

Blackout Signal

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JAP CRUISER SUNK IN ALEUTIANS

Sea-Air Battle Raging

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS THE mystery of the Aleutians remains unsolved, but Washington dispatches today indicate that a Jap "task" force is probably loose in these waters. By "task" force is meant a fleet unit that has a particular job to do. It is likely to include carriers, cruisers and destroyers, but may include heavier ships. Its size is determined by the job. Today's Washington dispatches suggest that "feeling out" American defenses and maneuvering for landings on other islands may be its job.

WATCH this Aleutian situation (as you may be sure the army and the navy are doing.) It contains possibilities for trouble.

Anthony J. Dimond, Alaska's delegate in congress, warns today against complacency as to Attu island, where a Jap landing has already been made. He says that while the island is composed of earthquake-fissured rocks the Japs might manage by the use of mats to create runways from which planes could operate. Any Jap base in the Aleutians would be a source of worry.

Fog has hindered air scouting so far and to that extent has been a help to the Japs.

THERE is a sea fight of some sort in the Mediterranean. The Italians claim to have sunk two British cruisers, a destroyer and four "steamers" out of a heavily protected British convoy and to have damaged a battleship, an aircraft carrier, two cruisers and four steamers.

The Italians mention two convoys and say the damage they inflicted was on one of them. The convoys were moving eastward through the 100-mile-wide strait between the Italian island of Sardinia and the bulge of the Tunis coast. (Your map will make the area plain.)

NOTE that the British convoys were moving eastward. That indicates that they were rushing reinforcements to the Libyan battle. Either from Gibraltar or from home bases in England.

THE Libyan battle, of which Tobruk is the chief axis objective, is growing hotter.

Rommel's forces are driving on Tobruk from the south, and are trying to push a wedge to the Mediterranean between Tobruk and Ain-el-Gazala, some 40 miles to the west. Ain-el-Gazala is a part of the Tobruk defense system, and Rommel is trying to chip its defenders off from Tobruk itself.

The Italians, who can't always be believed, claim a wedge has been driven through to the coast somewhere in this area.

PAY no great attention to the flyspecks in the interior of the Libyan desert, which can change hands over and over without greatly affecting the situation. What happens at Tobruk is the real nub of the situation there.

THE fighting in Russia gets hotter by the hour. The Russian Black sea fleet went into action today against the Germans at Sevastopol, shelling them heavily. The Germans are pounding the Russians with heavy concentrations of tanks, planes and motorized infantry on a narrow front at Kharkov. There is no indication so far that they are making dangerous progress — but in a battle of such fury anything can happen at any time. It is well to remember that the (Continued on Page Two)

RUNNING FIGHT BEGINS NEAR ITALY'S COAST

Strategical Move by Allies Sets Off Engagement

By CLYDE A. FARNSWORTH Associated Press War Editor A great running sea-air battle which on the face of axis reports — the only information available thus far — seems to have stemmed from a major strategical move of the allies, was being fought today at Italy's Mediterranean doorstep.

The battle, as Rome had recounted so far, moved eastward like a swirling tropical storm through the narrow between the Italian islands of Sardinia and Sicily, on one side, and the coast of French Africa, about 100 miles away, on the other.

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Sailed in Range Evidently it had come from the Atlantic in fulfillment of a plan so urgent that it had sailed boldly into the striking range of planes based on the Italian islands rather than the long way around the Cape of Good Hope thence into the Mediterranean via the Suez canal.

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Klamath Basin Girls Paged for Royalty Contest

A call went out Monday for girls from Klamath basin communities who wish to be members of the royal court at the Victory celebration July 4 and 5. The winning queen and her court will be appointed by Mayor John Houston at the opening of the celebration with the victory dance at the armory the night of July 3.

"All girls who wish to aid the celebration and help boost the proceeds for troop entertainment should appear at the Elk hotel Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock," the celebration committee announced.

