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SHOWDOWN RAGES IN SOLOMONS

Army Needs Million Men

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

AT breakfast this morning, I sat at the counter between two members of a dining race. They were traveling salesmen of the old school.

Your grandfather would call them "drummers."

They went that far back into history.

THE one on the right considered himself nattily dressed, but in this age, and especially here in San Diego where uniforms predominate at least three to one, his clothes would be called flashy.

In shape he was slightly potty. His eyes were a little on the popped side. He had two chins, with a third just being born. His hair was thinning, but was brushed carefully over the bald spots.

His nose was a bit bulbous, and his face had the rusty tan caused by bright lights shining through the bottoms of too many glasses.

HE fancied himself — rather distinctly.

He said to the waitress: "Give me a dime." She was a good sport, and reached into her top pocket and brought forth a dime and handed it to him.

He said: "See, there isn't anything I want they won't give me."

The girl gave him the smile one gives to a customer, and her glance wandered on to a couple of trim ensigns.

He was so engrossed with his own brightness that he never even detected the wandering glance.

FINISHING his breakfast, he volunteered: "Well, it'll be January 15 before I see you again, and maybe not even then."

It seems he sells watches and the nutty service men are buying them so fast there aren't going to be enough left over for the home town boys to make it worth while to keep a man on the road selling them.

He explained it like this: "Ten million kids in the army and navy and every mother's son of them wanting a new watch. Just figure that out for yourself, and you'll see how I'm fixed."

Tough, isn't it?

THE other one had been on what in his generation was termed a "bender" last night, and had obviously miscalculated the capacity of his aging stomach.

It was getting even with him this morning.

He started out with a glass of orange juice and a dish of oatmeal. Finishing the orange juice, he looked upon the oatmeal with a lack-luster eye—the kind of eye one sees in a fish that has been dead for three days.

"Take it away," he said, "and bring me something else."

Besought to name the substitute (Continued on Page Two)

MANPOWER WILL BE DRAFTED BY FIRST OF YEAR

Hershey Says Service Will Look To Teen Youths On Jan. 1

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (AP)—The house military affairs committee unanimously approved today legislation to lower the draft age from 20 to 18 years.

Chairman May (D-Ky.) said he would obtain clearance tomorrow from the rules committee for house consideration Saturday, with passage then virtually assured.

The approved measure provides that a high school student called up for induction during the present academic year may be deferred until the end of the present school year, but not later than next June.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (AP)—One million one hundred thousand more men will have to be drafted by January 1. Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey testified today in support of legislation to draft 18 and 19-year-olds.

Most of these 1,100,000, he told the house military committee, will come from the group of men having secondary dependents, such as parents, and those having a wife only.

The rest would be men with no dependents.

"Best Manpower"

Hershey estimated that dropping the minimum draft age from 20 to 18 would make available 1,500,000 "of what is the best of our manpower."

He explained to the committee that after January 1 selective service must look for its

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Croatia Said In State of Civil Revolt

BERN, Switzerland, Oct. 15 (AP)—The Nazi-created state of Croatia was reported today by civil strife today, with followers of the powerful peasant leader, Dr. Vladimir Macek, in open revolt against the puppet government of Dr. Ante Pavelic.

Yugoslav sources, who would not permit their names to be used, said an army of about 4000 well-organized peasants was battling Pavelic's brown-shirted Ustashi—the militia which he organized (Continued on Page Two)

Stockman-Pierce Battle Enlivens Election Interest

By MALCOLM EPLEY

Lowell Stockman's bid for the seat warmed for 10 years by Congressman Walter M. Pierce, and Congressman Pierce's determined effort to keep on warming it, offer the only prospect for lively local political interest prior to the general election November 3.

Even that contest is still in a state of doldrums, but Congressman Pierce is now on a tour of the district and will be here Monday, and that should touch off something. Stockman's friends are warming up, as are those of the veteran Mr. Pierce, who have formed a club with A. A. Montgomery, former city councilman, as the chairman.

Breaks Jail



Roger Touhy, notorious Chicago gangster and leader of the so-called "Touhy mob," is still at large after he and two henchmen escaped from the supposedly "escape-proof" Joliet prison outside Chicago.

