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CHURCHILL VOTED FULL SUPPORT

British Battle Axis Advance in Egypt

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

WITH Rommel hammering at the gates of Alexandria, the house of commons refused by a vote of 475 to 25 to censure Churchill's conduct of the war.

Cheers greet the vote.

Today's dispatches add:

"Applause was still ringing when Churchill left the house. He stopped at the door, lifted his fingers in the 'V for Victory' sign and WENT BACK TO WORK."

THERE'S drama in the news today, even if there isn't much in the way of immediate encouragement.

REALISTICALLY, glossing over none of the details, Churchill sketches the disappointing progress of the battle of Libya.

At the beginning, he says, British resources were larger than those of the axis—100,000 men to the axis' 80,000, a tank superiority of seven to five and an edge of nearly eight to five in artillery.

The debacle the leaves no doubt it was just that started with bad generalship on the part of Ritchie, who permitted himself to be drawn into an ambush that reduced his tank power.

After that, it became a struggle to get in reinforcements—for Rommel too was badly battered and his men were weary after the long fight.

At this point German AIR POWER entered.

Malta, Churchill says, was heavily attacked (from the air) and practically neutralized, making it impossible to prevent reinforcements from reaching Rommel from across the Mediterranean.

THUS the axis' SHORT INSIDE LINES of communication, which have been their strong point from the beginning, came into play. With Malta temporarily neutralized, the axis had only to rush reinforcements over the narrow gap between Sicily and Africa, whereas help from the British homeland had to take the long road around.

Because of the length of this route, it was necessary to move British forces from critically important Syria. Also to throw in American forces already in Egypt.

(THIS explains the dash of the U. S. aircraft carrier Wasp to bring aerial reinforcements to Malta. It was vitally necessary to get in more aircraft to hammer the axis communication line across the Mediterranean.)

IT is a dark picture Churchill sketches. He bluntly admits that the battle of Libya, which was the stepping stone to the battle of Egypt, was a near-disaster which "has brought a recession of our hopes and prospects unequalled since the fall of France."

He leaves no doubt that hopes of holding Alexandria and Suez rest upon "very considerable" reinforcements that have reached and "are approaching" the British army in Egypt.

Because of these reinforcements, he doesn't consider the struggle "in any way decided."

But he adds: "At any moment we may receive news of grave importance."

HE concludes typically: "I have stuck hard to my blood, toll, sweat and tears to which I have added MUDDLES AND MISMANAGEMENT."

ALL down through history, the fate of nations has hung on the arrival of reinforcements in

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CONFLICT HOT ON COAST ROAD TO ALEXANDRIA

Break-Through Claim Of Nazis Denied by Defenders

CAIRO, Egypt, July 2 (AP)—Meeting the full fury of an axis armored attack, the allied defenders of Egypt and the middle east tonight struck hard at the axis rear with tanks and artillery in a melee from which neither side can turn back.

As is his custom, German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel waited until the full glare of the afternoon sun was in his opponent's eyes to begin his main attack.

The British immediately countered with the attack on his rear. Then the enemy, too, had the sun in his eyes.

Reinforcements of both men and material are being thrown into the battle by the defenders and are beginning to show a marked effect. The climax may come in a day or two.

CAIRO, July 2 (AP)—Axis planes raided the Alexandria area early today for the third time in four days. An Egyptian government communique said eight persons were injured and slight damage done.

LONDON, July 2 (AP)—Fighting the battle for Egypt in a desert sandstorm, the British announced today the repulse of powerful axis armored and infantry attacks at El Alamein, 70 miles west of Alexandria, but the Germans and Italians asserted they had seized that drab coastal village and were pursuing the British head-long toward the inviting green delta of the Nile.

All sources agreed on the intensity of the conflict, but on nothing else.

"Results were not unfavorable to us," British headquarters in (Continued on Page Two)

First Group of July Board 1 Draftees to Leave

The first group of July Board 1 draftees will leave tonight for Portland, selective service headquarters said today.

The men have been ordered to report to the draft office in the basement of the courthouse at 7 o'clock for final instructions.

A group of Board 2 men, scheduled to leave Tuesday night for Portland, left yesterday noon after being delayed by a Southern Pacific derailment near Weed, Calif.

Next Klamath county contingent is slated to depart from here on July 14 and another on July 16.

Herald and News Gardening Contest Draws 220 4-H's

(See Picture on Page 8)

Two hundred and twenty boys and girls, members of Klamath county 4-H clubs, have enrolled in The Herald and News Victory garden contest which has replaced the potato contest of other years.

This enrollment in Victory garden production is the largest in the state, according to C. C. Jenkins, 4-H club agent, and crops should be as fine as anywhere in Oregon when the final accounting is done.