The junior chamber of commerce, which is handling the victory parade and queen contestants from basin communities, urged that as many contestants as possible be present Friday evening from the various towns.

Movement of Japanese to Tulalake Center Begins

Large scale movement of Japanese to the Tulalake reception center began Monday, according to an announcement by the war relocation authorities at San Francisco. Japanese will leave the Sacramento assembly center for Tulalake at the rate of 1000 every two days, beginning Monday. A total of 4800 will move into the Tulalake settlement from Sacramento.

From Marysville, 2400 will be moved to Tulalake. This center, in the south end of the Klamath basin, will then have a population of 8600, including 1400 already there. The Marysville movement will begin on June 24. On June 28, movement of 3600 Japanese from Salinas to Poston, Arizona, will be started.

Lend-Lease Total Reaches \$4 Billion

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP)—President Roosevelt informed congress today that lend-lease aid up to the end of May totaled \$4,497,000,000 and that while the battle of production was on the way to being won, the battle of distribution was "in its critical phase."

"Our reservoir of resources is now approaching flood stage," he said. "The next step is for our military, industrial, and shipping experts to direct its full force against the centers of enemy power."

"Great Britain and the United States . . . are taking combined action to carry our men and weapons—on anything that will float or fly—to the places from which we can launch our offensives," Roosevelt summed up for congress the results of 15 months of lend-lease operations — with the emphasis finally shifted from foodstuffs and industrial materials to a preponderance of fighting weapons and military items.

The lend-lease program was instituted on March 1, 1941, and the aid extended since that time (Continued on Page Two)

SILENCE CLOAKS BOMBER MISSION

New U. S. Air Front Open in Far East Is Belief

LONDON, June 15 (AP)—Official silence which cloaked the mission of four United States bombers reported forced down last Friday in Turkey tended to confirm the belief expressed in many quarters here today that the United States has opened a new air front in the eastern Mediterranean to blast the axis from the rear.

Observers said if the bombers had been on a routine ferry flight to Russia, India or China a quick announcement of their purpose probably would have been forthcoming. These sources said the reports that each of the big bombers had a full crew also seemed to preclude the ferry theory and supported speculation that the planes were operating from a United Nations air base for attacks against Germany in the Balkans and perhaps on the southern Russian front.

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP) Secretary Hull said today that no representation would be made to Turkey concerning the internment of 21 American fliers who were forced to land in the neutral country last week.

The international law of internment applies, the secretary (Continued on Page Two)

'NAILS' GIVEN SENTENCE AT STATE SCHOOL

Judge Delivers Sharp Rebuke to Parents Of Delinquents

A sharp rebuke for parents of delinquent children was voiced by Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg Monday morning when, in circuit court, he sentenced two members of the "Nails" gang to the state training school. The youngsters, 12 and 14 years of age, were apprehended last week after a 24-hour campaign of ransacking a dozen or more local houses.

"The pitiful part of this whole procedure," said Judge Vandenberg, "is that a charge cannot be brought against the parents. I hope to God the day comes when fathers and mothers will be brought into this court to show cause why their children should not be declared delinquent."

The judge also advised Juvenile Officer David Bridge that it was not his duty to teach boys and girls the difference between right and wrong. "That is the duty of parents and should be taught in the home," said the judge to Bridge, who had expressed in court his regret that he had not been able to reach the hearts of the boys involved and to impress upon them the desire to do the right thing. The boys had previously come to Bridge's attention through thefts and other offenses.

Parents of the youngsters were present in court. The mothers, when called upon by the court, offered no comment on the case. Stephafer of the older boy made a short statement to the effect that the boy had been all right until recently. He asked for leniency. In testimony given at the hearing, the boys admitted going into 10 homes, two garages, and said they attempted to break into three places but failed to gain entry. The 12-year-old boy admitted breaking (Continued on Page Two)

Use of Attu as Jap Plane Base Held Possibility

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP) Possibility of the use of Attu island by the Japanese as an airplane base from which the naval base at Dutch harbor and Kodiak and Sitka, Alaska might be attacked is seen by delegate Anthony J. Dimond of Alaska. Dimond warned last night of any complacent attitude with regard to the occupation of Attu, a rocky atoll at the western tip of the Aleutians.

