AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS PUMMEL WORKS IN REICH

London, Aug. 25.—(U.P.)—More than 1100 American heavy bombers attacked numerous targets in northern Germany today, the U. S. second tactical air force announced, as Berlin radio reported that another formation from Italy was ranging over Austria on the second consecutive day of the renewed allied aerial offensive.

While the Italy-based raid was not immediately confirmed by allied sources, the second tactical air force reported that the great fleet of Flying Fortresses and Liberators had attacked a "variety of important targets" in the northern region of the reich. The bombers were accompanied by strong forces of Lightning, Thunderbolt, and Mustang fighter planes.

The targets in northern Germany included the flying bomb and rocket experimental station at Peenemunde; a bomber assembly plant and bomber component parts plant at Wismar; another bomber components plant at Luebeck; a bomber assembly plant at Rostock; a synthetic oil plant at Politz; German air force stations at Anklam, Schwerin, and Neubrandenburg west of Stettin, and a German air force research center at Rechlin.

Returning crewmen reported generally good results.

EAGLES TO HOLD BIRTHDAY PARTY

Medford Aerie No. 2093, F. O. E. and auxiliary, will celebrate the 18th anniversary of the order's establishment here with a special initiation, program, dinner and dance Sunday, August 27. The celebration will also honor charter members of the Medford aerie.

Officers announced today that candidates for initiation should be at the Eagles hall at 1 p. m. The ceremony starts at 2 p. m. Women of the aerie will serve dinner at 6 o'clock and at 8 o'clock a movie will be shown and a musical program given. The festivities will conclude with a dance.

Shannon O. White is worthy president of the Medford aerie.

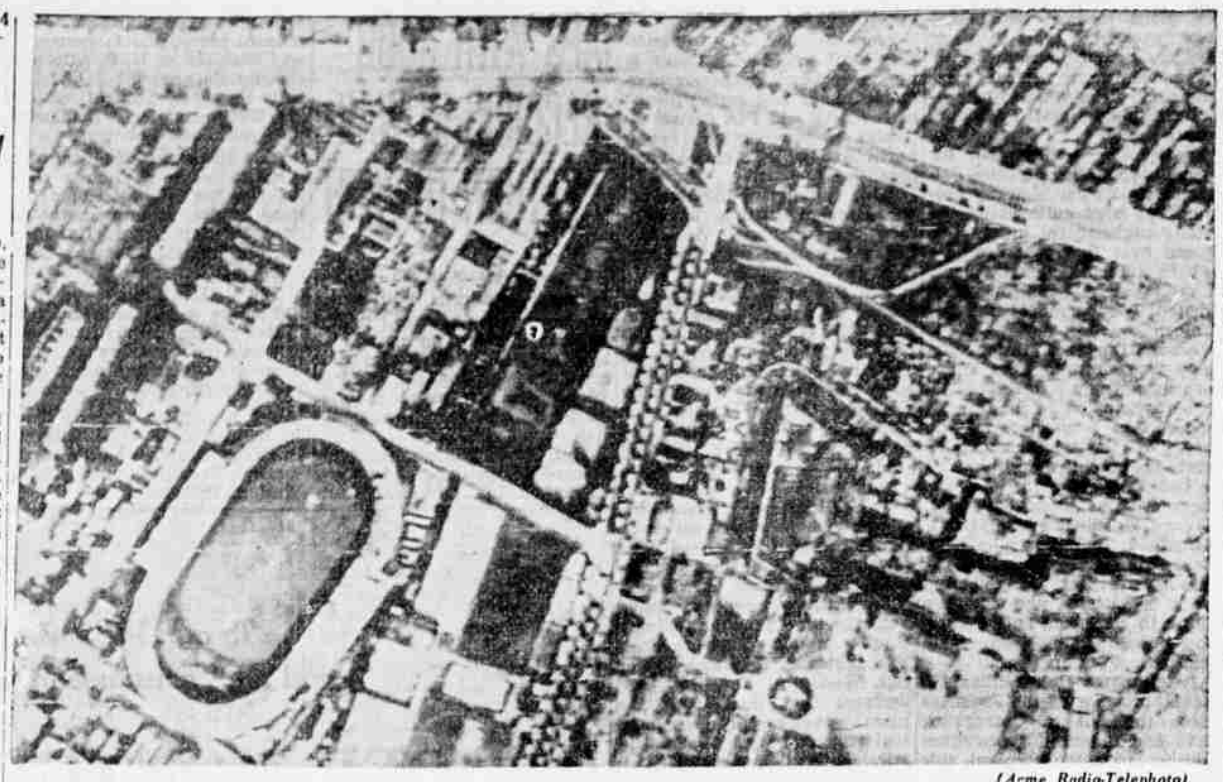
Inmates of Florida Jail End Outbreak

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 25.—(U.P.) — Inmates of the Duval county jail surrendered to strong forces of military and civilian police this afternoon after barricading themselves in the building and exchanging fire with officers who laid siege.

The surrender came, according to the military police office here, before it was necessary to fill the jail with tear gas.

Authorities took possession of the building and said conditions had been restored to normal.

