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BATTLE FOR SOLOMONS RAGES ON

16 Perish in Bus-Train Crash

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE fight in the Solomons goes on, with no clear indications today of its outcome. But our men on Guadalcanal are still holding. As long as they CONTINUE to hold, the advantage will be on our side.

REMEMBER the origins of this battle.

The Japs were building an airfield on Guadalcanal island, at the southern end of the Solomons group. From this airfield they could threaten our supply line to Australia — might even threaten Australia itself.

More than two months ago, we TOOK it. We are still holding it. The Japs are trying desperately to take it back.

If they succeed in taking it back, we shall have FAILED in our first offensive effort in the South Pacific. If they fail to take it back, we shall have MADE GOOD our first offensive effort.

That is the situation in a nutshell.

DON'T fall into the delusion that if we WIN in the Solomons we shall have won the war. The Solomons are only one of hundreds of island groups scattered over the South Pacific.

Guadalcanal is only one of THOUSANDS of islands, most of which are dominated by the Japs.

The fighting in the Solomons is important for two reasons: 1. As indicating our ability or lack of ability to FINISH what we start.

2. As its losses affect the relative fighting power of Japan and the United States in the Pacific war.

NAVY SECRETARY KNOX, speaking at a Navy Day dinner in New York, says: "This country is rising unyieldingly to a military strength that assures victory, but only a long, bloody, costly fight will produce that victory."

Then he adds: "For the enemy the sky is not so rosy as the FOURTH WINTER of his bid for the world sets in."

His added statement is interesting as reflecting the Washington belief that HITLER is THE ENEMY.

OUT here on the Pacific Coast we are leaning more and more to the conviction that Hitler can be beaten but the war still won't be won if the Japs haven't been stopped.

IN Egypt, the British continue in World War No. 1 style their drive to open a path through the axis defenses so that their tanks can break through to attack Rommel in the desert warfare style of World War No. 2. Today's dispatches report some tank fighting already, but apparently on a small scale.

The bulk of Rommel's tanks, buttressed by his effective 88-millimeter guns, are still massed in the rear, waiting for the British tanks to break through.

What will happen then (if the British DO break through) will probably decide the fate of the battle of Africa.

FROM Russia comes news that the fall rains have turned the Don-Volga steppe into a quagmire in which the German mechanized forces are bogging down. Timoshenko's relief drive on the German left flank is said to be making steady progress.

Admiral Standley, U. S. Ambassador to Russia, now in Washington to report, says today the Russians will hold what is left of Stalingrad, along with the Grozny and Baku oilfields in the Caucasus.

If that happens, Hitler will (Continued on Page Seven)

TANK BATTLES TEST ARMORED DESERT POWER

U. S. Fighter Pilots Bag 7 of 18 Axis Airplanes

By STEPHEN BARBER
CAIRO, Oct. 28 (AP)—The next phase of the new battle for North Africa was shaping up today in the widening gaps in the axis desert defense line, as Britain's army of the Nile and Field Marshal Rommel's invaders rolled an increasing weight of tanks into the first clashes of an expected crucial test of armored power.

United States fighter pilots, hitting harder each day, downed seven of a total allied bag of 18 axis planes, and a single member of the American Black Scorpion squadron, Lieut. Lyman Middleditch, of Highland, N. J., was credited with three of the aerial victories. Middleditch downed another axis plane last Sunday.

A British communiqué which reported "further progress" Monday night and unabated attacks on the German-Italian line throughout yesterday said the British came out on top in the first main test of armor.

Tank Loss High
"Yesterday," it declared, "an armored clash on a larger scale than hitherto developed. After considerable fighting the enemy were driven off with a considerable loss. Our own losses in tanks were light. Fighting continues."

Dispatches from the front indicated that axis tank losses already had been considerable, already had been considerable, already had been considerable.

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Coordination of Armed Forces Gains Congress' Favor

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28 (AP)—Demands for closer coordination of the armed forces grew louder in congressional circles today with influential members calling for a joint legislative committee to serve as a liaison agency on war problems.

The suggestion first was advanced by Rep. Maas (R-Minn.), ranking minority member of the house naval committee, upon his return recently from a four months' tour of duty in the Pacific as a flying, fighting colonel of marines.

Maas recommended formation of a committee made up of members of the house and senate military and naval committees, as a preliminary step toward merging the army, navy and marine corps into a single, amphibious fighting force under one commander.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28 (AP)—That joyous cry, "I just got a raise," probably will be heard much less frequently during the wartime emergency due to new federal regulations of all wage and salary increases.

Under rules announced yesterday the captains of industry and the lowliest wage earners both become subject to pay control—and even salary or wage decreases must be justified in certain cases.

In cases where salaries were less than \$5000 a year on October 3, no decrease may be made by the employer below the highest salary paid between January 1, 1942, and September 15, 1942, "unless to correct gross inequities or to aid in the effective prosecution of the war," except with government approval.