Although the island is of earthquake fissured rocks, Dimond said there is a possibility the Japanese might be able to create landing fields with mats and move in planes.

The delegate admitted the prevalence of fog reduces the island's military value but he expressed the opinion this angle has been generally exaggerated. For the most part, he said, the Aleutians are comparatively free of fog in June, July and August.

Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE R. H. E. New York 6 12 0 Pittsburgh 2 7 2 Schumacher and Danning; Butcher and Phelps.

Where Japs Battle for Foothold in Aleutian Islands



Here's Attu village, on Attu island, at the western tip of America's chain of Aleutian islands, where the U. S. navy reported Japanese had made a small-scale landing in the first effort to gain a foothold in the western hemisphere. In breaks of bad weather, however, army and navy airmen succeeded in driving the enemy from the populated regions back into the rocky, snow-covered mountains.

BRITISH ATTACK DESERT FORCES

Axis Pushing Wedge Toward Coast to Isolate Troops

By FRANK L. MARTIN CAIRO, Egypt, June 15 (AP)—A fluid battle raged on the desert approaches to Tobruk today as the British sought to adjust their positions while from the rear they violently attacked the axis columns of Field Marshal Erwin Rommel which were nudging a wedge toward the coast.

The British said the Germans were attacking near Acroma in an effort to reach the coast and "isolate the troops remaining in the Ain El Gazala salient," the coastal anchor of the former line of minefields 40 miles west of Tobruk.

Already the southern anchor (Continued on Page Two)

Axis Sinkings in West Atlantic Total 265, Report

By The Associated Press With the Germans threatening a new widespread campaign against all shipping in the Atlantic north of the West Indies, the total of ships sunk by enemy submarines in the western Atlantic now stands at 265.

Additional sinkings of 13 merchant ships last week and one yesterday were officially announced. More than 394 crewmen and passengers of the 14 ships were reported rescued, while 18 lives were lost and 65 persons were missing. Seven United States ships, two British, one Norwegian, one Brazilian, one Swedish and one unidentified allied merchantman were included in last week's sinkings. The ship reported sunk yesterday was a small Dutch merchantman.

Japs Raid Darwin For Third Time

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Australia, June 15 (AP)—Darwin, Australia's north coast base, was raided by Japanese warplanes today for the third successive day and a few casualties resulted, General MacArthur's headquarters announced. Twenty-seven Japanese bombers escorted by fighters, the largest force yet to reach Darwin in the series of assaults over the weekend, came over this afternoon. The headquarters announcement, which was not a formal communique, said damage was slight. The Japanese attacked Darwin also on Saturday and yesterday. Some residents, most of them empty, were damaged by bomb fragments in this afternoon's raid. A number of the raiders were believed shot down.

Paris City Hall Shaken By Explosion

VICHY, Unoccupied France, June 15 (AP)—The Paris city hall was shaken by the explosion of a small bomb in an underground passage yesterday in the latest violence aimed at occupying Germans and their French collaborators. The explosion smashed through the floor of offices above, doing some damage, but no injuries were reported here.

Charles Magny, who was appointed governor of Paris and prefect of the Seine department in October, 1940, has his offices in the building. He is a former director of the Surete national, the French secret police.

German broadcasts yesterday said two persons were injured in the blast which occurred as diplomatic quarters in Switzerland reported that Germany and Italy have shaped new proposals to replace the armistice of nearly two years ago.

The determination of the French people not to accept the Germans as their permanent masters was said to be the chief obstacle to Vichy acceptance of Italian territorial demands, a necessary part of a formal peace.

