

### Blackout Signal

One 5-minute blast on sirens and whistles is the signal for a blackout in Klamath Falls. Another long blast, during a blackout, is a signal for all-clear. In precautionary periods, watch your street lights.

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Last year ..... 12.78 Normal ..... 10.98

# MINERS LEAVE GOVERNMENT PITS

## In The Day's News

**By FRANK JENKINS**  
THERE'S an upsurge of naval rumors this morning from Gibraltar.  
Otherwise all's quiet as this is written—except in China, where General Hsueh Yueh's army, heartened by the presence of allied planes overhead, turns in and routs FIVE Jap divisions along the Yangtze above Ichang, the river base from which the little yellow men have been thrusting at Chungking, with demolition side thrusts into China's rice bowl.  
The Chinese say it's the greatest victory in their six years of war, with more than 4000 Jap dead removed from the field up to May 27.

THE Gibraltar rumors are carried in an AP dispatch from La Linea, Spain, and assert that upwards of 100 allied warships, including three aircraft carriers, three battleships, a "number" of cruisers and "several" destroyers, along with other craft, left Gibraltar Sunday night.  
The drift of the La Linea rumor is that it "won't be long now."

DON'T get impatient. There'll be plenty of fighting, and it will be bloody enough, once it does start.

YOU'LL find an interesting dispatch in this newspaper today from AP's William Worden, describing the Jap air strip on Attu.

Read it TWICE, the second time carefully.  
It describes the slow hand methods used by the Japs in building the strip (it had taken them more than five months and still wasn't finished when we took it) and your first casual reading will leave you the impression that the poor little Japs just simply PREFERRED slow, inefficient hand labor.  
Your second and more careful reading will disclose that they TRIED to use fast machine methods but their machinery was KNOCKED OUT by our bombs.  
So they fell back on hand labor instead of giving up.

WORDEN'S dispatch describes the way the Japs have lived and worked on Attu—a handful of rice and some putrid fish, sleeping in filthy holes.  
It's tough, according to American standards, but let's not forget that's the way Genghis Khan and his Mongols lived. Their food and shelter standards were TERRIBLE in comparison with those of the armies they fought. But they WON THEIR BATTLES.

GENGHIS KHAN fed and sheltered his Mongol armies on unbelievably little, but his ARMAMENT and his TACTICS were beyond criticism. He was the world's first exponent of FIRE POWER, arming his soldiers with two bows, one for long range and one for close range.  
His staff work was so careful and accurate that without radio or telegraph communication he could start invading columns hundreds of miles apart and bring them out TOGETHER at the desired junction point within a matter of hours.  
The Mongols' food habits contributed to their effectiveness by minimizing enormously their problem of supply.

SO far Washington's policy has been one of consistent UNDER-ESTIMATION of the Jap. That policy brought us humiliating Pearl Harbor.  
Let's quit under-estimating our Pacific enemy.  
JIMMY BYRNES (our new czar of all czars) tells his home town (Spartanburg, S. C.) that "squabbling government agencies" will in time be streamlined into an efficient (home front) war machine.  
He says:  
"Your government has no right to call on you to work as

## HIGH SCHOOL MOVES TO BUY NATATORIUM

Levy for Tank to Be On Ballot June 28

A special levy to raise \$13,000 for purchase of the Butler natatorium for the Klamath union high school district will be on the school district election ballot June 28.  
This was decided at a meeting of the budget committee Monday night. The regular KUHS budget will also be voted on at that time, as well as the election of two directors.

**Options Obtained**  
Some time ago the school district obtained an option on the swimming establishment, which is located on property adjoining the KUHS athletic plant. The amount designated in the option was \$13,000, which is understood to be several thousand dollars below the price previously mentioned when public bodies considered purchase of the swimming pool.

Arnold Gralapp, city school superintendent, said that while the natatorium, if purchased, will be incorporated as a part of the athletic facilities of the high school, a study will immediately be made to make the swimming plant available as a part of the city's summer recreation program for youth.

**Uses Outlined**  
It was emphasized in the discussion at the budget meeting that the swimming pool should be used first of all for swimming instruction for the youth of the city.

