

JAPS DEVELOP ISLAND BASES DESPITE RAIDS

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, June 17 (AP)—Despite the destruction caused by 209 tons of allied bombs in eight recent raids, the Japanese persistently are building up their air might at Rabaul, New Britain, and Wewak, New Guinea, as well as in the northern Solomons.

This was disclosed today in a study of photographs taken of the airbases by allied reconnaissance planes.

Rabaul's airbases, particularly the Lakunai field, have been pounded with 135 tons of bombs in four raids, starting a week ago. In each case, the returning bomber crews reported large fires, some apparently burning planes. After the latest raid Tuesday, fliers on reconnaissance came back saying they had noted repair activity at Lakunai.

At Wewak, on the north coast of New Guinea, 450 miles northwest of the allied base of Port Moresby, 74 tons of bombs have been dropped in four recent raids, the first on May 28 and the last on June 4.

The photographs showed other concentrations of enemy planes on Bougainville island in the northern Solomons. In that general area yesterday, a Flying Fortress on a photographic mission was attacked by 15 Japanese Zeros, suffering five casualties among its crew, but got home safely.

Today's communiqué told of a raid Tuesday night on Kendari, Dutch Celebes, representing a flight of more than 1000 miles from Australia, in which allied planes dropped 16 tons of bombs among parked planes. Some fires started could be seen 80 miles away.

For the second straight day, Japanese planes struck yesterday at villages with emergency landing fields 90 miles northwest of Lae, New Guinea. Six bombers and six fighters made the raid.

French Group In Agreement

ALGIERS, June 17 (AP)—Thirteen members of the French National Liberation committee, with Gen. Henri Giraud presiding, reached an agreement at an 80-minute meeting today on procedure and collective responsibility, it was announced.

Rene Massigli, commissioner of foreign affairs, informed the first plenary session of communications received from other governments concerning recognition of the committee as the provisional government of the French empire.

The committee began the first steps toward the creation of a "consultative assembly."

A sand-dollar is a creature similar to a starfish.

Noweta Havinear Is Kiwanis Choice For Rodeo Queen

(Continued From Page One) to Klamath Falls for entertainment during the celebration and later.

Miss Havinear's picture was not available for publication today, but will be printed later. Bogue Dale is in charge of the Kiwanis candidate selection.

BUSTERS BASH GERMAN HOME FRONT SECTOR

(Continued From Page One) The Italian troops from Sicily and Sardinia. Big-scale massing of allied ships at Gibraltar, declaring that 75 vessels including a battleship, two aircraft carriers and 10 destroyers were lying off "The Rock."

German Peace Feeler—Soviet minister to Sweden brands talk of German-Russian peace parley as "German propaganda lie."

Italy—Premier Mussolini ousts six more fascist national councilors in continuing shake-up; London hears Italians frenziedly applauded every mention of peace in address by Pope Pius XII.

Russia—New flashes flare on long-quiet Smolensk front.

Balkans in Spotlight In the European theater, while Rome and Berlin rang the changes on prospects of the "zero hour" approaching for an allied invasion, the spotlight shifted momentarily from Sicily, Sardinia and Italy to the eastern Mediterranean and the Balkans.

An Algiers broadcast reitited that Turkey still neutral but recently swinging toward the allied camp, had broken off diplomatic relations with the pro-Nazi government of France.

The Algiers report lacked immediate confirmation, but Berlin asserted yesterday that Britain was "trying to bring Turkey in on her side."

From other widespread sources came a flurry of reports that major events were brewing in the Balkan-Middle East arena.

A Moscow broadcast said Ernest Maltenbrunner, chief of German security police, had been hurriedly sent to Rumania to reorganize the police there.

An Ankara report yesterday said Rumania had sent out peace feelers to the allies.

Cairo heard that Hungary was also preparing to abandon Hitler's "new order" if the necessity arises.