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Hans Haupt (front, right), is escorted to Deputy Marshal Louis Kaplan as he enters federal court in Chicago to face a treason charge. He is the father of Herbert Haupt, executed Nazi saboteur. Another of the total of six defendants, Otto Wernke, is at right rear (face covered).

REDS TURN TABLES IN WEST CAUCASUS

Main Russian Lines Hold in Battle For City

By HENRY C. CASSIDY
MOSCOW, Oct. 28 (AP)—Red army defenders of the cliff-sided mountain road to the Black sea port of Tuapse have turned the tables on the nazis in the western Caucasus with a smashing counter-attack which forced the Germans into a retreat that started several days ago, battle-front dispatches reported today.

In Stalingrad, a German onslaught renewed at deadly cost (Continued on Page Two)

Stray Bullet Kills Hunter

BAKER, Ore., Oct. 28 (AP)—A stray bullet apparently killed Dale F. Wood, Vancouver, Wash., deer hunter in the Wallawalla mountains Monday. Sheriff Fred W. Spence said yesterday.

Wood was hunting with two companions near Sparta. He was hit in the thigh, the bullet cutting an artery, and died en route to a hospital.

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Saboteurs Had Plenty of Cash, Testimony Shows

CHICAGO, Oct. 28 (AP)—Ernest Peter Burger testified in federal court today that he and seven other Nazi saboteurs landed in the United States from submarines last June had approximately \$153,000 in cash to finance their mission of destruction.

Burger, the first witness called in the government's prosecution of three middle-aged Chicago couples on charges of treason, said each one of the saboteurs was given \$5000 in American currency of \$50 denominations and \$400 in smaller bills.

In addition, he related, the leaders of each of the two groups of four had an operating fund of between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

Burger is one of the two surviving members of the sabotage squad. Six were electrocuted at Washington, D. C., Aug. 8, including Herbert Haupt, 22. The brief and unsuccessful job done by young Haupt was the (Continued on Page Two)

Penitentiary Terms Meted to Jehovah Witnesses Objectors

MEDFORD, Oct. 28 (AP)—Penitentiary terms were meted to four members of the Jehovah's Witnesses sect yesterday by Federal Judge James A. Fee on conviction of failing to report for army induction.

Five year terms were handed Dwight Jacob Hogrefe, 30, Fall Creek, and Clarence Chris Yost, 28, Myrtle Point. Four year terms were handed Marcel W. Mahanb, 23, Halsey, and Richard J. Slaughter, 23, Crow.

Judge Fee said the sentences would be lifted if the four would "recognize their obligations to the government that has nurtured you and protected you."

They rejected the offer, their spokesman saying, "We are not conscientious objectors because we are not of this world."

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LOCOMOTIVE CUTS THROUGH DETROIT BUS

Bodies Strwn Along Tracks in "Worst Accident"

DETROIT, Oct. 28 (AP)—Sixteen persons, including several school pupils, were killed this morning as a passenger train sliced through a crowded Detroit street railway's motorbus.

Bodies were strewn along the tracks for two blocks, and some were mangled against the front of the locomotive as the train, a Grand Trunk Western passenger train arriving from Chicago, pulled to a stop a quarter mile past the crossing.

The bus, driven by William F. Cios of Detroit, had stopped at the Caniff avenue crossing while a northbound freight train passed.

Cut in Half
Eye-witnesses said that electric flasher signals were operating, but that after the freight passed, the bus started across the tracks into the path of the southbound passenger train.

The front end of the bus cleared the tracks, but the locomotive smashed through the vehicle at its middle doors, cutting it in half. Most of the dead were passengers in the rear end of the bus.

Schoolbooks of the younger passengers on the bus were scattered along the right-of-way. Many of the bodies, some decapitated and others with limbs severed, were impossible to identify immediately.

At least 28 persons were injured (Continued on Page Two)

Yanks Smack Hongkong Again; India Loss Told

NEW YORK, Oct. 28 (AP)—The Japanese reported another United States bombing of Hongkong today—the third in four days—and said the attack was made by seven B-25 medium bombers escorted by five P-40 fighters.

NEW DELHI, India, Oct. 28 (AP)—The Japanese were disclosed today to have destroyed or damaged at least 10 ground-aided fighters besides the previous day's announced "several transports" in raids on American airfields in northeast India, but their attempts to smash these bases of the U. S. army bombers and ferry service to China were regarded here as futile.

The new figures were made known in a supplement to an earlier United States army communiqué and disclosed also that about 50 Japanese bombers and 45 fighters engaged in one attack Sunday while 27 enemy fighters escorted five reconnaissance planes in a second attack on the same fields Monday.

Alaskan Highway Opening Slated

WHITEHORSE, Y. T., Oct. 28 (AP)—Formal opening of the Alaskan highway, the great military thoroughfare connecting the interior of North America with the heart of Alaska, was scheduled for November 30 today by Brig. Gen. James A. O'Connor.

