

ARMOR UNITS SQUEEZE AXIS AFRIKA KORPS

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Sousse and Kairouan and that the surprise assault, resulting in heavy losses for the British, forced them to withdraw. Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's seasoned eighth army patrols engaged rearwards of the African corps on the coastal road between Lake Kabilia and the sea as Rommel maintained his withdrawal through the Enfidaville line under a constant pressure. (This would indicate that the Montgomery advance was from five to 15 miles north of Kairouan and pressing on rapidly.)

First Captures More

While French troops mopped up the Djebel Ousselat on the west flank and continued to advance northward along the Grand Dorsal range, the British first army in the Medjez-el-Bab area, 35 miles southwest of Tunis, captured additional hill vantage points.

Meanwhile Maj. Gen. James H. Doolittle's Flying Fortresses continued to deal devastating punches, bombing a convoy of 21 tank carriers and other vessels in the Sicilian straits and scoring several damaging near misses. They blasted Bizerte where a medium-sized cargo vessel was hit directly, many more bombs were planted on both the north and south sides of the channel, and a fire was started in the sea-plane base. They battered Trapani harbor in Sicily where a number of powered barges and a large tanker were smashed up.

The axing air forces suffered further crippling assaults from Wellingtons, Baltimores and Halifaxes which attacked the airfield at Ste. Marie du Zit, 27 miles south of Tunis. At least 19 fires sprang up in the wake of heavy loads of high explosive and incendiary bombs dropped in Sunday night attacks and other fires were started when Mitchells blasted the place twice yesterday.

BRACELETS STOLEN; YOUNG MAN CHARGED

Charged with petty larceny, Richard Babcock, 19-year-old Klamath resident, appeared in justice court Tuesday morning in connection with the alleged theft of five bracelets from Louie Pollin's Main street store. Young Babcock was picked up by City Juvenile Officer Dave Bridge early Monday night. He is said to have taken the bracelets from a case in the store, two at one time, three at another. The bracelets, police said, were given to girl friends of the youth and one was sent to a relative in the east. Babcock entered a plea of not guilty, was released on his own recognizance to appear April 16. He is a box factory employe. City police said considerable pilfering had gone on in local stores.

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(U. S. Navy Photo from NEA) Call to battle—real or practice—comes to U. S. seamen as coxswain aboard a battleship pipes the crew to attention over loudspeaker system.

Potatoes

SAN FRANCISCO, April 13 (AP-USA)—Potatoes: 1 California, 3 Idaho arrived, 200 sacks by truck; 2 broken, 1 unbroken cars on track; no sales reported.

LOS ANGELES, April 13 (AP-USA)—Potatoes: 1 California, 1 Florida, 3 Idaho, 1 Nevada, 1 Washington arrived, 9 by truck; market steady; no sales reported.

CHICAGO, April 13 (AP-USA)—Potatoes, arrivals 61; on track 81; total U. S. shipments 317; old stock; supplies very light, track trading very light account of lack of table stock; market unsettled; new stock, supplies very light, demand moderate; market firm at ceiling level; Minnesota and North Dakota Bliss Triumphs commercial seed stock \$3.50, table stock \$3.40; cobbiers, commercial seed stock \$3.32-33; Idaho Russet Burbanks, U. S. No. 1, \$4.10; Texas Bliss Triumphs, Victory grade, \$3.10 per 50 lb. sacks.

Jesse Jones Urges Ways, Means Boy To Renew Trade

WASHINGTON, April 13 (AP)—Commerce Secretary Jesse Jones urged the house ways and means committee today to approve renewal of reciprocal trade agreements with 27 nations as a demonstration that this government intends to restore private interests to a major role in foreign trade when the war ends.

Mill Man Booked On Drunk Driving

John D. Hamilton, 2129 Orchard avenue, mill employe, was arrested by city police at Seventh and Main streets Monday night after officers said his car sideswiped a second machine. Hamilton was booked on a drunk driving charge and posted \$100 bail. In police court four drunks, three drunk and vags and one vag appeared before the judge. Twelve traffic tickets were paid.

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ALLIES BLAST NIPPONS FROM PACIFIC SKIES

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be expected to launch a new offensive at any moment. **Knox Comments** Commenting on Gen. Blamey's statement, Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox told newsmen in Washington that it was impossible for him to determine whether the Japanese were building up bases north of Australia "for attack or defense."

"You must remember," Knox said, "that an attack on Australia must be accompanied by a tremendous sea force and there is no indication of a concentration pointing to that."

Mass Ships

Dispatches from Australia, however, have declared for several weeks that the Japanese were massing ships in the arc of islands immediately above Australia, and Gen. MacArthur's bombers have been concentrating their attacks on enemy shipping.

2. At a U. S. base off Alaska, it was revealed that despite violent American bombing and naval assaults, the Japanese are building a string of stepping-stone air bases from Tokyo toward Alaska which even fighter planes could span.

Kiska Runway

American 11th combat command headquarters said the Japanese were making steady progress in constructing a half-mile runway at Kiska which might be ready for fighter planes before Easter.