SOVIETS PROPOSE WAR PUNISHMENT

Hess Eyed As Object Of Red Suggestion to Indict Leaders

MOSCOW, Oct. 15 (AP)—The Russian government, contributing Premier Stalin's view on punishment of axis war leaders, proposed today that a special tribunal undertake at once to punish "any one of the leaders of fascist Germany who, in the course of the war, has fallen into the hands of states fighting against Hitlerite Germany."

While Rudolf Hess was not mentioned specifically in this passage of the Russian announcement, he seemed to be the most important if not the only captive axis adherent falling in the category of prisoners against whom immediate action was sought by Russia.

London Starled

Hess, former deputy fuhrer, has been a British prisoner since May 10, 1941, when he parachuted to earth in Scotland, bearing what both Stalin and Prime Minister Churchill later said was an overture to Britain to make peace with Germany and join the reich in war on Russia. The German attack on Russia started June 22, 1941.

Hess has long been known as a bitter opponent of communism. (The Russian proposal startled London. A British foreign office commentator said that "Hess, of (Continued on Page Two)

SOVIETS REPEL FIVE ATTACKS AT STALINGRAD

Volga City Fighting Wanes To Small Scale Action

By The Associated Press

Soviet headquarters reported today that the five German counterattacks along the 40-mile barrier northwest of Stalingrad, while inside the Volga metropolis the defenders turned back small-scale forays by Nazi tanks and riflemen.

It was the 52nd day of siege. Pillboxes Hit

German field headquarters, citing actual operations inside the city for the first time in five days, claimed new gains and asserted that Nazi bombers and Stuka dive bombers were smashing Russian pillboxes and artillery emplacements.

"In Stalingrad, infantry and panzer formations broke stubborn Soviet resistance offered in blocks of houses and barricades, and advanced deeply into the northern district of the city."

"Enemy attacks of relief were repelled and sanguinary losses inflicted upon the enemy."

"Local Importance"

Soviet dispatches said the gigantic struggle had waned to an almost static situation and reported that German burial parties were busy clearing the battlefield on the approaches to a northwest suburb—site of the great Stalin tank works—where the Nazi assault failed to crack (Continued on Page Two)

Axis Loses 81 Planes in Malta Aerial Attacks

CAIRO, Oct. 15 (AP)—The aerial battle of Malta, stumbling block on the axis convoy route to Africa, has cost Germany and Italy at least 81 planes since Sunday, it was disclosed today.

At the same time the U. S. army headquarters announced a new blow against Tobruk harbor, a daylight assault by heavy bombers yesterday in which two direct hits were scored on a large merchantman.

A lighter alongside the merchant vessel was said to have been demolished by another direct hit.

The raid was carried out yesterday, a communiqué said.

British fighters shot down 23 axis planes over Malta yesterday, engaging most of the raiders before they were able to do any damage, a joint communiqué of the RAF and British middle east headquarters said today.