This year it will be the Garden King or Garden Queen, instead of the Potato King. Four-H garden club leaders met Tuesday and completed plans for the contest. Leaders reported considerable interest among their club members and girls



Field Marshal Rommel's clocklike advance across Libya and Egypt has brought him within 70 miles of Alexandria. Britain's great naval base at the mouth of the Nile, Tobruk, Bardia, Sidi Barrani, Matruh and Fuka have fallen, one after another, to the axis drive. The British are reported today to be holding at El Alamein, which is not shown on this map. It is just east of Fuka, in the narrow strip of hard ground between the Mediterranean and the Qattara depression, which is low ground, below sea level, unsuitable for tank operation. This strip of hard ground is approximately 40 miles wide. Today's dispatches indicate that the British Eighth army is making a stand here while awaiting the coming of reinforcements which are reported to be on the way.

ARMY GENERALS TO TRY 8 SABOTEURS

Accused Men Denied Access to Civil Courts

WASHINGTON, July 2 (AP)—President Roosevelt created today a military commission of seven army generals to try eight persons accused of landing in Florida and New York to try to commit sabotage.

The commission was set up by means of a presidential military order, and it will begin its deliberations in Washington July 8.

An accompanying proclamation denied the accused men access to civil courts.

The prosecution is to be conducted by the attorney general and the judge advocate general, the military order said, and two colonels, Cassius M. Dowell and Kenneth Royall, will be counsel for the defense.

Mr. Roosevelt provided that the record of the trial, including any judgment or sentence, should be transmitted directly to him for his action.

The death penalty is expected to be sought by the government.

The generals appointed to the military tribunal are Major Generals Frank R. McCoy, who will preside; Walter S. Grant, Blanton Winship and Lorenzo D. Gasser and Brigadier General Buy V. Henry, John T. Lewis, and John T. Kennedy.

Landed From Sub

The saboteurs were seized by the federal bureau of investigation, which said they had

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US Naval Base In Northern Ireland Revealed

By J. WES GALLAGHER

UNITED STATES NAVAL BASE, Londonderry, Northern Ireland, July 2 (AP)—Here in far northern Ireland, at the European end of the allies' bridge of ships, this great new naval base has sprung into being in a year's time to guard the precious cargoes bound across the North Atlantic for Britain and Russia.

Its existence was announced publicly for the first time today although it was commissioned last Feb. 5 and, according to Commodore Ross Stewart, commander of the adjoining British base, "already has lifted a great burden of the convoy problem."

Where hundreds of United States marines and bluejackets operate machine shops, supply bases, drydocks and other naval

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US Seamen Man Guns at Port in Northern Russia

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW, July 2 (AP)—American merchant seamen man guns both at sea and in port to beat off German fliers seeking to slash the supply line feeding vital war materials into soviet Russia through the Arctic port of Murmansk.

This job of delivering the goods—and even guarding them on occasion after they have been delivered—was described today by Commander Samuel B. Frankel, 37, of Stapleton, N. Y., U. S. assistant naval attaché stationed in Murmansk but now visiting Moscow for conferences.

United States merchantmen carrying supplies to Russia, he said, are bringing their cargoes successfully to port with relatively few casualties despite the attacks of German dive bombers and torpedo planes.

During the past four months, Frankel declared, American casualties have not been more than 25 wounded and the same number missing or dead.

In the future, he said, losses should be even less, for the ad-

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Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE

R. H. E.

St. Louis 4 12 1

Detroit 5 8 0

Nisgeling, Galehouse (8) and Hayes; Benton and Tebbetts.

CHINA AIR FORCE PRESSES OFFENSIVE

Allied Bombers Attack Jap Bases Near Australia

By The Associated Press

China's fledgling air force, pressing its first offensive in five years of war against Japan, was credited today with a big-scale assault on Japanese military targets along the Yangtze river, while Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's armies coped with an increasingly grave situation on the east China seaboard.

Dispatches from Chungking, the war-time capital, said large formations of Chinese bombers pounded the enemy at Hankow and Yochow, in north Hunan province. All the raiders returned safely.

Hankow has served as a main base for Japanese air raids on Chungking.

On the fighting front, a Chinese army spokesman again denied a Tokyo claim that Japanese invasion columns had seized the entire 450-mile Chekiang-Kiangsi railway.

The spokesman said a 35-mile (Continued on Page Two)

Rats Here Take a Crack of Their Own at the Japs

Boo or cheer?

The traditional bomb, which will be set off to open Klamath Buckaroo Days as the grand entry enters the arena, will unfold into a beautiful American flag. The bombs, held over from last year, carry the tag: "Made in Japan."

When Fire Chief Keith K. Ambrose opened the box Thursday morning he found a rat nesting in the box.

"Must have seen the label and made himself at home!" grumbled the chief.

Germans Execute 141 More Czechs

LONDON, July 2 (AP)—A spokesman for the Czech government in exile said today that the Vichy radio had reported 141 more executions by the German gестаapo in Czechoslovakia.

These, he declared, were in addition to 115 persons reported by the Vichy radio yesterday as sentenced to death.

Czechs here estimated that executions in Czechoslovakia since the assassination of Reinhard Heydrich had risen above 1000.