Gralapp stated that with the addition of the proposed facilities the Klamath union high school physical education program will definitely be one of the outstanding offerings in all northwest secondary schools.  
He pointed out it was the unanimous opinion of members of the budget committee that swimming

## "Mopping Up" on Attu Kills 400 Japs Saturday

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—More than 400 Japanese troops were killed on Attu island Saturday night, the navy reported today, when three columns of United States soldiers advanced toward Chichagof harbor, where they joined Sunday.

The mopping up operations on the island apparently were continuing today with army troops stamping out pockets of Japanese resistance in the barren hills.  
Officers here said that all organized resistance by the enemy had been broken, however.

## Former Gestapo Prisoner Warns About Complacency

"Don't think it can't happen here. Norway thought that, and it happened."  
That is the No. 1 advice of Ivan Jacobsen, Tacoma, Washington, youth who as a member of the U. S. legation staff in Norway was arrested by the German gestapo and held for seven months in Oslo prison, "for questioning." Jacobsen is touring the United States under the auspices of the Royal Norwegian Information services, speaking in behalf of civilian defense preparation in this country. He spoke at noon today to the Lions club.

Norway, he said, had lived for 107 years without war—without the firing of a hostile shot within her borders. She thought she had learned to live without war. Then, in the twinkling of an eye, through the pressure of German world conquest, war came to Norway and her people are now ground beneath the heel of a conqueror.  
**Can Come to Us**  
It can come, he added, even to us—especially if our civilian

# Bombs "Soften Up" Axis

Lewis' Men Stop Work at Mines



As the midnight deadline for renewal of the UMW contract passed Monday night, John L. Lewis' miners "did not trespass" on the coal operators' property to continue work today. At the hearing which was reopened recently for contract negotiations, and continued today, was, left to right, Charles O'Neill, head of the northern operators' committee, Lewis, and former Senator Edward R. Burke, head of the Southern group, shown above.

## TITUS MAY USE INSANITY DEFENSE

Jury Selection Opens Murder Trial Tuesday

Defense Attorney J. C. O'Neill gave definite indication Tuesday at the opening of the murder trial of W. E. Titus that the defense would contend Titus was temporarily insane at the time of the shotgun death of his wife, Erma, at Bly on February 15.  
O'Neill repeatedly informed veniremen he was questioning the defense would undertake to show temporary insanity on the part of the Bly justice of the peace at the time of the shooting, and inquired of the jurors as to possible prejudice against such a defense.

**Charged With Murder**  
Titus is charged with first degree murder. Prosecuting Attorneys L. Orth Sisemore and Clarence Humble asked veniremen if they had any scruples against capital punishment. If the jury should bring in a guilty verdict without leniency recommendation, Titus would receive the death penalty.

The defendant looked weak and pale as he entered the courtroom. He is suffering from wounds he received at the time of the Bly shooting. The state contends he inflicted the wounds on himself after killing his wife in an early-morning quarrel.  
He gave the broad outline of his plan last night to a shirt-sleeved throng of home folks, gathered in Spartanburg's baseball park for a cotton-goes-to-war celebration.  
"Your government has no right to call upon you to work as a team if it is not going to demand of government officials that they work as a team," said Byrnes in his first address since President Roosevelt named him to the new post.

## Davies Gets to Alaska on Return Trip From Moscow

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, May 31 (Delayed AP)—Joseph E. Davies arrived here today from Moscow, where he delivered a secret message to Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin from President Roosevelt.  
Although the Fairbanks dispatch did not say, it was presumed Davies arrived in Alaska by plane—the mode of travel which he used on his journey to Moscow via the Middle East.

## Chinese Throw Japs Back From Assault at Chungking

CHUNGKING, June 1 (AP)—Spurred on by General Ushih Ueh, "The Little Tiger," and encouraged by air support overhead, battle-ried Chinese troops were announced today to have routed completely five Japanese divisions in a victory hailed in Free China as the greatest in six years of war.

The Japanese were thrown back in disorder and with heavy losses toward Ichang, their Yangtze river base, the high command said.  
**Circled**  
Chinese quarters in this provisional capital were elated over the reports from the Yangtze front where the enemy divisions, involving perhaps 75,000 men, were said to have been trapped in a "big encirclement."

