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NAPLES ABANDONED SAYS BERLIN

News Behind The News

by Paul Mallon



Washington, Sept. 30.—This is the most unusual war of history as far as propaganda is concerned. If you take the official statements of our side for instance, you will believe Japan cannot be conquered for six years. The admirals say so. The navy secretary, Mr. Knox, holds press conferences at which such views are advertised.

The army officials give out statements that the second front cannot be launched for a long time, and that it will be a long, hard war. This theme is pursued by Elmer Davis' office of war information, which seems to be determined to kill any optimism.

In all previous wars that I ever heard of, the official propaganda idea was to keep everyone optimistic. In the world war, the civil war and even back beyond, the official inspiration always was to encourage people to victory and urge them on to their labor. Only in this one have the government philosophers practiced discouragement as an incentive.

THEY seem to think that such tactics will inspire greater energy among the people to do their war work, but I wonder if these tactics are successful. It would seem to be that if the admirals think Japan cannot be conquered for six years, in view of the superior position which we hold, we need some new admirals.

I may be wrong, but it occurs to me Secretary Knox should bring into his office for press conferences those naval authorities

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BRITISH BOMBERS PLASTER BOCHUM, BIG ARMS CENTER

London, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—British four-engine bombers, hundreds strong, made a heavy bombardment on the great arms center of Bochum in Germany's bomb-devastated Ruhr valley last night.

Only eight bombers were lost in the raid and in subsidiary attacks on other targets in the Ruhr and in mine-laying operations, the air ministry announced.

The big night-raiding Lancasters, Stirlings and Halifaxes penetrated the heart of the Ruhr, the most heavily-protected area of Germany, to deliver their cargoes of explosives, ranging from four-ton super-block-busters capable of devastating a six-acre city block each to two-pound incendiaries.

Huge fires sprang up in their wake among the jam-packed factories.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTER

John Day wishing that he was two other fellows so one could finish haying, another could round up cattle and he could go hunting.

Mark Hamaker constructing a power plant to supply electric lights in a hunting camp.

Diamond Flynn plotting to entice an office girl from a fellow employer into his own concern.

UPRISING OF REDS AIDS IN FORCING NAZI WITHDRAWAL

Action Speeded by Closing in of Allies by Land and Sea—May Quit South Italy.

Allied Headquarters, North Africa, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Some units of the Italian army, navy and air force have gone into action against their former allies, the Germans. It was revealed today coincident with the announcement of a meeting of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Marshal Pietro Badoglio.

London, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Berlin reports relayed through Stockholm said today that German troops had evacuated Naples to avoid imminent Allied threats by land and sea, after a rebellion against Nazi rule had broken out within the city.

Stockholm dispatches, quoting military spokesmen in Berlin, said the Germans had pulled out of Naples as the Allies closed against it from the south and the rebellious "communist" elements were cooperating with them.

Usual Alibi
Earlier German broadcasts dwelt at length on the "communist" uprising in Naples. It long had been the custom of Nazi propagandists to tack the label "communist" on any element antagonistic to their occupation forces.

A Stockholm Aftonbladet dispatch from Berlin said the evacuation of Naples was ordered by the Nazi military command when the immediate threat to the city by land was augmented by indications of Allied preparations for a landing in the Naples harbor.

The apparent Nazi intention to surrender south Italy also was reflected in a Rome radio report that German authorities were moving as many Italians as they could from the lower to central and northern areas, evidently to salvage them as workers.

The new Fascist government headed nominally or actually by Benito Mussolini was reported to be supporting the transfer of Italians to the north.

NATIONAL FOREST ADMITS HUNTERS TO ALL SECTIONS

Fire closure regulations have been lifted for all sections of the Rogue River National Forest, it was announced this morning from forest headquarters here, and registration will not be required of hunters. Hunters must secure campfire permits, however, it was stated.

Closures are still in effect for state forest areas, but hunting and fishing bans have been lifted and permits may be secured for these activities with the exception of certain slash areas.

A. D. Reynolds, district state fire warden, stated that in certain areas near Prospect, Butte Falls and in the Greensprings district, hunting would not be permitted since fire hazards were still too great. In the Greensprings district the specific areas are the east side of Jenny Creek, the headquarters of Jenny Creek and the southwest section of Big Chinquinap mountain.

At the forest service office it was stated that registration would be required for the Fremont National Forest, with headquarters at Lakeview. Both state and national forest officials urged hunters to be extremely careful and to report any fires promptly.

The diameter of the moon is 2,160 miles.

BASEBALL

American	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	8	10	0
New York	3	8	1
Smith and Tresh; Chandler, Zuber, Turner and Hemsley.			
Detroit	6	8	0
Philadelphia	0	4	0
Overmire, White and Unser; L. Harris and Parisse.			

