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NAZIS STOPPED AT DON CROSSING

Hamburg Gets Heavy Bombing

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE news today is scanty in volume and not particularly reassuring in tone.

The Germans claim to have reached the eastern edge of the Don bend, less than 50 miles from Stalingrad and the Volga. They say they have crossed the Don to Rostov and are fighting 20 miles to the south, along the railroad that leads from Rostov to the Caspian sea.

They are said to be throwing in heavy reinforcements.

THE Russians, as usual when they are fighting hardest, have little to say, asserting only that the Germans have been halted at Tsimlyansk where they had forced at least two crossings of the Don.

THE British bomb Hamburg, Germany's second city, heavily, with results not described as these words are written.

The number of bombers used has not yet been officially announced, but 29 failed to return. From this the correspondents speculate (using the recent average loss ratio of slightly under five per cent) that the total bomber force sent into the Hamburg raid was somewhere between 500 and 600.

The censor permits these speculations to pass.

THE Egyptian front is still quiet—at least so far as news is concerned.

One guesses, from this that Rommel has not yet succeeded in getting reinforcements in any considerable volume. It is possible to guess that the British are withdrawing from Palestine and Syria (and elsewhere) only enough reinforcements to stop Rommel, fearing that they may be caught short by a sudden German attack from Greece and Crete.

POSSIBLE, but not certain.

They may be slipping HEAVY reinforcements into Egypt, hoping by a show of weakness to trap Rommel into attacking with what he has and blinding him with an unexpected concentration of strength.

Catching the other fellow short is one of warfare's prime objectives.

JAP activity in the islands north of Australia continues. Along with COUNTER activity by our side.

Jap planes last night raided as far south as Townsville, on the northeast coast of Australia some 800 miles northeast of Brisbane. This is the Japs' farthest south Australian raid.

Allied planes continue to pound the Japs at Buna, scene of their latest landing in New Guinea. Allied land patrols cross the Papuan peninsula from Port Moresby and skirmish hand to hand with the Buna Japs.

Allied planes raid Bougainville and Buka islands, in the Solomon group. Both these islands front on the Buka ship passage, the main shipping route from Japan to eastern Australia.

THE Japs may be cooking up a new assault on Australia. Also they may be trying to divert attention from a proposed full-scale attack on Siberia, or on Dutch Harbor.

In warfare, as in football, fake plays always have to be expected and prepared against.

SIX weeks ago the Chinese reported heavy Jap concentrations in Manchukuo and predicted that a Japanese attack on Siberia was expected some time in July. Military authorities in London have since confirmed (Continued on Page Twelve)

RAF LOOSES INCENDIARIES ON BIG PORT

Nazi Raiders Bomb 23 Areas in England; London on Alert

By The Associated Press

LONDON, July 27.—The big port of Hamburg, Germany's second largest city and greatest submarine building center, was hit hard last night by the Royal Air Force in its heaviest assault on the reich since the 1000-plane bombing of Bremen late last month.

In addition to high explosives, the RAF dropped over 175,000 incendiary bombs, and Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur T. Harris, chief of the bomber command, called the raid "one of the outstandingly successful attacks of the whole war," the air ministry news service reported.

Within 35 minutes "much of the old town was on fire," the service said. There were fires burning around Aussen Laster lake and many in the dock area.

Better Than Bremen
Although the number of planes used was less than the 1000-plane standard set in June, the Royal Canadian air force headquarters quoted a member of one of four participating Canadian bomber squadrons as saying results were "better than the 1000-bomber job on Bremen."

The weather was perfect and Hamburg, bathed in moonlight, was a perfect target.

The Germans fought back more fiercely than usual, and a Toronto flight lieutenant, J. D. Pattison, nursed a Wellington back home—about 400 miles—with one of its two engines knocked out and crash-landed without a casualty.

Without disclosing the number of bombers participating in the attack—the sixth on Hamburg this year and the 91st since the war began—a communiqué announced that 29 of the raiders failed to return.

(On the basis of losses of slightly under five per cent, which the British have reported as the cost of similar recent heavy raids, this would suggest a striking force of at least 600 planes.)

The communiqué said a "very strong force" attacked the city of 1,700,000 population whose (Continued on Page Two)

Police Pay Honor to Young Girl



A feature of Sunday's police auxiliary picnic was the presentation of an award of merit by the local police reserve to Ella May Smith, whose quick wits and efficient use of first aid methods saved her little brother after he had nearly drowned in Williamson river. Ira Sherman, captain of the reserves, is shown presenting Ella May with the award in a book autographed by the officers. (Story on page 3.)

CIO Seeks Representation in AFL Mill

In one of the most surprising moves in the history of Klamath basin labor rivalry, the CIO International Woodworkers of America today announced that it had filed a petition for certification as bargaining agent for Kesterson Lumber company mill employees, now represented by the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers union.