In addition, it was revealed, the Japanese are building a long bomber field at Attu, westernmost of the Aleutians, 195 miles from Kiska and only 735 miles from the northernmost Japanese island base at Paramushiro.

Fog Blankets

Dispatches from the far north said the perennial fog shrouding the Aleutians was playing a major role in helping enemy ships run the gauntlet to their island bases, despite vigilant scouting by U. S. fliers and warships.

In the southwest Pacific, the allied air victory at Port Moresby boosted the two-day total of enemy planes destroyed to 76, and Gen. MacArthur's headquarters said the losses had apparently "blunted" a large-scale Japanese air offensive and "dislocated the immediate plans" of the enemy.

Warn of Danger

Nevertheless, Gen. Blamey warned that a new Japanese bid to regain the initiative in the South Seas battle theater might erupt suddenly and declared the enemy was making a tremendous effort to offset the allied victories in the Coral sea, the Solomons, New Guinea and the Bismarck sea.

"The result of this struggle in the next few weeks will have the greatest importance for us," Gen. Blamey said.

The enemy's growing air strength was underlined by three massive raids in less than a week: Yesterday's 100-plane raid on Port Moresby; Sunday's 45-plane attack on Oro Bay, New Guinea, where allied fighters knocked down 24 planes; and a 98-plane thrust against Guadalcanal island in the Solomons, April 7, when 39 Japanese planes were sent crashing into the sea.

Stolen Cigarettes, Candy Recovered

Theft of 13 cartons of cigarettes and candy along with a quantity of rationed roasts and steaks, was reported to city police by Cal Ghormley, owner of Ruth's Cafe at 609 South Sixth street. Officers said better than "half the meat" was recovered in a flop house and returned to the owner. No arrests were made.

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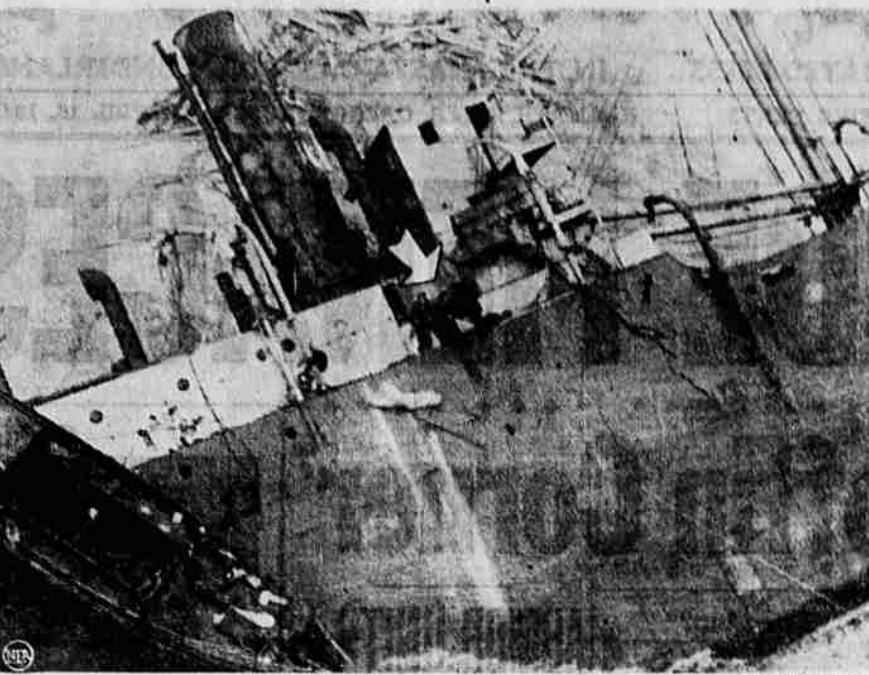
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Storm Wrecks Russian Ship on Pacific Coast



(NEA Telephoto) In a fierce storm that reduced visibility to zero, this Russian ship was destroyed when it was dashed on rock piles along the North Pacific Coast. Three crewmen (arrow) man ropes over the ship's side to help comrades escape to land over the boiling surf. One hundred seventeen persons were rescued from this ship and another grounded Soviet vessel. Official U. S. Coast Guard photo.

Wheat Yield Estimated by Agriculture Department

WASHINGTON, April 12 (AP)—The agriculture department estimated today that the 1943 winter wheat crop will yield 558,551,000 bushels, compared with 703,253,000 bushels produced last year, and a ten-year average production of 550,181,000 bushels. The estimate was based on April 1 conditions.

The area planted to winter wheat last fall was 37,482,000 acres, compared with 38,339,000 acres the previous year and a ten-year average planting of 48,039,000 acres.

The crop reporting board last December forecast a production of 624,504,000 bushels, based on conditions 88 per cent of a normal on December 1, indicating an acre yield of 16.7 bushels.

Winter damage, the board said, has resulted in a loss of acreage indicated at 10.4 per cent. This compares with abandonment of 6.7 per cent in 1942. Conditions on April 1, the crop reporting board said, indicate a yield of 14.9 bushels of winter wheat to the seeded acre, compared with 18.3 bushels a year ago, and 11.4 bushels, the ten-year average acre yield.

