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STRUGGLE FOR ATTU CONTINUES

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THERE'S still no news from Attu—although the fight has been on at least four days.

That makes it a safe bet that it's quite a battle.

WHILE there's no news, there are HINTS.

Navy Secretary Knox says it is "going very satisfactorily."

Knox knows what is happening. He couldn't very well say that if we were losing.

ON the other side of the fence, Jap Former War Minister Araki is quoted today by the Berlin radio as saying:

"A setback there (at Attu) will only increase our strength. Whatever has happened in the Aleutians battle can in no wise affect the will to victory and the certainty of victory of the Japanese people."

That sounds like an alibi.

SINCE we have to confine ourselves to guessing, it's fairly safe to guess that our high command wouldn't have sent a boy to the mill out there in the far Aleutians. If we didn't go in with strength enough to finish it, we'd better not have started it.

So let's assume (in our guessing) that the force sent against Attu was big enough.

ONE more guess:

When (or if) the Japs found themselves outweighed they probably sent in reinforcements—as they did in the Solomons. We can hardly expect them to give up Attu any more willingly than they gave up Guadalcanal.

If a big battle is developing in the Aleutians, it will affect all other Pacific fronts. It might even affect Burma.

TODAY'S war dispatches contain this sentence: "An atmosphere of VIBRANT EXPECTANCY dominates the whole war scene."

Churchill, speaking in Washington, says the hour is approaching when allied troops massed in Britain will assault the Nazi strongholds.

Red Star (Russian army newspaper) says: "The hour is nearing when great battles, with big masses of troops participating, will break out again."

DID you ever watch an old-fashioned powder fuse sputtering slowly toward a big blast? That's the feeling one has in watching the news today.

BOMBING of Hitler's Europe goes on day and night—the British carrying on by night and the Americans by day.

Here are some interesting figures:

Hitler dropped 7500 tons of bombs on London in 94 raids in his great effort to knock England out of the war. In 48 HOURS, on Thursday and Friday, the British air force dumped 5000 tons of bombs on Germany.

American bombing isn't counted in this total.

SOME more statistics:

Since April 11, the Japs have lost 125 of the 300 planes they have used against us in their massed raids in the South Pacific. That is better than 35 PER CENT.

European experience indicates that bomb raids are a costly failure if losses run over 10 per cent.

Our air losses, we are told by our Australian headquarters today, have been well under the 10 per cent formula.

TURKEY is getting edgier.

Rauf Orbay, Turk ambassador to London, returns to Ankara—to "rest up and renew his contacts," the dispatches explain (heh! heh!).

Orbay fought in the last war beside the Germans. Throughout this war he has been a passionate partisan of Britain and the U.S.

Turkish Foreign Minister Menemencloglu says today:

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FLYING FORTS BLAST ITALIAN SUPPLY ROUTE

Softening Raids Hit Stepping-Stone Island

By WILLIAM B. KING

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, May 15 (AP)—Allied air forces, swinging into the stride of their softening-up campaign reached farther north in a series of smashing blows at Italian bases and island stepping stones and blasted both ends of the sea supply route between Sardinia and the mainland, it was disclosed today.

Flying Fortresses hit closer to Rome than ever before, making a heavy attack on the port of Civitavecchia, 37 miles north-west of Rome, the terminal of the ferry to Sardinia. They scored direct hits on several ships in the harbor and fuel storages, exploding an ammunition dump and leaving fires which were visible 60 miles away, the allied communique announced.

A simultaneous attack by medium bombers on the Sardinian port of Olbia, in northeast Sardinia, left the docks and industrial area smoking, a large tanker and a number of other ships damaged and at least three ships sunk.

Italian Heel Hit The air field and port of Alghero, the harbor of Porto Torres, and factories at Calasetta, Porto Ponte Romano and Abbasanta in northern Sardinia, the naval base of Cagliari in southern Sardinia, Comiso and Messina in Sicily and Gallipoli on (Continued on Page Two)

Allied Bombing Forays Batter Japs in Burma

NEW DELHI, May 15 (AP)—United States and British bombing forays were reported today to have battered Japanese dispositions from central Burma to Ramree Island and the Gulf of Martaban as ground action again entered a lull.

