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BIG DRIVE MAY WAIT UNTIL 1943

Crimean Base Endangered

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

DON'T waste time asking why Churchill has come to the United States. You know the answer in advance.

He is here to get all the American help he can as soon as possible.

THIS much is certain: All the help we can give will be forthcoming. Churchill knows that. The real question is WHERE the help we can give will be most effective.

On all the hot spots of the earth, American help is wanted. And NEEDED. In Russia, for example. And in the Mediterranean. In India. In Australia. And in China.

EVERYWHERE.

BUT we can't be everywhere at once. If we try to spread ourselves too thin, we shall crack somewhere. And we mustn't crack. Too much depends on us.

Our help must be given where it is most VITALLY NEEDED NOW and where it will be most effective.

That is the problem.

You may be reasonably sure that it is to discuss this problem and to arrive at a decision concerning it that Churchill is here.

TODAY'S dispatches tell us that "informed circles" in London think Churchill would like to have more US tanks, ships and planes in the Mediterranean area, even if it means delay in the much-discussed invasion of Europe.

As it probably would—ships being too scarce to make possible the transportation and supply of ADEQUATE American forces in BOTH places.

So it boils down to this: In the opinion of informed circles in London, the Mediterranean area is the most critical spot in the world at the present moment.

IF that is true, WHY is it true? Get out your old stand-by, the map.

It will tell you (if it is a good one) that outside the Western Hemisphere there is the greatest oil-producing area in the world in the Russian Caucasus and the Near and Middle East—Iraq, Iraq, etc.

The Germans are driving at this oil from two directions—through Russia and through Libya toward Egypt and Suez. If not stopped, they can reach it from either direction.

IF they get it, they will have the oil with which to power their huge war machine. But that isn't all.

If the Germans get the oil RUSSIA WON'T HAVE IT—without oil Russia's war machine will be helpless.

GERMANS CLAIM SEVASTOPOL LINE PIERCED

Russ Counter-Attack Collapsed, Axis Reports

BERLIN, (FROM GERMAN BROADCASTS), June 19 (AP)—Reporting "decisive success" for the axis assault on Sevastopol, the high command declared today that German infantry attacking from the north had pierced "the last defense line of the enemy and reached Sevastopol bight, opposite the town of Sevastopol."

"The entire northern part of the fortress with the exception of one coastal fort in the southwestern sector has thus fallen into German hands after 12 days of heavy fighting," the high command's communique said.

"Capture of this last fort is imminent."

"Desperate counter attacks of the Russians collapsed. In the southern sector of the fortification front Rumanian troops succeeded in driving the enemy out of important positions after violent combats."

7585 Prisoners

The war bulletin said that from June 7 to 17 the number of prisoners taken in the assault on the big Crimean naval base increased to 7585.

The capture of 20 tanks, 68 guns and an anti-tank battery was reported.

The Germans claimed the capture of 1288 Russian pillboxes in heavy hand-to-hand fighting and said 46,239 mines had been removed from the path to Sevastopol.

On the front west of Moscow the high command reported for the third successive day that Russian units behind the German lines were being mopped up.

"On the Arctic coast," it added, "harbor installations of Murmansk and Jokanga were attacked with bombs of heavy caliber and one merchantman of 6000 tons was sunk. Another large freighter was damaged."

Scrap Rubber Score Zooms Over 50-Ton Mark Here Friday

Zooming over the 50-ton mark, Klamath Falls' scrap rubber pile today was well on its way toward the second 100,000 pounds.

More than 110,000 pounds of old tires and household gadgets were in local oil dealers' yards this afternoon and more scrap was still pouring in.

Housewives and youngsters were in full contributory swing after a slow early-week start.



Led Raid

Major Alfred F. Kalisher (above), commanded the flight of U. S. B-24 bombers which scored 95 direct bomb hits on two Italian battleships in the Mediterranean. He is a former United Airlines pilot with more than 1,900,000 miles as a commercial flier. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Kalisher, live in Lafayette, Ind.

NEW GUINEA BASE FEELS 62ND RAID

Allied Fighters Chase Bombers 100 Miles After Attack

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Australia, June 19 (AP)—Attacking for a third time in the past three days, Japanese heavy bombers—this time 18 strong with a formidable fighter escort—struck today at Port Moresby's harbor installations. It was the 62d raid on the allied base in New Guinea.

The allied fighters based there were reported to have been outnumbered by the enemy but the defenders delivered strong opposition. One allied pilot attacked three zero fighters, broke up one with his cannonfire and saw another go down in smoke pouring from the motor.

During the brief combat two enemy planes were hit by cannon and machinegun fire.

Allied fighters pursued the Japanese more than 100 miles after the raid. Seven zeros waiting for the return of the attack formation joined the Japanese after the attack on their way home.

