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# PLANES DAMAGE 23 JAP VESSELS

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
MACARTHUR is still the biggest news of the Pacific world.

Here at home his appointment has led us out of the doldrums of doubt. It has fired endangered Australia with new confidence and enthusiasm.

EVERYWHERE he is accepted as the right man for the place.

HE is the right man for the place because:

1. He knows how to fight Japs.
2. He isn't hampered by the purely defensive thinking that arose out of the (temporary) supremacy of the machine gun. He has shown in Bataan that he knows how and when to HIT FIRST.

IN justice to MacArthur, let's inject here a word of caution.

Don't expect miracles.

If you hired the best carpenter in the world and told him to build you a house in record time but GAVE HIM INSUFFICIENT TOOLS his progress would be slow.

If MacArthur is to do the job that has been given him to do, he must have sufficient tools.

The tools must come from the factories here at home.

That is where WE come in.

AT this point, let's turn to Donald M. Nelson—who has been given the job of PROVIDING THE TOOLS.

In a speech in Washington last night he gave America a new promise—to knock down all interference to war production, whether from management haggling or union slow-ups.

Explaining the importance of time, he said:

"Here is what time is worth. A machine gun factory IN FULL SWING can equip a whole regiment in 36 hours of work. That's why hours are important. Every minute counts."

PUT it to yourself this way:

Every time a machine gun factory is out of operation for only 36 hours (for ANY reason) a whole regiment of American soldiers is denied weapons.

The machine gun is still the backbone of defensive warfare.

THE airplanes are the backbone of modern offensive warfare. Everytime an airplane factory is down or slowed up, MacArthur and his men are denied the weapons they must have if they are to win.

AS to management's faults, Nelson said last night:

"Yet (in spite of the supreme importance of time) some manufacturers have come to the war production board to plead for just a few extra months before going into war production. Some of them want to delay over details. Some of them argue before awarding a sub-contract. I know of a case where 28 days were wasted this way."

AS to labor's faults, he said:

"I know of cases where workers in war plants have been told by other workers—by men in their own unions—to keep production down, to take it easy, not to hurry, to spread the job out and make the work last."

THAT is the way France fell.

If we permit these things to continue, the inexorable judgment of history will be that AMERICA fell for the same reason.

We can't fight without weapons.

We must HAVE THEM IN TIME.

THIS writer believes:

If we lose this war, it will be because of the shortcomings of the politicians at home and NOT because of any lack of stamina and fighting courage on (Continued on Page Two)

## MACARTHUR'S ENTRY CHEERS AUSTRALIANS

Morale High As U. S. Forces Aligned With Anzacs

By VERN HAUGLAND  
MELBOURNE, Australia, March 18 (AP)—Australia confidently and willingly accepted today an American command of all her defenses—land, sea and air—under the supreme leadership of General Douglas MacArthur.

With the enemy already at its gates and the first phases of the battle for the continent being waged in the seas and skies off the north coast, the commonwealth was electrified by news that the hero of Bataan had stepped in to guide its defenses.

Yanks Stream In  
It was disclosed that MacArthur's command already includes "most substantial American reinforcements" troops and air forces which have been arriving at irregular intervals for several weeks and which still are coming in a stream.

Besides urgently needed fast pursuit and attack planes were pilots and the skilled mechanical crews to keep them flying.

The ships bringing them have been docking at numerous ports from which the men and supplies were sent inland to huge camps where they were comfortably housed and fed.

Best's MacArthur, who assumes responsibility for the defense of Australia, and also general command of all United Nations operations ashore, aloft and at sea in the southwest Pacific east of Singapore, are:

Brett Commands Planes  
Lieutenant General George H. Brett, whose assignment to command the air forces of the United Nations in the Australian New Zealand area and as MacArthur's deputy supreme commander was announced today (Continued on Page Two)

Government to Begin Issuing War Reviews

WASHINGTON, March 18 (AP)—The high command soon will begin issuing authoritative general reviews of the military situation.

The innovation was announced yesterday by the office of facts and figures in a statement of the government's war-time information policy.