Heavy bombers of the 10th U. S. AAF attacked enemy targets at Martaban point, north of Moulmein and within Moulmein, damaging docks, warehouse, railway installations, a power station and other buildings, a United States communique said.

Medium bombers damaged buildings, tracks and rolling stock at Thazi junction and loosed explosives in the dispersal area of a Japanese airdrome at Shwebo, shooting down two enemy fighters and damaging three others that attempted to intercept.

3000 Japs Killed In China Battle

CHUNGKING, May 15 (AP)—A Chinese high command communique today said more than 3000 Japanese had been killed and 12 towns recaptured by the Chinese in fighting west and south of the Taiheng mountain range in the Shansi-Hopeh border area west of the Peiping-Pukow railway.

Deadlock Over Income Tax Looms; Leaders Stand Pat

By JACK BELL and FRANCIS M. LEMAY

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—A predicted deadlock over abatement of 25 per cent of a year's income taxes loomed today in the pathway of pay-as-you-go legislation as house and senate spokesmen stood pat on their separate plans.

That was the chief difference between the bill passed by the house last week and the one approved by the senate last night—and informed capitol sources called it a difference difficult to compromise.

Start July 1

Withholding taxes seemed sure to start July 1—both sides okayed them—giving the treasury a tentative green light to set up its collection system.

With the abatement issue apparently hinging on which side gives ground, first step toward the showdown is due to start early next week when the house formally considers the senate action. By a 49 to 30 vote the senate gave its approval to a measure which would make all

most everyone current by cancelling the lesser of 1942 or 1943 income tax liabilities for all except persons with "windfall" incomes.

Differences This compared with the house-approved measure cancelling only the 6 per cent normal and 13 per cent first bracket surtax and leaving 14,000,000 taxpayers with payments to be made under the present year-lag system.

The one plan would abate the full year's tax liabilities—the other, approximately 75 per cent.

Dull Saying Livens Life

PORTLAND, May 15 (AP)—When things are dull in the army, the boys shout, "Heil, Hitler," at each other. That always gets a laugh, says Claude Keene, 26, Eugene.

So Keene, recently discharged from the army because of an injury, tried it on a civilian here.

He was treated at a hospital for minor knife wounds suffered in the ensuing fight.

SOFT COAL FIGHT HANGS ON LEWIS

UMW Has Next Move As Operators Accept WLB Order

By JOSEPH A. LOFTUS

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The next move in the soft coal wage dispute appeared to be up to John L. Lewis today as the operators accepted a war labor board order to resume bargaining and continue production of the war-vital fuel.

In New York, the president of the United Mine Workers withheld immediate comment on the WLB's interim directive order, thus leaving some doubt as to whether the 15-day truce in the wage dispute would be extended after its expiration next Tuesday midnight—or whether another work stoppage would follow.

Lewis Confers Behind closed doors Lewis conferred with aides during the morning at New York's Hotel Roosevelt but there was no indication whether he would issue a statement.

Told by President Roosevelt "a renewal of collective bargaining is the logical means of providing justice and equity to all parties," which indicated the board order might suit him, the operators had urged certification of the case to the board, while Lewis denounced the board as "prejudiced" and defied its authority.

The order, issued last night, suggested several methods to help the miners meet higher living costs other than an outright wage rate increase. Main proposal was an "assured" six-day week, with time and a half after 35 hours and a gov-

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Sgt. Carl Biehn In Klamath on Brief Furlough

Tech. Sgt. Carl Morton Biehn, one of the first three Klamath county men to be decorated in World War 2, arrived here this weekend from Dyersburg, Tenn., for a brief furlough. He was accompanied by Mrs. Biehn.

Young Biehn saw action in the early months of the war while serving with the US army air force in the South Pacific. He has received several decorations, the first being the Silver Star for gallantry. He served as radio operator on a bomber but in one instance took over when the gunner was wounded and acquitted himself creditably.

Biehn is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Biehn of Oakland, former Klamath residents. After many hours of action, Biehn was returned to this country.

