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ALL-OUT BATTLE RAGES FOR ATTU

Bombs Pound Ruhr Valley

Explosives Rain From Allied Planes Over Italy, Sicily

By EDWARD KENNEDY

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, May 14 (P)—Allied air squadrons rained powerful blows upon Sardinia, Sicily and Italy herself yesterday in an offensive no longer divided by the necessity for support of ground troops in Tunisia.

U. S. Flying Fortresses and medium bombers delivered a smashing assault upon Cagliari, port and air base which long helped support axis forces in North Africa.

The raid was the biggest yet undertaken against Sardinian targets, far surpassing that on Maddalena two weeks ago.

Vessels Sunk

About 20 enemy vessels were sunk or damaged and large oil fires were started at the Sicilian harbor of Augusta by about 50 U. S. Liberators. Attacking from Middle East bases, they dumped almost 250,000 pounds of explosives there under RAF fighter escort from Malta.

Naples, Reggio Calabria and Messina were other cities which felt the fury of air power unleashed by the unconditional surrender of the last of Col. Gen. Jürgen von Arnim's fighting men, a surrender that yielded enormous quantities of war supplies and nearly 175,000 German and Italian prisoners.

Prisoners Taken
The last of the captives went to prison camps.

"No axis forces remain in North Africa who are not prisoners in our hands," the allied communique said. "The last remaining elements surrendered at 11:45 hours (7:45 a. m. Eastern War Time) May 13."

A British naval force slammed 20 broadsides into the harbor area of Pantelleria at dawn yesterday. Shore batteries of the Italian island replied, but their fire was ineffective, allied headquarters announced.

Pantelleria lies 45 miles east of the tip of Cap Bon.

Night Attack
British Wellingtons made a night attack against Naples, dropping blockbusters on selected targets of that axis supply center.

Malta-based intruders prowled the skies over Sicily and the toe of the Italian boot, and communications were bombed and shot up.

Tons of bombs were dropped on the harbor, industrial and warehouse areas of Cagliari by (Continued on Page Nine)

Office Burns at 'Boy Scout' Mill Friday Morning

The small office structure of the Wheeler Pine company, at the "Boy Scout" mill on Upper Klamath lake, burned down between 4 and 5 a. m. Friday, after whistles of nearby mills sounded the alarm.

Fire Chief Keith Ambrose said the fire department answered a call at 4:27 a. m., and the equipment remained on the scene for 47 minutes. The fire sirens sounded after the plant whistles tooted at Pelican Bay Lumber company and the Di Giorgio Fruit company.

Cause of the fire was not given by the fire department report.

House Views 29 Million Dollar Navy Appropriation

By ALEX H. SINGLETON
WASHINGTON, May 14 (P)—A \$29,463,687.198 naval appropriations measure—largest in history—was sent to the house floor today with a message that "the country may have every confidence in the achievement of an unconditional victory across both oceans if the home front continues to do its part."

The assurance came from the house appropriations committee as it made public a bulky transcript of testimony taken from the chiefs of the nation's sea-fighting forces, a report bringing with broad details of

smash-the-enemy, invasion preparations.

Huge Size
There was grim acknowledgment in it from the navy itself of the precedent-shattering size of the allocations for sea war for the fiscal year beginning July 1. From Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the United States fleet, came this assertion:

"War inevitably results in waste—waste of men and materials and money; that is one reason for our hatred of war. But . . . we cannot afford to

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HEAVY DAMAGE RESULTS FROM RECORD PUNCH

Air Offensive Lasts 48 Hours; War Plants Hit

By The Associated Press
LONDON, May 14 (P)—Berlin, Czechoslovakia and the Ruhr valley of Germany were pounded in great strength by British bombers last night and the Berlin radio reported that four-engine American bombers had attacked the north German coastal area at noon today, extending the augmented allied air offensive to nearly 48 hours of incessant assault.

