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YANKS AID RAF IN SEA-AIR FIGHT

U S Pounds Japs in North

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN the past few days, three major mysteries have confronted eager readers of the news that gets past the censors: 1. The Aleutians. 2. The Mediterranean naval fight. 3. American planes in Turkey. Two of these mysteries are clearing somewhat today.

A JAPANESE naval "task" force including troop transports has apparently been attempting to effect landings and establish bases in the far-out Aleutians. U. S. army and navy planes, hampered at first by fog, found a clear spot and swooped on the Japs.

Result so far announced: One Japanese cruiser sunk and at least three damaged and damage inflicted on a Jap destroyer, a Jap gunboat and a Jap TRANSPORT.

A navy communique about noon adds: "Except for these CONTINUING air attacks on enemy LANDING parties and their supporting naval contingents, the general situation in the Aleutian islands appears unchanged."

That indicates that the battle in the fog is STILL going on.

BUT again, as at Midway, the Japs seem to have run into an unexpected nest of American hornets.

THE ruckus in the Mediterranean isn't quite so clear as these words are written, but appears to be clearing.

About noon, the British admiralty and air ministry announce officially:

"New supplies have been SUCCESSFULLY delivered to the garrisons at Malta and Tobruk. Fantastic enemy claims of losses suffered by our convoys and their protecting craft are without foundation."

Experience teaches us that official British statements can be relied on fully.

TWO British convoys, one from the west by way of Gibraltar and the other from Alexandria, seem to have set out to relieve the Malta and Tobruk garrisons.

The Germans and Italians, learning of these attempts, set out to BLAST them. The Italian fleet joined in the action (and was pretty badly battered and withdrew), but the bulk of the axis attack seems to have been from the air. It was in heavy force, the British asserting that one enemy raid included FORTY bombers escorted by 20 FIGHTERS.

As to their own operations, the British say:

"From June 13, British naval forces were COVERED by fighters (the 'umbrella of planes') so often spoken of in these days) and many bombing attacks were intercepted, the enemy being compelled to jettison his bombs far from our ships."

AMERICAN PLANES, dispatched from Cairo say, joined in the fight.

THE point to remember (assuming that the British official statement is accurate) is that supplies were successfully delivered to the garrisons at Malta and Tobruk.

These points must be held at any cost, and we know by the bitter lesson of Bataan and Corregidor what failure to deliver supplies and reinforcements means.

THE Libyan battle is still confused.

Hitler's high command claims that axis troops have ALREADY won the latest battle of ALBANY.

Military observers in Cairo (British headquarters) say that BOTH SIDES appear to be near

ENEMY NAVY REELS UNDER THIRD ATTACK

U. S. Army and Navy Continuing Attack

WASHINGTON, June 16 (AP) — The Japanese navy appeared today to be reeling under the third smashing attack it has suffered at the hands of the American air forces in as many operational areas of the Pacific.

Following up the Coral sea and Midway island victories, in southwestern and middle Pacific areas respectively, the navy department reported late yesterday that American fliers were pounding a Japanese invasion force in the north, off the Aleutian islands.

While reports on the progress of the battle were inconclusive, Japanese losses listed thus far included the sinking of one cruiser and the damaging of one aircraft carrier, at least three cruisers, one destroyer, one gunboat and one transport. Damage to some of the vessels was described as severe.

There were no reports of American losses.

In a communique breaking its three-day silence on what appears to have been a desperate attempt by the Japanese to gain a foothold on the barren, rocky island chain stretching away from Alaska, the navy said attack operations were continuing by both army and navy fliers.

"Except for these continuing air attacks upon the enemy landing parties and their supporting naval contingents," the communique said, "the general situation in the Aleutian islands appears unchanged."

This was taken by some observers to mean that the enemy had failed to improve his position over the weekend by landing at any point other than Attu, a craggy little islet that marks the westernmost tip of the Aleutian chain, 769 nautical miles from Dutch Harbor.

In addition to Attu, the enemy was reported last Friday to have sent a few ships into the little harbor at Kiska. Today authority (Continued on Page Two)

Seven Mills Post Wage Increases

The number of Klamath mills posting notices of 71-cent wage increases today rose to seven with the report that the Pelican Bay Lumber company had announced pay boosts.

Other Klamath mills were expected to follow within the week. Yesterday an incomplete survey revealed that six large local mills had announced increases. The raises brought minimum scales in most cases to 80 cents per hour.

(See page 10, column 1 for further details on labor-lumber activity.)

British Withdraw From Coastal Anchor in Libya

By EDWARD KENNEDY

CAIRO, Egypt, June 16 (AP) — The fierce Libyan battle, in which armored forces of both sides have taken a terrific hammering, moved eastward toward Tobruk today as the British withdrew from their coastal anchor around Ain El Gazala while heroic anti-tank gunners and tank drivers fought to hold open the road at Acroma.

This meant the British had given up the old Ain El Gazala-Bir Hacheim line of strong boxes and minefields which the Germans first went around, then pierced, and finally erased one end at a time.

