

GIANT AERIAL SWEEP BATTERS MASSED JAPS

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flaming ruins with supply and ammunition dumps shooting up flames visible more than 60 miles away.

The allies have made more damaging raids in this area, but never have they hit so many different points during a 24-hour period. The Japanese offered air opposition only over Amboina and New Ireland.

Four Planes Hit

A heavily-armed Liberator bomber on reconnaissance over Amboina found itself trapped by 10 Japanese fighters. The bomber definitely destroyed four of the enemy planes, probably destroyed two more and damaged one. The Liberator returned home damaged but victorious.

Over Kavieng, New Ireland, a Zero attempted to intercept a Flying Fortress on reconnaissance, but was shot out of action, the communique said.

Other reconnaissance planes over the Rabaul area in New Britain reported that fires started Wednesday night were still burning yesterday.

Attack planes bombed and strafed buildings and supplies along the New Guinea shore at Salamaua and started many fires, it was announced. Long-range fighters returning from the attack on Mandang also strafed and set fire to a Japanese headquarters and caused damage to other buildings, the communique reported.

A new Japanese concentration point was mentioned in the communique for the first time—the Vitu islands, north of Talaesa, New Britain. A Flying Fortress bombed the installations and a number of barges at Garove, on the islands, the communique said.

Portland Pilot Dies in Training Plane Collision

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Mar. 19 (AP)—Aviation Cadet Robert A. Callahan, Portland, Ore., died from injuries received in the crash of a twin-motored army training plane in the snow-covered mountains of eastern Arizona, the Kirtland field public relations office announced today.

Three other members of the plane's crew of four escaped serious injury although the exact condition of Pvt. Smoot E. Tolman, Bell, Calif., was not known.

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House Considers Deferment of Men With Dependents

WASHINGTON, March 19 (AP)—Over war department opposition, the rules committee today cleared for house action legislation to give draft deferment priorities to men with dependents and to put draft quotas on a statewide instead of a local board basis.

The committee's action was taken in executive session after Representative Kilday (D-Tex.), author of the bill, contended there was no merit in the war department's objections.

Secretary of War Stimson had complained that the measure would create administrative impossibilities for the selective service system.

U. S. BOMBERS DROP LOAD ON SUB BASE

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scores of individual combat reports were assayed.

It declared that Vegesack is "one of Hitler's largest U-boat manufacturing and repairing yards," where many 500-ton submarines have been built.

Opposition stiff. Veteran crewmen described the flak and fighter opposition as the most concentrated and the stiffest yet encountered.

Photographs of the damage revealed, the European theater report said, that the Vegesack powerhouse was damaged, if not destroyed, and 18 other buildings were destroyed or heavily damaged.

The attack was described as a "100-per cent raid" of recent days for the group led by Maj. James W. Wilson of Bowling Green, Ohio, and "again all the planes of his unit bombed the target and all returned safely."

CAR SHORTAGE DUE TO GRAIN MOVEMENT

CHICAGO, March 19 (AP)—An unprecedented movement of grain by rail, exceeding the peak season of last summer, was seen by grain men today as the reason for reported shortages of box cars in certain sections of the country during the past week.

Railroads burdened with arms traffic have run into the heaviest out-of-season grain shipments in history—and the prospect is that the movement will increase, rather than decrease, right up to the new harvest time in June.

Railroad loadings of grain and grain products last week, reported yesterday by the Association of American Railroads, totaled 48,599 cars, a gain of 10,366 cars over the corresponding week in 1942. Most of the expansion was in western districts, where 34,453 cars were loaded—10,242 more than in 1942.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO HELD AS PLAN FOR RICH MEN

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the current year, after 1942 taxes have been remitted in full, as a means of encouraging taxpayers to go on a current basis.

"The position of the mass of our people," Allen said, "is that they want to get on a pay-as-you-go basis, but it is financially impossible for them to maintain their families and pay two years taxes in one.

Care for Both Years

"If a citizen has sufficient money to take advantage of the ways and means committee tax bill inducement of discount one must have sufficient money to take care of both years without discount."

The ways and means committee decided unanimously that in house consideration of the tax bill, the measure should be open for the presentation of amendments which probably will bring separate votes on various compromise proposals.

Rep. Knutson told reporters that republican supporters of the Ruml plan would file a minority report against the committee bill, which has been termed "a monstrosity" by Republican Leader Martin.

FOREMAN'S UNIONS EYED BY CONGRESS

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would nullify union "rules, practices, policies and requirements" which interfere with "the full utilization of the nation's manpower in the present war."

In a telegram to the house military committee, Wilson said the national labor relations board had served General Motors with a copy of a petition of the Foreman's association, seeking the right to serve as exclusive bargaining agent for all foremen employed by General Motors Detroit diesel engine division below those of policy-making rank.

Grave Situation. "This situation," he contended, "presents issues of the gravest import production of vital war products we have agreed to make for the government in this plant."

Termining foremen "first line officers... exclusively responsible to higher management," the General Motors head contended that "the dual allegiance which will arise when foremen are unionized will imperil their ability to fulfill their responsibilities to maintain efficiency and discipline of the men under their direction."

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With the rationing of tires and fuel, young folks will be gassing on the steps this summer instead of stepping on the gas.

