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AXIS DRIVE ON SUEZ HELD COMING

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
TO understand the news today, one has to do a lot of reading between the lines and guessing at conclusions.

WE know that Churchill is in Washington. We don't know why. We can only guess, basing our guesses on surface hints in the news and our general knowledge of the situation.

For example: The axis crowd is probably up to something. We don't know just what. But it is likely to be SOMETHING BIG.

WHEN (and if) the blow falls, decisions will have to be made as to how best to meet it. These decisions will have to be made QUICKLY if the counter-measures decided upon are to be effective.

SECRETLY if the enemy is not to know our plans. (The radio-phones from Washington to London can be TAPPED.)

ROOSEVELT and Churchill will make the decisions (in broad outline, with the military men giving advice and filling in details.)

So Churchill comes to Washington, where he and Roosevelt can be in constant and SECRET communication. It is only a guess. Take it or leave it.

THE British public is worried about Libya. It doesn't know what is wrong, but suspects that SOMETHING is. So it is clamoring for an investigation by parliament.

This SURFACE HINT is contained in the news: "The black day for the Eighth Army (the British army in Libya) was a week ago today when a strong force of British tanks FELL INTO AN AMBUSH before German 88-millimeter guns. This CHANGED THE COURSE of the Libyan campaign."

THE dispatch, which comes from Cairo, explains that a British division was in trouble. A radio message called for help. British reinforcements responding to the message and going to the division's aid fell into the trap.

(That is to say, the message was probably a DECOY.) The dispatch adds it isn't believed in Cairo that Rommel had reinforcements for his later thrusts. He DIDN'T NEED THEM after luring the British tanks into the trap and smashing them with his 88-millimeter anti-tank guns.

IN the first half of our own war between the states, Lincoln's trouble with the Army of the Potomac was generals who weren't as smart as Lee. One suspects that Britain's troubles in Libya are due largely to generals who AREN'T AS SMART AS ROMMEL.

A WORD here about these 88-millimeter anti-tank guns. Twenty-five millimeters are roughly an inch, which means that the bore of an 88-millimeter gun is about three and a half inches. The French 75, which was long the backbone of field artillery, is of approximately 3-inch bore.

At first, ordinary machine guns were used against tanks. (Continued on Page Two)

How About Your Rubber Suit? So your last year's rubber bathing suit won't STRETCH to cover you this year's figure? Then use it to stretch your pile of rubber scrap. And do it now, because you can't stretch time and the rubber salvage campaign lasts only 10 days more.

ALLIED ATTACK WAITS PROPER TIME, CRIPPS

"I Won't Help Hitler By Saying When," Deputy Says

LONDON, June 20 (AP)—Britain and the United States will launch a great, successful attack on Hitler in the west when the proper time comes, Sir Stafford Cripps, parliamentary deputy for Prime Minister Churchill, declared today.

"We can not say" when the attack will come, Sir Stafford told a meeting observing the anniversary of the June 22 German attack on Russia and the British-Soviet alliance.

"I am not going to help Hitler by telling you or him" the time of the attack, Sir Stafford said, adding that Russian Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov, who recently was in London, "knows much more about it than I can tell you."

The attack must not fail, he said.

Sir Stafford, who was Britain's ambassador to Russia at the time of the German invasion, praised the recent British-Russian pact as the "laying of a great foundation stone for the structure of the post-war world."

Among greetings sent to the meeting was this from Gen. Douglas MacArthur in Australia: "Today the free peoples of a free world unite in salute to a great army and a great man who so nobly strive with us for victory of liberty and freedom."

Russian Marshal Semeon Timoshenko sent this message: "I greet most warmly our English allies. . . . The red army will continue to fight the Germans until complete victory."

The British press and public generally were observing the weekend as the anniversary of "the day on which Hitler lost the war." Germany invaded Russia last June 22.

The question of a second front is on every Briton's tongue. "With the help of the United States and its industrial forces added to our own and the soviet union's productive resources, we should be able to launch a great and successful attack upon Hitler in the west," Sir Stafford said. He warned, however, that (Continued on Page Two)

RAF, American Bombers Raid French Coast

LONDON, June 20 (AP)—RAF fighters, "many squadrons" strong, escorted American-made Boston bombers in an attack on LeHavre this afternoon, an authoritative source said. Four axis planes were destroyed and six British fighters were reported missing after the attack.

