

Blackout Signal

One 5-minute blast on sirens and whistles is the signal for a blackout in Klamath Falls...

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Weather News

May 18—High 71. Low 35. Precipitation as of May 12, 1943. Stream year to date 18.17. Last year 11.96. Normal 10.80.

CHURCHILL VOWS TO CRUSH JAPS

Attu Drive Pinches Nips

RAIDERS SOW DEVASTATION IN NAZI-LAND

U. S. Flying Fortresses Strike at Kiel Sub Yards

LONDON, May 19 (AP)—Flying Fortresses of the eighth U. S. air force struck today at the German submarine yards at Kiel...

The new, multiple blow in the battle of the Atlantic came while deepening and widening floods added new devastation to the Eder and Moehne valleys in the wake of Sunday's RAF dam attacks.

Kassel Flooded The Eder floods have reached a point some 50 miles below the breached dam across that river, the air ministry said, and flooded many parts of Kassel...

Both the Eder and Moehne areas present a most mournful spectacle with fields under water, the air ministry said.

Grade School Pupils Happy—Vacation Near Classes were over for hundreds of Klamath Falls grade school children this Wednesday afternoon and while small people looked forward to three months of play...

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Hope for Freedom From Want Blends With Realism as Food Parley Opens HOT SPRINGS, Va., May 19 (AP)—A broad, seven-point tentative schedule of objectives aimed at creating a world free from want has been drafted by the United Nations food conference...

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Winner Ellen O'Keefe, Sacred Heart academy eighth-grader, walked off with state honors in the American Legion and auxiliary Americanism contest, according to Portland judges.

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Enemy Falls Back in Last Ditch Stand

WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP)—American pincers have closed their trap around Japanese positions on Attu island, the navy reported today, and at least a part of the enemy troops are in retreat toward a last ditch stand.

Junction Noted The junction of American forces in the heights southeast of Holtz bay place the Japanese in a position where they are fighting with their backs to sea and have no choice except to make a stand either at Holtz bay or Chichagof harbor.

The fact that American troops now hold these heights suggests, although battle reports so far have not indicated it, that the Japanese are in an untenable position there and may be compelled to withdraw.

Chichagof Retreat The only place to which they could then fall back, so far as is known here, would be Chichagof harbor. To prevent their becoming too strongly entrenched there it seemed likely that at least a part of the Masacre bay force would strike out in that direction in pursuit of the fleeing troops from the pass.

American forces throughout the Pacific area braced for a possible Japanese counterstroke (Continued on Page Two)

American Use of Russian Bases Brings Warning

NEW YORK, May 19 (AP)—CBS reported the British radio as quoting today that the Tokyo radio had warned Soviet Russia against placing Siberian bases at the disposal of the United States.

CBS gave the following as the text of a London Polish-language broadcast directed to Europe: "As the result of American advances on Attu island the Japanese are showing anxiety over the fate of their towns which are liable to be bombed, they have warned the Soviets against giving their Siberian bases for the use of the Americans.

In a program directed to India and Burma, radio Tokyo expressed the following threats toward Russia: At present the relations between Japan and Russia are on the basis of neutrality. But in the future Russia ever puts her Siberian bases at the disposal of the United States the Japanese army will resort to a blitzkrieg and will deal the heaviest blows Russia has ever known."

State Closes Case in Baby Smothering Trial MEDFORD, Ore., May 19 (AP)—The state closed its case today in the first degree murder trial of Sgt. Bernard J. Lotka, 23, Cleveland, O., charged with smothering his 10-week-old son in a Medford auto camp cabin the night of April 1.

Duke Expects Long War Before Victory WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP)—The Duke of Windsor expressed belief today that the United Nations still have a long road to travel before ultimate defeat of the axis.

He was asked his impression of the progress of the war as he left a half hour conference with Secretary of State Cordell Hull. "We can take heart from our success in the African campaign," the duke told reporters, "but I am afraid we still have a long road to travel and that we must not be too optimistic."

