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NAZI ARMY EASES OUT HITLER

Reds Roll On

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

SPANISH dispatches from Berlin today indicate that Hitler has been pushed into the background and that Goering (No. 2 nazi), Keitel (army head) and Goebbels (propaganda head) are now the real rulers of Germany.

LONDON brands these changes as a "desperate German attempt to win the peace, even though the war is lost." Informed opinion there is to the effect that the new military dictatorship will have the full consent and backing of the nazi party chiefs, who will "just go underground and RE-EMERGE later."

BECAUSE of Franco's tie-up with the axis, it is likely that these Spanish dispatches represent the front that Germany wants to present to us.

Something, probably, about like this: "You've said all along you won't deal with nazis and fascists. O. K. We've tossed Hitler and Mussolini out."

LET'S be realistic. This new military dictatorship will in all likelihood be MORE EFFICIENT than Hitler, who made ALL the fatal mistakes.

STILL, it is a CONFESSION OF DEFEAT, which is psychologically important. A nation that knows it is licked and is just stalling for good terms is in a weak position.

MILAN, Turin and Genoa, located in the Po valley of northern Italy, which the Germans hold, and containing among them TWO-THIRDS of Italy's industry, are blasted by "hundreds" of British bombers and are reported to have been left in ruins.

Bern, in Switzerland, quotes "travelers" from Italy (note the number of Italians who are GETTING OUT) that "indescribable panic" followed the smash. Which is credible enough. These all-out air raids must be terrifying.

THE British lost only TWO bombers.

ALONG with their bombs, the British planes dropped leaflets carrying a picture of Badoglio and his words: "The war continues."

That's telling 'em.

THE Italian press says Badoglio is "studying ways to conduct the war to an honorable conclusion." One guesses he's also studying ways to save his own skin. It grows harder every day to think of Badoglio as an Italian patriot.

THE war in Sicily is approaching its inevitable end. Along the island's northern coast, our Americans adapt the Jap tactics in Malaya and land troops FROM THE SEA behind the defending Germans.

The water-flanking maneuver seems to have worked for us as well as it did for the Japs when they were advancing on Singapore. We're holding our bridgehead and appear to have trapped an unannounced number of enemy troops.

THE Russians, booming westward after Orel on a front of more than 200 miles, are mauling often captured and recaptured, badly-battered Kharkov. They've cut both railroads from Bryansk, the next big German base west of Orel.

Moscow says today the Germans are offering comparatively little resistance except at Bryansk, possibly indicating their

SOVIET TANKS CRUNCH DOWN BRYANSK ROAD

Latina Falls to Russ Troops 12 Miles From Kharkov

LONDON, Aug. 9 (AP)—The Russians announced tonight in a special communique that soviet troops had advanced four to seven miles in the direction of Bryansk and captured 80 populated places.

In the direction of Kharkov, the Russian offensive rushed on advancing in some sectors from nine to 15 miles, capturing more than 100 populated places.

Towns Taken
Among the towns captured were Konevka and Milovoye, 25 miles west of Orel, the railway station of Shapova, 22 miles west of Orel, and Koriva, 14 miles west of Kormi.

The communique reported the Russians have driven to within 12 miles of Kharkov by capturing the town of Latina north of the city.

By HENRY C. CASSIDY
MOSCOW, Aug. 9 (AP)—Russian tank forces crashing back toward the gates of Kharkov from the north have encountered stubborn resistance from fresh German reserves rushed into the battles raging near Dolzhik, 15 miles northwest of that big industrial center of the Ukraine, front line dispatches said today.

Moves Up
Soviet infantry was reported, however, to be moving up through the path of German wreckage left by their big armored units, and to be mopping up and consolidating their

Sisemore Asked As Administrator Of James Estate

ALBANY, Aug. 9 (AP)—A petition for the appointment of L. Orth Sisemore, Klamath county district attorney, as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Martha Virginia James, victim in the "Lower 13" murder case, was on file today with the Linn county clerk.