But it also meant the British had succeeded in escaping a threatened trap when the Germans drove their tanks at Acroma, to cut off the Ain El Gazala forces, 30 miles farther west.

Rommel had managed after three weeks of terrific battling to accomplish what he had aimed at in the first few days, the elimination of the defense line for a direct attack on Tobruk and its screening positions at Acroma and El Adem, just to the south of Tobruk.

Commissioned



Dayton E. Van Vector, city attorney, will report for active duty June 26, with the army air force in San Francisco.

MRS. ROGERS WINS SCHOOL BOARD POST

Incumbent Defeated By One Vote in Close Race

In what school officials termed the "closest race" in the history of School District No. 1, Mrs. George H. Rogers defeated Mrs. Burt E. Hawkins, incumbent, by one vote in the election held Monday to name a member of the board to serve for a five-year term.

Mrs. Rogers received 98 votes, Mrs. Hawkins, 97.

In the county school election Arthur Blocklinger, Chilquin mill operator, was an apparent winner over George Hagelstein, Algoma, incumbent as a member of the board from the northern zone.

A smashing 211 to 3 majority for Blocklinger in his home community of Chilquin evidently swung the election his way despite the fact that Hagelstein carried most of the other sub-districts where the vote was extremely tight.

One hundred and ninety-six votes were cast in the city election, but one of the ballots was considered void as both names were marked. So close was the election that the board counted and recounted and a final check was made by a member and the clerk of the board.

The vote cast Monday was considered normal. Last year's election brought out 998 citizens; however, this was said to be one of the heaviest school board elections in years, if not the heaviest.

Active in PTA Mrs. Rogers has not had previous service with the board but (Continued on Page Two)

CHINESE FORCED BACK TO KWEIKI

Only 50 Miles of Chekiang-Kiangsi Rail Left to Chinese

TOKYO, (FROM JAPANESE BROADCASTS), June 16 (AP) — Attacking from the west, Japanese troops were reported today to have advanced to the outskirts of Kweiki, driving 20,000 Chinese soldiers back into the town and leaving only 50 miles of the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway in Chinese hands.

Domel said the Chinese were driven from a bitterly defended hill position only 10 miles west of Kweiki by Japanese troops who followed so closely that the Chinese were unable to destroy their pontoon bridges which the Japanese used to pursue them across streams.

Supporting the drive from the west, a column which crossed into Kiangsi province from Chekiang reported yesterday that it had captured Shanghai, 50 miles east of Kweiki.

CHUNGKING, June 26 (AP) — The Chinese high command announced (Continued on Page Two)

Van Vector to Report for Duty June 26

City Attorney Dayton E. Van Vector will report for active duty with the United States army air corps headquarters in San Francisco on June 26, following word from the war department. Van Vector received his commission as captain on Monday.

No successor has been named to fill Van Vector's post with the city, Mayor John H. Houston said late Tuesday.

Captain Van Vector served in the first World War with E Company, 37th Engineers, and spent one year overseas. He took part in the St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne and Alsace-Marne offensives and served with the army of occupation in Germany. He was discharged with the (Continued on Page Two)

Baseball

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table with 2 columns: Team and Record (R, H, E).

AMERICAN LEAGUE

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Rubber for Victory



Klamath Falls' scrap rubber pile was expected to reach 55,000 pounds by nightfall as citizens and business houses contributed old tires and household articles to the national drive. Above, Thelma Riley shows some of the used rubber donated and sold to the campaign.

Old Tires, Doormats, Tennis Shoes, Girdles Pile Up in Klamath's Rubber Campaign

Old rubber tires, bathing caps, swimming suits, inner tubes, doormats, tennis shoes, balls, garters, boots, suspenders, bicycle grips and pedals and even girdles poured into local service stations today as Klamath Falls' scrap rubber pile passed the 27-ton mark and continued to mount.

A survey indicated the total weight in oil distributors' yards by nightfall would be upwards of 55,600 pounds. Bulk of the tonnage was in worn-out rubber tires but small household items and wearing apparel were beginning to turn up in neighborhood stations.

R. O. Snodgrass, chairman of the city drive, said that tonnage reports were being turned directly into state headquarters by individual oil concerns and that exact daily totals would not be possible until after the drive is over.

Other oil men were encouraged by the Klamath showing and expected the rubber pile to rise steadily in full swing.

BLY—More than a ton of rubber was collected in Bly on Monday, first day of the rubber drive.

The fire department is handling the collection with the assistance of children of the community. Treats are given the (Continued on Page Two)

Japs Lose 15 Per Cent of Planes in Darwin Attack

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Australia, June 16 (AP) — The Japanese in their third attack in as many days on Darwin lost nearly 15 per cent of their raiding planes, General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced today.

The raid was carried out yesterday by 27 heavy bombers escorted by 15 zero-type fighters, an allied communique said, and allied interceptors shot down six of the fighters. Two of the defense craft were lost.

Both residential areas and the harbor were bombed, the war bulletin said, but "material damage and casualties were slight."