LONDON, June 20 (AP)—The RAF blasted the docks of Emden, German naval base, and the rail junction of Osnabruck last night in the heaviest air smash at Germany in two weeks, the British disclosed today.

An air ministry communique reported that a "strong force" usually indicating an air armada of 250 planes—was used in the operations, the first after a two-night lull forced by bad weather. Emden, which the air ministry said Wednesday, had suffered "major damage," has been hammered in 75 RAF raids. It was the 39th raid reported on Osnabruck, which had been free from Britain's bombs since last Aug. 12.

The communique said nine British planes were missing from the night's missions which also included the bombing of enemy airfields in the Netherlands.

ELK PREXY NAMED BEND, June 20 (AP)—Harvey L. Arnes of Bend was elected president of the Oregon State Elks association here today and Baker was selected for the 1943 conclave as the 1942 convention closed.



Shown above is a small portion of the crowd which gathered at the war savings and navy recruiting rally and dedication of Klamath's permanent Victory Center on the steps of the courthouse Friday night.

BATTLE CONTINUES AROUND SEVASTOPOL

Russ Keep Axis Guessing on Reported New Drive

BERLIN, (From German Broadcasts), June 20 (AP)—Bitter fighting is in progress for the last remaining coastal fort on the north part of Sevastopol's defenses, the German high command asserted today, while on the Ukraine front northeast of Kharkov a soviet division was declared surrounded and almost annihilated.

By HENRY C. CASSIDY MOSCOW, June 20 (AP)—Keeping the enemy guessing as to their real intentions, the Russians remained silent today on a German report that the red army had launched a huge new offensive against Smolensk while the Germans continued to exert enormous pressure in the smoke-obscured battle about Sevastopol in the Crimea.

(A BBC broadcast from London said the Russians had recaptured a large town on the Kalinin front in the sector north of Smolensk.)

The German report, as heard here, said Russian infantry in the central sector west of Moscow was attacking in waves with tank and infantry support, but there was no confirmation from any soviet source.

Russians Silent It was recalled here, however, that when the Germans began their early May offensive on the Kerch peninsula in the Crimea, the Russians began their own offensive against Kharkov May (Continued on Page Two)

Committee Will Not Consider Any Form of Sales Tax WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—The house ways and means committee voted today not to consider in the pending tax bill any form of consumption or sales tax.

Chairman Doughton (D-N.C.) said the committee also had decided tentatively to adopt the treasury's scheme of pay-as-you-go collection of individual income taxes through pay roll deductions starting next January 1.

In view of the committee's decision against a sales tax, the total of the new bill probably will be around \$8,640,000,000 compared with the treasury request for \$8,700,000,000. The committee may complete its work next week.

British Demand "Inquest" in Desert Defeat

LONDON, June 20 (AP)—Libya was pictured in the Times today as a ready-made second front for an allied offensive even while bitter demands arose for a parliamentary airing of current reverses suffered by Lieut. Gen. Neil M. Ritchie's desert army.

"Egypt and the Mediterranean will have their rightful place in the survey of this decisive year on which President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill are engaged," the influential newspaper said in a lead editorial.

Assured all along that success was within grasp, the British were totally unprepared for the sudden reversal in the wild Libyan fighting and for the explanation of military observers that again there was "too little" against overwhelming enemy might.

The Daily Mail, joining a chorus of newspaper criticism, demanded an inquest in parliament.

In broad terms, the unconsoling analysis of British military critics was that the British eighth army lacked what it needed to stem Rommel's thrust—foresight to gauge the enemy's strength correctly, adequate armored equipment and the skill to use what it had to best advantage.

CAIRO, June 20 (AP)—Light mobile forces of Lieut. Gen. Neil M. Ritchie's eighth army screened hurried dispositions for the defense of Egypt today and two (Continued on Page Two)

INDIAN PERISHES IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Fred Ryan Hood, 44, Dies Instantly in Crash

Fred Ryan Hood, 44-year-old Chiloquin Indian, was killed instantly about 1 o'clock Saturday morning when a car in which he was riding struck the rear of a parked truck on the city limits of Fort Klamath.