It marks the first time that one union has attempted to gain bargaining rights for a group of workers already represented by another certified labor organization. The AFL a year ago won a National Labor Relations board run-off election at the Kesterson mill, was certified as the agent (Continued on Page Two)

BRITISH LAUNCH DESERT ATTACK

Yank Airmen Take Part in Successful Raid on Tobruk

CAIRO, Egypt, July 27 (AP)—The lull in action of the ground armies on the El Alamein front was broken last night when British forces launched a limited attack in the northern sector, British sources said today.

Some prisoners were taken and the action was resumed today, it was disclosed.

The British renewed their offensive tactics at a time when both sides are rushing preparations in expectation that big scale action may break out at any moment.

Both sides lost somewhat heavily last week when the British pushed forward in a number of actions to seize a series of strategic ridges that dot the sandy (Continued on Page Two)

Committee Shelves Stay of Higgins Cancellation Order

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—The house merchant marine committee today shelved a resolution calling on the maritime commission to stay its cancellation of a contract with the Higgins Shipbuilding corporation of New Orleans pending completion of the committee's investigation.

Chairman Bland (D-Va.) announced after a closed session that the committee felt that more good could be accomplished by proceeding with the investigation without assuming responsibility for the action contemplated by the resolution.

Furthermore, he said, the cancellation already had become effective and it was not the intent to force reinstatement of the contract, which called for construction of facilities and building of 200 Liberty cargo ships.

AIR ACTIVITY FLARES UP IN SOUTH PACIFIC

Allied Jungle Forces Grapple With Japs In New Guinea

By the Associated Press

Advices from the insular battlefield of the southwest Pacific, facing Australia, pictured that theater today as ominously astir in an upsurge of air activity over the weekend and land action between the allies and the Japanese in New Guinea.

A simmering crisis in India evoked a sharp British warning to Mohandas K. Gandhi over his projected civil disobedience campaign.

Chungking underwent its first air raid alarm in 11 months today but United States planes took off to intercept the foe and no Japanese airmen reached the city. It was not known, however, whether the Americans and Japanese actually clashed.

In addition to the battle of China, the fog-bound aerial sparring of the United States against the Japanese in the Aleutian Islands and the long-standing possibility of a Japanese move from Burma against India or from Manchukuo against Russia, the Australian theater now is re-assuming a more critical aspect.

Jungle warriors of the allies, evidently patrols from the Port Moresby outpost on New Guinea's south coast, wormed their way across most of the formidable Papuan peninsula and over the weekend skirmished with Japanese at Awala, about 25 miles inland from Buna.

A small Japanese invasion force had been landed under air attack near Buna last week. (Continued on Page Two)

Lee Proposes Large Output of Cargo Planes

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—Senator Lee (D-Okla.) proposed to the senate today the diversion of enough of the nation's production capacity to construct sufficient cargo and troop transport planes to insure troops and supplies reaching the fighting lines. Lee offered a resolution to create a new supply board to proceed immediately with construction of such flying boats and land-based airplanes for carrying troops and cargo as may be necessary to supplement shipping facilities.

The board would be composed of the secretaries of war and navy, the administrator of the war shipping administration and the chairman of the war production board.

"Transportation offers the only possible chance we have of winning this war," Lee said, contending that Adolf Hitler had "made good" a threat to turn out enough submarines "to cut the supply lines of the United States."

"It is folly, utter folly, for us to continue to try to build ships faster than Hitler can sink them," Lee declared.

Senate Passes Pay Boost for Federal Worker.

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—The senate today passed and sent to the White House a bill raising the pay of 150,000 government employees in the lower brackets.

Among other things, the bill fixes \$1200 per year as the minimum for full-time adult employment, instead of \$1020.

70-Ton Planes? Only a Starter: Kaiser



All this talk of "giant" 70-ton flying boats is strictly small stuff, according to shipbuilding magnate Henry J. Kaiser, above. In front of him is a 12-motored, 200-ton model seaplane already designed by Kaiser engineers. And what's more, he's thinking in terms of even larger ships with as many as 20 motors and huge decks inside their wings, capable of carrying great amounts of war supplies to win the war for the United Nations. Kaiser says his present shipbuilding facilities could be switched to handle flying boats and have the 70-tonners coming off the assembly line within 10 months.

SUBS SINK TINY CANADIAN CRAFT

Western Atlantic Toll Of Ships Downed Reaches 399

By The Associated Press

The tiniest craft yet to be sunk by an axis submarine—a 30-ton Canadian fishing schooner—was disclosed last night as the 399th allied or neutral war victim in the western Atlantic as tabulated unofficially by the Associated Press.

The crew of 11, all of whom survived the attack and rowed 100 miles to an eastern Canadian port, reported that the schooner, the Lucille M. of Lockport, N. S., had been shelled and peppered with machinegun fire by an enemy submarine off the Nova Scotia coast.

