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CAP BON TRAP SNAPS ON AXIS

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE fighting in Tunisia is all over but the shouting—and the Germans seem to be doing most of that.

They are shouting "Kamerad!"

DANIEL DE LUCE, AP correspondent with the British, says Hitler's famous shock troops have become a desperate rabble, running for their lives into the Cape Bon hills or surrendering.

The completeness of the collapse of these German divisions, he adds, rivals that of the Italians.

DE LUCE tells of meeting four German soldiers who said they had been sent to Africa from Russia last winter. They asked him to accept their surrender (which, as a non-combatant, he couldn't do). They went on until they found someone who could take them in.

A British soldier, he relates, was captured last night. This morning his German captors gave him back his rifle and 200 of them surrendered to him.

TODAY'S dispatches indicate that there will be no Dunkerque. Our naval and air forces are too powerful. They're patrolling Cape Bon incessantly, smashing every boat that gets off the beach.

Surrender seems to be all that's left for the doomed forces of the axis.

THE German air force pulled out of Africa two days ago. They knew the battle was lost, and they're badly needed elsewhere.

There are well-founded reports today of huge fires along Cape Bon—axis equipment going up in smoke. The Germans left in Africa know they're licked and don't want their supplies to fall into our hands.

The prisoner total in Tunisia is estimated today at 100,000—mostly Germans. The Italians apparently got out early. The ships were THEIRS.

SO much for the great and thrilling victory we've won in Africa.

Meanwhile—
The Japs report today they're within 12 miles of the Burma-India border. This claim is unconfirmed by our side, but the news from down there has been none too reassuring lately.

THE point is that this is a world war, with many fronts, and a victory on ONE front doesn't mean that the WAR has been won.

DON'T draw wrong conclusions from the way the Germans are surrendering in Tunisia. Today's dispatches tell us they're fighting coolly, stubbornly and effectively at Novorossisk.

It's all over in Tunisia, and reason tells them they might as well give up. It isn't all over yet in the Kuban. Although the Russians are pressing them hard, they're getting in reinforcements and still have a chance. So they fight on.

It would be nice to be able to believe that the morale of the German army is breaking, but as yet the OVER-ALL signs don't point that way. The Germans were decisively licked in Tunisia, but their morale didn't break until AFTER the licking.

SWISS dispatches (reported via the Moscow radio) say today that Goering and Himmler have been sent to Italy—Goering to reorganize the Italian army and Himmler to "reorganize" the Italian people.

Himmler is the brutal head of the Nazi secret police. One can imagine the kind of reorganizing the Italian people will get from him.

CONTINUING with rumors, Reuters (British news agency) quotes Budapest radio today as saying that telephone communica-

BLOODY REDS CRAWL TOWARD NOVOROSSISK

Axis Stiffens Fight With Motorized Reserves

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW, May 11 (AP)—Red army troops crawling forward yard by yard in some of the bloodiest fighting of the Russian-German war since the days of Stalingrad, battled furiously today within the German defense lines at Novorossisk, but it was reported they were meeting stiffening axis resistance.

The red air force meanwhile kept up a major scale series of attacks against the German supply lines all along the front but apparently was not successful in halting the flow of supplies and reinforcements the Germans pushed into sectors of the Kuban to feed their numerous counterattacks.

Nazis Reinforced

Tanks, armored cars, motorized artillery and heavy field pieces were reported to have been brought in by the Germans. A dispatch from the Black Sea fleet said that its air force was continuing attacks upon enemy supply ships and land positions.

(The German communiqué said Russian attacks were made only at some points of the Kuban with light forces and these were "repulsed partly." The communiqué, broadcast by Berlin and recorded by The Associated Press, said planes had destroyed (Continued on Page Two)

Tunisian Axis Commander III, Says Nazi Radio

LONDON, May 11 (AP)—Marshal Erwin Rommel, axis Africa Corps commander, has been in Germany since March 11 and will receive "a new task after complete recovery" of his health, the German high command said tonight in a statement broadcast from Berlin.