The petition was filed by W. G. Brinson, Norfolk, Va., the 21-year-old navy bride's father. She was slashed to death by Robert E. Lee Folkes, dining car cook, as she lay in berth lower 13 on a passenger train near here last January 23. A \$10,000 claim for damages in her death has been filed.

Folkes is in the state penitentiary under a death sentence, pending state supreme court action on his appeal for a new trial.

Alfred G. Smith, Bataan Warrior, Dies in Jap Camp

PFC Alfred G. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred D. Smith, 1426 Kane street, died in a Japanese prison camp, according to word received from the war department by his parents.

Private Smith was taken prisoner by the Japs at the fall of Bataan, and no further word had been received until the notice of his death. His parents had received no letters from Smith since November, 1941.

Smith went overseas June 3, 1941, after being at Fort Stevens for a year. He entered the army with the national guard, having enlisted in the guard in 1939. Smith attended Klamath Union high school for two years.

Russians Spurred On



Seizure of Orel and Belgorod (solid arrows) by the Russians prompted Premier Joseph Stalin to spur his troops on westward with the cry "Death to the German invaders." German troops fell back toward Bryansk and Kiev (open arrows), their entire defense line threatened. Shaded area is axis-held.

TRAIN DERAILED BY Bomber CRASH

One Killed, Ten Hurt As Plane Lands On Tracks

WENDOVER, Utah, Aug. 9 (AP)—An army bomber crash landed on the Western Pacific tracks seven miles east of here last night, and 10 minutes later a freight train was derailed by the breach in the tracks.

Second Lt. Richard L. Blue of Rantoul, Ill., was injured fatally in the bomber crash. Ten other fliers were injured, some critically.

The train crew escaped injury. Attempts Landing
Public relations officers at the Wendover air base said the bomber, flying south, attempted a crash landing near U. S. highway 40-50, which parallels the rail line.

The bomber struck the salt flats north of the highway, scattered wreckage over a wide area, and slid on its belly across the highway and the tracks, which run east and west. The bomber, badly damaged, came to a rest on the south side of the tracks. It did not burn.

Freight Derailed
The freight, thundering through the night, was derailed as the last trucks of a double diesel locomotive passed over wreckage left by the bomber. Twenty-six freight cars piled up in a huge mass of twisted wood and steel. Three others were derailed but remained intact.

Two hundred feet of rail was torn up and the line's traffic was stopped. Officials estimated the

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Vallecilla, arrested here Saturday by FBI agents after the charge had been filed against him in New York, appeared in handcuffs for his arraignment before a U. S. commissioner on a fugitive warrant.

He waived preliminary hearing and, unable to make the bond, was returned to jail pending removal to New York.

Jap Radio Tells Of Destroyer Sunk In Solomons Area

British Trap Threatens

SEARCH FOR GURNEY BABY SHIFTS SOUTH

Nurse Questioning Sheds No Light On Case

ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 9 (AP)—The hunt for tiny Judith Gurney shifted to Los Angeles today as Police Chief Stellmacher learned the Los Angeles Times carried a story of a new-born infant found abandoned in a department store last Wednesday.

As this was the day following the mysterious disappearance of the Gurney child from a hospital crib here, Stellmacher said he has asked Los Angeles police to forward footprints of their abandoned baby for comparison with hospital records here.

Nurse Questioned
A nurse from the hospital was questioned again yesterday by District Attorney Harlow Wein-

18-Year-Old Voters Make New Political Issue

By JACK BELL
WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (AP)—A new political issue was earmarked for congress' fall agenda today with announcement by Chairman Hatch (D-N. M.) that a senate judiciary subcommittee would begin early consideration of a proposed constitutional amendment to lower the voting age to 18.

Hatch's decision to push hearings on the measure came as two other developments indicated that politics are coming to the forefront despite the nation's preoccupation with war. One of these was a disclosure that Vice President Wallace has been invited to join Hatch and three other senators in a nationwide collective security rally and the other was a demand by Senator Glass of Virginia for an end to political name calling.