The British lost 34 bombers last night in a swift, punishing sequel of the record punch at Germany's leading river port of Duisburg the night before. In daylight yesterday, American heavyweights bombed Mault and St. Omer.

Berlin Version
Berlin's version of the north German bombings, recorded from radio accounts by The Associated Press, was not confirmed from eighth U. S. air force headquarters. The Germans claimed at least three bombers were destroyed in fierce air battles in which German fighters rose to challenge the raiders, which were beset also by medium and heavy flak.

Wilhelmshaven, Kiel and Emden have been frequent allied air targets on the German north coast, but the Germans did not specify the fog-shrouded targets.

Heavy Damage
British authoritative sources said preliminary reconnaissance reports indicated "heavy industrial damage" in RAF raids on Dortmund May 4 and on Duisburg two night ago.

The non-stop offensive was continued at dawn today by (Continued on Page Nine)

Russian Guns Batter Nazis at Novorossisk

LONDON, May 14 (P)—Russian big guns continued to batter German secondary defenses at Novorossisk during the night after the red army had smashed its way into enemy positions northeast of the city yesterday, the mid-day soviet communique said.

The communique, broadcast from Moscow and recorded here by the soviet Monitor, said that Russian ships and planes sank two transports and two trawlers in the Barents Sea, and that nothing of significance took place on other sectors of the front.

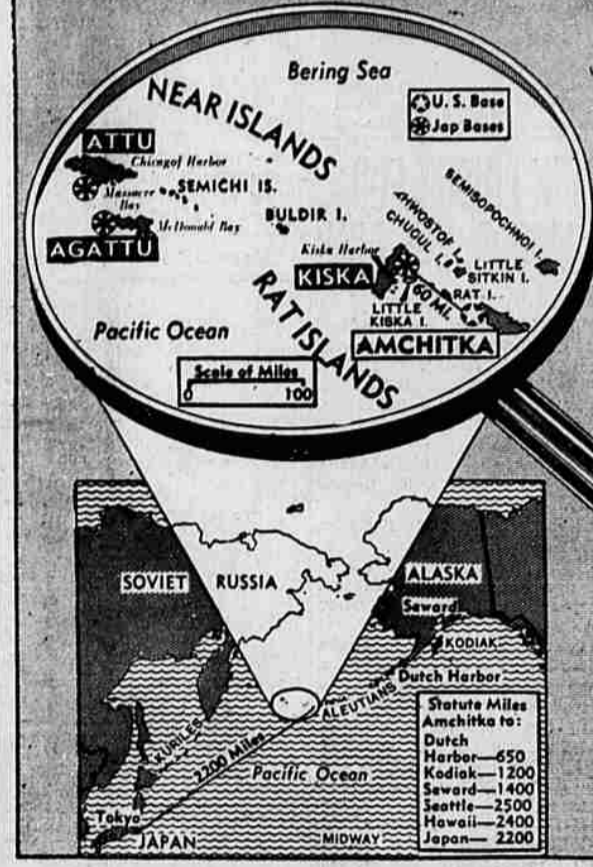
Soviet gunners in the Kuban northeast of Novorossisk destroyed several dozen blockhouses and dugouts, 13 trucks loaded with supplies and blew up an ammunition dump, it said.

Spirit Perfect, Says MacArthur After Meeting

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, May 14 (P)—Command of the vast operations intended ultimately to roll the Japanese back to Tokyo remains divided, but in a spirit of perfect coordination, between Admiral William F. Halsey Jr., and General Douglas MacArthur, a spokesman for the general said today.

His comment was in response to questions concerning a dispatch from an advanced South Pacific base which disclosed that the two high ranking officers had conferred here recently,

Americans Slash at Nip-Held Island



American air and sea forces today opened the long-expected attack on the island of Attu in the Aleutians, shown in the upper left hand section of the map above. Closest American base to Attu is the recently captured island of Amchitka. Distances from this new base to various other strategic spots are shown.