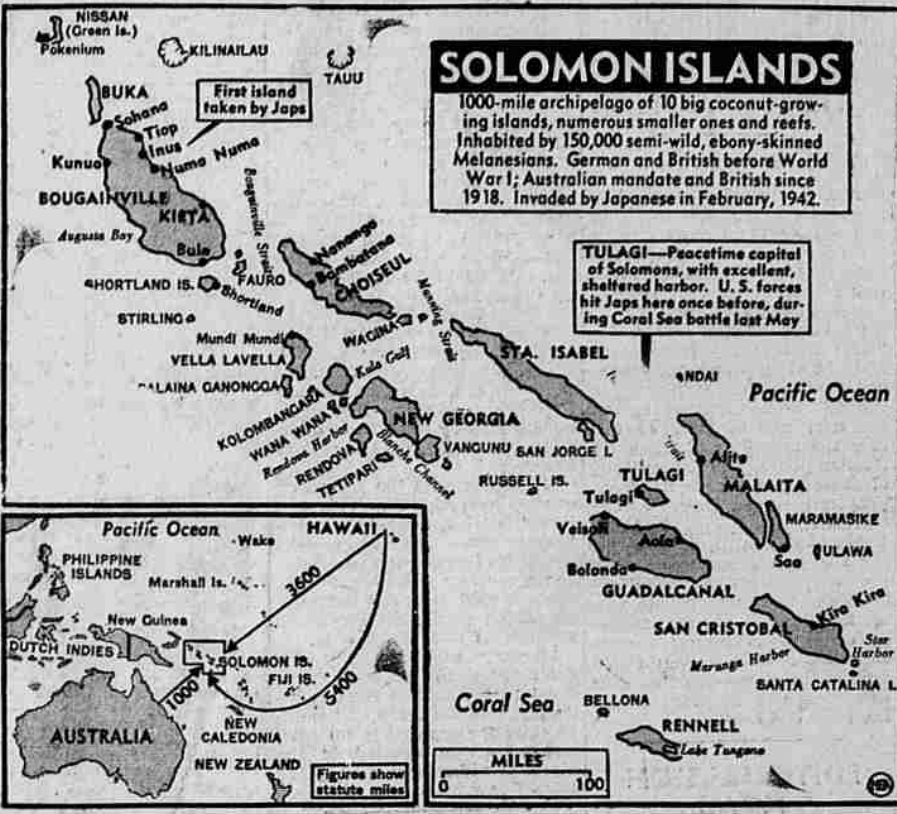
House Passes Rent Freeze Control Bill

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (AP)—The house today passed by a 378-10 vote a bill to freeze rents and rates at what he considered fair levels in all states, the District of Columbia and the territories and possessions.

The measure would authorize President Roosevelt to freeze rents and rates at what he considered fair levels in all states, the District of Columbia and the territories and possessions.

The house banking committee approved the bill unanimously yesterday after hearing economic Director James F. Byrnes testify that charges for the use of real property in some cases had jumped as much as 200 per cent.

Where Showdown Battle Rages on Guadalcanal



A third and apparently supreme Japanese bid for control of strategic Guadalcanal island in the vital Solomons was being contested today as United States marines and soldiers fought a raging battle with enemy forces on the northern shore of the island (presumably around Velsoli). The Japs have reinforced existing troops on the island and landed heavy artillery.

FORTRESSES FIRE RABAU AIRFIELD

Fourth Heavy Pounding In 8 Days Hits Big Jap Base

By DEAN SCHEDLER

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA, Oct. 14 (Delayed) (AP)—Flying Fortresses left the whole airbase area alight with fire early today in the fourth heavy pounding they have dealt Rabaul, Japan's key base on New Britain, in eight days, returning fliers said.

It took scarcely more time to do it than it takes to tell.

The lead plane dropped flames which lit up Lakana and Vunukanau airfields, flanking Rabaul's crescent-shaped harbor. The other Fortresses winged over, dropped their cargoes of destruction square on the illuminated targets and then they all came home.

The returning fliers, shaking the kinks out of their cramped (Continued on Page Two)

Spud Growers Ask \$4 Limit On Products

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (AP)—Representative White (D-Idaho) said today representatives of potato growers and distributors in five states had asked the office of price administration to set a potato ceiling price of \$4 per hundred pounds, with dealers allowed an additional 25 per cent for marketing.

The potato growers conferred yesterday with OPA officials, who plan to set a permanent price ceiling to replace the present temporary regulation.

White said the growers representatives met today with Grover B. Hill, assistant secretary of agriculture, and Fowler Harper of the war manpower commission, in an effort to find labor to harvest the potato crops.

The growers adopted a resolution urging prompt action be taken by the two agencies to relieve the labor situation, and at the same time recommended the \$4 plus 25 per cent ceiling.

DNB DEDUCES

BERLIN (From German Broadcasts), Oct. 15 (AP)—DNB reported today a series of British commando raids along the coast of France last month and said "it can be deduced that the British command intends to give way to the soviet demand for a second front and to make Normandy the scene of such an attack."

Redding Hunter Shot As Bird Season Opens

Wes Harris, 35, Redding, Calif., business man, was brought to Klamath Valley hospital shortly before 9:30 a. m. Thursday suffering from a badly lacerated left hand received in a hunting accident near Tulelake.

Harris lost the thumb and first finger of his hand, it was reported, and is suffering from shock and loss of blood. Details of the accident were not learned.

Many hunters returned to Klamath Falls before noon Thursday, opening day of the bird season, and reported bringing down their limits of both ducks and geese.

It was reported from Tulelake and Dorris that large number (Continued on Page Two)

Bulletin

William D. "Bud" Jones, 26, Shaw Lumber company employee, suffered a bullet wound in the abdomen shortly before 12:30 p. m. Thursday and was rushed by ambulance from Tionesta, Calif., to Klamath Valley hospital.

It is understood that young Jones, married and father of two children, was twirling a .45 pistol when an accidental discharge sent the bullet into his body just below the belt. The accident occurred during the noon hour outside the lumber company warehouse.