State police were called to the scene of the accident. They reported Hood had been a passenger in the front seat with Al Courville, 40, Montana Indian, in the rear was George Crain, 57, Chiloquin. Crain told officers the three had been drinking at Chiloquin and had gone to Fort Klamath in search of liquor.

As they left Fort Klamath, Courville, who also lives at Chiloquin, drove the right portion of his car into the left rear end of a Laird Freightlines truck parked in front of the home of Leon Milton Johnson, driver. The truck was not more than four inches off the pavement, officers said. The road is (Continued on Page Two)

Klamath Zooms \$500 Over Bond Quota at Rally

Four boys from the Lexington, standing before a bank of American flags, lent the proper spirit to the navy recruiting and war bond rally held Friday night on the courthouse lawn. Klamath's quota of \$10,500 was passed by exactly \$500, according to Andrew Collier, war savings program chairman.

Chief Gunners Mate F. R. Duncan and Chief Machinists Mate James P. Scadding were in charge of enlistments, which they termed satisfactory.

Biggest bond buyer of the evening was Webb Kenneth, who purchased \$4800 worth of war savings. A \$1000 bond was sold to John Panacek of Malin; Louis Mann bought \$800 worth of bonds, and Walter and Richard Beane, father and son, purchased a \$500 bond. Richard is one of Klamath's navy recruits. Earl Shepherd was another \$500 bond buyer and there were many \$25, \$50 and \$100 buyers from Klamath's industrial employees.

Klamath's goal of \$10,500 was set by the treasury department to equip the local quota of 38 navy recruits from the time they leave here until they board ship at San Diego. The Klamath men will take part in the big rally in Portland on June 26.

Lee Jacobs served as master of ceremonies at the Victory center on the courthouse steps. Those taking part included Recruiter Officer Duncan who interviewed the Lexington veterans, Jack Waits, Wesley Yancey and (Continued on Page Two)

Jack Waits, "Lex" Veteran, Describes Last Moments of Big Airplane Carrier

(Editor's note—Jack Waits, 21, a graduate of Klamath Union high school with the class of 1938 and son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Waits of West Klamath, was a member of a gun crew on the aircraft carrier Lexington, sunk in the battle of the Coral sea on May 8. Home on leave, young, six-foot-two-inch Waits told the following story. His is the first of a series told by Klamath county survivors of the battle. Others by Wesley Yancey, Norman King, Joe Rogers and Weston Watson will appear in following issues.)

By JACK WAITS as told to Bob Leonard

Considering the number of attackers, the big Lex was struck surprisingly few times in what was to be her last engagement—that in the Battle of the Coral Sea on May 8. I should judge there were at least 70 planes—some of them

German Messerschmitt 109's—in clouds at about 10,000 feet and off to port. We had known, however, that enemy aircraft were in the vicinity, having picked them up on our phones while they were still several miles away.

We were at battle stations when the first Japs were sighted. The three planes began their glide at 10,000 feet and several miles away.

They came directly in on the "beam"—at right angles to the ship—and directly toward our gun.

The order to fire came when they were still 9000 feet away and over 1000 feet up. None of our guns took effect, however, and the three dropped their "fish" 1000 feet off the port side while they were about 180 feet above the surface of the water.

Saw Insignia I could see the red circle insignia on their wings as they (Continued on Page Two)

FDR, Churchill Held Mapping Counter Blows

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill were believed today to be mapping counter blows to a desperate axis summer offensive in Europe, Asia and Africa.

The White House continued the strict official silence imposed when the strategy conferences were announced on Thursday night, but the official encouragement to speculate on invasion of the European continent, the grave turn of the war in Africa and the rising fury of conflict on the eastern front indicated to many in the capital that decisions were being made in the knowledge that Berlin and Tokyo already were sending new forces toward a battle whose zero hour was drawing near.

The allied high command, it was thought, would certainly have received advance intelligence of any tremendous German move in Europe.

Observers pointed out that diplomatic sources in London had known of German troop movements for the Russian war several months before it started and that the British had tried to stem the German drive through the Balkans with troop convoys which had to be planned weeks in advance.

Any large-scale change in German dispositions now, it was said, could hardly have been concealed from air reconnaissance or the eyes of the tens of millions of defeated peoples in countries through which the troop trains might have to pass. Most of the allied governments in London have been able to keep in touch with sources in their homeland and would get such information.