Hitler Poses Problem at Churchill, FDR Conference

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON, May 14 (P)—Adolf Hitler probably will make a desperate attempt to win some spectacular victory over Russia in the next few weeks, qualified authorities predicted today, in order to offset the loss of prestige and morale which Germany suffered as a result of the rout of her armies in North Africa.

This likelihood was regarded as posing a current and to some extent urgent problem for President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and their military advisers, carrying their strategy conferences here into the third day. It could have an immediate and direct bearing on any decisions yet to be made about combined American-British operations against western Europe this year.

Conferees Silent
The conferees themselves remained silent about the nature and progress of their discussions on global strategy, but several occasions on which some inkling of the talks may be given out have now been scheduled.

The first of these—Mr. Roosevelt's Friday press conference—slipped by, however, with no revelation. The president told the conferees that there is nothing helpful he can say now about their talks since they are still in the conferring stage. He said he thought there would be no developments until Churchill's visit which is practically over but he did

not disclose when that would be.

Press Conference
He did say that he thought he would ask the prime minister to join him at a press conference, perhaps next week.

The president said he was suggesting to reporters that the "lid" be put on between now and Monday morning, since nothing important would occur in the interim, and the joint conference would continue in the meanwhile.

Generality Untrue
Asked about reports from London that a definite agreement has been reached among the allies that victorious commanders (Continued on Page Nine)

Louis Soukup to Manage Klamath Bus Company

Louis Soukup has acquired the interest of William A. Thompson of Vancouver, Wash., in the Klamath Bus company, and beginning Saturday will take over as active manager of the bus operations here, it was disclosed Friday.

Soukup, who is manager of the Klamath airport and government contractor on the war training service program there, will be associated in the bus company with R. C. Sugg, who (Continued on Page Nine)

Baseball NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	2	11	1
New York	3	7	0
Bithorn and Hernandez; Lohrman, Prim (9), Hanyzewski (9), and Lombardi.			
Pittsburgh	5	5	4
Brooklyn	2	7	0
Gornicki and Lopez; Fitzsimmons, Welton (4), Head (8), and Owens.			
St. Louis	3	12	0
Boston	4	8	0
Lanier and W. Cooper; Javery and Masi.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
New York	0	1	1
Chicago	3	6	0
Wensloff and Diekey; Ross and Turner.			
Washington	3	8	1
Cleveland	1	9	2
Leonard and Early, Giuliani (9); Bagby, Naymick (9), and Ross.			

U. S. Launches Drive Against Aleutian Japs

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON, May 14 (P)—The United States has launched the long-expected attack to drive Japan out of the Aleutian islands.

American troops landed on the island of Attu on Tuesday, the navy announced today, and were met by Japanese of unknown strength.

They are locked in battle now. The situation still is not clear, but United States air and sea forces presumably are participating in an all-out bid for early decision.

Attu Target
Attu so far appears to be the only direct target of American landings. A general conclusion that no similar attack has been made yet on Kiska, the other Japanese Aleutian base, was based in part on the fact that a communique today told of fresh air attacks on that island.

American planes hardly would bomb an island after American troops have landed there, it was pointed out, and the new raids on Kiska came on Thursday, two days after the Attu landing.

Landing Told
The landing was announced in navy communique number 376, which said:

"North Pacific:
"1. On May 11 United States forces landed at the island of Attu in the Aleutians, and are now engaged with Japanese forces on the island. Details of the operation will be released when the situation clarifies."

Little Comment
Naval spokesmen declined to go beyond the lines of this bare announcement or offer any comment on the course of the fighting.

First word of the landing operation came from the Tokyo radio which broadcast a Japanese imperial headquarters communique today saying the landing began Wednesday and that a fierce battle was in progress.

(That communique, as recorded by the federal communications commission, said "Crack American forces began landing on Atsuta island of the Aleutians on May 12. Our forces on the same island have intercepted them and are now engaging them in fierce battle." The Japanese had renamed Attu Atsuta after the Atsuta shrine at Nagoya, Japan.)

