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BOMBERS PLASTER JAPS AT BUIN

8th Army Attacks Again

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE news from the Solomons—scanty and incomplete, as always—is better today.

The big Jap naval force whose presence there has been bothering us has temporarily retired from the Guadalcanal area—some of the ships to their bases and others to undisclosed destinations.

NAVY SECRETARY KNOX, upon whom we must rely for the bulk of our information, says today:

"Round One of the flaming South Seas battle is over and we are waiting for the second round to start."

He adds: "I have a great feeling of pride in the way our men have met the onslaught. They have done a superb job."

"We are in AS COMPLETE CONTROL of the situation at Guadalcanal AS WE HAVE EVER BEEN. U. S. Marines and soldiers are in possession of EVERY INCH of the ground we have ever controlled there."

DON'T get too optimistic. This big question remains unanswered:

Where has the Jap fleet gone? The PROBABLE answer is that it has gone to bring MORE REINFORCEMENTS.

But WE ALSO are given time to strengthen ourselves.

Secretary Knox says there has been no interruption in our communications to the islands and presumably American forces are taking advantage of the absence of the enemy fleet to rush reinforcements and supplies to the Guadalcanal garrison.

UNFORTUNATELY, our confidence in the news we get from the Pacific has been badly shaken.

It isn't so much that we doubt what IS TOLD to us as that we fear what HASN'T BEEN TOLD, as at Pearl Harbor and Tokyo, where facts that must have been known to the enemy were WITHHELD FROM US.

With this gnawing doubt in our minds, we can't escape fears that Washington, following its established beat-Hitler-first strategy, is glossing over lack of American strength in the Pacific.

These fears conjure up visions of another Bataan, where American forces had to be left to fight it out without support against an overwhelmingly superior enemy.

These visions keep us awake at night.

BRITISH headquarters at Cairo announces today that Montgomery's 8th army has crushed a series of axis counter-attacks against "new positions" won by the British on the El Alamein front.

These counter-attacks, the dispatches relate, were directed against Australian troops who had taken "hundreds of square yards" of vital enemy territory the night before.

THAT gives us an idea of the nature of the fighting so far in Egypt.

Strictly in the manner of the trench warfare of World War I, it is being pushed forward at night and the positions thus gained are consolidated the next day. The ground is so strongly defended that gains are measured in hundreds of square yards.

The British purpose, as frequently outlined in the dispatches, is to break through this strongly defended and narrow front. In that event, it is to be presumed that British armored forces will pour through the gap (Continued on Page Eleven)

REDS REFORM LINES, HOLD NALCHIK LINE

Heavy Tanks Roll In to Battle for Stalingrad

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW, Oct. 31 (AP)—Reformed lines of the red army were reported holding in fierce fighting for the Nalchik plateau of the central Caucasus today while German attacks were repelled again by the defenders of Stalingrad in their 68th day of siege.

A battalion of submachine-gunners, supported by 60 tanks and armored cars, was repulsed during attack after attack upon a community in the Nalchik area and 22 of the machines were destroyed, the soviet information bureau announced at noon.

Tanks Withdrawn

These defensive accomplishments were reported chalked up after three successive retreats by outnumbered red army forces.

The Germans were reported to have withdrawn their light tanks from the battle of Stalingrad. Red Star said heavy losses inflicted on the machines by Russian anti-tank guns had forced the enemy to substitute heavy tanks which rolled into the streets in groups of five to (Continued on Page Four)

Husbands With No Children to Be Drafted Soon

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (AP)—Married men without children are rapidly being reclassified in the light of their civilian occupations, selective service officials reported today, and many are expected to be called soon for military service.

With virtually all available single men without dependents already drafted, the continued deferment of other physically fit men will be based increasingly, as the army explains, toward its 1943 goal of 7,500,000 men, upon their essential usefulness in civil life.

These officials, unwilling to be quoted by name, explained that the current reclassification was based on a list of more than four score industries deemed essential to the war effort or to national health and welfare.

Married men working in any of these industries and being reclassified into 3-B status, significantly (Continued on Page Four)

Stockman-Pierce Contest Holds Political Spotlight

By MALCOLM EPLEY

Lowell Stockman's mannerly campaign against 81-year-old Walter M. Pierce, and the efforts of Pierce's close supporters here to help him fight off the Stockman challenge, continue to highlight a political situation that is generally lethargic even though election is only three days away.

Pierce's recent visit here started off a campaign among his friends and supporters, principally by means of various media of advertising. Stockman, meanwhile, followed Pierce into the county, and has spent several days here and in Lake county.

Stockman's campaign methods are unique in that he avoids an attack on his aged opponent. Described by Life magazine this week as a "genial giant," the

Nazi Bombers Strike England In Big Attack

LONDON, Oct. 31 (AP)—In the biggest single daylight attack on southeast England since the battle of Britain two years ago, 50 German bombers roared over at dusk today and dropped bombs haphazardly along the coast and machine-gunned the streets, concentrating their attack on Canterbury where Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt visited yesterday.