The statement, heard by Reuters, claimed also that Rommel was in Germany when the British army cracked the axis lines of his Africa Corps in Egypt at El Alamein, to begin its unprecedented 2000-mile advance across North Africa.

"His long stay in Africa had such a serious effect on his health that medical treatment could no longer be avoided," the high command statement said. "When the first news of the British attack at El Alamein arrived, the field marshal, against the urgent advice of his doctors, interrupted his treatment which had hardly begun and returned at once.

Afrika Korps Crumbles Under Lash of British Armor; Thousands Surrender

By DANIEL DE LUCE
GROMBALIA, ON CAP BON, May 10 (Delayed) (AP)—Adolf Hitler's famous shock troops became a desperate rabble, running for their lives into the hills of Cap Bon peninsula or surrendering in thousands to the British first army today.

The collapse of the once proud German divisions rivals that of their scorned Italian satellites.

All morning I have raced forward with the armored scout cars and seen the amazing spectacle of the German army humbled in the dust of a panicky retreat.

Only a few artillerymen are making any sort of resistance to the British. Five thousand German infantrymen surrendered in the last four hours to one armored brigade.

Worse Than Dunkerque

A fate worse than Dunkerque has overwhelmed Hitler's Afrika Corps.

New U. S. Chief



Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, above, chief of armored forces, has been appointed commander of U. S. forces in the European war theatre to succeed Lt. Gen. Frank M. Andrews who was killed in a plane crash in Iceland.

TUNISIAN DEFEAT HITS NAZI MORALE

Hitler Faces Task of Speeding Defense Of Europe

LONDON, May 11 (AP)—Adolf Hitler faced the double task today of speeding the defense of axis-dominated Europe against the next allied blow while cushioning the impact of the Tunisian defeat on German morale at home.

Indicating that Hitler considers Italy the weak link in his chain of fortifications across southern Europe, the Moscow radio quoted dispatches from Switzerland saying he had entrusted Italy's defense to two of his most trusted lieutenants—Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering and Heinrich Himmler, head of the Nazi secret police. Goering will take over the reorganization of the Italian army, the broadcast said, while Himmler, through purges among various groups, will attempt a "stabilization of the internal front."

Hit on Head
A Berlin dispatch to the Swiss newspaper Tribune de Geneve last night described the bulk of Germans at home as "walking around as though hit on the head."

Churchill Sends Congratulations

LONDON, May 11 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill, in a congratulatory message to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, said today "the simultaneous advance of the British and United States armies side by side into Tunis and Bizerte is an augury full of hope for the future of the world."

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el formally accepted the surrender of a German major and all his surviving junior officers and men. Military police clambered into a captured German half-track troop carrier and escorted a column of 200 toward the rear.

"Would you like to ride?" asked the colonel politely. "Thank you," the major replied in good English. "But I should prefer to march with my men."

The German command obviously had hoped to stall off the British at Hamman Lif, a picturesque moshem village on the plain a half mile wide between the hills and the sparkling Mediterranean.

Sherman tanks swept through this gap nine miles southeast of Tunis in a 10-hour battle yesterday, outflanking a line of German 88s by sending one squadron along the sandy beach.

It was strictly an armored German occupied Europe.

TOKYO CLAIMS TROOPS NEAR INDIA BORDER

British Communiqué Gives No Hint of Setback

By The Associated Press
A Tokyo broadcast asserted today that Japanese troops, rolling back Field Marshal Sir Archibald P. Wavell's British forces, had advanced within 12 miles of the India-Burma frontier in one of the gravest threats of invasion yet to confront India's 300,000,000.

The locale of the thrust was not disclosed, and confirmation was lacking from any allied source.

British headquarters acknowledged three days ago, however, that Marshal Wavell's legions had been withdrawn from Buthe-daung, 60 miles north of the big Japanese base at Akyab, under pressure by enemy infiltration forces.

The Tokyo radio said Japanese troops were "mopping up enemy remnants" near the border.

