

Blackout Signal

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

It looks today as if Hitler may be close to accomplishment of what appears to be the first objective of his Russian campaign—splitting the remainder of Russia off from the oil and other wealth of the Caucasus.

His plunging armies have cut the Stalingrad-Tikhoretsk railway, the last rail link, and it was reported yesterday that German bombers were already over the Volga and had sunk several Russian river boats.

ON the basis of the most recent reports available, Russia gets better than 85 per cent of her oil from the Caucasus fields. The bulk of it now comes up the Caspian by tanker to Astrakhan, at the mouth of the Volga, and thence up the Volga by barges.

Oil for Russia-back-to-the-Urals comes by tanker to the far northern end of the Caspian sea whence a pipeline runs northward some 400 miles to Orsk. Beyond Orsk, the oil is distributed by rail.

But unless the Germans are stopped pretty sharply about where they are, their long-range bombers will be able to interfere seriously with tank transport on the Caspian.

WHAT will happen in that event is anybody's guess. Russia must have a strong oil in anticipation of some such development, and it is possible that some new fields have been brought in back of the Urals. Russia is wholly secretive about her own enterprises, and new drilling would not have been reported.

But losing the oil of the Caucasus would be a serious blow.

HITLER'S plan is evidently to cut the Volga line, interrupt transport on the Caspian by means of his bombers and then go after the Caucasus itself at his leisure.

His armies have crossed the Don at Rostov and are following along the main rail line toward the Caspian. The Vichy reports today that the Germans forced a crossing of the Kerch strait this morning and established bridgeheads on the Caucasus side.

If this is true, it means that they are now threatening the flank of the Russian armies resisting the German drive south from Rostov.

BETWEEN Rostov and the Caspian, on the north side of the high mountain range that runs across the Caucasus are two smaller oil fields, at Maikop and at Grozny, from which Russia has received about 15 per cent of her total oil supply.

The major fields, furnishing about 70 per cent of the Russian supply, are at Baku, south of the Caucasus range.

If the Russians are able to make a stand at the mountains and hold Hitler off, they will have prevented him from getting the bulk of the Caucasus oil, at least for this summer, but if Hitler is able to block the Caspian supply route he will have succeeded in cutting Russia off from her major oil supply.

Thus he will have WEAKENED HIS ENEMY, even if he hasn't been able to lay hands on the Baku oil for himself.

THAT seems to be the situation that is taking shape. Admittedly it is a serious one.

But from Kuliyshev, Russia's alternate capital, comes today this estimate of the general situation by General Zhuravlev, military commentator for the Moscow News:

"The day is approaching when the red army will deliver a counter-blow. The German army is still capable of scoring short successes, in separate sections of the front, but we are certain the German war machine is hurling to its own destruction and will inevitably be smashed.

"Voronezh is turning to the Russian advantage and the southern flank position, while (Continued on Page Two)

NAZIS CLAIM SOVIETS TRAPPED

RAF Blasts Occupied Europe

GERMAN STEEL CENTER GETS FIERCE LASHING

British Range Over Bay of Biscay, Calais Area

BULLETIN
LONDON, July 30 (AP)—Thirteen British planes failed to return from day-long RAF sweeps over occupied territory in which seven of Germany's new Focke-Wulf 190 fighter planes were destroyed, the air ministry reported tonight.

By DREW MIDDLETON
LONDON, July 30 (AP)—Saarbrücken, German coal and steel center, was lashed by the RAF last night in a short, fierce raid under a waning moon.

While four-motored British bombers were delivering this third heavy assault on a German industrial city in four nights, the night and day offensive against Nazi air bases and transport in occupied Europe was continued, and other British bombers ranged south over the Bay of Biscay in search of U-boat packs en route from France to North American waters.

Calais Raid
Early tonight the RAF carried out another major sweep over the Calais region on the coast of France. Large formations of British planes swept across the straits, returning about 30 minutes later.

The Saarbrücken attack caused "much damage," in (Continued on Page Two)

10 Killed in Army Cargo Transport Plane Crash

MINNEAPOLIS, July 30 (AP)—Ten northwest airlines employees were killed when a U. S. army cargo transport plane crashed shortly before 8 a. m. today on Wold-Chamberlain field during the takeoff.

Fire which broke out when the plane crashed so badly burned several of the bodies that identification was not possible.

The plane, a 247 Boeing 10-passenger, was loaded with 270 gallons of gasoline before the takeoff. The ship, formerly owned by United Airlines, belonged to the government and had been acquired by Northwest Airlines to use as a cargo ship on the northern division.

It was operated under the ferry command.

Long, Hard War Necessary To Lick Japs, Fisher Says

A long, hard war—five years is his personal guess—will be necessary to defeat Japan, in the opinion of Dr. I. F. Fisher of Vancouver, B. C., who for 22 years was a resident of Japan and for 17 years was the only foreigner on the teaching staff of the Japanese naval college in Tokyo.

