

IT'S OUR FIGHT-LET'S PUT ALL THE SCRAP WE'VE GOT INTO IT! DO IT TODAY!

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One 5-minute blast on sirens and whistles is the signal for a blackout in Klamath Falls. Another long blast, during a blackout, is a signal for all-clear. In precautionary periods, watch your street lights.

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U. S. PLANES BAG 10 JAP SHIPS

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

It is hard to escape the conclusion today that we are witnessing the beginning of the end at Stalingrad.

THE Russians acknowledge that the Germans, throwing in "several tens of divisions," have broken into the city's northwest outskirts. Izvestia (Russian newspaper) says: "Von Bock has sent perhaps 300,000 to 450,000 troops, led by tanks and supported by swarms of dive bombers, crashing through Stalingrad's northwest gates."

Moscow dispatches relate that "hordes" of German reserves are moving up to replace the fallen, some arriving in transport planes landing immediately outside the city.

THE picture of the last days at Sevastopol is apparently being reproduced at Stalingrad. And in the same way—the Germans, exerting maximum force at the chosen point, overwhelming the defenders.

AFTER the fall of Stalingrad what? No outsider can answer that question with any assurance. We on the outside can only guess.

THE fall of Stalingrad may be the token the Japs have been waiting for. They may immediately start something they have promised Hitler to start as soon as he takes the metropolis of the lower Volga.

They may NOT. This writer has the feeling the Japs are fighting their own war and will co-operate with Hitler only when such co-operation serves their own purposes.

BUT we can only wait and see.

THERE is no oil at Stalingrad. The oil is in the Caucasus—most of it south of the Caucasus range. Only 15 per cent of the Russian supply is in the two fields north of the mountains.

Presumably a determined effort will be made to hold the great Baku fields to the south. Churchill told us a while back about the British Tenth army in Iran and Iraq which might have to support the Russians.

Your map will indicate that this army can be moved up (if it hasn't been already) to support the Russian forces in the extreme southern Caucasus.

In that event, the hope will be to hold Hitler off for the winter.

SO far as news reaching the world is concerned, the Russians are fighting to the death, taking their losses at Stalingrad and saying nothing.

BEHIND THE SCENES, you may be quite sure they have been bringing all the pressure they know how to bring on us and the British to start a second front and take some of the killing German weight off their necks.

The fact that we haven't started (Continued on Page Two)

FDR OPPOSES ANY CHANGE IN PARITY BASIS

Steagall Asks Redefinition to Include Labor Costs

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 (AP)—President Roosevelt, in return to chairmen of the senate and house banking committee, expressed "unalterable opposition" today to any move to change the present parity formula for farm prices.

Advised at a White House conference that amendments might be offered to pending anti-inflation legislation to alter the level of parity returns to farmers, the president wrote Senator Wagner (D-N.Y.) and Rep. Steagall (D-Ala.) opposing such a move.

FDR Policy Parity is a price level calculated to give farmers a return for their crops comparable to a past favorable period, usually 1909-14. Some farm bloc members had contended this formula ought to be revised to take farm wages into account, thus increasing the level to which farm prices might rise before ceilings came into operation.

"I should like to make clear my unalterable opposition to any recomputation of parity at this time," the president wrote. "In my message of Sept. 7 I stated, in computing parity, we should continue to use the computations of the bureau of agricultural economics made under (Continued on Page Two)

New Tax Bill Wholly Inadequate, Says Morgenthau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 (AP)—Secretary Morgenthau said today that the new tax bill was "wholly inadequate" from the standpoint of the amount of yield and because "it does not contain any special provisions for restrictions on expenditures."

Discussing the bill at a press conference, Morgenthau expressed disappointment that the bill as it stands in the senate finance committee fails to correct some important loopholes. Among these he listed the absence of a provision for taxing income from outstanding tax-exempt securities and the failure to require joint returns by husband and wife.

As the bill is now written, Morgenthau said, the total revenue for the government in a full year would be in the neighborhood of \$24,000,000,000 whereas the treasury felt that the federal tax bill should be at least \$30,000,000,000.