Hatch told an interviewer that in view of the recent action by Georgia voters in cutting the ballot age to 18, he felt it appropriate for the judiciary committee to "consider and act on the resolution."

Eagles Launch Campaign to Cover Canal

A determined effort to bring about the fencing or covering of the "A" canal as a means of stopping drownings there has been launched through the Eagles lodge, with Mrs. C. D. Groves taking the lead in the campaign.

Mrs. Groves has talked to many local officials and civic workers and said Monday she is going to stay on the job until something is done. Last week's drowning of Eugene Jackson, 10, prompted the latest effort to lessen the drowning hazard in the ditch running through town.

Eagles Support
Jack Henry, president of the Eagles, said the lodge has gone on record supporting the movement. Inasmuch as the canal is government-owned, an appeal will be made to Congressmen Lowell Stockman for aid.

A delegation of Eagles will appear at tonight's city council meeting to ask for council support.

Mrs. Groves said that fencing may be more practical as a solution than covering the canal, but that the major purpose of the current effort is to remove the hazard in an effective manner, regardless of details. She plans to compile a list of the victims of drownings in the canal since it was constructed over 20 years ago.

Another Italian Airfield Blasted



Leaving rows of bomb bursts, Mitchell bombers of the Northwest African Air Force ripped up an airfield northwest of Naples as allied air forces stepped up their attacks in Sicily and on the Italian mainland. On Saturday and Monday allied airmen continued this aerial blasting of Italy in a drive to break Italy's will to resist.

Aerial Trip-Hammer Socks Italian "Will to Resist"

LONDON, Aug. 9 (AP)—Three formations of allied planes were heard roaring over the channel toward France late today resuming the air offensive which during the past 48 hours hammered Milan, Turin and Genoa in a drive to break Italy's will to resist.

The planes were flying high and could not be seen.

The triple attack was the heaviest since Italy was warned more than a week ago by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower that the allied air assault would be resumed and intensified because of Premier Pietro Badoglio's resistance to peace moves.

The weather was good and the

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By The Associated Press
A Japanese communique broadcast by the Berlin radio said today that an enemy destroyer and a Japanese destroyer were sunk during a battle between a Japanese destroyer formation and enemy surface craft in the Solomons area Friday night.

The broadcast, which was recorded by The Associated Press, also admitted damage to another Japanese destroyer. It said the encounter took place west of Kolombangara island.

HUGE CHUNKS BITTEN FROM AXIS DEFENSES

Troops Grab Cesaro, San Fratello, San Agata

By DANIEL De LUCE
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Aug. 9 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's armies slashed huge chunks from German defense lines across the Sicilian bridgehead in weekend assaults and the allied right wing was poised today within 42 airline miles of Messina.

Detachments of the U. S. seventh army, starting the attack from the sea behind the Germans' strong positions on the north coast of Sicily, captured San Fratello and San Agata, the latter but 50 miles from the axis escape port.

Cesaro Seized
Another American force seized Cesaro in an eight-mile advance from the captured inland citadel of Troina.

The British eighth army swept through Acireale, a port only 42 miles by air and less than 50 miles by road from Messina, in a nine-mile drive up the east coast from Catania and also captured San Maria de Licodia high on the southern slopes of Mt. Etna, where British armored charges knocked out nazi tanks.

Land On Torrenova
A dispatch filed from the field by Associated Press correspondent Joseph Morton said the American amphibious forces—made up of third division units—made their landing Saturday night at Torrenova, three miles east of San Agata.

American-manned Warhawks and Spitfires provided air cover as the troops cut the coastal highway and took positions in the hills, pocketing the Germans to the west.

Railways Hit
The daring amphibious and ground operations were coupled with aerial blows at railways, roads and bridges in southern Italy, fresh and heavy raids on the nazi communications center at Randazzo and attacks on enemy shipping, a communique said.

