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ALLIES BALK ROMMEL ADVANCE

Two Axis U-Boats Sunk

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE point rationing system we are entering upon this week will allow to average Americans LESS THAN HALF the canned goods they have been in the habit of eating.

That will be severe enough to be felt.

MEAT rationing will follow along shortly after the rationing of commercially preserved fruits and vegetables.

That will be severe enough to be felt.

If it isn't it will do little good.

As the pinch of war tightens, you must keep this thought always in your mind:

We've GOT to back up our government, which represents and directs the organized might of ALL OF US, operating TOGETHER.

If we don't operate TOGETHER, we may lose the war. That risk is too great to take.

THIS is one of the earliest and most fundamental of military principles:

Ten men, organized and operating as a disciplined UNIT, can defeat and destroy a HUNDRED men, each of whom is operating independently and FOR HIMSELF alone.

The organized ten will COMBINE against each unorganized and wholly independent one who is looking out for himself alone without regard to the others, and by taking them one at a time will destroy each in turn until ALL are destroyed.

"DIVIDE and conquer" is another brief statement of this fundamental principle.

OUR enemies are tightly organized on their home fronts. If, on OUR home front, we remain unorganized and individualistic, each of us looking out for himself and to hell with the others, this time-proved principle of "divide and conquer" will be applied against us.

If it is applied successfully against us, it will WORK against us.

It has always worked when successfully applied.

If you don't like what your government is doing and genuinely and CONSTRUCTIVELY believe it could be done better, say so. This is your right as an American citizen.

But co-operate. Store up your resentments until after the war, when we can safely be individualists again.

If you read widely, you must have noted these growing references to what Russia MAY do, if and when.

She may drive the Germans to her borders and then QUIT.

She may do this and she may do that.

She may even make a separate peace that will relieve the Germans of fears as to their eastern front, enabling them to bring their full strength to bear against the rest of us.

THIS writer doesn't know where these expressions of fear as to what Russia may do originate, but is quite sure they HAVE THE APPROVAL of the German high command.

If her enemies can be divided, Germany will have a better chance to conquer.

The same goes for Japan.

Snell Gets Spud Sack Measure

SALEM, Feb. 23 (AP)—The house passed and sent to the governor today a bill to permit potatoes below No. 1 grade to be sold in any kinds of sacks, if they are used for dehydration.

ALLIED CONVOY BEATS OFF JAP NIGHT ATTACK

Five Nipponese Shot Down in Solomons Blow

By The Associated Press
Dispatches from the South Seas reported today that an allied convoy had dramatically beaten off a night attack by Japanese torpedo planes south of Guadalcanal Island, in the Solomons, destroying five of eight enemy aircraft and escaping without a single hit.

At the same time, the navy reported the sinking of a Japanese submarine by the gun crew of an American merchant ship in the Pacific and announced that U. S. bombers smashed anew at the enemy air base at Munda in the Solomon Islands.

All Safe
It was at least the 74th raid on Munda since last November 23.

American bombers also attacked the Japanese base at Kiska, in the Aleutians.

All U. S. planes returned safely.

Attack in Waves

In attacking the allied convoy below Guadalcanal, Japan (Continued on Page Two)

Tabling of Klamath Clerk Bill Expected

SALEM, Feb. 23 (AP)—Sen. Marshall E. Cornett, Klamath Falls, said he would move today to table his bill to permit the Klamath county circuit judge to appoint his own clerk, who now is appointed by the county clerk.

Cornett said the bill is unconstitutional and conflicts with the law providing that the county clerk of each county shall appoint the circuit court clerks.

Tabling of the bill is virtually the same as killing it.

Bad Roads Give Bonanza Students Unexpected Vacation

Students of both the elementary and high school at Bonanza are having an enforced vacation this week, due to the condition of roads in that area, it was learned Tuesday from the county school superintendent's office.

Schools may open Thursday if roads improve so that the six buses, operating in that section can get through. This information will be published.

Emergency Order Nails Price of Five Vegetables

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—Close to 95 per cent of all the food that goes on American tables is under government price control today, as the result of an emergency order to combat "scarce" buying of fresh vegetables.

Reaction to the week-long pre-rationing freeze on canned goods, coupled with reports of some damage to southern crops, led the office of price administration last night to nail the price levels of five major fresh vegetables — tomatoes, green and waxed snap beans, carrots, cabbage and peas.

Beginning today, no dealer may charge more for these vegetables than he did during the five days between last Thursday and Monday of this week—February 18 to 22.

Following up this action, the OPA today established whole-

Klamath Faces Set-Back in Bond Sale Reputation

Klamath county's February record in bond sale purchases will fall behind \$100,000, if local citizens do not respond to this month's quota of \$225,000.