Wartime sewing has brought a tremendous sale of yard goods. Victory garden planting will do likewise.

A balloon was piloted from Dover to Calais, in 1785, by Jean Pierre Blanchard and Dr. John Jeffries.

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Chief Not Cool. Asked directly what he

Nephew of Henley Man Prisoner of Japs in Islands

Willis Vincent, nephew of Jess Johnson of Henley, is a prisoner of the Japanese in the Philippines, according to word received here.

Vincent was born in Klamath Falls and lived most of his life in Medford before entering the armed services.

RUMORS ABOUT LAKE BASE FLYING HERE

Rumors continued to fly in Klamath Falls Friday concerning the possible location of a navy base in the Upper Klamath lake area, with no definite information of any kind coming from an authoritative source.

It was reported that Morrison-Knudsen company, big contractors on many government projects, has been looking for office space in Klamath Falls. It was learned this move might have something to do with maintenance work Morrison-Knudsen is understood to be doing for the Southern Pacific company.

But from many sources came tips and clues. One report, that there was a concentration of equipment and other activity at Algoma, was strictly untrue. The Algoma cove was peaceful and quiet at noon Friday, with the Algoma Lumber company operating on a somewhat restricted basis and cattle grazing on the flats. A dragnet at work strengthening a dike was the only evidence of construction activity.

Patton Jams Tanks Into Wedge Between Crack Nazi Troops

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a road leading to Mahares on the gulf coast.

French Join. French troops were also joining in the offensive, driving eastward along the upper rim of the Chott Djerid salt marsh toward the coast.

Meanwhile, a CBS broadcast reported that Gen. Sir Harold R. L. G. Alexander, allied field commander under Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, called war correspondents together a week ago and told them they would "hear something interesting within a week."

Authoritative confirmation was still lacking on German reports that the British 8th army had launched a climactic assault on the Mareth (Little Maginot) line in southern Tunisia, and the Nazi-controlled Paris radio said the 8th army's attacks had slackened.

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SOVIETS YIELD TO NEW NAZI AIR STRENGTH

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the crossing crashed through the thinning ice, Russian dispatches said.

Fierce Battles. "In the district of Chuguev fierce battles continued," the soviet noon communique declared. "The enemy brought up fresh forces of infantry and tanks in barracks on our positions."

"The fighters of 'X' unit repulsed the attacks of the Hitlerites, damaged five tanks and killed up to 400 German soldiers and officers."

"As a result of the battles in only one sector were enemy tanks able slightly to press back our detachments."

Trucks Damaged. Russian fliers, however, smashed at German transport, the communique said, destroying or damaging about 100 trucks hauling men and supplies.

This furnished an indication here that the Germans were depending in this sector on highway travel rather than by rail, although west of Kharkov they are supposed to have railroads in operation.

The dispatches did not say how heavy the German reinforcements were, but the nazis continued assaults on the Russian lines both from the air and on land and perhaps as furious as anything they have attempted in Russia since they tried to take Stalingrad and Voronozh.

New Smolensk Gains

New gains in the drive for Smolensk were reported, with a red army column smashing westward along the Vyazma-Smolensk railway to seize more power in west of Ideshkovo, 25 miles west of Vyazma, capture of which was announced last night.

(Strong Finnish guerrilla raids behind Russian lines, in which communications, ammunition supplies and 34 buildings were destroyed, were reported in a Finnish communique broadcast from Helsinki and recorded by the Associated Press.)

Conferences On Post-War Problems Viewed by Allies

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sions, Mr. Roosevelt would not specify the one in mind. It is expected to take place, however, within two months.

Originators Pleased. Among those most pleased by the British foreign minister's plea were the originators of a senate resolution to bring the United Nations together on broad war and peace problems.

Mr. Roosevelt commented that he is not cool toward the resolution and that he has endorsed its broad principles.

Its sponsors talked it over with the president last Sunday. At a press conference Tuesday, a reporter remarked, some impressions developed that Mr. Roosevelt was cool toward the proposal.

Chief Not Cool. Asked directly what he

thought of it, the chief executive replied today that he wasn't cool toward it at all. He said it was purely a senate resolution and purely within the rights of the senate to pass.

On certain objectives, looking toward a more secure peace of the world, he said he thought it would be helpful sometime to have the world know the United States is ready and willing to help maintain future peace. But he said he did not discuss with the senators the language and various clauses of the resolution because it is purely within the right of the senate to draft them.

A centuries-old highway between Mexico City and Cuernavaca has a center stripe made of light-colored stones.

We don't know about the rest of the ground hogs, but Hitler sure has crawled into a hole.

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SURVEY SHOWS INCREASE IN FARM PRODUCTS

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WASHINGTON, March 19 (AP)—The agriculture department reported today, that despite farm labor and machinery shortages, its annual pre-season planting survey indicated larger 1943 acreages of major food and livestock feed crops than in 1942.

Increases over last year ran as

high as 35 per cent in the case of dry field peas, 16 per cent for dry edible beans, and nearly 14 per cent for potatoes.

Only in the case of sugar beets, cow peas, oats, barley and Durum wheat were prospective acreages below a year ago.

The board said reports from all parts of the country show a strong effort to increase food production notwithstanding wartime difficulties.

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