MANY ARTICLES AWAIT BIDDERS IN PARK TONIGHT

As a final effort to boost the sale of war bonds in the Third Victory Loan, a mammoth auction will be held in the city park tonight at 8 o'clock by the publicity committee of the drive. The auction is to be preceded by a parade starting at Boy Scout headquarters at 7:15 p. m. Parading will be the Camp White SCU band, Medford senior high school band, Boy Scouts and the color guard will be formed of riders from the Sheriff's posse.

George Frey, drive chairman, made a strong appeal today for everyone to buy bonds during the closing days of the drive in order that the quota of \$2,668,000 might be reached and stated that Klamath county reached its quota this morning. He said that while today had been announced as the close of the drive, an extension to Oct. 2 had been allowed for final sales and check-ups. Mr. Frey stated that two additional corporation purchases were made known today. The Kraft Cheese company having purchased \$12,500 in bonds for this county and the General Petroleum corporation \$10,000.

Many Donations
While originally planned as a "farm produce auction," a large quantity of other merchandise has been offered the committee and will be put up for sale tonight. Heading the list is Cloverhill Major, six-month-old registered Guernsey bull donated by the Cloverhill Guernsey Farm, and other items are 6,000 feet of lumber, including shiplap and utility lumber, a \$25 cleaning order and three \$5 orders on local establishments, a \$12.50 army shirt, a \$13.75 sleeping bag, a \$15 cut glass bowl, and a decorated wooden tray valued at \$8.50.

Also on the list are rabbits, rabbit food, chickens, a weaner pig, linoleum, candy, an electric clock, a coffee maker, smoking stand, ottomans, an electric flour sifter, 100 safety pins, case of wine, case of soap powder, case of drink mixer, pyrex dishes, case of cola, winterproof job for a car, end table, slacks suit, 32-piece set of dishes, a large basket of fruit, wire fencing, a violin and saxophone and numerous other articles.

Progressive Bid
One of the major articles, not yet selected, will be auctioned "progressively," with each purchaser after the original bid, agreeing to pay the amount of his raise in bonds even though he is over-bid. Col. A. H. Dudley is acting as auctioneer and Floyd K. Dover as master of ceremonies.

Committee members are extremely anxious to have a large turnout for the sale and especially urge country residents to attend.

CAUFIELD CHOICE FOR U. S. MARSHAL

Washington, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—President Roosevelt today sent to the senate for confirmation the appointment of Jack Caufield as U. S. marshal for Oregon, succeeding the late Steve Franklin Hamm.

U. S. CASUALTIES UNDER 12,000 IN SICILY AND ITALY

Stimson Hints Losses Less Than Feared—Losses Expected to Mount Fast.

Washington, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—American casualties in the North African theater—including Sicily and Italy—from the original landings on Sicily on July 10 to Sept. 15 have numbered slightly less than 12,000 killed, wounded and missing, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson said today.

Navy, marine corps, and coast guard casualties to date total 30,162.

American casualties in the battle of Salerno have been fewer than feared, the secretary said at his press conference, adding that up to Sept. 15 they amounted to about 3,500. War casualties will continue to mount, however, as Allied forces move forward, Stimson warned.

Sicily Cost High
From the landing on Sicily to the beginning of the battle of Salerno, American casualties in the North African theater of operations, including Sicily, were 1,455 killed, 5,213 wounded, and 1,736 missing.

Most of these casualties occurred in Sicily, although some were due to air operations elsewhere in the Mediterranean plus a few previously unreported casualties from earlier operations, Stimson reported.

Casualties Listed
From Dec. 7, 1941 to Sept. 15, 1943, army casualties in all theaters, excluding Salerno, were 10,882 killed, 26,686 wounded, 23,743 missing and 20,451 prisoners of war. Of the wounded, 10,975 have returned to duty or have been discharged from hospitals.

Stimson said important airfields captured by the British Eighth army at Foggia, Italy, and in Corsica—the conquest of which has nearly been completed—will provide the Allies with extremely valuable bases.

There are at least 12 airfields at Foggia.

FINSCHAFEN FALL BELIEVED NEAR AS AUSSIES CLOSE IN

Allied Headquarters, Southwest Pacific, Friday, Oct. 1.—(U.P.)—The fall of Finschhafen was believed near today as Australian troops, closing in from three directions, were reported battering against the inner defenses of the beleaguered Japanese New Guinea base.

The Allied nose around the savagely-fighting Japanese garrison was being drawn taut while attack and dive-bombers continued to pummel the enemy from above. Two Australian columns north and west of the strategic Huon peninsula anchorage already were within a third of a mile of the harbor, while latest reports told of a southern force coming up from Lae at Marge Point, only 15 miles from Finschhafen.