Japanese fliers were reported by an air force spokesman to be using two new type planes in the southwest Pacific—a lightened zero fighter and a cannon-bearing medium bomber—and losing their explosives even after a slow early-week start.

Turned Back

Had the Japanese failed to turn back, declared Capt. Harry Splith of Portland, Ore., not one of the 70 to 80 vessels which originally composed the armada would have survived.

Credit for striking the initial blow against the Japanese fleet was given to Lieutenants Maurice Hargan of Joplin, Mo., and Willis B. Campbell of Chicago, pilots of a plane which sank a large transport in a harbor (Continued on Page Two)

AXIS FORCES OCCUPY LIBYAN COASTAL AREA

Tobruk Garrison Prepares For Long Defense

CAIRO, Egypt, June 19 (AP)—Axis forces have occupied the Libyan coastal area between Tobruk and Bardia, thus surrounding Tobruk by land, it was acknowledged today, but British desert fighters lashed out from their Egyptian border positions to harass the enemy's left or landward flank and reduce pressure on the besieged fortress.

The Tobruk garrison was prepared for a long stand. It has been newly supplied, its barbed wire reinforced, minefields newly laid and pillboxes strengthened.

The Germans were busy moving up great 210-millimeter guns (8.25 inches in diameter), the largest mobile weapons ever used in the desert—to bring them to bear on Tobruk's concentric defensive system.

The British headquarters communique said Lieut. Gen. Neil M. Ritchie's eighth army was holding "strong fortified positions" on the Libyan frontier. This was interpreted to mean that the old familiar border battlefields, Salum and Halfaya ("Hellfire Pass"), again were part of the British line.

British Hold Ground

The difference this time is that it is the British instead of the Germans who hold the high ground at Halfaya and Nazi Marshal Rommel's most difficult task—if he is bent on an invasion of Egypt—is expected to be that of battering his way forward from low ground which (Continued on Page Two)

Sub War Toll Since Pearl Harbor Is 278

By The Associated Press

The announced toll of submarine-sunk allied and neutral ships in the western Atlantic since Pearl Harbor stood at 278 today while from Bogota, Colombia, another victim was reported unofficially.

Latest announced sinkings, which brought to 14—and possibly 15 if the Bogota report was true—the number of merchantmen reported lost this week, were those of a small Norwegian vessel in the Gulf of Mexico, a small Dutch freighter and a small American merchant vessel in the Caribbean.

Survivors of the American vessel said that a lookout spotted the submarine surfacing nearly a mile astern of the ship at 7:30 a. m. (EWT) the day of the attack.

Captain Charles Hendrick zig-zagged the ship, as the submarine opened fire and began pursuit. After 15 minutes of shelling, the ship caught fire.

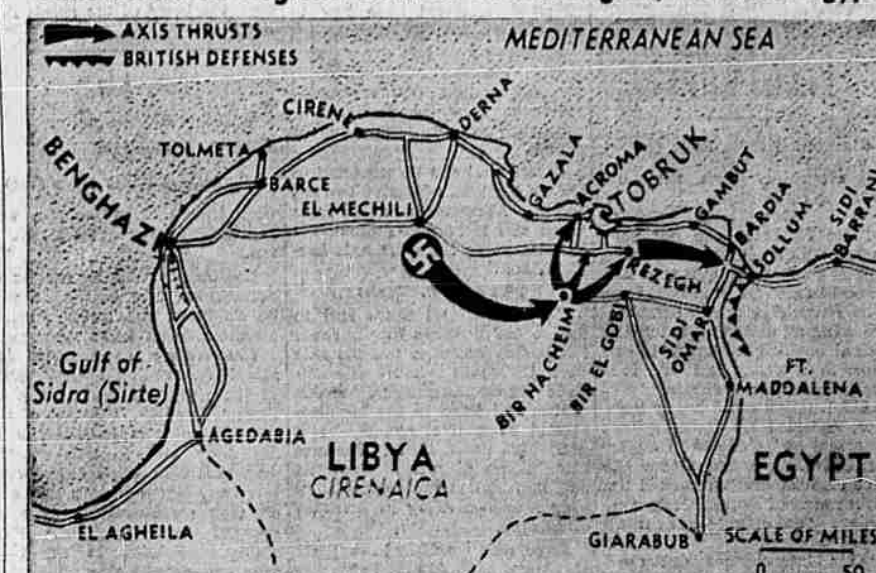
Twenty-one men and the captain took to a lifeboat, and nine as the submarine continued the shelling. The boat made land at noon the next day, and the men on the raft were picked up by a small patrol vessel and taken to a Caribbean port.

A single torpedo from an axis sub sank the Norwegian ship in (Continued on Page Two)

Civilian Defense Practice Postponed

No practice "incident" will be held by the Citizens' Defense council either tonight or Saturday night. It was announced. The next emergency practice will take place Wednesday evening, June 24.