The size of the enemy's garrison on Attu is not known but it is believed to be smaller than the approximately 10,000 troops reported on Kiska island, east of Attu.

There was no indication today that any attack had been made on Kiska and this led to speculation that the United (Continued on Page Nine)

CIO, OPERATORS ARGUE PAY DATE

Union Urges Sept. 1 For Retroactive Wage Start

CIO unionists contended Friday that September 1, 1942, should be the date for the start of retroactive pay to pine workers in CIO operations, while a majority of operators have set September 26 as the proper starting date.

Contentions of both sides were presented at a hearing before Referee Richard Steiner of Portland, held Friday at the city council rooms. The hearing grew out of the recent west coast lumber commission award of 7½ cents an hour to pine workers, which failed to name a specific date for retroactive pay.

While September 26 is the date on which a majority of operators are agreed, it was brought out at the hearing that workers for a number of companies have received pay retroactive to various other dates.

J. E. Fadling, vice president of the CIO International Woodworkers of America, contended that this lack of uniformity is (Continued on Page Nine)

British Make Withdrawal on Mayu Peninsula

NEW DELHI, May 14 (P)—British forces have made another withdrawal northward on the Mayu peninsula of Burma and have taken up new positions "more suitable for defense," a communique said today.

The withdrawal was from Maungdaw, on the west coast of the peninsula.

Maungdaw is about 35 miles southwest of Buthedaung, which the British abandoned last week in the face of threatened encirclement by the Japanese.

The new withdrawal was made on the night of May 11, the communique said it was made "without interference from the enemy."

RAF fighters continued their attacks yesterday against Japanese with transport and four launches and other small craft were machine-gunned between Akyab and Ramree island.

Tin Can Drive Collects Over Thirteen Tons

A total of 122,476 tin cans weighing approximately 13½ tons were turned in by city grade school students this week to push quotas over the top in the salvage drive, it was announced by Jack Watson, chairman of the tin can salvage committee, Friday.

The two youngsters bringing in the highest amount of cans in the city were Vincent Carter of Fairview school with 5433 cans and Carmel Finnigan of the Sacred Heart academy with (Continued on Page Nine)

Probable Jap Smash Seen in Churchill Note to Chiang

WASHINGTON, May 14 (P)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill has informed Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek that "The day will come when we shall rejoice . . . at feats of arms of the United Nations which will surely drive the Japanese invaders from the soil of China."

The British leader was replying to a message of congratulation from the Chinese generalissimo on the allied victory in Africa.

Plot Jap Smash
His words served to underscore indications that he and President Roosevelt, in their war strategy conferences here, might be plotting new, massive blows at Japan.

At the same time, Churchill released a message from General Dwight D. Eisenhower, allied commander in chief in

North Africa, giving "my assurance that this army will continue to pound until Hitlerism has been exterminated from the earth."

Soong Conference
Further pointing up the possibility that the prime minister and president are charting action in the Western Pacific area was the disclosure at the White House that Churchill had held conferences of 30 minutes to an hour with T. V. Soong, Chinese foreign minister, who is now in the United States, and Herbert V. Evatt, Australian minister of external affairs.

In addition to parleys with British and American military and naval staff members, the prime minister also has consulted with Secretary of State Hull and President Eduard Benes of Czechoslovakia during his current visit to Washington.

Funeral Pends for Rep. Englebright

WASHINGTON, May 14 (P)—Funeral arrangements were pending today for Representative Harry Lane Englebright (R-Calif.) who died yesterday of heart disease in the naval hospital at Bethesda, Md.

The 59-year-old republican whip from the second California district, who had been a member of congress since 1926, entered the hospital only a few hours before he died.

Dr. George W. Calver, capitol physician, said Englebright had been suffering from "some heart difficulties for the past several days."