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Tin Can Kids



Here are the winners of Klamath's tin can drive: left to right, Nancy Edwards, Fairview; Vincent Carter, Fairview; Carmel Finnigan, Sacred Heart academy. Nancy won the right to enter the state contest as the girl winner from the school having the most cans per student. Vincent is the boy winner from his school and also the city winner in the boys' class. Carmel holds the distinction of being the girl to bring in the greatest number of cans in the city in her division.

Worried Nippos Send Big Air Force Over Little Wau

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, May 19 (AP)—Indicating alarm over the allied ground menace to New Guinea's Huon gulf, the Japanese have sent 102 planes since Saturday against the little mountain town of Wau, nearest allied supply and air base to the scene of the jungle fighting.

Wau is only 35 miles southwest of Salamaua, important Japanese air and shipping base on the gulf toward which the allies have been infiltrating from the south since the conquest of the Papuan peninsula. From it over a jungle track move men and supplies to the Mubo area, 12 miles from Salamaua. The Japanese hold Mubo and its airfield but allied troops look down on it from nearby ridge tops.

Bombs Dropped Yesterday, 25-bomb-carrying Zeros came over Wau at 15,000 to 18,000 feet, dropped 18 bombs, then swept down through bursts of anti-aircraft fire to machine-gun installations. Today's communication admitted some damage, but there were no casualties.

Other damage was caused Monday by 43 raiders. Last Saturday, 34 planes struck at Wau at the same time that 64 others attacked the allies most advanced position at Bobdubi, only five miles from Salamaua. At that time, Japanese ground troops opened an attempt to drive the allies out of Bobdubi. There has been no further news of that action but Japanese air action against Wau indicates the allied ground pressure still is felt and the bombings of Wau are intended to ease it. But damage for the three raids is summed up at headquarters as slight. There was no allied air interception.

Election Will Pick Successor For Englebright

Selection of a successor to Congressman Harry Englebright of the nearby second California district, who died a few days ago, will come through a special election which Governor Earl Warren is expected to call after the Englebright funeral at Grass Valley, Calif., on Friday. The election cannot be held until at least 65 days after the call by Governor Warren.

Candidates will run as independents, not by parties, and to qualify a candidate needs 3349 signatures on his petition. There are no announced candidates as yet but among those mentioned in political circles are Mrs. Grace Englebright, widow of the late congressman; State Senator Herold L. Seawell, Roseville; Superior Judge Andrew Pierovich, Amador county; Frank Finnehan, Grass Valley, who is in officers' training; Mrs. Gertrude Clark, Sutter Creek; R. R. Henderson of Lone Pine, Inyo county.

Mentioned from nearby counties are Senators Ranolph Collier, Siskiyou county, and Harold Powers of Modoc county.

Baseball NATIONAL Cincinnati R. H. E. 2 12 0 New York 3 5 0 Vandermeer, Heusser (5), Shoun (6), and Mueller; Lohrman, Mungo (9) and Lombardi. R. H. E. St. Louis 3 9 0 Brooklyn 2 6 0 Lanier, Brechler (7) and W. Cooper; Macon, Webber (8) and Owen. R. H. E. Pittsburgh 1 9 0 Boston 2 8 0 Resigno and Baker; Andrews and Klutz. COAST R. H. E. Hollywood 4 9 2 Los Angeles 10 15 4 Thomas, McLaughlin (7) and Younkens; Gehrman and Land.

AFRICAN VICTORY DAY observed in Klamath Klamath Falls observed "African Victory" day Wednesday when a parade was made up of patriotic organizations, service men and mobile units.

The line of march, from The Herald and News corner the length of Main street, was witnessed by hundreds who stood on curbs and with hats off as the colors went by. In the parade were four visiting marines, guests of the Commandos and marching with that unit, the US navy recruiting cruiser, several visiting WAVES here on recruiting duty, Pep (Continued on Page Two)

GOAL FIGHT RESTS WITH FACT PANEL

WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP)—The nation's soft coal wage dispute today rested in the hands of a three-man fact-finding panel of the war labor board.

The panel's report is due some time this week. It will be followed by a full labor board decision in the case before May 31, expiration date of the extended truce under which the industry has been operating—without a contract—since a nationwide weekend work stoppage the first of this month.