America Now on Production Upswing, Says WPB Chief

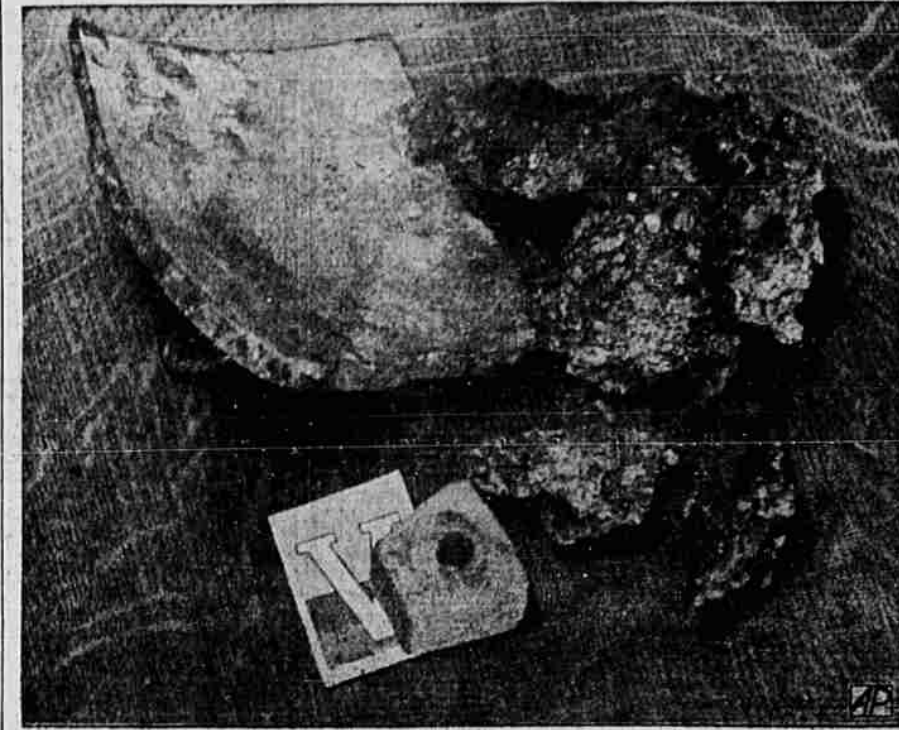
WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 (AP)—War Production Chief Donald Nelson said today that the nation now "is almost at a maximum" of production and that the output of war material in 1943 would be "much bigger" than the previous goal of \$80,000,000,000.

He told the house committee on defense migration, now studying methods for full utilization of manpower, that production would begin in full flow in January and February.

"We are on the big upswing of production," he declared. He also remarked that the maximum was "dictated by the amount you can get out of certain materials" and also was governed by other factors such as shipping.

Later Nelson told reporters that when he said the country was approaching the "maximum of production," he meant that the time had arrived when WPB could make schedules for eventual mass production in a particular plant. He said that he agreed with President Roosevelt's recent statement that at present, the country was operating at 50 per cent production.

Evidence of Possible Jap Air Raid



The army announced in San Francisco that it was investigating the possibility that a Jap airplane may have dropped an incendiary bomb in the Siskiyou national forest in southern Oregon. After quickly controlling fires which broke out after a mysterious plane flew over the area, U. S. forestry officials discovered a crater and fragments. Above the small composition object with hole rests on a paper match book used to give comparison for size. It generated great heat, burning earth into slag (below left). Top, right, is a piece of metal which was marked with Jap ideographs.

FRENCH TO FIGHT ON IN MADAGASCAR

British Terms of Surrender Held Unacceptable

LONDON, Sept. 17 (AP)—The governor general of Madagascar, who yesterday asked the British for terms, has decided to defend the island "to the extreme limit." A French communique broadcast by the Vichy radio said today.

The communique announcing continued resistance against British columns converging upon Tananarive, capital of the island, said the British terms of surrender (Continued on Page Two)

Married Men In California Can Expect Draft Call

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 17 (AP)—Married men in California between the ages of 20 and 45 can expect to be subject to call for military service in draft calls which are received in November, Major Kenneth H. Leitch, state director of selective service said today.

The supply of 1-A registrants is nearing exhaustion, he said.