Food Ceilings Effective Monday

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The office of price administration emphasized today that the community wide ceilings on canned and frozen fruits and vegetables scheduled to become effective in about 130 cities Monday will be issued as planned, despite yesterday's announcement that the dealer's mark-up formula on which the ceilings are based had been lowered.

The dollars and cents, city-wide ceilings to be announced are based on the reduced mark-ups.

Frisco Area Hit By 48-Hour Week

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15 (AP)—Around 1,000,000 workers in the San Francisco bay area became subject to the 48-hour week today as the war manpower commission launched a program for the "orderly transition" of labor to a wartime basis.

FIRE SHOWERS GERMANY FROM U. S. BOMBERS

Emden Harbor Hit by Largest Force Of Heavies

LONDON, May 15 (AP)—The largest force of American heavy bombers ever dispatched over Germany attacked the sprawling harbor installations of Emden and other targets in northwest Germany today.

Probably upwards of 150 big bombers participated in the raid, in which incendiaries were showered on the objectives. The previous record number of planes used was 130, and headquarters described today's assault as the strongest attack yet. The bombers were unescorted and were known to have shot down an undetermined number of Nazi fighters. It was a 500-mile round-trip foray.

Six Missing Six bombers were missing from bitter aerial encounters with a sharply reinforced German fighter concentration, which numbered well over 100 Focke-Wulfs and Messerschmitts.

The results were reported good, despite adverse weather. It was the third successive day of raids by the American heavy bombers in which they pounded eight targets. Diversionary sweeps were carried out by United States fighters.

The raid on Emden was the first large scale fire raid by American planes and one of the first big daylight incendiary attacks of the war.

It was the first time the Americans had attacked a whole city as a target, rather than pinpoint objectives.

Clouds and smudgepots prevented an immediate assessment of the damage, but fliers made this comment:

"We were right over the city—we couldn't have missed."

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Retroactive Pay Referee Ends Hearings Here

Dr. Richard Steiner, referee for the west coast lumber commission in the pine cases, left Friday night after concluding a hearing on the question of retroactive pay in operations where the CIO International Woodworkers of America is the bargaining agency.

It was understood both the CIO unionists and operators will submit briefs further upholding their contentions offered at the hearing. The union favors September 1, 1942, as the date for start of the 7 1/2-cent raise granted by the commission, and operators for the most part contend the date should be September 26.

Steiner while here also heard two other cases. One involved a question between the Weyerhaeuser Timber company and the AFL machinists' union, and the other a wage dispute between employes of the Underwood Logging company of Lakeview and that company.

No results from these hearings are expected for two or three months.

Germany Watches Turkish Collaboration With Britain

By E. C. DANIEL

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Attu Island, Where American Troops Landed

Cape Wrangell (above), on Attu Island, is the westernmost point of land on the North American continent, and it is here that American troops have landed and are locked in battle with the Japs. Attu was occupied by the Japanese nearly a year ago.

Post-War World Planned at Churchill, FDR Conference

By D. HAROLD OLIVER

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill, in their fifth day of plotting total destruction of Hitlerism, lifted their sights today to plans for the post-war world.

They were busy, too, with combining their talents on strategy for fresh military drives along the roads that lead to Rome, Berlin and Tokyo.

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Wheeler Pine To Operate Mill Through Summer

Wheeler Pine company, which operates the "Boy Scout" mill on Upper Klamath lake, will start the mill again Monday with expectation of steady operation through the summer months, it was learned Saturday.

The plant ran through most of the last week.

Logs are coming from a camp established at Harriman lodge, on the west side of the upper lake. Paul Robin is the company's logging boss, and logs are also being provided by an operation headed by Everett Puckett.

O. K. Puckett is rafting the logs across the lake to the Wheeler mill.

'CHAINS OF MEN' ATTACK LENINGRAD

Nazis Stab Anew at Off-Hit Russian City

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW, May 15 (AP)—A sharp new German attack on Leningrad, in an assault preceded by a heavy artillery barrage, was reported today by Red Star, official army newspaper, in dispatches from the front.

Following the heavy barrage, German infantry advanced toward the city in what the dispatch described as "chains" of men.

Russian troops met the attack with heavy fire that resulted in heavy losses, but the Germans continued to attack, the newspaper said.