A Berlin broadcast acknowledged that the allies had "one hope of possible attack—in southeastern Europe," but asserted that "an invasion will prove a blood bath without precedent" and that two-thirds of the landing force will be wiped out even before a decisive battle has been joined.

RATION BOARD WILL OCCUPY FRONT SPACE

Moving next Friday into the location now occupied by the office of price administration, the war price and rationing board will occupy the front section of the office in the Balsiger building.

The OPA field station will occupy the back part of the office, and the side entrance will be opened for the door for the OPA office.

No partition will be constructed separating the two offices, but they will be marked off from each other by rows of filing cabinets across the room.

Small offices along the inner wall will be mainly used by war price and rationing board members. C. C. Proctor of the office of defense transportation, will maintain his desk in the rationing section of the office.

After the move is made on June 26, the same telephone number, 8161, will be used to reach both offices. The war price and rationing board will be closed all day Friday while moving.

EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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Hungarians, to whom Hitler gave it. That would be a typical Balkan motive.

THE Rome radio denies that Rumania is angling for peace, but says Ernest Maltenbrunner, head of the German "security" police, has been dispatched to Rumania to "reorganize" the Rumanian police.

(Firing squads would probably be the method he would use for reorganization.)

Moscow says the atmosphere in Bucharest (Rumanian capital) is "very tense, with many of the country's prominent politicians in hiding."

ANYWAY, driving the politicians into hiding would be one break for the Rumanians.

YOU'LL be wise if you keep your fingers crossed on all these rumors. We don't know who is peddling them, or for what purpose.

Still, it's at least interesting to hear (from whatever source) that the rats are getting scared and thinking of deserting the axis ship.

When the axis finally begins to break up, that will be the process.

WAR SECRETARY STIMSON says today that 85 and MAYBE 105 German fighter planes were destroyed in the American and British raids on Wilhelmshaven and Cuxhaven last Friday. Our loss was eight Flying Fortresses.

Again it looks like our strategy in the air may be to "make 'em come up and fight and then shoot 'em down."

Yank Planes Set Fires in Hupeh

CHUNGKING, June 17 (AP)—United States planes supporting Chinese forces trying to take the Hupeh province town of Owchikow caused many fires and extensive damage Tuesday, a communique from Lieut. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters announced today.

Owchikow is near the Yangtze river nearly 40 miles south of Shasi. Chinese forces reached its outskirts early this week.

The war bulletin said the Americans attacked the warehouse area of the city at Lotus Pond inlet.

King George Samples Army Field Rations in Africa

By RELMAN MORIN Representing the Combined United States Press

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, June 16 (Delayed) (AP)—Having visited the American army in training for invasion of Europe and sampled American field rations on the first two days of his North African tour, King George VI of England got around yesterday (Tuesday) to inspecting units of the combined British and American fleet in the Mediterranean and meeting the war correspondents who covered the rout of the axis in this theatre.

For more than an hour the British monarch, who flew to North Africa on Saturday, walked slowly up and down a vast space covered with detachments of sailors and marines. They were drawn up in long lines that stretched all the way from the city's warehouses down to the water front.

Accompanying the king as he inspected the fighting men were two American officers, Vice Admiral H. K. Hewitt and Rear Admiral J. L. Hall.

The king then went aboard a large American warship and reviewed the personnel, after which he entered the captain's cabin with some of the ship's officers for a 10-minute breather.

From there he went to a British warship, where more than 30 American and British correspondents were drawn up to meet him.

RECLAMATION PROJECT HERE GETS GRANT

Appropriations recommended by the senate appropriations committee and reappropriations approved by the committee for the Klamath reclamation project are \$420,000 and \$190,000, an Associated Press report said today.

More than \$52,000,000 in new appropriations for resumption of reclamation construction was recommended. In addition, the senate committee approved reappropriation of \$23,171,820 of unexpended balances in various reclamation project funds.