Massed Squadrons of RAF Bombers Strike at Ruhr

LONDON, Sept. 17 (AP)—Massed squadrons of possibly 800 RAF bombers unloaded another huge load of explosives upon the industrial heart of Germany last night, striking at the Ruhr. In a renewed effort to aid soviet Russia by crippling Adolf Hitler's war-making machinery.

Allen Sloan Resigns Post as Tax Collector

Allen Sloan, for the past 153 years tax collector in Klamath county, has resigned his post, presumably to actively campaign as a candidate for county assessor, Sheriff Lloyd Low said today.

Low said he had appointed Max A. Saunders, formerly of the state auditing department under Secretary of State Earl Snell, to succeed Sloan. The switch was effective September 15.

Saunders, 28, is experienced in tax work and well qualified to handle the job, Low said.

Sloan, in May won the republican nomination for county assessor and faces Newt Nelson, democratic candidate in the November 2 general elections.

BASEBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE

BOSTON, Sept. 17 (AP)—After being held to five hits for eight innings, the St. Louis Cardinals landed on Alva Javery with a five-run blast in the ninth inning to down the Braves 6 to 4, and drove out in front by three full games in the National league pennant race.

BROOKLYN, Sept. 17 (AP)—The Dodgers' hopes for the National league pennant suffered a serious setback today when the Pittsburgh Pirates shoved across three runs in the first two innings and went on to a 3 to 2 victory behind Truett Sewell's eight-hit pitching.

R. H. E. St. Louis 8 10 1 Boston 4 11 3 Beazley, Polley (3), Lanier (9), (Continued on Page Two)

Stalingrad Entered

SOVIETS ADMIT BREAK-THROUGH IN OUTSKIRTS

Vast Hordes of Nazi Reserves Reported Moving Up

By ROGER D. GREENE Associated Press War Editor Russian headquarters acknowledged for the first time today that the German siege armies, throwing "several tens of divisions" into the assault last night and that a shot was fired in an unsuccessful attempt to halt a prowler.

The German radio late today asserted that "Stalingrad has ceased to be a solid block of resistance" and that parts of the city were "under complete control" of Nazi shock troops.

Unsubstantiated The broadcast also declared that German forces had driven a wedge through the city to the Volga but acknowledged that the Russians were still "offering fanatical resistance in small and large groups which military quarters in Berlin characterized as suicide."

All these claims were unsubstantiated either by the German high command or the Russians.

Reserves Move Up While there was still no indication that the city was falling, the soviet radio conceded that the Germans were "still pressing forward... sustaining enormous losses."

Vast hordes of German reserves were reported moving up to replace the fallen, some arriving in transport planes landing immediately outside the city.

Greatest Assault Dispatches to Izvestia, the soviet government newspaper, indicated that Nazi Marshal Fedor (Continued on Page Two)

Australian War Loss Includes 28,251 Missing

CANBERRA, Australia, Sept. 17 (AP)—Australian war losses include 28,251 missing in action or captured by the enemy, Army Minister Frances Forde announced today.

Of these, 7887 are known to have been captured in the Middle East, mostly in Greece and Crete, while 16,286 were taken prisoner or lost in Malaya.

Navy Reveals New Sub Toll Of Jap Ships

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 (AP)—The navy announced today that United States submarines operating in the western Pacific had sunk four enemy ships and damaged four others in recent actions.

A communique No. 128, said: "Far East: (A) United States submarines have reported the following results of operations against the enemy in Far Eastern waters: (A) Two large freighters sunk. (B) One medium-sized freighter sunk. (C) One small patrol boat sunk. (D) One large tanker damaged and left afire. (E) One large freighter damaged. (F) One large transport damaged. (G) One medium-sized cargo ship damaged."

These actions have not been announced in any previous navy department communique, and are not related to operations in the islands.

The successful attacks on these eight ships raised to a total of 107 the number of Japanese vessels of all types which the navy here has reported sunk or damaged by American submarine attack.

Raft Found on Eastern Coast; Prowler Hunted

NEW YORK, Sept. 17 (AP)—The eastern defense command announced today that a small raft had been found along the Atlantic coast of Long Island last night and that a shot was fired in an unsuccessful attempt to halt a prowler.