That policy, OFF said, is "to make public the maximum of information on military, naval, production and other matters concerning the war, which can be revealed without giving aid to the enemy x x x Based upon the firm conviction that the people of a democracy are entitled to know the facts, whether they are good or bad, cheerful or depressing."

Lists of men killed in action will be given out, but with the stipulation that the press and radio will not publish nationwide roundups but confine themselves to listing the names of casualties from their own localities. That modified somewhat a previous censorship restriction against publication of casualty lists, except stories obtained in a newspaper's local field from the next-of-kin of the deceased service man.

Even in the future, to prevent valuable information from sifting through to the enemy, the ranks and ratings of navy officers and men killed in action will be withheld, as will the designation of units to which army officers and men were assigned.

Paralleling the announcement of forthcoming official reviews of the military situation, the statement said that "the war production board will publish at frequent intervals a production communique which will enable the public to judge whether the production program is progressing satisfactorily or not."

## Chamber Objects To Gas Rationing In This Region

Chamber of commerce directors Wednesday noon voted to protest the inclusion of Klamath, Lake and Jackson counties in the northwest gasoline rationing program.

It was pointed out in the directors' discussion that these counties get their gasoline supplies by land transportation facilities, and are not affected by the tanker situation which is the basis of gasoline rationing for the northwest.

Rationing authorities will be asked to place the southern Oregon counties in the same category with California, inasmuch as their situation is exactly the same as that in California. There is no rationing contemplated south of the border.

Gasoline companies here were awaiting further instructions on the rationing, scheduled to start Thursday.

## OWEN IN FAVOR OF SIMPLE DEFENSES

Frills Eliminated in Oregon Civilian Set-Up, Claim

"Our job in Oregon is to keep the civilian defense set-up as simple as possible. No boon-doggling, no fan-dancers—just let people know what to do in case of an emergency, so that there will be no panic." With these words Jerrold Owen, Oregon defense co-ordinator in Klamath Falls Wednesday for a meeting of county defense heads, laid down the Oregon approach to civilian defense.

Although an actual bombing in Oregon sounds "fantastic," Owen said, events of the last six weeks have taught us to be on guard. "If we can prevent unnecessary loss of life and property, if we can prepare Oregonians to meet any emergency efficiently so we won't have to rely on the military which has its own job to do, we will have done all we can," Owen stated.

Biggest worry in Oregon, as well as all along the coast, is the possibility of sabotage in the great forests, Owen pointed out. A complete system for fire-fighting in the forests is being carefully laid out, Owen explained, with the state forestry department working closely with the OCD, training fire-fighters and assembling fire-fighting equipment.

Within the next few weeks, counties will receive small booklets on what to do in event of an air raid, for distribution. These booklets, well-illustrated and with the text cut to the bone, should give Oregonians a clear idea of procedure, Owen feels.

Approximately 24 Klamath county divisional defense chiefs attended Wednesday's meeting, which took the form of a round-table question-and-answer session.

## British Fix Danger Area for Ships

LONDON, March 18 (AP)—The admiralty issued a warning today that all of the Bay of Biscay, except for a 20-mile strip along the Spanish coast, and thousands of square miles of the Atlantic ocean southwest of England "are dangerous to shipping."

Such a notice usually would mean that the defined zone has been mined or that Britain is planning to carry on unrestricted submarine warfare in those waters.

## Allen Sloan Files For Assessorship

Allen Sloan, deputy sheriff in charge of tax collections, on Wednesday filed his intention to run for the republican nomination for county assessor.

Sloan is the first to enter the republican assessorship nomination contest.

# Six Die in Air Crashes

## FOUR PLANES FALL AT ONCE IN OHIO AREA

Two Killed as Army Bomber Smashed in West Virginia

DETROIT, March 18 (AP)—The army air base at Wayne County airport said today four army planes which crashed near Lima, Ohio, today have been identified as ships which left the base at 10:45 a. m., eastern war time in a mission for the air corps ferry command.

The pilots killed in the crashes, all second lieutenants, were identified by the base as: Edward H. Saunders, 26, flight leader, next of kin Mrs. Llewellyn Saunders, mother, of Lake Village, Ark.