London reports that Prime Minister Churchill was seeking quick United States help in stabilizing the Mediterranean front were taken to indicate (Continued on Page Two)

Baseball

BROOKLYN, June 20 (AP)—The Brooklyn Dodgers pounded out 15 as they whipped the St. Louis Cardinals for the third straight day 10 to 4 and stretch their National league lead over the Redbirds to seven and one half games today.

NATIONAL LEAGUE R. H. E. St. Louis 4 9 1 Brooklyn 10 15 3 Warneke, Gumbert (6), Krist (7), Dickson (8) and Cooper; Davis, Casey (3) and Owen.

Chicago 4 11 0 New York 8 10 1 Passeau, Hanyzewski (8) and McCullough, Scheffing; Schumacher and Danning.

Pittsburgh 4 3 3 Boston 4 11 0 Heintzelman, Hamlin (3), Ronnicki (8), and Phelps; Javery and Kluttz.

Cincinnati 7 11 0 Philadelphia 0 2 2 Riddell and Lamanno; Melton, Beck (5) and Livingston, Warren (8).

AMERICAN LEAGUE R. H. E. New York 0 1 0 Cleveland 1 5 2 Bonham and Rosar; Smith and Denning.

Washington 6 12 0 Detroit 7 10 2 Masterson, Wilson (2), Zuber (8) and Early; Bridges, Trout (8) and Tebbets.

Philadelphia 0 7 2 St. Louis 5 6 0 Wolf and Wagner; Galehouse and Hayes.

U. S. Bombers Hit Rumanian Town In June 12 Raid

ISTANBUL, Turkey, June 19 (Delayed)—(AP)—A report reaching allied authorities today indicated that the United States four-motored bombers which raided Rumania June 12 had missed the refinery center of Ploesti but hit another nearby town of similar topographical features.

Ploesti is said to be so cleverly camouflaged that some Russian pilots who tried to hit the refineries last year are reported to have missed them.

HITLER ASKS CESSION OF FRENCH SHIPS

British Army Occupies English Section Near Holland

By ROGER D. GREENE Associated Press War Editor

British dispatches said today that Adolf Hitler, apparently bent on a full-scale invasion of the Middle East, had urgently requested France's pro-Nazi Premier Pierre Laval to cede 1,000,000 tons of French merchant shipping in the Mediterranean to Germany.

Other developments indicated strongly that the great battles of this summer were to be fought in the ancient lands of Egypt, Iraq, Iran (Persia) and possibly Turkey.

That would be Hitler's choice of a second front. Safely away from his own reichland it still affords him a battleground more accessible to his sources of supply than it does the allies, whose supply ships either must run the gantlet of axis sea and air attacks in the Mediterranean or use the longer route around Africa and to Cairo.

However, Sir Stafford Cripps, Prime Minister Churchill's deputy in the house of commons, declared bluntly that Britain and the United States would launch a great successful attack on Hitler in the west when the proper time comes.

Race of Time Balancing Cripps' statement against reports of a vast Nazi offensive impending in the Middle East, the situation appeared to be shaping into a race of time to see which side would strike first and force the locale of battle.

Meanwhile, the British war office disclosed that the British army was taking over a 38-mile block of East Anglia, the section of England nearest Holland, with every civilian required to leave the district by July 20.

Simultaneously, the Swiss radio said German authorities had warned navigators that minefields in the Skagerrak between Norway and Denmark had been widened on the approach to the Nazi-dominated western Baltic.

General Strengthening London sources said this was part of a general strengthening of German defenses against possible invasion of the continent.

In Washington, London reports (Continued on Page Two)

British Army Takes Over Block of East Anglia Near Holland

LONDON, June 20 (AP)—The British war office disclosed today that the army is taking over a 36-square-mile block of East Anglia—that portion of England nearest Holland—with every civilian, villager and farmer required to quit the district by July 20.

The only explanation given was that the whole area, including villages, is needed for training.

Declaring that there was "no story in it," one military source said the army needs such a large area for "realistic training in present day warfare."

This source smiled away the suggestion that Britain might be preparing a special area as a jumping off point for attack on the continent.

However, he did not explain why the army should have chosen as a training area a populated district where maneuvers might most easily be watched by German reconnaissance planes or actually attacked from the air.

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