The condition of rye April 1 was 82 per cent of a normal, compared with 87 a year ago, and 75 the ten-year average. Pastures were 80 per cent of a normal, compared with 82 a year ago, and 73, the ten-year average.

EDITORIALS ON NEWS

(Continued From Page One) pounding the German communication lines from the air. (The German air force is of course pounding back.)

CHURCHILL tells parliament today: "We are MORE than holding our own in the war against the U-boats." That is interesting because Churchill seldom misleads us.

WITH the biggest financing transaction in the history of the world staring us squarely in the eye (an enterprise so huge that if it is to succeed we must all of us put all of our loose cash into it), this thought is worth your attention: Suppose you buried \$1000 in U. S. currency in a tin can in your back yard and on the same day you bought \$1000 (matured value) in U. S. war bonds. At the period of maturity, your buried cash and your bonds will have EXACTLY THE SAME VALUE (and exactly the same buying power), with this STARTLING difference: Your buried cash will have cost you \$1000, whereas your bonds will have cost you only \$750.

THIS is the moral: DON'T hold back your cash with the idea that you may need it. Holding back your cash will hamper the war financing and at the same time will be a LOSING TRANSACTION for you.

Heroine of Indian War of 1878 Dies

PENDELTON, April 13 (AP)—Mrs. Mary E. Benson Johnson, 85, heroine of the Indian war of 1878 and one of the few surviving members of a wagon train which arrived here in 1884, died last night in a local hospital after a long illness.

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Council Talks Fourth of July Entertainment Plans

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learned. Councilmen reviewed the situation, remembering that dogs were put on good behavior until April 19. At that time it will be decided whether or not they will be penned or put on leash during the garden-growing season.

Mayor Houston announced that budget appointees by the individual councilmen, should be announced by next Monday night. Members of the council were asked to be on hand Wednesday night at the city property meeting in the city hall.

A no-parking space will be established for the Pacific Greyhound lines on Klamath avenue in order to give busses additional room to get into their loading lot. Recommendation of City Engineer Frank Z. Howard was accepted.

RED ARMEN POUND GERMAN SUPPLIES

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had shot down 25 German planes attempting to raid Krasnodar, a rail junction in the western Caucasus. Five Russian planes were lost, it was said.

Attacks Stopped

On the Volkhov front, southeast of Leningrad, the series of attacks by the Germans has been fully stopped by soviet troops who mauled these sharp thrusts with strength.

The increased activity of the German air force included a raid on Russian-held Kurak, 120 miles north of Kharkov, where the Germans lost nine planes, to the Russians' two.

Long Range Guns

Long range artillery spoke out along the front in some of the heaviest duelling of the war to date.

Especially heavy was the shelling south of Lake Ilmen in the Staraya Russa sector, south of Bely and on the Volkhov front.

Roosevelt Sees "Dawn of Liberty" in Temple Talk

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which intervening generations could not see as well as we. "He faced the fact that men who will not fight for liberty can lose it. We, too, have faced that fact.

"He lived in a world in which freedom of conscience and freedom of mind were battles still to be fought through—not principles already accepted of all men. We, too, have lived in such a world.

Loved Peace

"He loved peace and loved liberty—yet on more than one occasion he was forced to choose between them. We, too, have been compelled to make that choice. . . .

"He proved that the seeming eclipse of liberty can well become the dawn of more liberty. Those who fight the tyranny of our own time will come to learn that old lesson. Among all the peoples of the earth, the cruelties and oppressions of its would-be masters have taught this generation what its liberties can mean. This lesson, so bitterly learned, will never be forgotten while this generation lives.

"The words which we have chosen for this memorial speak Jefferson's noblest and most urgent meaning; and we are proud indeed to understand and share it:

"I have sworn upon the altar of God, eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man."

ABOLITION OF FSA ASKED IN SUPPLY BILL

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at the farm security administration over a period of years" and recalled its own criticism of the agency last year for "lending excessive amounts to individual borrowers, for indulging in a land purchase program, for the carelessness and inefficiency of its experiments in collective farming, which seemed to resemble the collective practices followed in Russia."

"A thorough and painstaking" investigation this year, the committee added, led it to the conclusion that "since the farm security administration is essentially a farm credit agency, its functions should, in the interest of better credit integration, economy and efficiency, be transferred to the farm credit administration, which has operated for many years in the farm credit field and has existing facilities to discharge these functions."

Loans Recommended

The committee recommended that the FCA be given \$12,000,000 for rural rehabilitation and other functions and \$40,000,000 from reconstruction finance corporation funds for loans.

In overriding a budget bureau recommendation that the bill contain authorization for the incurrence of obligations to provide full parity for the crop years 1943 and 1944, the committee said it believed "observance of existing price control legislation or any other legislation affecting this matter, will afford producers, either from loans or from the market, the full parity price."

Its recommendation for abolition of the federal crop insurance program, the committee said, was based on the showing made on insurance of cotton and wheat and the conviction that "further operations will eventuate even greater losses."

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