The latest Allied aerial assault was a 145-ton attack on Wewak Tuesday, the third straight assault on that battered air base. One stick of bombs landed squarely on the enemy's principal ammunition depot, touching off a blast described by combat crews as "the biggest explosion ever seen by the air force in the Southwest Pacific."

The raiders knocked down at least eight, and probably 11 Japanese interceptors, without loss to themselves, bringing to 525 the number of Jap planes destroyed and ground and in the air of the Wewak area since August 18.

DRAFT DELAY FOR AIR WAR SURVEY IS DOWNEY PLEA

Californian Proposes New Investigation by Joint Senate, House Committees.

Washington, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Sen. Robert A. Taft, R., O., today introduced a bill which would hold the impending father draft to men under 30.

The measure was believed to have more support than the pending bill by Sen. Burton K. Wheeler, D., Mont., to defer all pre-Pearl Harbor fathers until after Jan. 1. It was offered soon after an attempt to sidetrack the Wheeler bill failed.

Washington, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Sen. Sheridan Downey, D., Cal., proposed today that the senate lay aside the pending father-deferment bill while the senate military and naval committees survey the possible effects of all-out Allied air war against the Axis.

Downey, who contended yesterday that Germany could be bombed out of the war in four months, made his new proposal in a resolution he introduced during the third day of senate debate on the father draft issue.

He proposed that the new investigation be made by a joint meeting of the senate military and naval committees. He said they should call in Gen. H. H. Arnold and other "air war experts" instead of the army and navy high command heard by the senate military affairs committee last week.

Sen. Robert A. Taft, R., O., said he is contemplating adding a "physical standard review board" to his compromise proposal for holding the father draft to men under 30.

Medical Survey Aim
Taft's change in his substitute measure for the bill of Sen. Burton K. Wheeler, D., Mont., to defer all fathers until Jan. 1, provided that congress should set up a five-member medical board to determine whether army and navy physical standards are too high.

He said he hoped that such a board will bring about induction of a large percentage of the 3,400,000 registrants now classified in 4-F, and thus eliminate the need for taking the 446,000 pre-war fathers now contemplated by selective service by the end of this year.

MARSHALL GOSSIP HIT BY STIMSON

Washington, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson today described as "folly" reports that Gen. George C. Marshall, army chief of staff, might be transferred to another post for any reasons other than the most efficient prosecution of the war.

Stimson told his press conference that current "gossip" about Marshall was "aimed at discrediting the American conduct of the war during a most critical period of its course."

"I am in a position to say with absolute confidence," Stimson said, "that whatever duties Gen. Marshall may hereafter be called upon to perform will be decided upon by the president in a spirit of entire confidence in Gen. Marshall and with the sole purpose of placing the supremely able officer of the United States army in the position where he can render the best service toward a successful conclusion of this war."

The original purple heart award consisted of a badge of purple sprigged silk edged with silver braid, and was sewn on the left breast of the uniform coat.

Traffic In Italian Battle Zone



Here's a picture symbolic of the constant coming and going of men and material on the Italian mainland. Newly arrived U. S. troops marching up to join in the attack on the German on the Salerno shore recently pass a fellow-Yank returning from the battlefield on a stretcher. Official U. S. Coast Guard photo.

LIVESTOCK SALE THIS AFTERNOON ENDS 4-H SHOW

With the livestock sale as the final event this afternoon the 22nd Four-H Club fair and livestock show is closing today at the fairgrounds. Yesterday and this morning saw the last of the livestock judging and also judging of the home economics entries.

Jean Hamilton of Table Rock was awarded the championship for her Corriedale aged ewe in the sheep judging and Burnett Yorton of the Antelope was given the championship award for his yearling Corriedale ewe.

Dorothy Stanley of Lake Creek was named grand champion of the style revue and in the home economics judging contest Clara Mae Bigham of Antelope was first, Wilma Russell, Antelope, second, Lelia Damon, Lake Creek, third and Joan Damon, Lake Creek, fourth. The girls judged bread, cake, dresses, slips, and canned fruit.

Other winners in the sheep entries were:

Corriedale, Aged Ewe—Blue ribbon division, Jean Hamilton, Table Rock; Burnett Yorton, Antelope.

Corriedale, Yearling Ewe—Blue ribbon division, Burnett Yorton, Antelope.

Corriedale, Ewe Lamb—Blue ribbon division, Burnett Yorton, Antelope; Jean Hamilton, Table Rock.

Medium Wool Type, Aged Ewe—Blue ribbon division, Carmen Chase, Roxy Ann; Red ribbon division, Robert Carr, Fern Valley; George Carr, Fern Valley.

Medium Wool Type, Yearling Ewe—Blue ribbon division, Carmen Chase, Roxy Ann; Red ribbon division, Robert Carr, Fern Valley; George Carr, Fern Valley.