Without stating whether the enemy was still attempting to reinforce divisions in Sicily or was pursuing a salvage operation, the communique said "enemy troops and shipping in the Messina strait were attacked throughout last night by our light bombers."

Short Lines
Allied ground lines from San

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Japs on Defensive, Says MacArthur, Confident of Final Victory in Pacific

By WILLIAM F. BONI
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Aug. 9 (AP)—General Douglas MacArthur said today Japan has used her fullest resource of concentrated attack on the Pacific fronts, "has failed, and is now on a defensive."

"The margin was close but it was conclusive," the commander-in-chief of all allied forces in the South and Southwest Pacific said in a statement expressing confidence in final victory.

Lack Glamour
"Although for many reasons our victories may have lacked in glamorous focus, they have been decisive of the final result in the Pacific," he said. "I make no predictions as to time or detail, but Japan, on the Pacific

fronts, has exhausted the fullest resource of concentrated attack of which she was capable, has failed, and is now on a defensive which will yield just in proportion as we gather force and definition. When that will be I do not know, but it is certain."

The statement that allied victories "have been decisive of the final result" gained added significance from the words of General MacArthur's spokesman, who said he would interpret it as meaning that "the final outcome of the war in the Pacific now is clear."

Victories
The victories to which MacArthur referred, since the successful conclusion of the Papuan campaign with the capture of

GREAT POWERS GIVEN GOERING BY CONFERENCE

Germans Reported to Be Preparing for Long War

By CHARLES S. FOLTZ
MADRID, Aug. 9 (AP)—Press dispatches reaching Spain from Berlin yesterday said that "powers of great magnitude" have been given to Reichsmarschal Hermann Goering after a meeting of nazi party chiefs and army leaders.

News of the meeting at Adolf Hitler's headquarters, announced by Berlin over the weekend, lent color to various reports current in Spain that the army is taking over conduct of German affairs in preparation for a long defensive war.

Hitler Figurehead
Although, these reports say, Adolf Hitler remains as a figurehead leader, the real rulers of Germany are Goering, Field Marshal General Wilhelm Keitel, chief of the high command, and Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz, commander-in-chief of the navy.

German reports reaching Spain indicate the German army considers it necessary to retain the nazi party as a facade behind which it can operate without causing an upheaval within the country.

Italian Pattern
This view, it was said, was prompted by recent disorders in Italy, which jettisoned the fascist party when the military dictatorship of Marshal Pietro Badoglio took over. German leaders are reported to believe that if Italy withdraws from the war it will be the result of administrative chaos as much as a public clamor for peace.

It was understood that Goering was chosen as the nazi representative in the new set-up because he has long been aware of the army's views and holds the confidence of the military leaders.

Army All-Powerful
If German reports here are so-

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Baby Drowns in Irrigation Canal Near Tulelake

TULELAKE—The waters of an irrigation canal claimed the life of James Wesley Jamison, 2½ years old, when he drowned near the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jamison, of Tulelake.

It was the second drowning in a week in which small children fell in an irrigation canal. The accident happened near the Slater ranch about three miles southeast of Tulelake on Friday evening. Leo McKoen and Clifford McKoen, brothers who are working for John O'Neil, found the body floating down the canal about one-half mile from the ranch.

Surviving besides his parents are two brothers, Leslie Howard and John Derrill Jamison; one sister, Barbara Lee, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dunlap of Yuba City, California, and Mrs. J. C. Jamison of Tulelake.

The Earl Whitlock funeral home has charge of funeral arrangements.

Swedish Torpedo Boat Fired on by Germans

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 9 (AP)—A Swedish communique announced today that a Swedish torpedo boat had been fired on in Swedish territorial waters August 6 by the crew of a Norwegian boat now in German service, but that the torpedo boat was not hit.

(The attack was the second Sweden has reported on her forces by German units since she announced last week the termination of an agreement whereby Germany had been transporting troops across Swedish territory.)