Andrew Collier, Klamath county chairman of war savings, urged residents to dig down and meet the quota in order that this county will not fall behind. If Klamath does not obtain the quota, this will be one of the few months that the quota has not been reached.

"If 100 men or women will come forward and buy one \$1000 'E' bond, during this week, Klamath's record will be maintained," Collier stated.

STALIN CALLS FOR FIGHT TO DEATH

Reds Bearing Weight Of War Alone, Says Red Chief

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (AP)—Premier Joseph Stalin, hailing Russia's military forces on their 25th anniversary as "an army of avengers," said today that "in view of the absence of a second front in Europe the red army alone is bearing the whole weight of the war," and ordered a fight to the death against the German invaders, 4,000,000 of whom he said the Russians had killed in 20 months.

"Death to the German invaders" was his exhortation in a lengthy order of the day which he signed as supreme commander in chief.

In it he reviewed both Russia (Continued on Page Two)

Playing the Ponies Is Double Headache In These Days

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23 (AP)—Several hundred motorists may lose their gasoline rations because they drove to Bay Meadows to see the ponies run.

OPA investigators counted 1204 cars parked on the highway near the peninsula track yesterday, and wrote down the names of 240 owners for a report to their local rationing boards.

The list included 83 cars with no gas ration stickers at all, 104 with "B" tickets and 53 with "C's." The OPA said ration books would be withdrawn in cases of misuse of rations.

In addition, officials said, the records of 958 "A" book holders whose machines also were parked on El Camino Real yesterday, would be checked to ascertain whether they had been granted supplemental rations and failed to post the proper stickers.

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SUBS STILL GRAVE MENACE, WARNS KNOX

U. S. Merchantman Puts Up Stiff Battle To Down Jap Sub

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—The navy announced today the sinking of a German submarine in the Atlantic and a Japanese submarine in the Pacific and Secretary Knox said that every available weapon is being used to bring the Atlantic U-boat menace under control.

Knox told a press conference that generally speaking losses of United Nations merchantships in the Atlantic have been much lower in the past three months but the submarine, he declared, "most emphatically still is a grave menace."

Military Casualties

Evidence of this menace was plain in the navy's announcement yesterday of the torpedo-sinking of two passenger-cargo ships in the North Atlantic early this month with more than 850 persons dead or missing.

Most of the casualties were army and navy officers and men, or members of the marine corps and coast guard. It was the worst loss-of-life disaster for America in the war.

The two sinkings announced today, the secretary said, are not isolated cases but of other subs believed to have been successfully attacked at least a percentage would have to be classified only as "probably sunk." The navy still declines to issue the total number of enemy subs destroyed or believed to be destroyed, for security reasons.

Wreck Producing Fast

The secretary said he is sure that despite the U-boats being destroyed the Germans are still building them faster than they are losing them. In the present situation, he added, there is nothing on which to predicate any sanguine hopes for early stoppage or "ure of the menace."

Of the two enemy submarines announced today as having been destroyed, the German U- (Continued on Page Two)

Detectives Probe Shooting of Youthful Shipyard Worker

PORTLAND, Feb. 23 (AP)—Detectives Glenn Howell and John McCulloch today investigated the shooting of a 14-year-old shipyard worker by a man who said he thought his tavern was being burglarized.

Zenas Copeland told police he heard sounds in his tavern early this morning and grabbed his gun to check up. He approached the door, he said, and the gun accidentally discharged. He did not know if the bullet hit anyone.

The boy later was taken to emergency hospital with a bullet wound in his hip. He told officers he and two other youthful shipyard workers were preparing to enter the tavern when the shot was fired. His companions took him home but after a few minutes in bed his wound pained so much that he summoned his grandparents, with whom he lived, to take him to a hospital.

Ration Sign-Up

Persons whose last names begin with E, F, G and H should sign up for food rationing at city and county schoolhouses Tuesday.

On Wednesday, those with initials I, J, K, L and M should sign up. Rationing hours are from 2 to 8 p. m.

To Aid On Oregon Farms



Arkansas hill folk—27 of them—arrived in Portland to help men farm in Oregon. The group, part of which is shown here, was the first to be brought to the Pacific northwest under the agriculture department's national mobilization plan to aid regional shortages of farm workers.

Rickenbacker Raps Labor Aristocrats, 4th-Termers

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 23 (AP)—Wartime sacrifices cannot be demanded of "common folk," says Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, "if the aristocracy of labor unionism is thinking of more dues and more power—and the inner clique of bureaucracy is thinking only of a fourth term."