The commander of the north-west service command said the epochal ceremony will be held in the timbered wilderness near the International boundary in the vicinity of Donjek and White Rivers. He said crews working from the north and south are expected to cut the final barriers of trees, rocks and ridges by the end of November.

New Flareups on Solomon, Egypt Fronts



Mapped here is where two new critical battles flare up on Guadalcanal island and on the Egyptian desert front. At top is shown the British breakthrough of axis barbed wire and mine field defenses near El Alamein. At bottom, arrows point to repulses of Jap attacks on the vital American-held airfield on the Solomon island.

—NEA telephoto.

YANK TROOPS INFLECT HEAVY BLOWS ON NIPS

No Major Change in Positions; Casualties Light

By ROGER D. GREENE
Associated Press War Editor
The U. S. marines and soldiers on the battle island of Guadalcanal are inflicting very heavy damage on enemy troops and their equipment, the U. S. navy announced late today, and fighting presumably is continuing without major change in position.

This report, covering land fighting over the night from Monday to Tuesday, Solomon island time, said several small enemy attacks had been repulsed.

LONDON, Oct. 28 (AP)—United States sources said today that if the United Nations do not yet have air superiority in the southwest Pacific there is no question that they will have it in a short time.

The United States navy at present is greatly outnumbered by the Japanese in that area, but it can be asserted confidently that the numbers will be equalized, before long, said these sources, who insisted on remaining anonymous.

on Guadalcanal. It contained no new report of the operations of opposing naval units, now spread hundreds of miles to the east of Guadalcanal.

Furious Pace
U. S. casualties ashore, it was indicated, were comparatively light since the fighting began in earnest nearly a week ago.

Latest reports from the South seas battle zone said the conflict was developing, at a furious pace, with the results not yet clear.

In Washington, the navy announced a score sheet of 70 Japanese warships and transports sunk or damaged in the Solomons campaign against approach (Continued on Page Two)

POWER PROJECTS' PRIORITY REVOKED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28 (AP)—The war production board revoked priority ratings today for seven power and irrigation projects in the west, including a section of the Grand Coulee dam, in line with its policy of curtailing the use of critical materials in construction projects.

Six of the projects are sponsored by the bureau of reclamation, the other involving Grand Coulee.

Exception
Builders are prohibited, beginning immediately, from continuing construction or installation on the projects.

An exception is made, however, for construction solely for the purpose of safety or health, or to avoid undue damage or deterioration of materials.

In such cases, the stop is No (Continued on Page Two)

VENGEANCE
BERN, Switzerland, Oct. 28 (AP)—A Swiss newspaper reported today that a son of Giacomo Matteotti, the Italian socialist deputy who was killed in May, 1924, by members of the fascist party he so bitterly opposed, led one of the RAF squadrons which Sunday night bombed Milan, Turin and other points in northern Italy.

Partial Report Made on Chamber Probe Of Condition at WRA Tule Lake Center

Partial report of an investigation being made of the WRA project at Tule lake was filed with the Klamath chamber of commerce board of directors Wednesday and approved by the board.

In it, the chamber committee made no final conclusions, but reported findings made so far and advised against idle rumors. Any report of mismanagement or other such matters should be given to the proper authorities, the committee said. Rudy Jacobs is chairman of the committee and Fred Heilbroner is director in charge.

Herewith is the report in full: "On Thursday afternoon, October 22, 1942, Chairman Rudy Jacobs, Director in Charge Fred Heilbroner, Don Kenyon and Earl C. Reynolds visited the Tule lake project of the War Relocation authority. In submitting the following report, the committee wishes to emphasize that the re-

port is not final and is still subject to revision and open to additional study and information.

"The committee met with Elmer L. Shirrell, project director, and after briefly explaining the project to members of the committee, Mr. Shirrell answered questions put to him by the various members. The party was later conducted through the project by a Japanese resident.

"As far as members of the committee can ascertain the vast majority of rumors are unfounded and we recommend at this time that before any stories are repeated concerning the Japanese Relocation center the facts concerning these stories be fully determined and the stories investigated. It is our belief that no good can come from idle rumors or gossip and we further believe that if there is any mismanagement or any acts being committed that are not for the general welfare these cases

should be reported to the proper authorities only after, and we repeat, the facts have been ascertained.

"We further feel that lack of knowledge concerning the set-up of the Tulelake project has been the cause of many rumors. If the members of the board of directors will picture in their own minds that portion of the project upon which is located the residences, stores, administration buildings and soldiers' barracks and hereafter called the "Center" and then picture that portion of Modoc county surrounding this Center and including the farm and the contiguous territory between the Center and the farm and this portion of land hereafter to be called the "Area," it will help to clarify the situation. It was the privilege of the committee to have read to it the orders from General DeWitt's headquarters, stating (Continued on Page Seven)