Albemarle Sound in North Carolina is the largest coastal freshwater sound in the world.



(Acme Radio-Telephoto)

This is the first photo of liberated Paris, made by Eighth Army Air Force reconnaissance plane just as French tanks and armored cars rumbled through the capital's streets, wiping out isolated bands of Germans sniping from cellar to attic after French patriots wrested control of the city from their Nazi conquerors. Signal Corps radio-telephoto from London.

SEABEAS ADAPT JAPANESE GEAR TO OWN PURPOSE

Washington—(U.P.)—The versatile Seabees continue to live up to their reputation for making useful gear out of discarded equipment.

Lt. Comdr. Anthony W. Van Leer, Civil Engineer Corps, of Chevy Chase, Md., recently reported on how the Seabees have rebuilt and remodelled equipment captured at Japanese bases in the Gilbert and Marshall islands to meet their own requirements.

"At nearly every base, Japanese buildings, vehicles, tools or materials have been used advantageously," Van Leer said.

He told of one Seabee battalion, commanded by Comdr. Freemont G. Elliot, 69 Aberdeen Pl., Clayton, Mo., that repaired Japanese trucks and motorcycles salvaged at Tarawa and took them along with their regular gear when they moved to Kwajalein.

In another instance, a battalion led by Comdr. Frank B. Cressey, of 5335 East Broadway, Long Beach, Calif., rebuilt a Japanese lathe, a drill press and a power hacksaw when it moved into Roimamur. They are using the machines so successfully that they probably will take them along when they move to a new base.

Also at Tarawa, Van Leer reported, a Seabee maintenance unit commanded by Lt. Clarence D. Arrasmith, of 4403 54th St. SW, Seattle, Wash., rehabilitated a Japanese generator to furnish the main block of power on the island.

CANCEL SURGEONS MEET

Chicago, Aug. 25—(U.P.)—The American College of Surgeons has cancelled its annual meeting for the third successive year, because of wartime restrictions, Dr. Irvin Abell, chairman of the board of regents, announced today.

PUT CLOCK BACK

Cameron, Mo. (U.P.) — The Cameron News-Observer said here recently that "a yearning for days gone by comes as we reminisce as we reach the word 'bloomers' on the current laundry lists."

Every two hours the American flag is run up on a mast and a new ship joins the gigantic United States fleet, says Ships Magazine. According to the navy the number of ships it will have in 1945 will be about 8,445—the mightiest armada the world has ever known.

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Aug. 25—(UP)—Livestock:

Cattle, 50; calves, 10. Market about steady on very light lots. Fed common steers $10.50. Common heifers $8.00@8.50. Common to medium cows $7.00@9.00. Canners $4.50@6.75. Fed medium good bulls $8.50@9.00. Common $7.50 down. Only odd heads common vealers offered early at $10.00.

Hogs, 200. Very little offered early. Good and choice 180-240 lbs. butchers quoted at $15.75. 241-270 lbs. up to $15.00. Few sows $12.00@12.50. Stags mostly $10.00.

Sheep, 350. Slow. Few sales early about steady. Common wooled lambs about $9.00. Few good shorn yearlings $8.50. Good shorn ewes $3.00.

Chicago, Aug. 25—(UP)—(WFA)—Livestock:

Hogs, 6,000. Active; good and choice 160-240 lbs. $14.75; heavier hogs 240 lbs. and most sows $14.60.

Cattle, 1,600; calves, 300. Run mostly cows and medium and good grade steers; scattered lot steers $13.00@13.50; several packages heifers $12.50@14.50; short load good heifers $15.60; cutter cows $7.25 down; common and medium beef cows $7.75@11.50; vealers fully $15.00 down.

Sheep, 1,000. Market fairly active fully steady to 25 cents higher on slaughter lambs and ewes.

Portland Produce

Watermelons—California 3-3½c lb.
Beans—Oregon green 8c lb; yellow 6c; Kentucky Wonders 9-10c; Younts 10c lb.
Celery—Oregon $3.00@3.25.
Peppers—Local $1.50@1.75 lug.
Onions—Green 65-70c doz. bunches.
Potatoes—Yakimas $3.65 cental.

Chicago Produce

Chicago, Aug. 25—(UP)—Produce: Poultry receipts 2 cars, 31 trucks; market weak; Leghorn hens 20½; Leghorn chickens 20½.

Cheese: Twins 25.2; single daisies and longhorns 26.

Butter receipts 512,113 lbs.; market firm and unchanged; 93 AA score 41½; 92 score 42; 90 score 40¾; 89 score 40¼; 88 score (cooking grade) 39.

Egg receipts 17,368 cases; market unchanged, tone unsettled; extras 34½-40; standards 32-34½; current receipts 30-32; dirties 26-28½; checks 25-28.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, Aug. 25—(UP)—Wheat:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Sept.	$1.55⅞	$1.55⅞	$1.55	$1.55¼
Dec.	1.54¼	1.54⅝	1.53½	1.53½
May	1.53¼	1.53⅛	1.52¼	1.52¼
July	1.46⅛	1.46⅛	1.45¾	1.46⅛

S. F. DAIRY PRICES

San Francisco, Aug. 25—(UP)—Butter—93 score 42, 92 score 42½, 91 score 42¼, 90 score 41¾.