No Setback Hint
Today's British communiqué, giving no hint of a major setback, said British artillery bombarded Japanese troops on the Maungdaw-Buthedung road, where the Japanese had gained a foothold, and RAF fighters (Continued on Page Two)

Drury Resigns As Chairman of Rationing Board

Don Drury, chairman of the Klamath Falls rationing board since its inception, has sent his resignation to Ed Ostendorf, district OPA manager, it was learned Tuesday.

Press of other affairs caused Drury to resign, it was understood. He is manager of the Kalamath Falls Plywood company and participates in many civic activities. Drury has given a large part of his time to the ration board since it was established.

Members of the board are expected to meet soon to name a new chairman. According to the district OPA office, remaining members of the board are Percy Murray, Earl Edsall, Mrs. Hazel Landry, John Ebinger, K. A. Moore, G. C. Tatman, Mrs. Effie Garcelon, V. E. O'Neill and J. I. Beard.

It is reported also that a question of rental of the present board offices in the Odd Fellows building is plaguing the ration officials. The IOOF has asked for rental fees, after giving the quarters without charge for several months. District OPA officials claim there is no money available for rental of ration board quarters.

Lions Club Nets Huge War Bond Sale

A Lions club war bond auction netted \$92,500 for the May campaign at the Tuesday noon luncheon of the club.

The big sum was made up of many bids, the largest being \$10,000. Vern Owens was auctioneer.

The response at the luncheon put the campaign well over one-third of the \$350,000 quota set for May.

Captain Ehle Reber Listed as "Missing"

The war department today officially listed Captain Ehle Reber of Malin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Reber, as "missing in action."

Yvonne Prepares to Send the Asa Eldridge Down the Ways



Backed by Papa Dionne, Yvonne tosses a final glance over shoulder before crashing her ribboned bottle of beer on the bow of the Asa Eldridge. Her sister seated at left holding their red, white and blue nosebags, appears more interested in the cameraman than the ceremonies. The woman behind Mr. Dionne is unidentified.

Holland in State of Siege As Army Rebels Internment

LONDON, May 11 (AP)—The Netherlands news agency Aneta quoted reports today that a state of siege had been decreed throughout Nazi-occupied Holland and that 26 Dutch patriots had been executed and 10 others sentenced to death as a result of disorders apparently connected with an attempt to stage a general strike.

Aneta said the state of siege was ordered by Arthur Seyss-Inquart, reich commissioner for occupied Holland, and quoted the Stockholm newspaper Svenska Dagbladet as saying it resulted from "serious disturbances" following a Nazi order for reinforcement of all former Netherlands army members as prisoners of war.

Aneta added that serious interruptions of the supply of food in the country resulting from strikes were reported. The German-controlled press in the country said editorially that "Expected and accountable agitation has changed into unreasonable unrest, which has assumed serious proportions."

Despite stringent censorship on Holland, there were indications during the past week of serious disorders, Aneta said, adding that the German-controlled Netherlands radio mentioned a "short, fierce action" and told the people it was futile to "fight yourselves to death in the fire of German machine guns."

The news agency said that a state of "police martial law" was proclaimed in four provinces April 30 and was extended to the remainder of the nation the next day—the state of siege apparently being an intensification of the measures.

Aneta said death sentences for those executed were authorized (Continued on Page Two)

Hearing to Be Reopened on Lumber Wages

PORTLAND, Ore., May 11 (AP)—The west coast lumber commission of the war labor board announced today hearing on the pine wage dispute would be reopened May 25 not for the purpose of altering the general wage agreement.

The pine agreement lifted minimum wages .75 cents an hour and fixed scales by geographical areas. In some areas the increases brought the minimum to 82½ cents an hour, in others to 87½.

The commission said that both the CIO and AFL mill unions had objected to some parts of the agreement and that these disagreements would be taken up at the May 25 conference which will be held here.

The CIO, for example, objects to the classification of certain companies as box manufacturers—calling for a lower wage scale—contending that they should be classified as sawmills. The same claim is made for certain tile mills. Both unions object to the variation in wage differential in box factories of various regions. Some box factories pay an average of 3½ cents an hour below sawmill wages, others pay as much as five cents less. The unions want a standard differential.

