282 today and 275 last year. Washington school had 385 today and 391 last year, a decrease of 1.5 per cent. Total registration in the elementary schools this morning was 1,114, compared with 1,120 last year.

Junior high school showed an increase of 1.1 per cent with 551 students registering today, and 545 last year.

First reports from the senior high school show only 441 reported today, as against 525 on the first day last year. This loss, however, is expected to be regained when the students working now return to school.

RED POWER DRIVE NEARS MELITOPOL, RAILROAD CONTROL

London, Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—Russian troops sweeping westward through the lower Ukraine have driven to within eight miles of Melitopol. Control point on the only railroad linking the Crimea and the mainland, a Moscow communiqué revealed tonight.

Russian advances ranging up to more than 15 miles east of the Big Bend of the Dnieper nestled one town within easy artillery range of Melitopol and the railroad which is a life line for the German occupation forces in the Crimea.

The Red army bulletin reported more than 70 towns and villages occupied in the Zaporozhe sector. To the north on the Dniepropetrovsk front the Russians gained up to 11 miles and took more than 60 communities.

Take Rail Junction
Driving forward nine to 15 miles against Kiev, Soviet troops captured Grebenka Kozlets, railroad junction 10 miles northeast of the Ukrainian capital.

West and southwest of Bogovorod Severski, between Kiev and Bryansk, the Russians were reported to have advanced up to 12 miles to capture more than 90 places.

Beyond Bryansk more than 250 communities were taken in advances up to 15 miles. Another 350 fell on the Smolensk-Roslavl front, where the Russians gained six to 10 miles.

RE-ELECT CABINET
Canberra, Australia, Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—Prime Minister John Curtin and every member of his cabinet except Transport Minister G. Lawson were re-elected today by labor party majority in parliament.

Italy's King Honors Soldier



In this photo taken from movie film received in this country through neutral sources, Italy's King Victor Emmanuel, left, is shown decorating one of his soldiers. This is the first picture of the King to reach the United States since the downfall of Mussolini.

"See Every German as Foe" Badoglio Implores Italians

Allied Headquarters, North Africa, Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—Italian Premier Marshal Pietro Badoglio has broadcast an appeal to the Italian people to "see every German as an enemy" and resist the Nazi occupation in every possible way.

Authorities revealed today that Badoglio issued the call to the people last Thursday.

"We must fight back manfully, firmly, ruthlessly," Badoglio told his countrymen. "The inhabitants of many Italian cities who offer every assistance to our military garrisons give us a splendid example."

He advised both soldiers and civilians pitted against superior forces to use the "terrible weapons of guerrilla warfare; to cut communications, blow up bridges, attack isolated men and equipment, and above all, do not give up, do not lose heart."

RENEGOTIATION END PLANNED AFTER WAR

Washington, Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson said today that the war contract renegotiation law is "in the public interest" as a wartime measure but reasons for it will largely cease when the war ends.

Testifying before the house ways and means committee, which is considering proposed amendments to the law, Patterson said that the war department now is considering a plan to end renegotiation proceedings after the war.

JACKSONVILLE ROBBER HELD IN COUNTY JAIL

Richard Tensley, alias Marshall, is held in the county jail charged with robbery of Amy's Place in Jacksonville early Sunday. According to Sheriff Syd I. Brown, Tensley admits the crime. Two bottles of wine, cigarettes and \$20 in money were taken. The business, operated for many years by Mrs. Amy Dow, was recently sold by her.

Maryland First to Complete Quota in War Loan Campaign

Washington, Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—The treasury announced today that Maryland was the first state to reach its quota in the \$15,000,000,000 Third War Loan drive.

Hooper Miles, chairman of the Maryland War Finance committee, phoned the treasury at noon and said that his state's total had reached \$203,000,000, or 103.6 per cent of its quota of \$196,000,000.

Earlier, the treasury had revealed that more than two-thirds of the \$15,000,000,000 national goal already has been subscribed. Officially launched on Thursday, Sept. 9, the drive is scheduled to end Sept. 30. The treasury explained that the seemingly great speed with which the money is rolling in is due to the fact that the big buyers—corporations and the like—have made most of their purchases and that small investors must subscribe to the remainder.

Secretary Henry Morgenthau, Jr., warned not to "throw our hats in the air... simply because we are on the home stretch in so short a time." He said the emphasis should not be that we have sold \$10,000,000,000 in bonds but that we still have \$5,000,000,000 to go.

DAY, NIGHT RAIDS ON BOUGAINVILLE CRIPPLE DROMES

At Least 70 Zeros Destroyed
in Three Days—Enemy
Fighters Caught Napping.

By United Press
Pacific dispatches today reported an unprecedented American aerial offensive to drive the Japanese from the northern Solomons.

Blasting day and night raids against Bougainville island already had devastated the Ballale airdrome and ripped up the Kahili field, a Guadalcanal dispatch said, and compilations from Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communications showed the Japanese had lost at least 70 planes through Thursday.

Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Solomons air force commander, said the enemy now was "definitely on the run," the Guadalcanal dispatch from United Press Correspondent Francis L. McCarthy said.

Enemy on Run
McCarthy reported 241 tons of bombs had been rained on Bougainville in 72 hours ending late Thursday to climax heavy raids by flights of up to 200 planes thrown at the island five out of six days since Sept. 11.

Cost of the campaign was put at no more than 14 planes although Tokyo radio claimed destruction of 130 in three days.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander, announced that Tarawa and Nauru islands, in the South Pacific more than 2,200 miles from Hawaii, had been raided during the weekend.

MARSHALL WARNS AGAINST CHANGING

Washington, Sept. 20.—(U.P.)—Warning that congressional reduction of the army's manpower goals would force changes in already-determined military strategy, Gen. George C. Marshall said today that the army is "just getting ready for deployment of our ground forces" in battle theaters.

Testifying before a joint session of the Senate and House Military Affairs committees on a bill to defer drafting of fathers until January 1, Marshall said that "for the first time in our history" the United States now is capable of putting in foreign battle lines troops which have been fully trained at home.

The army chief of staff said U. S. military strategy now is based on plans to raise the army's strength from 7,300,000 as of September 1 to 7,700,000 by the end of this year. Selective service witnesses have testified that this, together with navy manpower needs, means drafting of 446,000 pre-Pearl Harbor babies after October 1.

SIDE GLANCES By TRIBUNE REPORTER

Betty Allen wondering what was wrong with a telephone conversation only to find that she was talking into the wrong end of a desk phone.

Ernestin Charley trying to think up new ideas to promote war bond sales.

Dr. Stanley Phillips, Morris Leonard, Mel Starnes and Frank Humphrey discovering they had been "Barkerized" with identical suits.

Al Weir remarking that he liked the life at Farragut, Idaho, especially the Navy's brand of basketball.