Axis Armored Legions Encircle Tobruk Again, Threaten Egypt



Mapped here is how Col. Gen. Erwin Rommel's axis armored columns have succeeded in encircling Tobruk again, driving the main British body to the border and placed the siege city of Tobruk in grave peril. A drive eastward toward the Egyptian frontier is threatened.

Molotov Underlines Urgency Of Second European Front

MOSCOW, June 19 (AP)—Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov underlined anew the "urgent task" of creating a second European front in 1942 before the supreme soviet last night and expressed the hope that "our common enemy will soon experience to his cost the results of the ever-growing military collaboration" of the Soviet Union, Britain and the United States.

Home from his historic meetings in London and Washington, Molotov presented to the supreme soviet the 20-year mutual assistance treaty he negotiated in London and received its ceremonial approval. With Premier Joseph Stalin watching and occasionally nodding agreement, Molotov said the treaty consolidated "stable Russian relations" into a "stable alliance" for the war and the post-war period.

The foreign commissar told of the "serious attention" being given to the question of a second front in London and Washington and said that in the second half of 1942 "deliveries of munitions and supplies to the USSR by the allies will be increased and accelerated."

"This is confirmed above all," he said, "by the increasing dimensions of the deliveries from the United States."

Molotov said the significance of the understanding he reached in Washington was not only in the "recognition of the fact of a fighting collaboration" between the two nations, but also in the provisions for "coordinated action."

Japs Make New Advances South From Kwangfeng

CHUNGKING, June 19 (AP)—The Japanese threat of overland invasion of Fukien province in a smash south from eastern Kwang increased tonight as the Chinese high command disclosed that the invaders have made new advances south from Kwangfeng.

A communique reported fighting at many different points in Kwang province, as well as in Chekiang, to the east, while the Chinese strove to disrupt Japanese communications.

The Chinese were said to have recaptured Kinki, 80 miles south of the Japanese Kiangsi base at Nanchang, thus checking one of the invaders' thrusts toward Fukien.

The high command added that "the siege of Nanchang continues" and said the defenders of the Japanese base were being pressed hard and suffering heavy casualties. (Nanchang has been under attack for more than a week by the Chinese who have driven near the city from the west in an effort to divert Japanese pressure from the south and southeast.)

TWO DIE IN CRASH

SANTA ANA, Calif., June 19 (AP)—Two air force pilots were killed yesterday when their pursuit planes collided in mid-air and crashed on a routine training flight five miles west of here.

CHURCHILL HELD SEEKING HELP IN MIDDLE EAST

Hit - Run Commando Raids on Europe May Grow

By ROBERT BUNNELLE

LONDON, June 19 (AP)—One of the main purposes of Prime Minister Churchill's current visit to Washington is believed in some quarters to be enlistment of additional United States help in holding the middle east against expected German thrusts from Libya toward Egypt and from the Russian Ukraine into the Caucasus.

The extreme gravity of the Libyan-Egyptian situation was viewed today by competent sources as likely to postpone until 1943 any really big United Nations land offensive in western Europe, although commando raids may be increased.

The hit-and-run raids would meet the clamor for a second European front now—something which the British man-in-the-street hopes will result from Churchill's newest Washington visit.

Strategists know that Egypt must be held if the allies are to bar Hitler from the middle east oil fields and they know that it is the main bastion against nazt union with the Japanese somewhere east of Suez for a sharing of the riches of the Indies and a cutting of allied supply lines to southern Russia.

The presence of American army bombers and other war equipment in this theatre proves President Roosevelt's regard for the importance of Egypt and the Suez canal, just as the successes of the axis Libyan commander, Marshal Rommel, prove that the present forces in the middle east still are not enough for safety.

From a purely military standpoint Rommel's success means: 1. The British may have to (Continued on Page Two)

Local Labor Decision Bared; Huddle Planned

The balance of the war labor board decision No. 80, governing CIO workers' labor hours and vacations in the Klamath area, was in the hands of employer and union officials today but both groups said it would take a joint huddle to interpret it to a previous basin agreement.

The decision two weeks ago awarded 4500 CIO millworkers from McCloud to Bend a 74-cent per hour pay increase, but held off settlement on hours of work and vacation issues. The WLB ruling applies to CIO-employer negotiations in the fir belt of Washington but representatives of the Pine Industrial Relations committee and the CIO here agreed to abide by it.

M. T. Owre, secretary-manager of the PIRC, said that the groups will meet again Tuesday to clarify the decision as it applies to the local situation.

George Brown, chief district representative of the CIO in the Klamath area, said that he would withhold comment until final settlement was made Tuesday. He said that many of the provisions require joint study and discussion by both groups.

Baseball NATIONAL LEAGUE

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