Arnel J. Kennedy, 26, next of kin Mrs. E. C. Kennedy, mother, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Eugene H. Anderson, 23, next of kin Harry Jones Anderson, father, of Kewanee, Ill.

Earl A. Houser, 23, next of kin, Emil Todd Houser, route 1, Pesotum, Ill.

LIMA, Ohio, March 18 (AP)—Four pilots were presumed killed today when their army pursuit ships crashed in flames on farms six miles east of here shortly before noon today.

Farmers living nearby said they saw no survivors leave the ships.

Fire wrecked the ships and there was no immediate identification of the victims. An ambulance driver found a leather purse bearing the name of Lieut. A. Kennedy.

Rescuers could see bodies of pilots in two planes. One bore a parachute indicating he tried to bail out. Flames prevented rescuers from reaching the other two ships.

The crashes occurred during a severe snowstorm.

## BARTOW, W. Va., March 18

(AP)—A twin-motored army bomber crashed and burned on Burner mountain today with a loss of at least two lives after it roared down a narrow highland valley with a motor missing, U. S. Forest Ranger W. L. Maulie reported.

Maulie, who said visibility in the vicinity was at a minimum, (Continued on Page Two)

## Chile Report Says Suicide of Jap General Confirmed

SANTIAGO, Chile, March 18 (AP)—A dispatch from Tokyo to the newspaper El Chileno said today the suicide of Lieut. Gen. Masaharu Homma for failure to destroy the American and Filipino defense forces in the Philippines had been "confirmed."

Homma, commander of the Japanese Philippines expeditionary forces, was reported early this month by Gen. Douglas MacArthur to have committed suicide because of his failure and to have been succeeded by Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita, the conqueror of Malaya.

El Chileno's dispatch came from Carlos Barry, Chilean journalist.

Barry said the proof of Homma's suicide was the fact that "the name of his successor, General Tomoyuki Yamashita, has been announced."

## BRITISH FALL BACK

NEW DELHI, India, March 18 (AP)—The British left wing in Burma has drawn back about 30 miles, it was disclosed today in a communique which announced that "our forward troops are in action with a strong enemy force south of Kanyutkwim."

## Town Wrecked in Illinois Tornado



This is all that was left of "Main street" in Alvin, Ill., after one of two tornadoes that ripped across six Illinois counties struck it. The toll of dead in the state mounted to 18, with about 170 others injured and more than \$500,000 in property damage estimated. In the foreground is debris of the former postoffice building.

## Order Numbers for Top of New Draft List Published

Unofficial lists showing the first 50 names drawn from each Klamath draft board were compiled by The Herald and News Wednesday, on the basis of the draft lottery at Washington Tuesday.

These are the men who will be classified first among those who took part in the registration February 18.

Lists in April No additional names will be published until the master lists arrive here from Washington and an official list, showing of-

cial draft numbers, can be compiled. This will be about April 1, and at that time the newspapers plan to print the official list.

Only number of real significance to each registrant is his order number. In the following list, the order numbers are shown, starting with 10,001. Serial numbers are also shown. There may be slight adjustments that change the order numbers a point or two when the official numbers are assigned. Here are the lists:

Serial Order	BOARD 1	BOARD 2	
441-10-001	Keve E. Hutchinson	441-10-001	Elias Thomas Turney
1102-10-002	Frank E. Peyton	1017-10-002	Doc Mierford Daugherty, KF
1102-10-003	Gusnie Frank Falone	1103-10-003	Dwight Delmer Young
1102-10-004	Wilbur Harrington	1103-10-004	Gilchristo Coppe, KF
1102-10-005	Marion Francis Robbins	1104-10-005	George F. Pierce, Sprague River
1102-10-006	William Loyd Carter	1104-10-006	Verdon Eliska Pickett, Keno
1102-10-007	Ray L. Blair	1104-10-007	Charles Lewis Crockett
1102-10-008	Raymond Henry Shillbourn	1104-10-008	Spargue River
1102-10-009	Manward McCourry	1104-10-009	Gilbert Ralph Cley, KF
1102-10-010	Low Ernest Snook	1104-10-010	Earl Fink, KF
1102-10-011	Stanley King Bowden	1104-10-011	Orvey Roy Jordan, By
1102-10-012	Robert Thomas Arrington	1104-10-012	Ernest Leon Jones, Merrill
1102-10-013	Robert Miles McCallister	1104-10-013	Percey River
1102-10-014	George Charles Burger	1104-10-014	Oliver Mervyn King, KF
1102-10-015	Hubert David Dehl	1104-10-015	Anthony Ellen Smith, KF
1102-10-016	Raymond George Richards	1104-10-016	James Ray Neely, KF
1102-10-017	Millard M. Mooby	1104-10-017	Ralph Arthur Nelson, KF
1102-10-018	Maurice Arthur Schwartz	1104-10-018	Shelvin Albert Domes, Merrill
1102-10-019	Les Merson Scroggins	1104-10-019	Charles David Thomas, KF
1102-10-020	Eugene Vale Haynes	1104-10-020	Berry Blackwell, Merrill
1102-10-021	Jack Bernard Baker	1104-10-021	Willis Clyde Moore, KF
1102-10-022	Henry Ernest Buchanan	1104-10-022	Killion Alvis Shockley, Creston
1102-10-023	Alfred Scott Johnson	1104-10-023	Ralph Jennings Smith, KF
1102-10-024	Jessie L. Reed	1104-10-024	Wm. Arthur Hill, Gilchrist
1102-10-025	Adolph Ray Morris	1104-10-025	Robert Thurston Gustafson, KF
1102-10-026	John Gordon Hopkins	1104-10-026	Clyde LeClair James, K. Agency
1102-10-027	Christopher Sydney Elliot	1104-10-027	Doyce Clina Lilly, KF
1102-10-028	Jack Ellis Rockwell	1104-10-028	Clarence Edwin Miller, KF
1102-10-029	Henry Edison Buchanan	1104-10-029	Delbert LeRoy Nelson, By
1102-10-030	Glen Alvin Pruner	1104-10-030	Mooney Luther Hayes, KF
1102-10-031	Larry Remington Huddart	1104-10-031	Jack Stanford, KF
1102-10-032	John Richard Dalkic	1104-10-032	Robert Thurston Gustafson, KF
1102-10-033	Luke Fleming	1104-10-033	Harold H. Warner, KF
1102-10-034	Carl Paul Engel	1104-10-034	Elmer Allen Rowden, E. Point
1102-10-035	Harold Julius Hadtka	1104-10-035	Lewis Oval Stover, Chiloquin
1102-10-036	Edward Louis Brown	1104-10-036	Robert LeRoy Nelson, By
1102-10-037	Way Dell Price	1104-10-037	Robert Holmes Glaspool, Keno
1102-10-038	Alfred Wilfred Merritt	1104-10-038	Ernest J. Modisett, KF
1102-10-039	Chester Arthur Greenwell	1104-10-039	Ernest Edmund Kies, KF
1102-10-040	Leonard Hiram Gilchrist	1104-10-040	Bill Endicott, Merrill
1102-10-041	Edward Louis Schultz	1104-10-041	Coil Harrison Humphrey, Klamath Falls
1102-10-042	James Russell Neli	1104-10-042	Marion Burla Benton, Merrill
1102-10-043	Floyd Melvin Bennett	1104-10-043	Frederick Norman Barlow, Merrill
1102-10-044	Arthur Minette	1104-10-044	George Richard Ross, Bonanza
1102-10-045	J. Clarence Orr	1104-10-045	Harry J. Lund, KF
1102-10-046	Martin Andraus Dusanlan	1104-10-046	Charles Donald Baird, Merrill
1102-10-047	Andrew Henry Bussanan	1104-10-047	Hans, Green Donaldson, KF

## House Approves Women's Auxiliary

WASHINGTON, March 18 (AP)—The house approves the creation of a women's auxiliary corps of volunteers to give American women the same chance as their British sisters for military service.