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THERE'S one headline with a punch in the news today. We're attacking the Japs on Attu.

All that is known as this is written (about noon) is that we HAVE landed and ARE fighting.

THE fight has been going on about three days. (The Japs say it began on Wednesday; we say Tuesday.)

That indicates that Attu is no pushover.

THESE rocky Aleutian islands, with few beaches and shores rising steeply out of deep and icy water, are quite different as military problems from the sandy jungle islands of the South Pacific.

ATTU is 763 miles east of the Jap naval and air base at the northern end of the Kurile Islands, near the Siberian Kamchatka peninsula.

The Japs took Attu and Kiska on June 8, 1942. They've steadily increased their hold on both islands, building bases and garrisoning them. Experience has shown us that bombing can't dislodge them, so now we're attacking with landing forces, supported by warships and planes.

The Japs are supposed to have about 10,000 troops on Kiska and somewhat less on Attu.

TODAY'S dispatches inform us that the British have fallen back again in Burma, taking up new defensive positions nearer the India border.

Cracker-box strategy suggests that there may be a connection (this being a WORLD war) between the Burma fighting, which seems to be growing in importance, and our thrust in the Aleutians.

If the Japs start something in Burma or the South Seas, our natural move on the world checkerboard would be to threaten Japan from Alaska, hoping to compel the Japs to keep their forces spread out instead of being able to concentrate them at one point, as they did so successfully at the beginning.

CHIANG KAI SHEK congratulates Churchill on the great African victory. Churchill, replying, tells Chiang:

"The day will come when we shall rejoice at feats of the United Nations which will drive the Jap invader from the soil of China."

Chiang, of course, would rather have guns and planes, but accepts the promise implied in Churchill's words.

CHURCHILL and FDR, still conferring in Washington, let it be known today that they have nothing yet to give out.

We must remember that when they do begin to give out, what they will have to say will be for the enemy's benefit rather than for ours. Which is as it should be. We certainly don't want them to tip off their real deliberations.

We must be realistic. These necessary conferences of the top leaders are held to lay out carefully co-ordinated plans to win the war. What is given out publicly is mere dust intended for the other fellow's eye.

THE enemy isn't relying much on the newspapers and the radio for hot, inside information on what Churchill and FDR are talking about. He's looking to his SPIES for that.

EXCEPT for the attack on Attu, there's nothing much but straw in the news winds today.

The British launch another big bombing attack on Berlin, the (Continued on Page Nine)

SENATE REJECTS TAX AMENDMENT

Sentiment Shown on Cancellation of Obligations

WASHINGTON, May 14 (P)—With bipartisan advocates of the "skip a year" plan of tax abatement holding their lines firmly, the senate beat down, 50 to 32, today an administration attempt to amend the new revenue bill to provide for cancellation of only 75 per cent of a year's levies.

The vote, on an amendment offered by Chairman George (D-Ga.) of the senate finance committee, cleared the way for an expected early vote on a modified version of the Ruml plan under which the lesser of either 1942 or 1943 taxes would be excused for all persons to put them on a current payment basis.

WASHINGTON, May 14 (P)—The senate rejected, 57 to 21, today an amendment to the pay-as-you-go revenue bill to credit current payments against this (Continued on Page Nine)

Churchill Talk Shows Planning For Offensive

WASHINGTON, May 14 (P)—Prime Minister Churchill, declared today he and his military experts had met with President Roosevelt to "plan well ahead of the armies who are moving swiftly forward," and indicated general offensive plans were in the making.

"It is no good only having one march ahead laid out," he said in a broadcast to the British home guard on the third anniversary of its life, speaking by radio from the White House.

"March after march must be planned as far as the human eye can see. Design and forethought must be our guides and heralds.

"We owe it to the fighting troops. We owe it to the vast communities we are leading out of the dark places; we owe it to heroic Russia, to long tormented China; we owe it to the captive and enslaved nations who beckon us on through their prison bars."

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