Guerrilla Returns



Coffee and doughnuts taste good to Mrs. Ruth Mitchell Knowles, sister of the late Gen. Billy Mitchell, on her return to New York from Europe where she was placed in a nazi concentration camp after her capture while serving with the Yugoslav Comitadj, axis-fighting guerrilla organization.

20 ARRESTED ON SPY RING CHARGE

Caribbean Roundup Involves Trusted Workers

UNITED STATES ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Panama Canal Zone, July 2 (AP)—Lieut. Gen. Frank Andrews, defense commander of the Caribbean area, announced today the arrest of 20 persons who, the army charges, formed spy rings engaged in fueling axis submarines and disclosed information of United States shipping to the enemy.

A roundup completed June 25 included arrests extending from British Honduras to Panama.

Involved are prominent business men, laborers, night club hostesses, shipping employees, and trusted Panama Canal zone workers.

All 20 persons now are being held for trial.

The governor of British Honduras is awaiting the authority of the British government before determining trial procedure of those arrested in his territory.

A United States patrol plane uncovered the first definite evidence of the location of the (Continued on Page Two)

Wednesday Heat Hits New High

Wednesday's mid-afternoon maximum of 96 degrees hit a new seasonal high and was the warmest day since back in August, 1940, according to the perspiring weatherman Thursday morning. Minimum Wednesday was 63.

Although no forecast for the Fourth of July holidays was available, continued warm weather would swell the attendance at rodeo events Saturday and Sunday, the directors opined.

Buckaroo Days' Directors Finish Celebration Plans

Rodeo weather in Klamath county cheered directors of Klamath Buckaroo Days as they put the finishing touches to arena events slated for Saturday and Sunday, July 4 and 5. Final arrangements were made Thursday with timers, judges and flagmen and Mac Barbour reported his bucking and roping stock itching to get their hooves and horns ground into the arena dirt.

Jack McAuliffe of Fort Klamath and Gordon Barrie of Lakeview will judge the bronc busting, Orzo Brown and Marshall Cornett have donated their services as flagmen for roping events, the racing judges will be "Fat" Long, Jerry McCartie and Dan Liskey. Best reined cow horse judges are two well known cattlemen, Frank Mil-

ler of Fort Klamath and Ernest Paddock of Bly. Timers will be Bud Eatherton and Gilbert Fleet.

Patrons who pass through the gates to see the two-day show are advised that programs will be distributed free this year. The programs will carry local advertising and full information concerning the show itself, names and numbers of contestants and numerous pictures.

Donations continue to arrive at Buckaroo headquarters and \$5 worth of groceries has been given by the Fraser Grocery to the low scoring man in the bareback riding.

First entry in the bronc riding is local buckaroo Ned Jones, officials said.

Usual donation of six pair of (Continued on Page Two)

DARK PICTURE SKETCHED OF EGYPT BATTLE

Hope of Victory Put On Reinforcements In Progress

LONDON, July 2 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill won an overwhelming vote of confidence from the house of commons today after he had gravely assessed the allied position in the Mediterranean and middle east war zones as a near-disaster with a hope of victory pinned on "very considerable" reinforcements now in progress.

The vote was 475 to 25.

Churchill sketched a dark picture of the battle of Egypt. He said it had developed "a recession of our hopes and prospects in the middle east and Mediterranean unequalled since the fall of France."

To this he added, without elaboration, a statement that "at any moment we may receive news of grave importance."

The 475 to 25 vote left 115 of the house's 615 members unaccounted for.

Tremendous cheering greeted announcement of the vote, which squelched the most serious challenge yet made to Churchill's premiership. The opposition vote was the highest since the prime minister took office May 10, 1940.

Churchill had told commons that in the past two years Britain, the empire and "to a lesser extent the United States," had joined to send 950,000 men, 4563 tanks, 6000 aircraft, nearly 5000 pieces of artillery, 50,000 machine-guns and over 100,000 mechanical vehicles into the middle east.

Service Troops

Only part of this near million men had gone to Libya and a considerable portion of the number are service troops. Some ex-

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French Protest Any Action Against Ships at Alexandria

VICHY, July 2 (AP)—Asking, "Do the English want to destroy our fleet at Alexandria?" the Vichy government served notice in a semi-official statement today that any such action against the interned squadron would be considered "an act of violence."

(Nine war vessels of the French fleet have been interned at Alexandria since the summer of 1940.)

Seizing on an article in the London Times raising the question of putting the interned squadron out of commission lest it fall into the hands of the axis forces advancing in the desert, the statement said this would be "a new act of violence which the English might perpetrate against the French fleet in the course of events which are now feared at Alexandria."

Class 1-B Men May Enter Army

SALEM, July 2 (AP)—A limited number of men in class 1-B, men who have minor physical defects which qualify them only for limited military service, will now have an opportunity for the first time to enter the army, Colonel Elmer V. Wooten, state selective service director, said today.

He said Oregon will send a small number of 1-B men to the army during August. These men will be assigned to duties which do not require the highest standards of physical fitness.

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