Medium Wool Type, Light Fat Lamb—Blue ribbon division, Carmen Chase, Roxy Ann; Red ribbon division, Robert Carr, Fern Valley; George Carr, Fern Valley.

Medium Wool Type, Fat Lamb—Blue ribbon division, Carmen Chase, Roxy Ann; Red ribbon division, Robert Carr, Fern Valley; George Carr, Fern Valley.

Home Economics Placings
Cooking I—Barbara McClure, Eagle Point, blue.

Cooking II—Joyce Russell, Table Rock, blue; Marietta Hanson, Bellview, blue; Clarice Brantley, Bellview, red; George Carr, Fern Valley, red; Mary Howsley, Table Rock, white; Jean Hamilton, Table Rock, white.

Cooking III—Arlene Hay, Eagle Point, blue; Louisa Greb, Eagle Point, blue; Enid Gaynor, Eagle Point, red; Lucile Smith, Table Rock, red; Joann Doran, Central Point, red; Betty Brenscholtz, Table Rock, white.

Cox Quits Chairmanship of FCC Probe Under Hot Fire

Washington, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Rep. E. E. Cox, D., Ga., announced on the floor of the house today that he had resigned as chairman of the special house committee investigating the Federal Communications commission.

Cox said he could no longer occupy the post "in the face of the slander and insults piled upon me day by day."

Cox, a member of the house for 20 years, introduced the resolution under which the investigating committee was set up early last summer and, in accordance with precedent, was named as chairman of the group.

FCC Chairman James L. Fly had accused Cox of conducting the investigation unfairly and of trying to "wreck" the commission.

Cox's personal interest, his critics charged, stemmed from an accusation by Fly that he accepted \$2,500 from station WABC of Albany, Ga., in whose interests he had appeared before the FCC in 1939.

Cox, who has called the FCC organization the "naughtiest set of rats to be found in this entire country," once gave his explanation of the radio station matter in a house speech. He said that "without any knowledge on my part," the company operating the station issued \$2,500 worth of stock to him. The stock, he said, subsequently was "turned over to a local charity."

CARL D. BOWMAN DIES IN SOUTH

Carl D. Bowman, owner of Bowman's beauty salon and barber shop, 227 South Central avenue, died last night in San Francisco where he had gone Sept. 10 to receive medical treatment. He had been ill for some time.

Mrs. Bowman, who is in San Francisco, will return here with the body for funeral services, which are in charge of Perl's. A complete obituary will be published later. The funeral has been set for Monday at 2 p. m., at the Perl Parlor.

NATION OVER TOP IN WAR BOND SALE

Evansville, Ind., Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., announced today that the nation has oversubscribed its \$15,000,000,000 (B) third war loan quota and appealed to the home front to purchase even more bonds during the next two days.

The secretary said that the treasury department had informed him the nation had exceeded its quota in the bond drive which ends Saturday.

The Marine Corps is headed by a Major General Commandant who receives orders from the Secretary of the Navy.

RUSSIANS CAPTURE RAIL JUNCTION ON SOZH WEST BANK

Stockholm, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Adolf Hitler was reported by the Swedish press today to have made a dramatic trip to the Russian front, where he summoned his generals and announced bluntly that the Dnieper river line "must be held."

"Here I am and here I shall remain," the newspaper NYA Dagligt Allehanda quoted Hitler as telling his commanders. "The Stalingrad psychosis must be banished."

London, Sept. 30.—(U.P.)—Russian troops have forced the Sozh river, 75 miles southwest of Smolensk, and captured the White Russian railroad junction of Krichew on its west bank, in a new threat to Mogilev, 60 miles to the west, a Moscow communique announced today.

Breaking through another German defense line on the broad arc west of Smolensk, the Red army spurred ahead 12 miles in the Mogilev sector to seize Krivchev, a Soviet communique broadcast from Moscow said.

The communique reported a general Russian gains in the Mogilev, Vitebsk and Gomel areas, accentuating the threat to the three major defense bases beyond Smolensk.

The communique was unusually short as compared with the unbroken series of Red army victory announcements as the offensive swept the Germans back to the Dnieper line.

There was no mention of any sector below Gomel, an implicit indication that the Russians had closed against the Dnieper all along its middle and lower stretches. Moscow dispatches had told of the reduction of the last German footholds on the east bank.

The capture of nearly 200 towns and villages in the Mogilev, Gomel and Vitebsk sectors was reported, with advances ranging up to 12 miles.

It requires about 250 hours in the air, during which 12,500 gallons of gasoline are consumed, to train an average American pilot for the front lines.

\$474,161.50
Needed to meet Jackson county's quota of \$2,668,000 in the third Victory Loan drive.