Question Pops Again Then, once again, the question will be whether John L. Lewis and his United Mine Workers will accept the board's ruling.

There was no sign early today that the UMW president had altered his stand against the board—which he termed prejudiced—despite the administration's reiterated last night that the dispute was strictly under WLB jurisdiction. The miners seek \$2-a-day basic wage increase, underground travel pay and other concessions in a new contract.

The UMW has consistently declined to be represented on the panel, or to attempt pleading its case before it.

Interior Secretary Ickes, acting in his capacity as fuels administrator and boss of the government-operated coal mines, last night told Lewis in a letter that any contract settling the dispute "must have the approval of the war labor board."

When word of the letter (Continued on Page Two)

'SIDE BY SIDE' FIGHT TO LICK AXIS PLEDGED

Prime Minister Says "Hitler Will Not Succeed" By The Associated Press WASHINGTON, May 19 — Prime Minister Churchill pledged Britain today to fight "side by side" with America until Japan is finished.

And, without disclosing when the joint drive might come, he said that "the cities and other munitions centers of Japan" should rock "at the earliest moment" to the blasts of "our joint air power."

Before a cheering joint session of congress, he disclosed also that he and President Roosevelt hope to meet soon with Premier Stalin of Russia and Generalissimo Chiang of China.

No Time Limit When the finish fight against Japan will begin rolling or when the leaders of the great allied nations will get together to plot for the destruction also of Germany and Italy he did not disclose.

With many of the United Nations' men of war and of diplomacy looking on and joining the cheers that rang through the crowded house chamber, Churchill predicted a third and supreme gamble by "Corporal Hitler" to try to knock Russia out.

Thereupon he juffed his heavy jaw and said: "He will not succeed." The master minds in Berlin and Rome, Churchill recounted, (Continued on Page Two)

Axis Tunisian Loss Estimated; Pantelleria Hit

By NOLAN NORGAARD ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, May 19 (AP)—Total German and Italian losses in the Tunisian campaign from the smashing of the Mareth line to the overcoming of the last axis resistance in North Africa were 324,000 men, including an estimated 30,000 killed, 27,000 seriously wounded and 287,000 captured, it was announced officially today.

Simultaneously with the disclosure that nearly a third of a million enemy troops were put out of action in the final stages of the North African campaign came the announcement of the heaviest raid yet on the Italian island of Pantelleria, only 45 miles from Cap Bon in Tunisia, carried out by U. S. air forces.

Flying Fortresses smashed at the same time at the important Sicilian base of Trapani, blowing up a ship in the harbor and covering docks and the railway yard with bomb bursts.

Thousands Abandon Homes As Floods Wash Midwest

INDIANAPOLIS, May 19 (AP)—Additional troops were ordered into flood-washed areas of Indiana today as a third of the state struggled against the highest waters in three decades. Another drowning was reported, bringing the death toll to five.

At least 10,000 persons were homeless in 20 counties. Lodge halls, schools, churches and other buildings were converted into dormitories for them. Damage to crops and property mounted. M. P.'s Out Three hundred military police were sent from Fort Harrison, near Indianapolis, to the flood-isolated city of Peru, in north-central Indiana; 400 to Terre Haute, where 4000 persons were evacuated last night after the breaking of a levee, and 200 to Washington, Ind., where other levees were threatened. Levees of quivering earth which had restrained swollen rivers under reinforcement of sandbags burst in four places last night. At a breach near Terre Haute civilians recruited to lay sandbags left automobiles stranded before the sudden deluge of the Wabash river water and fled on foot. Families Evacuated The coast guard and army have evacuated hundreds of families in St. Charles, Mo., where observers estimate the Missouri river stage will reach 36.3 feet before Saturday, the highest since 1903 and sufficient to inundate 90,000 acres. Some army engineers expected the crest to exceed the 1844 record of 40.1 feet. Special highway trailers were to bring lifeboats from Lake Michigan and army engineers increased river patrols 50 per cent to 250 men. Col. Malcolm Elliott of the army engineers predicted "a major flood in the lower Missouri basin."