An army beach patrol, together with police and coast guard, later searched the vicinity but "discovered nothing unusual."

The announcement said the incident occurred at about 10 p. m.

The location is within 25 (Continued on Page Two)

ALLIED BOMBERS ATTACK BENGASI

Eye-Witness Tells of Sunday Raid on Tobruk

CAIRO, Sept. 17 (AP)—Allied heavy bombers made a daylight attack yesterday on the axis supply port of Bengasi, more than 500 miles west of the Egyptian battlefield, scoring hits on two ships and setting one afire, a British communique announced today.

At the same time, the bulletin said, British fighters were active over the battle area, shooting down at least two enemy aircraft and damaging many others. One British plane failed to return to base.

On the previous night Tobruk, (Continued on Page Two)

Shipyards Workers Hunted After Swastika-Painting

SEATTLE, Sept. 17 (AP)—Federal authorities today sought two Seattle shipyard workers, charged by H. B. Fletcher, federal bureau of investigation special-agent-in-charge, with painting Nazi swastikas on the deckhouse of a United States destroyer under construction here.

The formal charge, filed by U. S. Commissioner Harry M. Westfall, is defacing United States property.

Fletcher said the accused men were not employed as painters and are accused of painting the swastikas when they were supposed to be at other work in the yard.

Merchants Urged to Scour Stores for Useable Scrap

All merchants in Klamath Falls are urged by Nick Long, chairman of the Retail Trade Bureau, to scour their basements and storerooms for scrap metal and rubber between now and Saturday and have all such scrap piled on the curb in front of their places of business by 11 o'clock Saturday morning.

where it will be picked up by trucks. The Retail Trade Bureau urges hotels, rooming houses, etc., to search their premises for such objects as old metal beds and get them out on the sidewalk to be collected by the trucks on Saturday.

All air raid wardens have been asked to contact homes in their sectors and remind residents to get their scrap ready for the pick-up. All scrap should be piled on the curb, it was announced, where trucks will collect it on Saturday afternoon.

Residents outside of the city should call the chamber of commerce to make arrangements for collection of scrap.

MARINES HUNT DOWN SNIPERS IN SOLOMONS

Nipponese Score New Advance on Port Moresby

By The Associated Press American warplanes striking at Japanese forces in the western Aleutians and in the South seas were credited today with damaging two enemy cruisers, sinking or damaging at least eight other ships and inflicting 500 troop casualties, while U. S. marines continued to hunt down enemy snipers in the Solomon islands.

On the New Guinea front, developments took an ominous turn as Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters acknowledged that Japanese troops had scored a new eight-mile advance in the drive toward Port Moresby.

"Serious Fighting" A United Nations communique said the main bodies of the allied and Japanese forces in New Guinea now were locked in battle only 32 airline miles from Port Moresby, with the Japanese exerting heavy pressure.

The communique reported that "serious fighting" was in progress in the jungle-choked Owen Stanley mountains, but gave no indication of the turn it was taking.

Cruisers Hit Battlefront dispatches said the Japanese, strongly reinforced during the past week, were throwing everything into (Continued on Page Two)

British Bombers Attack Waterfront At Mandalay

NEW DELHI, Sept. 17 (AP)—Japanese river craft and the waterfront at Mandalay were attacked by British bombers yesterday for the second time in three days, an RAF communique announced today.

"Bombs fell in the quay area and a direct hit was scored on a barge," the communique said. "The results of other attacks on steamers and barges was not observed."

All the raiding planes returned safely, as they did from an earlier attack on the Irrawaddy river waterfront of Mandalay on Monday.

Inhabitants of Four Villages Shot by Nazis

LONDON, Sept. 17 (AP)—A Reuters dispatch from Istanbul today quoted Belgrade reports that the Germans had shot all male inhabitants of four Yugoslav villages and sent the women and children to concentration camps in reprisal for the blowing up of a German military train.

The train, carrying troops and war supplies, was blown up by Serbian irregulars on September 10, it was stated, and many young officers on their way to reinforce Marshal Rommel's Africa corps were killed.

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