The chamber backed the plan by a roll call vote of 249 to 86 late yesterday and sent along to the senate legislation which would set up a corps with a maximum strength of 150,000 women between the ages of 21 and 45 for behind-the-lines service with the armed forces.

## States Clean Up After Tornado

JACKSON, Miss., March 18 (AP)—State and federal funds backed up Red Cross relief today as this and five other states set rehabilitation machinery going in the wake of Monday's tornadoes that killed 150 and injured 1,000.

No accurate estimate of the property damage was available along the 600 miles path of storms in northern Alabama and north central Illinois but the death toll stood:

Mississippi 81, Kentucky 24; Tennessee 23, Illinois 18, Indiana 2, Alabama 2, 7

## ENEMY FORCES SMASHED OFF NEW GUINEA

Only One Plane Lost In Attack by U. S. Aussie Fliers

WASHINGTON, March 18 (AP)—The navy announced today that a Japanese invasion force concentrated near Salamaua and Lae, New Guinea, had been smashed by American and Australian air forces with the sinking or damaging of 23 Japanese vessels including 12 warships.

"The heavy losses inflicted on the enemy by the combined American and Australian forces were accomplished with the loss of but one plane," said navy communique No. 57.

U. S. Sub Lost  
The same communique, reporting on activities in other areas disclosed that the American submarine Shark has been overdue in the western Pacific for more than a month and "must be presumed to be lost." Next of kin of those aboard the Shark, including Lieutenant Commander Louis Shane Jr., of Tacoma, Wash., have been notified of the loss of the vessel.

Further, the communique disclosed that the American submarine Sea Lion had been so damaged at Cavite, in the Philippines, as to necessitate her demolition to prevent her use by the enemy in event of capture, and the U. S. destroyer Stewart, 1190-ton World war type ship, was demolished at the Dutch Indies base of Soerabaya to prevent her falling into the hands of the enemy. There were no personnel casualties in the cases of the Sea Lion and the Stewart.

## SOVIETS STORM AT KHARKOV SUBURBS

Nazi Fortifications Destroyed by Reds During Snowstorm

By The Associated Press  
Marshal Simeon Timoshenko's Ukraine armies were reported storming today into the suburbs of Kharkov, the soviet "Pittsburgh," and Stockholm advices declared that Russian troops on the central front had surrounded 200,000 Germans in a great pocket west of Moscow.

A Reuters (British news agency) dispatch from Stockholm quoted Moscow reports that soviet parachute troops had been dropped in the Smolensk area, 230 miles west of Moscow, and destroyed nazi fortifications during a snowstorm.

Front-line dispatches said the Russians had captured five more communities in a gigantic encirclement movement to cut off the "escape corridor" of German garrison at Rzhev and Vyazma. Latest reports said the gap had been narrowed to a bare 20 miles.

Tass, the soviet news agency, said the Germans fled after a vain counterattack in that sector, leaving 1200 killed and wounded on the battlefield.

## Senate Told No Labor Curbs Needed

WASHINGTON, March 18 (AP)—Top ranking production officials of the war and navy departments and the maritime commission assured a senate investigating committee today that there was no immediate need for any wartime labor legislation.

Senator Thomas (D-Okla.), chairman of a senate appropriations sub-committee conducting a general inquiry into wartime labor and production conditions, told reporters this was the general summary of testimony by Robert P. Patterson, under secretary of war; Admiral Emory S. Land, chairman of the maritime commission; Ralph A. Bard, assistant secretary of the navy; and Lieut. General William S. Knudsen.

## "MacArthur Field" Suggested Here

Mayor John Houston suggested Wednesday that the municipal airport be named MacArthur field.

In connection with a national roundup of streets, parks, babies, etc., named for General Douglas MacArthur, the mayor was asked whether anything in Klamath Falls had been named for the war hero.

"Not yet," said the mayor, "but it sounds like a good name for our airport."

## STUDENTS MARCH MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay

March 18 (AP)—Crying "death to the axis countries," and singing the Uruguayan national anthem, crowds of students demonstrated again this morning against the sinking of the Uruguayan steamer Montevideo, torpedoed off the coast of Haiti.

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