Adolf Hitler was said to be anxious for a settlement by June 25, the second anniversary of the armistice, so he might be able to (Continued on Page Two)

Election of School Directors Holds Voter Interest

Election of directors on the boards of both School District No. 1, including the seven city schools, and the county school board held the interest of voters Monday. Polls were opened at 2 o'clock at Fremont school for city voters. They will remain open until 7 p. m. County voters found polls opened at 2 o'clock at 22 points in the section. They were to remain open until all had the opportunity to vote.

NAZIS CLAIM GAINS ON RUSSIAN FRONTS

Hard-Pressed Reds at Sevastopol Helped By Fleet

BERLIN (From German broadcasts), June 15 (AP)—The Berlin radio broadcast a Transocean agency report tonight that "German formations east of Kharkov have crossed the Donets river at all important points in the course of their advance eastward." Transocean said this information came from "competent Berlin military quarters."

BERLIN (From German broadcasts), June 15 (AP)—Despite stubborn resistance, red army units defending the red navy base of Sevastopol in the Crimea have been thrown out of several positions, the German high command said today.

In the battle east of Kharkov, the communique declared, "remnants of the beaten enemy" have (Continued on Page Two)

Rumanian Officials Confiscate Food Stock in Province

BERN, Switzerland, June 15 (AP)—Dispatches from Budapest said today that Rumanian authorities had suddenly confiscated all the food stocks of Hungarian families living in numerous villages in that part of Transylvania still remaining under Rumanian sovereignty.

Moreover, it was reported, the Hungarian minority had been notified that those deprived of food stocks would not be given food ration cards due on July 10. Many of the Hungarians were said to have been forced from their land and homes.

Hungarian peasants were said to have returned from their work in the fields to find the doors of their homes smashed open and foodstuffs hauled off without payment. A communique said the Japanese first wedged into the city Saturday night and that fierce hand to hand fighting was continuing in the streets. Loss of Yushan, mid-way rail station between the border and Kwangfeng, also was acknowledged by the high command. It said the Japanese drove into the town last Friday evening under cover of bombing and artillery fire.

U. S. SCORES DIRECT HIT ON PLANE CARRIER

Message From Arnold Reveals Success of Torpedo Planes

BULLETIN WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP)—The navy announced today that army and navy aircraft in the vicinity of the Aleutian islands had damaged three Japanese cruisers, one destroyer, one gun boat, and one transport.

This total of six enemy vessels damaged was reported officially shortly after the Glenn L. Martin company had made public in Baltimore a telegram from the chief of the army air force reporting that army B-28 bombers had sunk one cruiser and dropped a torpedo on the deck of an aircraft carrier.

BALTIMORE, June 15 (AP)—United States torpedo planes sank a Japanese cruiser and scored a direct hit on an aircraft carrier of the main Japanese task force off the Aleutian islands, a telegram from Lieut. Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the army air force, to Glenn L. Martin, aircraft manufacturer, disclosed today.

In Washington, the war department declined immediate comment, although its public relations department approved use of the telegram.

General Arnold's message, congratulating the Martin company on successful use of Martin craft as torpedo planes, said three attacks had been made in the Aleutian islands on the main Japanese force.

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP) An effort by the Japanese to expand their landings in the Aleutian islands was expected by military authorities today, but whether they will try for knockout blows against important American bases was considered debatable.

Any large-scale operations well over into the waters of the western hemisphere, it was said, would certainly bring a swarm of United States army and navy bombers down upon invading ships.

This would not, however, preclude further action of the kind which last week put a (Continued on Page Two)

Japs Penetrate To Kwangfeng

By SPENCER MOOSA CHUNGKING, June 15 (AP)—An invasion column of Japanese striking into Kiangsi province from the east has penetrated in to Kwangfeng, 25 miles beyond the Chekiang border, cutting the Chinese-held central section of the Kiangsi-Chekiang rail line to less than 100 miles, the high command said tonight.

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