The Germans made several additional attacks in a single day.

Bey of Tunis Ordered Deposed By Gen. Giraud

ALGIERS, May 15 (AP)—The bey of Tunis, Sidi Mohammed Al Mousaf was ordered deposed today by Gen. Henri Giraud.

The action was disclosed in a communique issued by Gen. Alphonse Juin, acting resident general of Tunisia.

The bey, civil and religious leader of Tunisia, remained in his land for six months during the axis occupation. He stayed in Tunisia after allied forces drove out the Germans and Italians.

When the Americans first landed in North Africa, President Roosevelt addressed a personal letter to him, signifying American intention of entering his land.

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last war. He received early naval training at Newport, R. I. He is known today as a passionate partisan of Britain and the United States.

He was stated authoritatively to have gone home for "rest and to renew contacts."

Across Turkey's western border in Bulgaria, seven more "communists" were reported by the Paris radio to have been arrested in the long police campaign to quell political opposition to the axis war. A German report printed in Stockholm said allied parachutists had been dropped in Bulgaria in an attempt to encourage revolt. (German propaganda frequently plants such stories in Stockholm, and this one was seen as an effort to explain away the unrest in Bulgaria, which placed the Balkan kingdom under a virtual state of siege last week.)

KNOX REPORTS PROGRESS AS 'SATISFACTORY'

Fresh News Lacking From Aleutian Fight

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—American soldiers and sailors, fighting since Tuesday for possession of the Aleutian island of Attu, stood out today as the possible vanguard of a mighty force the country expects eventually to sweep on to Tokyo.

The lack of fresh news from Attu, which lies at the western end of the long string of islands pointing across the North Pacific to the Japanese homeland, caused no apparent worry in the capital where hopes for success were buoyed by these factors.

Sure of Win

1. A belief that the high command would not have ordered the operation without making arrangements fairly sure of winning through.

2. The statement by Secretary of the Navy Knox late yesterday that "it is going very satisfactorily."

3. Japanese dispatches speaking of "crack" American forces landing in numbers superior to the defenders, a possible face-saving advance idea.

The American command knows how many Japanese are on Attu, Knox said, while declining to give the figure.

Offensive Asked whether the operation is part of a general plan of a (Continued on Page Two)

Pilot Bails From Plane in Bad Weather

Sgt. Bob Yancey, 23, stationed at the Marana army basic flying school at Tucson, Ariz., arrived here at 5 o'clock Friday afternoon and just one and one-half hours later the pilot of the plane, Capt. Edward Mansfield of Portland, parachuted to safety when he ran into bad flying weather.

Capt. Mansfield was ferrying an army train, a BT, from Tucson to Salem. He bailed out of his plane and landed four miles south of Eugene. En route north from Tucson, flying conditions were said to be fair but the weather was pretty cold. The BT landed at the Klamath airport to permit Yancey to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Matts, 1702 Crescent avenue.

Yancey, former Klamath Union high school track star, is stationed at Tucson where he handles training group supplies. Capt. Mansfield hopes to pick up a plane in Portland, stop here for his passenger and continue south some time tomorrow. It not, Sgt. Yancey will return to Tucson by train.

Baseball

AMERICAN

Washington 1 5 1
Detroit 8 13 1
Mertz, Haefner (2), Adkins (7) and Early; Trout and Parsons.

NATIONAL
Philadelphia 0 4 1
Cleveland 2 5 0
Arntzen and Swift; Salveson and DeSautels, Rosar (8).

PHILADELPHIA
St. Louis 5 11 2
Philadelphia 3 10 1
M. Cooper and Odea; Fuchs, Webb (9) and Livingston.

PITTSBURGH
Pittsburgh 1 8 1
New York 2 7 1
Rescigno and Lopez; Melton, Adams (10) and Lombardi.

CHICAGO
Chicago 6 10 1
Brooklyn 13 14 0
Derringer, Prim (4), Barrett (4), Fleming (8) and Hernandez; Macon, Weber (8) and Owen.

CINCINNATI
Cincinnati 0 3 2
Boston 1 2 1
Vandermeer and Muller, De-Phillips (8); Andrews and Mast.