A doctor was summoned from Tulelake and immediately upon his arrival, Jones was moved by ambulance here. He is a former Klamath resident and said to be the son of W. M. Jones, Weyerhaeuser camp engineer.

City Police Observe Tenth Birthday of Auto Radios

"Car Number One, Car Number One, go to Sixth and Main streets. Accident. KGHZ calling."

The Klamath Falls police radio "KGZ", bane of prowlers and peepers, but important to the public safety and welfare, entered its tenth year of operation Wednesday, October 14.

Just 10 years ago Keith Kramer, now serving with the US navy in Alaskan waters, put together a "composite" one-way radio, a pioneer venture in the field of radio. It was the first police-operated radio outside the city of Portland, old timers of the department remembered.

\$800 Allocated

The city council, on the heels of numerous requests for such an addition to the police equipment, authorized allocation of funds, some \$800 it is thought,

30,000 SCOUR S. F. FOR MISSING GIRL

No Clue Found To Disappearance of Four-Year-Old Child

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 15 (AP)—Although 30,000 men including air raid wardens and auxiliary police searched the city last night, San Francisco police reported today that no definite clue to the mysterious disappearance of four-year-old Vivian Miller has been found.

The brown-eyed, brown-haired daughter of Morris A. Miller, a shipyard worker, was last seen playing in front of her grandmother's house in the Fillmore street district Tuesday afternoon.

Probe Reports

Mrs. Louise Miller, the child's mother, was visiting and had sent the youngster out to play.

Police were busy investigating many reports offered by (Continued on Page Two)

Sea Battle Reported Off Portugal Coast

LISBON, Oct. 15 (AP)—Explosions at sea shook buildings and shattered windows yesterday afternoon on Cape Roca, westernmost point of Portugal—and Europe—tending to bear out earlier reports, still without confirmation, of a naval battle in the Atlantic off Portugal.

What actually happened at sea could not be seen from the shore owing to poor visibility, but the action evidently was close by. Cape Roca is west northwest of Lisbon.

Sub Bags Ship 180 Miles Up St. Lawrence

METIS BEACH, Quebec, Oct. 15 (AP)—A westbound merchant ship was torpedoed and sunk last Thursday night off this summer resort on the south shore of the St. Lawrence river, farther upstream than any previous submarine attack, it was announced today.

Metis beach is 180 miles upriver from Anticosti Island at the mouth of the St. Lawrence, and 190 miles downstream from Quebec.

After Midnight

The sinking raised to 492 the Associated Press count of announced allied losses in the western Atlantic since December 7, 1941.

The ship was struck just after midnight, and 12 of her crew were missing. Eighteen others were picked up by Canadian naval vessels which attempted to locate and attack the U-boat.

JAPS BOLSTER ARTILLERY ON GUADALCANAL

Attack Believed Biggest Attempt to Regain Island

By ROGER D. GREENE

Associated Press War Editor

A showdown battle for control of the Solomon Islands apparently was developing today as U. S. marines set their guns against Japanese seaborne reinforcements newly landed on the north shore of Guadalcanal island.

It was the third and presumably biggest Japanese attempt to recapture the prize Guadalcanal air base, at the lower end of the 900-mile-long South Seas Archipelago, which American "Devil Dogs" seized in a lightning counter-offensive last August 7.

Warship Cover

A navy communiqué disclosed that the new enemy contingent landed on the island early today (Solomon Islands time) under cover of warships.

The navy's terse announcement said the landing was preceded by a bombardment of the air field and shore installations from the sea. It did not reveal whether the enemy fleet was engaged by American warships which only last Sunday routed a smashing landing attempt after smashing eight Japanese ships.

Artillery Landed

Naval observers said the fact that the enemy transports were protected by warships undoubtedly meant that the Japanese had also landed artillery. Lack of big guns had been reported one of their main weaknesses in attempting to retake the strategic base.

The newest Japanese thrust followed swiftly on the heels of a navy announcement that American marines in a two-day offensive had enlarged their gains and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.

Eight Ships Sunk

No details were revealed on the size of the enemy reinforcements, but the Japanese previously had been reported to have about 12,000 troops on Guadalcanal.

So far, according to official figures, Japanese losses in the two-month-old Solomons campaign have totaled eight ships sunk, three probably sunk and 37 damaged, compared with an (Continued on Page Two)