Cheese—Wholesale prices, loaf 27.9, triplets 27.2.

Eggs—Large grade A 45-45½, medium grade A 40½-41½, small grade A 22-23½, large grade B 32-33½.

Central California—Grade A 47, medium grade A 43, small grade A 25.

Nye Nissen—Large grade A 47, Medium grade 3 43, small grade A 25.

Wall Street

New York, Aug. 25.—(U.P.)—Stocks were cautious about making commitments in view of the two-day week end ahead. Tomorrow the New York stock exchange will be closed for the second of its three summer Saturday recesses.

Price changes generally were fractional, with losses predominating. Chrysler and General Motors gave up early gains and held unchanged. Republic Steel and U. S. Steel eased, but Youngstown Sheet and Tube added a fraction. Bethlehem failed to appear on the tape.

Today's closing prices on selected stocks:

American Tel. & Tel.	164
Anaconda	26¾
Chrysler	92¾
Curtis Wright	17⅛
General Electric	38¼
General Motors	61½
Montgomery Ward	50
Penn. R. R.	29
Phillips Petroleum	44⅜
J. C. Penney	unquoted
Radio	10⅝
Southern Pacific	28⅞
Standard Oil Cal.	36½
Texas Gulf Sulphur	47¾
Transamerica	10
United Aircrafts	28¼
U. S. Rubber	50
U. S. Steel	58⅜

AFRICAN SCRIBES VISIT

Seattle, Aug. 25.—(U.P.)—Three South African newspapermen, touring American war plants, today visited Grand Coulee dam, Wash., after which they planned to leave for Oregon and California, where they will be shown further centers of U. S. war production.

BURMA GAIN TOLD

Southeast Headquarters, Kandy, Ceylon, Aug. 25.—(U.P.)—British troops driving the Japanese southward from the Indo-Burmese border made "further progress" towards Chindwin between Tamu and Sittaung, an allied communique reported today.

FULL TIME BERTH

Chicago, Aug. 25.—(U.P.)—Robert K. Burns, Chicago, who has been part time chairman of the daily newspaper printing and publishing commission since its inception, will devote full time to the work of the commission, the War Labor Board announced today.

AD. MOUNTBATTEN BACK

Southeast Asia Headquarters, Kandy, Ceylon, Aug. 25.—(U.P.)—Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten returned to his headquarters today, following important conferences in London on forthcoming operations against Japan and her stolen empire.

A new 500-bed hospital will be built at the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco after the war.

"Weasel" Secret Weapon Is Unveiled On French Beach

By Ralph E. Heinzen
United Press Staff Correspondent

South Bend, Ind.—(U.P.)—The Normandy beachhead was the proving ground for several surprise weapons which the army had built secretly and used for the first time against the enemy in France. The "weasel," in many ways a jeep with web feet, was one of the surprises regarding which the war department has just lifted the secrecy restrictions. There are other secret weapons and vehicles about which nothing is being said for the time being, despite the fact they have been in successful operation since invasion began.

Here at its birthplace, I rode a weasel which skims the ground just like its namesake, or strikes swiftly and stealthily across snow, sand, swamp land, deep mud. It can go anywhere a jeep can go, and many places a jeep would fear to tread.

Known officially as the cargo carrier M-29, the weasel is a lightweight low-slung, versatile common carrier. It can carry four men, a ton of ammunition, water and food or can race in and out of action carrying wounded on stretchers.

When the Japanese broke into the Aleutians, the war department discovered the need of a motor vehicle that could travel fast over snow and ice. The army imposed restrictions on size and weight, but left the design to Studebaker. In 34 days the first weasel was built, tested, improved and put into mass production. Thousands have since been built.

The secret leaked out when a news photographer on a crowded invasion beach disclosed that more than half the vehicles in his picture were the secret new weapon.

The vehicle is constantly being adapted to all the fronts where swamps, sand or snow make transport of troops and supplies difficult. It can swim, but, thus far, it cannot fly, although it fits neatly into gliders.

Weighing 2,000 pounds, it nevertheless exerts only 1½ pounds pressure per square inch. In contrast G.I. Joe when carrying the full load of an infantryman exerts ground pressure of 8 pounds per square inch. Thus a weasel can cross dry snow or sand where a foot soldier would sink in to his knees.

In form, it is a welded, waterproof body on 32 bogie wheels. It is not bullet-proof but depends upon its camouflage, its speed and mobility for its safety. It's low ground pressure is due to its steel-and-rubber wide treads. It is powered by a Studebaker 6-cylinder automobile motor with six forward speeds. It is guided, like a tank, with two levers instead of a steering wheel.

The weasel showed in its tests here that it is almost perfectly balanced, with or without a load, and can climb a 45 degree slope without overturning. Four springs across its full width give it elasticity and it has eliminated one of the most unpopular features of the jeep—"jeep rump."

Originally intended as a reconnaissance vehicle for snow terrain, it is now the most versatile single unit in the vast fleet of the American army's mobile equipment.

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