Delivering before the legislature of President Roosevelt's home state last night a speech which drew criticism from the senate's democratic minority leader, the noted flier and hero of World War I declared:

"Any administration that demands unity, must begin by setting an example of unity. Any administration that talks of 'equality of sacrifice' must honestly mean sacrifice by all, not sacrifice by the many for the financial and political advantage of the few."

Senator John J. Dunnigan, New York City, commented today "It was disappointing to hear such anti-labor sentiments addressed to a joint session of the New York state legislature."

Heads of AFL and CIO unions in four counties asked republican legislative leaders for opportunity to reply to Rickenbacker, asserting "If labor is not given the opportunity to answer, the responsibility for the resulting disunity sown by the labor-baiter must be borne by the legislature."

Meantime Senate Republican Leader Joe R. Hanley declared in a statement from the senate floor: "Republican leaders had nothing whatever to do with Rickenbacker's invitation — it was the responsibility of the whole legislature."

Rickenbacker asserted he is opposed to payment of overtime wages for a 48-hour work week, and challenged "our labor leaders" to ask congress for suspension during the war of work week provisions in the national wage-hour law. He claimed plants using an "incentive plan" have increased production one-third over those operating under the wage-hour act.

"I claim that I am a real friend of labor," he continued, "and that the men who are attacking me are labor's enemies in the same way that the little clique of selfish men were the enemies of the New York stock exchange, or the utilities."

Seven More Taken From WRA Project at Newell

Seven additional men of military age were lodged in the Klamath county jail late Monday, swelling the number of those arrested to 34 following a check-up at Newell as the result of agitation over registration for job clearance and selective service among the evacuees.

Twenty-two young men are in the local jail, 12 placed under custody at Alturas, Calif.

Harvey M. Coverley, director of the project, said late Tuesday that "everything was quiet" and that the registration was "going better today." Some 100 men had registered up to noon Tuesday, more than the entire number registered Monday. This did not include the number of women registrants.

The 34 now held in custody are charged with suspicion of violation of the selective service act. The 34 young men are all of military age. Some are Nisei, American born and citizens of the United States, and some are Kibei, American born but

FIGHTING DIES DOWN AS FOES REGROUP LINES

Nazis Stopped Four Miles From Thala Base

By DANIEL DE LUCE

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Feb. 23 (AP)—Marshal Erwin Rommel's armored spearheads relaxed their pressure in the hills of the Tunisian-Algerian border area today after a three-day struggle, unable to crack stout American and British defenses near Thala to the north of Kasserine Pass and balked by massed American guns guarding the road to Tebessa to the west.

"The fighting has died down," said a brief dispatch from the front, as both sides apparently seized the opportunity to regroup and bring up reinforcements and supplies.

Bitterest Battle

British and American tanks, artillery and infantry north of the Kasserine gap had stopped Rommel's most dangerous thrust within four miles of Thala. The Americans with strong air support had beaten him back to the west.

Until today one of the bitterest battles of the Tunisian war had raged near Thala, 25 miles north of Kasserine, in an effort of the Germans to gain the Kramma plateau.

Making another stab from Kasserine Pass toward Tebessa, 13 miles west of the Tunisian-Algerian border, a Nazi column of 40 tanks, motorized infantry and mobile guns ran into a murderous American fire on the road winding past the Djebel Hamma.

Rommel Stronger

Bombed by continuous relays of American warplanes and shelled by American guns, this column late yesterday turned back toward its rally port after suffering a "considerable number" of casualties and losing many tanks.

(The employment of 40 tanks in this job represented a two- (Continued on Page Two)

Crisis Deepens As Gandhi Goes On With Fast

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23 (AP)—Mohandas K. Gandhi, now in the 14th day of his scheduled 21-day fast in protest against his detention by British authorities, passed a quiet day yesterday and slept several hours although he is growing "progressively weaker," dispatches from Poona said.

The crisis created by his six months confinement in the palace of the Aka Khan at Poona and his sudden decision to fast at the age of 73 deepened as it became apparent he might die if the fast is not ended soon.

Prayers for a long life for the aged nationalist leader and for his unconditional release were offered at numerous places of worship throughout India. The Parsi community at Karachi met and requested the viceroy to release Gandhi unconditionally to save his life for the cause of universal good will and peace.

Over \$1 Billion Voted for Naval Establishments

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—A measure authorizing expenditure of \$1,256,607,000 for construction of naval shore establishments was passed by the house today after inclusion of a clause to give congress a check rein on land purchases by the navy department.

Passage of the bill itself, by a roll call vote of 372-0, was overshadowed by the action of the house naval committee in writing in a clause requiring that none of the money can be expended for land until the secretary of the navy submits a report to the house and senate naval committees on all "prospective acquisitions."

The bill now goes to the senate.