Other projects which the senate committee proposes to finance with the estimated unexpended balances and the new appropriations as adjusted by the senate committee, follow in that order:

From the reclamation fund: Boise-Payette division, (Idaho) \$1,000,000 and \$400,000; Deschutes, \$750,000 and \$250,000.

From the general fund: Yakima, Roza division (Washington) \$575,000 and \$1,415,000. Increased funds were also granted to a number of Indian projects.

DAM PROTECTION MEASURES TALKED

LOS ANGELES, June 17 (AP)—A congressional committee investigating conditions in Japanese relocation centers conferred today with an army representative on measures for adequate protection of dams, reservoirs and other strategic installations in the vicinity of the camps.

After the committee had talked privately with Brig. Gen. Thoburn K. Brown, commanding the southern land frontier sector of the western defense command, Rep. Karl Mundt, South Dakota, issued the following statement:

"General Brown outlined for us the procedure by which mayors and governors may secure the assistance of the war department in guarding strategic units. . . Our committee will send to the governors of California and Arizona transcripts of the hearings, which show an opportunity for possible sabotage by Japanese encamped in their states. . ."

The Dies sub-committee yesterday heard a former employe of the Heart mountain relocation center, Wyoming, testify that large stocks of food had been hoarded there, some of which he said he believed had been traded by Japanese for whisky.

The game of handball originated more than 1000 years ago in Ireland.

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Shipbuilding Held Help Shortage Factor on Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, June 17 (AP)—Too great a concentration of shipbuilding on the west coast was blamed yesterday for the acute labor problem in the area by Rep. J. L. O'Leary (D-N.Y.), here for a hearing of the house merchant marine committee investigating a reported "lag in shipbuilding."

"There's too much shipbuilding on the west coast," he said. "There's been a mistake somewhere."

"What's going to happen to shipbuilding on the coast when offensive operations increase?" O'Leary asked George S. Roche, labor market analyst of the war manpower commission who testified the manpower situation in northern California was "very critical."

"Don't you think the answer is to build shipyards somewhere else?"

SHOOTING OF FIVE WORKMEN PROBED

CHESTER, Pa., June 17 (AP)—The shooting of five workmen at the No. 4 yard of the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock corporation was under investigation today by the navy, the U. S. conciliation service and the Delaware county district attorney's office.

The fourth naval district said in a statement that four guards, members of the coast guard temporary reserve but paid by the company, were held in custody pending the investigation. A man booked as Edward Abrams, negro of Wilmington, Del., was released on \$3000 bail, meanwhile, on a charge of inciting to riot.

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77 JAP PLANES BLASTED OVER GUADALCANAL

(Continued From Page One) from the skies, thereby laying American ground installations open to a smothering assault. As it turned out the Japanese had 25 planes definitely shot down and eight probably. American losses were six planes and two pilots.

Jap Purpose Vague The make-up of the enemy force in the Wednesday battle suggested that the Japanese had returned to their earlier tactics of fighters escorting bombers, after their Saturday thrust with fighters alone failed so completely.

It was not clear, however, on the basis of available information why the Japanese should be directing air forces of such considerable size and suffering losses at so great a rate into the Guadalcanal area.

One explanation widely mentioned in speculation here is that the Japanese believe Guadalcanal will play an important role in the next big American push and are trying to disrupt operations there as much as possible, primarily as a defensive measure.

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Supply Shortages Delay Hitler's Russian Attack

LONDON, June 17 (AP)—The invasion-jittery German high command was reported today to have delayed a summer offensive against soviet Russia, originally set for June 16, because of front line supply shortages.

A foreign source with reliable contacts inside Germany, who could be more fully identified, said June 16 was chosen for a limited attack pivoting around the Orel salient 200 miles south of Moscow.

Even this decision to make a limited attack came only after a controversy between Field Marshal Gen. Fedor von Bock, now commander in chief in Russia, and Lieut. Gen. Eberhard Warlimondt, who succeeded Gen. Franz Halder as Hitler's principal strategist.

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