The schooner, three of whose crew were injured, was the first Canadian fishing vessel lost by enemy action.

A total of 108 seamen was killed and 548 passengers and crewmen rescued in 15 merchant ship sinkings announced last week. Sixty-one other persons were reported missing.

Of the victims reported during the week of July 19-25, nine were U. S. ships, two British, one Panamanian, one Swedish, one Portuguese and one Norwegian.

Eight of these attacks occurred off the U. S. east coast, graveyard of 162 ships since Pearl Harbor; five in the Caribbean. (Continued on Page Two)

Nazis Put Torch To Village In Norway

LONDON, July 27 (AP)—Witnesses reaching Britain declared today that the Gestapo had wiped out the Norwegian village of Televaag on the island of Sotra, near Bergen, in reprisal for the shooting of two members of the secret police.

At the same time the Norwegian government here said the Gestapo had made scores of arrests in the Bergen area.

Witnesses to the destruction of Televaag told their story through the Norwegian government. They said Josef Terboven, navy chief of the Norwegian security police, personally directed the burning of the village, leaving (Continued on Page Two)

Committee Approves Naval Program, Secret Weapon

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—Behind closed doors, the senate naval committee approved today a \$974,634,000 naval expansion program and a mysterious new weapon.

Chairman Walsh (D-Mass.) announced the approval but did not elaborate on a statement made at the time of house passage last week by Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) of the house naval committee that the \$30,000,000 would be spent "for a kind of secret training and a kind of secret weapon."

The bill provides, among other things, for a broad extension of naval aviation facilities designed to turn out 2500 aviators a month and development of naval outposts, some in Alaska.

14-Hour Program Planned For Victory House Visit

Program plans were rapidly shaping up Monday for the visit of Victory House here on Friday and Saturday, when 14 hours of programs will be presented from the special Victory House equipment to be located near Eighth and Main streets.

Many local talent numbers will be presented, interspersed with special war savings stamp and bond sale features. A. M. Collier, county war savings chairman, asked the Kiwanis club to work out the program details, and a committee composed of Malcolm Epley, John Houston, Charles Stanfield, Orth Sisemore, C. S. Elliot and Al House has been at work on the project.

Victory House consists of a huge chromium decorated truck and trailer, presented to the treasury department by Standard of California.

The truck is equipped with a big electric organ which will be

BERLIN CLAIMS 20-MILE GAIN INTO CAUCASUS

Nazis Say Stalingrad Endangered on Broad Front

By CLYDE A. FARNSWORTH

Associated Press War Editor
Berlin announced today a 20-mile penetration of the Caucasus, south of Rostov on the Don, on the main rail route into Russia's greatest oil fields, but farther up the Don, in the Tsimlyansk area where the invaders had forced at least two crossings, the Germans had been halted, Moscow said.

South of Rostov, said the German high command, German troops stormed into Bataisk after a day of fighting in which a terrific aerial assault broke a path for them.

The Germans, without details, said that farther east along the Don mechanized detachments continued their southward drive. It was there the Russians said they had been checked in the Tsimlyansk area.

To the northeast German and Rumanian infantry divisions, the German communiqué said, were threatening Stalingrad on a broad front, having reached a Don bend area about 50 miles from their goal. Stalingrad, industrial capital of the lower Volga, lies near an elbow of that river, within 50 miles of the Don bend.

A vast area of steppe land, within the big bend of the Don, was overhung by the smoke of battle through which the German planes and the red air force, using numbers of United States bombers and fighters, plunged their bomb loads.

Berlin claimed that the strongly fortified town of Bataisk had been captured by forces which engulfed Rostov last week and later spanned the Don estuary south and east of Rostov.

The main railway and pipeline which parallel the Caucasus mountain range, bisecting the Caucasus southward to Baku, on the Caspian, pass through Bataisk.

There was no confirmation from Moscow for this or the (Continued on Page Two)

Spuds Futures Market Goes on Rampage

CHICAGO, July 27 (AP)—The lowly spud futures market, normally the most docile of all commodities contracts, went on one of its rare rampages on the Chicago Mercantile exchange today.

In a trade involving 3,456,000 pounds, November potato deliveries climbed 8 cents to close at \$2.85 a hundred pounds. The price gyrated wildly and turnover was the largest of the year for the November contract, in which there has been trading since January.

Traders said the relatively high price commanded by the first car of Idaho Russet potatoes to arrive here Saturday stimulated futures. Dealers paid \$4.25 a hundred pounds in the cash market Saturday. Usually Idaho Russets start the season here at \$1.75 to \$2.

AXIS PLANES DOWNED

VALLETTA, Malta, July 27 (AP)—Twelve axis planes, three nazis bombers and eight fighters, and one Italian fighter, were destroyed by the RAF in two attacks on this British Mediterranean island today, a communiqué announced.

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