Dr. Fisher spoke Wednesday evening at the KUHS auditorium under the sponsorship of the Rotary club, concluding here a series of addresses in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

Only by bombing Japan itself persistently and heavily, he thinks, can the war be won with any reasonable length of time. The Japanese, he says, are good fighters when they are winning, but are constitutionally unable to "take it" when they begin to lose.

Attempts to win by means of counter-attacks on the East Indies, the Philippines, Malaya or

A Russian "Toast" to the Nazis — "Molotov Cocktail"



Here's split-second action on the Russian front. Tank destroyers of the red army are shown setting fire to a German tank. The soldier at the left is in the act of throwing a "Molotov cocktail" home made bomb consisting of explosives in an ordinary glass bottle and he has two more ready in front of him. Rifleman at right has gun trained on the tank to prevent escape of its occupants.

BRITISH POUND AXIS DESERT LINE

Nazi Warplanes Drop Bombs on Cairo; Damage Small

CAIRO, July 30 (AP)—British fighter-bombers pounded away at the right wing of the axis line west of El Alamein yesterday while the center was subjected to harassing artillery fire, General Sir Claude Auchinleck's headquarters reported today.

Land operations were limited to minor skirmishes and dust storms curtailed aerial activity to some extent, the daily communiqué said.

Two axis planes were reported shot down over the island of Malta by British fighters which forced a formation of enemy bombers to jettison their bombs. Air activity over the island also was on a reduced scale, the British said.

Axis warplanes were over Cairo early this morning, dropping bombs which the Egyptian interior ministry said caused one fatality and "slight damage to property."

Air raid warnings also were sounded in the Suez canal area and in some provinces in upper and lower Egypt, the ministry said.

Victory House Will Arrive This Evening

The chromium, plastic and steel mobile Victory House will arrive in Klamath Falls Thursday evening, and will be set up at Eighth and Main streets for the Victory Quota days programs set for Friday and Saturday.

These programs will start at noon and run through each afternoon of the two days. Evening programs will start at 8 o'clock.

Standard of California, which is presenting Victory House to the treasury department to help boost war savings, took delivery on the unique equipment at Los Angeles this week and its first public showing will be at Klamath Falls.

The Klamath Kiwanis club has arranged the entertainment program, featuring many local acts. Music on the big Victory House electric organ will form a background for the program, while many special music features will be provided by local talent, as well as dances, skits and other numbers.

Persons who have consented to participate in the entertainment were asked to present themselves at the Victory House platform, on Eighth between Pine and Main streets, at least a few minutes prior to the time they are scheduled to go on the program.

Grew Declines To Speak to Jap Ambassador

LOURENÇO MARQUES, Portuguese East Africa, July 24 (Delayed) (AP)—Joseph Clark Grew, homeward bound from his mission as United States ambassador to Japan, firmly declined to speak to either Japanese Ambassador Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura or Special Envoy Saburo Kurusu while the three were in this port, it was disclosed today.

They had one brief, wordless encounter on the dock, while Americans were moving from the Asama Maru, which had brought them from Japan for exchange and repatriation, to the Swedish liner Gripsholm. The Japanese were changing in the other direction.

Nomura indicated he wanted to exchange greetings, but Grew merely touched his hat and walked on.

SUGAR SIGN-UP

All those who have not previously made application for sugar rationing may do so at the county rationing offices Friday from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., it was announced by Effie Garcelon, clerk.

STIMSON RAPS APPEALS FOR HARVEST LEAVES

Interference With Military Growth Must Stop, He Says

WASHINGTON, July 30 (AP)—Every interference with the rapid and efficient preparation of the armed forces for combat must be halted at once, Secretary Stimson said today in response to appeals for furlough of military personnel during the harvest season.

Exceptions to this policy, he said in a letter to Senator Nye (R-N.D.), were being confined to cases of extreme emergency, and excessive furloughs or leaves would "prejudice the progressive growth of our military power."

"If it should develop that the American people are confronted with a food emergency which cannot be met by the existing surpluses," Stimson added, "the use of military personnel may be considered, but only if all sources of harvest labor have been exhausted and the military personnel is employed as units and not as individuals."

Stimson wrote Nye that his department was being "besieged" with requests for release and furlough of soldiers on various grounds but that American participation in the war had brought a responsibility demanding rigid adherence to the objective of developing, in the (Continued on Page Two)

Ambrose Urges Burning of Dry Weeds

"A menace to lives and property exists in every lot where dry weeds have been allowed to remain standing," said Fire Chief Keith K. Ambrose in a statement today, made in response to many inquiries and requests in connection with the weed burning program being carried on by his department.