FLAGS OVER PARIS

LONDON, June 16 (AP) — The British plane dropped two French tricolor flags on Paris last night and attacked the former ministry of marine with cannon fire.

HOUSE OKENS AID TO DEPENDENTS

Married Men May Be Deferred by Boards

WASHINGTON, June 16 (AP) — The house completed legislative action today on a bill providing for financial aid to dependents of service men through deductions from army and navy pay checks and supplementary allowances from the government.

As sent to the White House, the compromise legislation also contained a provision giving selective service authorities power to defer from the draft married men on the basis of their family relationship regardless of actual financial dependency.

Chairman May (D-Ky.) of the military committee, told the house this provision was intended to emphasize the congressional policy "not to break up the institution of the home."

Final congressional action was (Continued on Page Two)

Russians Counter-Attack

LONDON, June 16 (AP) — Reuters quoted the Moscow radio as saying tonight that Russian troops were counter-attacking and advancing on the Kharkov front at several points.

Action Tabled on Individual Income Limit

WASHINGTON, June 16 (AP) — Chairman Doughton (D-N.C.) said today the house ways and means committee had decided "it should not take the responsibility now" of considering the administration's request for a \$25,000 limitation on individual incomes after payment of taxes.

Members said that they understood that the request probably would not be considered in connection with the pending tax bill.

Roosevelt was reported to have suggested that the pending tax bill be divided into two parts, with all efforts being directed first to final congressional action on excise levies that (Continued on Page Two)

Six New Atlantic Sinkings Raises Ship Total to 271

By The Associated Press Six newly announced ship sinkings in the submarine-dotted western Atlantic put the war total of destroyed allied and neutral vessels in that area at 271 today while the navy pondered the fate of an American freighter missing for four months.

Navy and other reports of the recent victims said that the ever-active U-boats had picked off two American merchantmen in Cuban waters, a large Panamanian cargo vessel in the Gulf of Mexico, a Norwegian tanker off South America, an unidentified ship in the Atlantic, and a British schooner off the British West Indies.

Naval and shipping circles were discussing the disappearance without a trace of the New Orleans freighter Miraflores, the Standard Fruit and Steamship company, last sighted February 15.

Like the U. S. navy collier Cyclops, which vanished in 1918 during the world war en route home from Brazil and was never heard of again, the Miraflores provided another wartime mystery.

Neither the ship nor its crew has been reported since, last seen off the Haitian coast, the navy revealed yesterday. The Miraflores, a vessel of 2158 gross tons and 270 feet long, sailed from New Orleans February 8 with a crew of 34 on a routine voyage to Haiti, and departed from Haiti for New York February 14.

FASCIST FORCE TAKES BEATING FROM AIRCRAFT

British Supplies Get To Tobruk, Malta Despite Attack

By ROGER D. GREENE

Associated Press War Editor The United States army air force, in action for the first time alongside the RAF in the central and eastern Mediterranean, was credited officially today with a part in the smashing air and sea assault in which two Italian battleships were set afire, a 10,000-ton cruiser was sunk, and a smaller cruiser and destroyer were damaged.

Simultaneously, the British admiralty and air ministry announced that new supplies had been successfully delivered to the garrisons at Malta and Tobruk.

Loss Suffered The communique acknowledged that the convoy suffered some loss but said "fantastic enemy claims" of losses inflicted on the convoy and escorting craft were "without any foundation."

The Germans had claimed 31 ships sunk or damaged, the Italians 20.

The admiralty also said two destroyers were sunk, apparently in addition to two destroyers previously reported damaged.

The RAF announcement in a special communique from Cairo that American fliers had been in the Mediterranean fight for the last four days began to bring into focus the picture of the thundering sea-air fight in the straits between Italy and Africa which the axis previously had sought to pass off as their own success.

U. S. Planes Help Taking part in the attack, said the RAF communique, were "a force of Liberator aircraft the majority of which were American-manned by the United States army air force."

The consolidated Liberators are powerful four-motored United States bombers akin to the big flying fortresses which helped shower destruction upon the Japanese in the battles of the Coral sea and Midway.

Altogether, two strong Italian (Continued on Page Two)

Lexington Men To Be Honored At Friday Rally

Klamath will hold a rally Friday evening honoring its men of the crew of the USS Lexington, and two of them—Jack Waits and Wesley Yancey—will be present for the occasion, it was announced Tuesday.

The rally will feature war bond sales and navy recruiting. It is expected 38 men will be recruited for the navy, and enough war bonds sold to outfit these men and pay their expenses until they are put on Uncle Sam's ships.

The rally will be held on the courthouse steps at 7:45 p. m. Friday. Lee Jacobs will be master of ceremonies.

Richardson Is Eastern Oregon OPA Manager

PORTLAND, June 16 (AP) — Harley H. Richardson, LaGrande, will be eastern Oregon district manager for price and rationing boards.

Richard G. Montgomery, Oregon OPA director, announced yesterday that district headquarters will be opened in LaGrande June 27 with Richardson heading a staff of 25, all to be selected from eastern Oregon.

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