Nine German raiders were destroyed during the day, it was announced. The London area was under an air-raid warning tonight.

The raiders in the southeast were driven off by RAF fighters in dogfights which briefly filled the sky and by a crashing anti-aircraft barrage which broke up some of the formations before they got far inland.

Several were killed, among them a cycling constable who was hit by gunfire and a soldier killed by a bomb.

British bombers, meanwhile, attacked industrial objectives and fighters hit railways in northern France, it was reported authoritatively.

FDR ASKED TO CALL MANPOWER MEETING

Conference May Map Unified Program For Nation

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (AP)—Senator Thomas (D-Utah) said he asked President Roosevelt today to call a manpower conference to plan a sound war mobilization policy that might avert the compulsory drafting of workers.

He was acting, he said, on the suggestion of President Philip Murray of the congress of industrial organizations that the president summon leaders of congress, government, management, labor and agriculture within the next few days.

Out the Window

This "conference committee of the nation," as proposed by Murray, would plan for the establishment of a

Paper and Radio Plan Election Job

The Herald and News and radio station KFJI will cooperate again Tuesday in presenting election returns to the public of the Klamath Basin.

Conserving manpower and rubber, the two media will gather returns together. They will be broadcast Tuesday night over KFJI from the newspaper office, and carried in Wednesday's papers. A special edition of the newspaper will appear on Tuesday morning.

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ALLIES HOLD CONTROL OF DESERT SKY

U. S. Airforce Blasts Rommel; Tank Attack Awaited

LONDON, Oct. 31 (AP)—The British eighth army, having consolidated all gains in its week-old offensive in the Egyptian desert, was reported today by DNB, official German news agency, to have resumed the attack early this morning. Reuters heard the German broadcast.

"For the resumption of the attack (General) Montgomery has brought up reinforcements, especially of artillery and tanks," DNB was quoted. The agency said, however, that no news of the actual fighting was yet available.

Crete Attacked

Allied airmen, meanwhile, continued to hold control of the skies and blasted repeatedly at enemy airdromes, fortified positions and other targets, the bulletin said.

One formation of allied heavy bombers was reported to have winged its way across the Mediterranean to attack Crete. Some enemy divebombers were active over British positions in the desert, the communiqué said, but for the second successive day Malta was free from air attack.

U. S. Action

United States fighters took part in a number of dogfights yesterday to contribute to the maintenance of allied air superiority. U. S. air force headquarters reported one Messerschmitt 109 definitely shot down and several others damaged while all American planes returned.

American medium and heavy bombers also were active, the former attacking landing fields at El Daba and other targets in the battle zone while the latter struck at axis bases on Crete.

There was no indication of how far the allied troops have moved through the maze of axis mine fields and desert strong points or how soon the expected clash of major tank units would come, but the general (Continued on Page Four)

Guy Schonchin Dies Friday of Crash Injuries

Guy Schonchin, 61, life long resident of the Klamath Indian reservation at Beatty, died late Friday afternoon at Klamath Valley hospital of head and chest injuries received earl Klamath's 1942 ly that morning. Auto Toll when has car plunged into the government canal bank at Alameda and Esplanade.

Mack George, Beatty, passenger in the car, was said to be in a critical condition. Four other passengers escaped with minor cuts and bruises when Schonchin's car took a corner at 60 miles per hour and catapulted over the empty ditch bank for 50 feet, police said.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ward's. Schonchin's death marks the ninth traffic fatality in Klamath county since the first of the year.

RACING

BALTIMORE, Oct. 31 (AP)—Mrs. John D. Hertz' Count Fleet upset occupation by six lengths today to win the \$30,820 Pimlico Futurity before an estimated crowd of 15,000 persons, equaling the track record for the mile and one sixteenth.



Is He Stopped? No!

This revealing picture shows Ralph Foster, the Klamath Pelicans' 90-yard specialist, exploding out of a swarm of tacklers after he was boxed and apparently stopped in Friday night's game with the Grants Pass Cavemen. A Caveman tackler here has a death-grip on Foster's thigh and even appears to have sunk his teeth in Ralph's hip. At lower left is another Grants Pass tackler who has just been shaken off, while close behind are Hembree (33) and still another Caveman. Yancey (2) of Klamath is coming over on the extreme right. Right after the picture was taken, Foster slipped out of the grip of the tackler, regained his stride, and raced on to make it 90 yards for a touchdown. This was one of five touchdowns in a game in which Klamath defeated the Cavemen, 31 to 0, to win the conference championship and virtually clinch the state title. Story on sports page.

Only the Young and Brave Can Stand Up Under the Hell That Is Guadalcanal

By OLEN W. CLEMENTS

GUADALCANAL, Solomon Islands, Oct. 12 (Delayed) (AP)—Night comes swiftly on Guadalcanal island.

And with it comes a howling hell that American fighting men create and share with the best that the Mikado can throw in there. Only the young and the very brave can stand it for long.