The Japanese had thrust out from Ichang in a many-pronged threat to Chungking.  
Up to May 27 more than 4000 Japanese dead had been removed from the battlefields, it was reported, and the all-front counter-

attacks of the past two days were said to have added thousands more.  
**Further Success**  
Today's high command communique announced further successes on the huge 300-mile semicircular front extending from the Tungting lake region of northern Hunan, westward around Ichang on the Yangtze and northeastward to the Hupeh-Honan border region.  
A body of Japanese troops, including the 116th regiment was "completely annihilated" near Yuyangkwan, 35 miles south of Ichang, the communique said, and a "tremendous quantity of war supplies" was captured.

## Streamlining For Government Agencies Seen

By ROMNEY WHEELER  
SPARTANBURG, S. C., June 1 (AP)—James F. Byrnes, newly named director of war mobilization, left a promise with the nation today that squabbling governmental agencies would be streamlined into an efficient war machine—but how the chief of America's home front plans to do it was kept to himself.

## Senate Rejects Restrictions on Reciprocal Pact

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—The senate rejected today by a margin of 19 votes a proposal to amend the reciprocal trade agreements legislation to require congressional approval before future agreements could become effective.  
It turned down this proposal, 50 to 31, in which was regarded as likely to be the closest test vote in administration efforts to obtain a two-year extension unaltered of executive authority to make the agreements.  
Previously it had rejected, 51 to 33, an amendment which would have permitted congress to end the agreements six months after the close of the war.

## GAS COUPONS CUT

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—The office of price administration today slashed the value of all B and C gas coupons in the northeastern states now under a ban on non-essential driving from three gallons to 2½ gallons.

## NAVY ACTIVITY AT GIBRALTAR STIRS RUMORS

Warplanes Pulverize Foggia, Sicily, Sardinia

By ROGER GREENE  
Associated Press War Editor  
Big-scale naval activity was reported at Gibraltar today, involving upwards of 100 warships and other vessels, while in the skies allied bombers piled up fresh havoc on both the northern and southern ramparts of Europe in their pre-invasion "softening up" offensive.

As a result of the shipping activity at Gibraltar, the British Mediterranean stronghold was buzzing with rumors that it would not be long before war material passing there would go into action.  
**Warships Leave**  
An Associated Press dispatch from La Linea, next door to Gibraltar, said three aircraft carriers, three battleships, a number of cruisers and several destroyers left Gibraltar Sunday night, but observers at La Linea could not say whether they headed into the Mediterranean or westward into the Atlantic.

In addition, 92 freighters along with several transports and destroyers were reported concentrated at "the rock."  
German broadcasts nervously asserted yesterday that June 22 was "Der Tag" for an allied invasion of Europe, and the Rome radio exhorted the Italian people to emulate Britain's courage under the threat of attack.  
**British Example**  
"We are confronted with the enemy's own example—the enemy which, beaten and abandoned and faced with invasion and ruins, not only continued to

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## Bernard Perkins Wounded in African Fight

Private Bernard B. Perkins, who has previously been reported as missing in North Africa, is in fact wounded in that area, according to latest reports received over The Associated Press and also by his mother, Mrs. John Cole, 131 Conger avenue.  
Perkins' name was included in a list of wounded received here for release on Tuesday.  
The family some time ago received word the boy was missing, but also has recently been informed he is wounded and not missing.

## Bond-Bought Fighter Planes Get Names of Communities

Four fighter planes, adopted as the objective for the June bond drive for Klamath county, will be named in honor of four county communities, it was announced Tuesday by the Kiwanis club, June campaign leader.  
A unique contest, in which Klamath Falls people and all residents of the county will participate, will decide the selection of the names for the fighter planes to escort Klamath's "Pelican" Flying Fortress bought in the May bond drive.

**Athlete Names Proposed**  
Proposed names have been assigned chiefly on the basis of the names used by the athletic teams in the various community high schools. Each bond buyer in the county, when making his bond purchases in June, is asked to designate the county community to which he wants the purchase credited. Klamath Falls bond buyers will vote for which

## Isolationists May Get Their Wish, Eventually

MADRID, June 1 (AP)—German scientists working at the Geodetic institute at Potsdam were reported in the Spanish press today to have discovered that North America is moving away from Europe at the rate of about 12 inches a year—hardly enough to make much difference in the war.