He pointed out that in addition to the normal hazard dry weeds present, there is now the possibility of their providing a tinder box for incendiary bombs, and as a common-sense defense measure, they should be eliminated as soon as possible.

His department, he said, is doing all it can as quickly as it can with the man power available. Crews of firemen, working on their own time, have been burning off strips back of Hot Springs (Continued on Page Two)

Shipbuilders Ready to Build Planes, Kaiser Says

WASHINGTON, July 30 (AP)—Henry J. Kaiser advised congress today an order from the government was all the nation's shipbuilders needed to launch them on the construction of giant cargo planes to speed the war effort and break the submarine menace.

The heavy-set, bald-topped Oakland, Calif., shipbuilder told a senate defense investigating committee that he was awaiting a signal to convert part of his facilities to cargo plane construction and that the big steel companies would "rise to the occasion" if requested to make similar conversions.

Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson said at his press conference that any program for stepped-up production of cargo planes would have to be considered in the light of a continuing urgent need for combat aircraft. "We need all types of planes," Patterson said, "but we still have

Bombs on Buna



Japs advancing in the Buna area of Australian Papua were hit by a hail of bombs from allied fliers. Map shows area of new Jap thrusts on New Guinea island.

BOMBERS SCORE HIT ON JAP DESTROYER

Port Moresby, Darwin Get Light Raids; No Casualties

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, July 30 (AP)—Allied bombers hit a Japanese destroyer squarely off Gona Mission, on New Guinea's Papuan peninsula coast, and left the warship wreathed in smoke and scurrying toward shore, apparently for beaching, a headquarters communiqué announced today.

It was the fourth enemy ship accounted for by allied airmen since the Japanese thrust their invasion force down the coast to gain their foothold last Wednesday, some 110 miles from the allied base at Port Moresby on the opposite shore of the Papuan peninsula. In previous attacks three enemy transports were knocked out.

There was no immediate explanation whether the destroyer was alone or accompanying transports bearing additional troops to the enemy base.

Allied planes made a destructive night raid on Gona Mission and destroyed an enemy pursuit plane in an air fight while skirmishing continued among allied and Japanese advance units in the Kokoda area, about midway between Port Moresby and Gona Mission.

The Japanese made three light night raids upon Port Moresby and sent two small formations over Darwin, northern Australian coastal city, early today. The communiqué said there were neither casualties nor damage at either place.

17 EXECUTED

VICHY, Unoccupied France, July 30 (AP)—Dispatches from Paris reported the execution today of 17 persons at Champignelles near Nancy in occupied northeastern France. They were accused of being communists.

LAST MAJOR RAIL LINE TO CAUCASUS CUT

Kerch Strait Crossed, Vichy Reports; Stalingrad Holds

By ROGER D. GREENE
Associated Press War Editor
Adolf Hitler's invasion armies, racing toward the Caspian sea, reported today they had cut the last major rail line to the Caucasus oil fields, while in the north the Russians declared they had beaten off all German attempts to hammer wedges into soviet lines above Stalingrad.

A Vichy (French) radio broadcast heard in London reported that German troops from the Crimea had crossed the narrow Kerch strait and landed at dawn today on the Taman peninsula of the Caucasus.

Such a movement would seriously endanger Russian forces stubbornly fighting to hold the German drive south into the Caucasus from Rostov.

Meanwhile, amid widespread agitation for an allied invasion of western Europe, Sir Stafford Cripps again told parliament in London that plans regarding a second front could not be divulged.

London newspapers mentioned Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. army chief of staff, as a possible allied generalissimo for a second front.

In the soviet campaign, the situation appeared to be growing rapidly more acute in the northern Caucasus, where the Russians acknowledged fresh Nazi advances at several points.

The German high command asserted broadly that the Russian line of retreat to the east had been cut off in the great Don river bend, but gave no details.

Red Reserves
Front-line dispatches said Marshal Semeon Timoshenko was rushing huge reserves of manpower into the struggle, while Nazi prisoners were quoted as saying that the Germans were forced to shift troops from other sectors of the front to bolster the Don river offensive.

A mid-day bulletin from soviet headquarters indicated that the Germans, hurling waves of 40 to 50 tanks into a (Continued on Page Two)

Induced Savings Plan Deserves Study, Report

WASHINGTON, July 30 (AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau said today that a plan of induced savings, advocated by Senator George (D-Ga.), "is a plan that deserves study."

Under George's plan, additional high income taxes would be imposed on individuals, but the special tax money would be invested in government securities and be refunded to the taxpayers with interest after the war.

The secretary hastened to add that he did not mean to imply that he was endorsing the George plan, and explained, "Senator George is chairman of the senate finance committee, and anything he has to say about taxes must be considered more seriously than something any other senator might say."

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