Guadalcanal is a primitive and predatory land. On its shores the bloodiest battle the United States has fought in the Pacific is raging and had been raging for weeks. Men are fighting with all the savagery that men who hate can put into it. They do most of their work after dark. Their implements are made of steel—cold and hot. For the vanquished there is but one relief—death.

We landed in this turbulent, equatorial land an hour before sunset and went straight to visit the stockade for Jap prisoners. Marine Private J. D. Dupre of Durham, N. C., who stood guard, pointed to them.

"There they are," he drawled, indicating the prisoners of war.

Appointment of National Food Director Eyed

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (AP)—President Roosevelt has under consideration the appointment of a national food administrator, but has reached no decision.

Stephen Early, a presidential secretary, told reporters today that he had an idea "the president will work that question out with Economic Stabilization Director James F. Byrnes."

WFB Chief Donald M. Nelson has recommended setting up an office of food director within his organization with a status similar to the office of rubber director, a WFB official who preferred to remain anonymous disclosed last night.

TAXES TOUGH OFF BIG BUYING SPREE

Burden of Price Increases Shifted to Customer

By KENNETH L. DIXON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (AP)—The nation's biggest hallowe'en hobgoblin—the new excise taxes aimed at hiking the treasury's take by \$50,000,000 during November alone—scared customers to the counters in last-minute sprees across the country today.

But the semi-luxury nature of most articles hit by the heavy federal levies which take effect tomorrow kept the purchasing lines reasonably short as compared to the pre-rationing runs on such commodities as coffee and sugar.

Under terms of the record tax (Continued on Page Four)

Latest Football Results

WISCONSIN DEFEATS OHIO STATE, 17-7
MADISON, Wis., Oct. 31 (AP)—Wisconsin dealt Ohio State its first defeat of the football season today, rolling up a 17 to 7 margin over the highly favored Buckeyes before 45,000 spectators, the biggest crowd in Camp Randall history.

PENN WHIPS ARMY, 19-0

FRANKLIN FIELD, Philadelphia, Oct. 31 (AP)—Penn's powerful Quakers struck swiftly three times in the second half, twice on intercepted passes and again on a great breakaway run from scrimmage, to defeat army 19 to 0 before a crowd of 88,000 here today and establish a strong claim to eastern football supremacy.

NOTRE DAME SINKS NAVY, 9-0

CLEVELAND, Oct. 31 (AP)—Notre Dame tackled together a second period touchdown and fourth period placekick today to defeat a stubborn Navy team 9 to 0 before a crowd of 65,000. Angelo Bertelli, Irish quarterback, counted the six-pointer from the one-yard line after a 50-yard march, while substitute Quarterback Tom Creevey booted the last-period placement from the 17-yard line.

(Additional Football Scores on Page 4)

SOLOMON ISLES BATTLE WAITS FOR ROUND TWO

Yank Grip on Guadalcanal Airfield Tightens

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (AP)—Uncle Sam's grip on the vital Guadalcanal airfield clenched tighter today as Japan's fighting vessels disappeared from the Solomons battle scene with at least two more of her ships, and probably four, heavily damaged by allied aerial bombs.

The threat of a major Japanese naval assault to recapture the stubbornly-held island airbase was dispelled temporarily even as bombing planes under Gen. Douglas MacArthur's Australian command again plastered an enemy shipping base with explosives, hitting a warship twice, setting another vessel ablaze and probably damaging an aircraft carrier and a cruiser.

Will Return

Proudly, Secretary of the Navy Knox told yesterday of the retirement of the Japanese warships from the Guadalcanal area leaving a gallant force of United States marines and soldiers in possession of "every inch of ground we ever controlled" on the battle-ridden island.

Some of the rising sun's ships had returned to their bases, Knox said, and others departed to undisclosed destinations. But he made it clear there was no telling when they would return for a stab at Guadalcanal or at American bases in the New Hebrides, New Caledonia and the Fiji Islands.

End of Round One

Some quarters expressed belief the Japanese battleships, cruisers, destroyers and transports had left the embattled Solomons area to bring back more troops for reinforcement of their Guadalcanal forces whose efforts thus far have failed to retake any of the ground the marines captured in early August.

At the end of round one, as Knox called it on departure of the enemy fleet, the Japanese, since opening of the battle of the Solomons, have lost at least (Continued on Page Four)

Navy Chaplain Denies Credit For Song Title

NEW YORK, Oct. 31 (AP)—"Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition" may become an American legend, but Chaplain William Maguire, to whom song-writers attributed the phrase, has no recollection of saying it—and he "positively didn't man a gun" during the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Bishop John F. O'Hara, head of the military ordinariate of the Catholic church in America, explained today in a joint interview with the chaplain under navy auspices that it was Maguire, a captain in the navy (Continued on Page Four)

Heuvel Warns Against Pranks

Police Chief Earl Heuvel warned Saturday that destructive activity here on Saturday night, Halloween, will not be tolerated.

"This is wartime. It is impossible to replace many things which might be destroyed or damaged. Older boys, who do most of the real vandalism at Halloween, will be held fully responsible. No fooling. Rowdism is out for tonight."

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