The report, picked up from the German press, said the drift of South America was slower, at the rate of eight inches a year from Africa.  
The case of Greenland was something else, the Potsdam scientists declared. Greenland was declared to have traveled 600 meters (1968.5 feet) west toward Canada in the past 10 years.

## NAZIS STYMIED IN DONETS CAMPAIGN

Counterattack Shoved Back to Start by Russians

LONDON, June 1 (AP)—German forces launched two strong counterattacks in the Lisichansk area of the Donets river front last night, but were thrown back to their initial position with heavy losses, the midday soviet communique said today.  
Ignoring German reports that the nazis had launched a strong drive on the western front above Smolensk, the communique, which was broadcast from Moscow and recorded by the soviet monitor here, mentioned only artillery action in that general area and said Russian detachments had scouted German positions there.

**German Version**  
The German version of the Smolensk assault declared yesterday that nazi troops had attacked "on a fairly large front" to straighten the battlefield. The Russians were dislodged despite strong resistance, said the Berlin radio, which claimed the Germans were holding their new positions.  
However, the German high command failed to bear out this DNB version of activity, and announced in its communique today that the eastern front was generally quiet except for local fighting along the Kuban in the Caucasus.

**Planes Downed**  
The communique, recorded from Berlin broadcasts, said 51 Russian planes were shot down yesterday in heavy air fighting. Russian artillery fire near Smolensk demolished fortifications, the soviet noon communique said, and soviet scouting de-

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## JAP SHIP SUNK

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—United States submarines have sunk a Japanese destroyer and six enemy auxiliary vessels in operations in the Pacific, the navy reported today.

## UMW IGNORES FOR WARNING; STOPS WORK

Contract Expiration Sees Shafts Quiet

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP) Secretary Ickes said today that the coal miners' walkout "constitutes a strike against the government" and called on John L. Lewis to order his men to "return to their wartime posts of duty."

By The Associated Press  
Ignoring stern warnings from President Roosevelt that a nationwide coal strike could not be tolerated, virtually every one of John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers stayed away from the government-operated pits today despite continuing negotiations to reach a contract.

There are some half-million members of Lewis' union in the approximately 3150 soft coal and 450 hard coal mines now under federal control, although reports indicate that maintenance men are remaining at work to keep the shafts ready for a speedy return to production.

Although not a strike in the view of the bushy-browed UMW chieftain, who said his men simply would refuse to trespass on mine property at the expiration of a twice-extended contract, the stoppage nonetheless halted the flow of vital fuel to the nation's war-busy industrial plants.

**100 Per Cent Walkout**  
The walkout appeared by late morning to be virtually 100 per cent effective in all fields operating with UMW personnel, although a number of mines continued in production. They are manned, however, either by non-union workers, those affiliated with the AFL Progressive Mine Workers union or with independent unions.

At least one exception was reported, however. Mines in the Pittsburgh, Kas., field, in UMW district 14, reported all men at work except for a 10-man crew of shovel loaders. The number (Continued on Page Two)

## Disagreement Rumored Among French Leaders

By EDWARD KENNEDY  
ALGIERS, June 1 (AP)—Rumors of disagreement in the one-day-old executive committee formed by Generals Charles de Gaulle and Henri Giraud to give unified direction to the French war effort circulated today and it seemed certain that difficult negotiations were ahead.

The committee was engaged in a day-long session, however, and in the absence of any official statement concerning its proceedings there was no definite information.  
The most reliable informant said there was some difference of opinion among the members on General De Gaulle's demand for a house-cleaning of "unworthy" officials in North Africa.

## Italian Chief of Staff Given Job As Army Commander

By The Associated Press  
Gen. Ezio Rossi, chief of staff of the Italian army, was relieved of his post today and appointed commander of an army group, the Berlin radio said in a Rome dispatch recorded by The Associated Press.  
Gen. Mario Roatta, who was chief of staff from March 3, 1941, until he was relieved by Gen. Vittorio Ambrosio on January 19, 1942, was again named chief of staff of the Italian army, the dispatch said.

Gen. Alfredo Cugnoni was appointed commander of another army group on May 30, the Berlin radio said.