REPUBLICANS FAVOR TRADE VETO POWER

Spangler Supports Status Quo in Letter

WASHINGTON, May 11 (AP)—A letter by Harrison Spangler, chairman of the republican national committee, was read to the house today saying that in his opinion "with the situation as it is we should not attempt to disturb the reciprocal trade pacts."

The letter, dated February 23, was read by Rep. Baldwin (R-N.Y.).

Only this morning republican members of the house held conference on the trade agreements and their leader, Rep. Martin of Massachusetts, said the meeting developed "a great deal of sentiment" to give congress veto powers over the president's authority to negotiate the pacts.

Democrats contend this would amount to a "kiss of death" for the whole reciprocity program.

When Baldwin completed reading Spangler's letter, Rep. Knutson (R-Minn.) took the floor to emphasize that the GOP chairman "took pains to say he was speaking in a personal capacity."

Shortly after the party conference adjourned, Rep. Reed (R-N.Y.) told the house that "congress has an opportunity here and now to recapture its power over the tariff and stop this trend of abdication in favor of the executive branch."

PRICE LIST PAGE 10
The OPA top price list for the Klamath Falls community will be found on Page 10.

Pioneer Logging Boss Dies Following Lengthy Illness

James Charles Johnston, 74, one of Klamath county's outstanding timbermen, died late Monday afternoon in Oakland, Calif., following a lengthy illness. Mr. Johnston served as logging superintendent of the Pelican Bay Lumber company from 1911 until his retirement. Word of his passing at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Herbert Scott, was received here with deep regret by his many close friends and the scores of men who worked with him in the woods.

Mr. Johnston was born September 18, 1868, in New London, Ontario, Canada. His wife died here on April 9, 1929. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 3 p. m., under the direction of Whitlocks, with burial in the family plot at Linkville cemetery.

BRITISH SHOVE ARMOR ACROSS NECK OF CAPE

Thousands Pour Into Allied Prison Camps

By WILLIAM B. KING
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, May 11 (AP)—German forces trapped on Cap Bon appeared to be preparing for wholesale surrender tonight after a lightning thrust of British armor across the neck of the peninsula which also pocketed the enemy's front line facing the British and French on the south and west.

(A French communiqué broadcast from Algiers said the Germans in the Zaghouan mountains on the southwest front also had asked for armistice terms and had been told that only an unconditional surrender would be accepted.)

Lone Resistance
(Germans facing the British eighth army north of Enfidaville in the southern part of the inland pocket alone appeared to be offering determined resistance.)

British armored columns advancing rapidly for many miles up the peninsula to Hammamet on the south side, reported seeing many fires believed set by the Germans to destroy their supplies before offering to surrender. Not waiting for a general surrender, thousands already were pouring into allied prison camps.

(An Algiers broadcast recorded in London said that a headquarters spokesman estimated 100,000 prisoners already had fallen into allied hands, but that all had not yet been counted.)

Last Tank Battle
(The broadcast said that what probably was the last tank battle to be fought in Tunisia was raging on Cap Bon between remnants of the German 10th armored division and the British, (Continued on Page Two)

Twenty Killed In Coal Mine Explosion

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 11 (AP)—20 men were killed, two missing and five others seriously burned today in an explosion at Praco coal mine No. 10 of the Alabama By-Products Corp., 20 miles west of here.

P. H. Neal, manager of the coke and by-products department of the company, said the 10 bodies were found by rescue crews.

Previously, 12 of the 22 men underground when the explosion occurred had been brought out, five of them severely burned. Neal had expressed the hope that the 10 men still in the mine would be brought out safely.

The dead men were trapped approximately a mile and a half below the surface.

Following is a tribute paid to the memory of Mr. Johnston by H. D. Mortenson, president of the Pelican Bay Lumber company, with whom Mr. Johnston worked from 1911 until his passing:

"In the middle eighties the men in the woods of Wisconsin and Michigan recognized W. P. Jallies as a great woodsman and a great logger, his methods were the talk of these famous frontiers."

"John and his brother, James C. Johnston, worked under and (Continued on Page Two)