

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.

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NAVY GRABS "STEPPING STONES"

Reds Have "Tough Going"

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE war today is in one of the lulls between storms that are characteristic of warfare...

ITALY is still a point of acute interest.

It is obvious that strong forces of Germans, extending clear to the toe of the boot, still occupy the country.

It is probable that the Germans are getting out of southern Italy as fast as the Italian transportation system will permit.

UNFORTUNATELY for the retreating Germans, Italy's principal communication lines run close to the sea on both sides of the peninsula...

There is always the possibility that we might make a landing from the sea BEHIND them, thus cutting off their retreat.

WE'VE taken two small islands, Lipari and Stromboli, in the Tyrrhenian sea just north of Sicily.

VICTOR EMANUEL today appeals to the Sicilians by radio to stick by the Italian ship.

He says Sicily's present isolation from Italy "won't last long" and adds that the future "will bring rewards for suffering."

OUR planes of all kinds are ranging over German-occupied western Europe, smashing at cities, airfields and strategic points of various sorts.

THE Russian situation remains more or less unchanged today.

There have been hints that the Germans may try another sudden blitz in the hope of crippling the Russians.

THE Churchill-FDR confab at Quebec is still shrouded in mystery.

BERT HALL TO HEAD BIGGEST BOND EFFORT

Elks Vote to Handle Third War Loan Campaign

The Klamath Falls Elks lodge has accepted leadership of the Third War Loan drive in Klamath county, biggest bond effort of the war period.

Unanimous action was taken by members of the lodge present at a meeting Thursday night, and Exalted Ruler Malcolm Epley immediately appointed Bert Hall, the lodge's first exalted ruler and long a local civic leader, as general chairman of the campaign.

Big Membership Andrew Collier, county war savings chairman, told the Elks that because of the size and character of the local lodge it was the only individual organization which his committee believed could handle the huge war loan program.

All types of bonds, including F and G bonds, tax certificates, etc., will apply on the \$2,518,000 Klamath county quotas.

National Totals Every earning individual in Klamath county will be asked to buy \$150 in bonds, the same request being made throughout the United States.

Five Coal Mines Given Back to Private Owners

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (AP)—The government today restored five coal mines to private ownership with the explanation that "government possession of these mines is not necessary to insure uninterrupted wartime coal production."

None of the five mines had a contract with the United Mine workers. Consequently the action by Secretary of the Interior Ickes did not challenge the UMW policy, stated June 23, that John L. Lewis' miners would work only as long as government operation continued.

The action was the first step toward returning the mines to their owners since passage of the Smith-Connally anti-strike act.

Mistrial Motion Denied in Layton Trial for Slaying

DALLAS, Ore., Aug. 20 (AP)—Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker denied a defense motion for a mistrial today as the state neared the close of its case in the first-degree murder trial of Richard H. Layton, accused of the "lovers lane" rape-slaying of 17-year-old Ruth Hildebrand.

Roy Hewitt, Layton's attorney, asked for a mistrial as the state called Hattie Brattell, court stenographer, as a witness for testimony concerning the transcript of Layton's hearing before the Polk county grand jury.

Color Feared Hewitt argued that her appearance as a witness for the

Takes Big Job



Klamath Falls Elks have accepted leadership of the third war loan campaign in September, and for general chairman of the big enterprise called upon the lodge's first exalted ruler, E. B. Hall, above.

MOSQUITOS STING BERLIN JERRIES

Fighters Batter at Rail And Airfield Targets

LONDON, Aug. 20 (AP)—Mitchell medium bombers escorted by Spitfires attacked a enemy aircraft and a factory at Flushing in the Netherlands while Boston mediums also escorted by Spitfires bombed freight yards at Abbeville in France, the air ministry announced tonight.

LONDON, Aug. 20 (AP)—Fast British Mosquito bombers again attacked targets in Berlin last night while fighters struck at airfields and railway targets on the continent, it was announced today.

The night raids followed blows by allied planes, including American Flying Fortresses, at four of Germany's most important air bases in Holland and France yesterday.

Railway Targets Intruders last night attacked railway and airfield targets in France and Belgium.

Vilzingen (Flushing) and Gilze-Rijen in Holland were battered by Fortresses late yesterday afternoon and 34 enemy fighters were shot down by the big bombers and their escorts of U. S. and allied Thunderbolts.

Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE Chicago 3 6 1 Brooklyn 6 7 1 Derringer, Burrows (8) and Livingston; Wyatt and Bran. (1st game) Pittsburgh 2 8 2 New York 3 10 1 Sewell and Baker; Chase and Mancuso. AMERICAN LEAGUE Boston 0 5 1 Detroit 1 5 1 Dobson and Partee; Overmire and Unser.

TWIN PUSH ON NAZIS SLOWED BY TERRAIN

Soviets Advance Six Miles Nearer Kharkov

LONDON, Aug. 20 (AP)—Russian troops advanced from three to six miles in the Kharkov direction, capturing 20 populated places including the town of Labedin, approximately 100 miles northwest of Kharkov, the soviet announced tonight.

By HENRY C. CASSIDY MOSCOW, Aug. 20 (AP)—Difficult going in terrain naturally lending itself to defense was reported slowing down the red army today as it pressed twin drives on the east bastions of Bryansk and Kharkov.

Front line dispatches to the soviet army organ Red Star reported that Russian troops on the central front were encountering "considerable difficulties and enormous strain" as they battled their way through forests and swamps and across numerous small rivers toward Bryansk.

Nazi Advantages The nature of the country, the dispatches said, offered many advantages to the Nazi defenders. The German communiqué, broadcast from Berlin and recorded by the Associated Press, said violent fighting flared along the Mius river front west of Rostov. The Russians were said to have launched heavy assaults, but the Germans declared they beat off the attacks, encircling and annihilating two soviet battalions.

(Fighting raged without let-up on the Belgorod front, the German communiqué said.) (Continued on Page Two)

Red Hair Clue In Strangling Of Young Girl

YUBA CITY, Calif., Aug. 20 (AP)—A dying little girl's terrified plea, "Don't let that old red-headed man get me, daddy!" left authorities at least one clue today—the color of her strangler's hair.

The frail 13-year-old child, Jackie Marie Hamilton, was found by her sister on a river bank here Wednesday night, her clothing ruffled from her body, her mouth stuffed with sand, her throat bearing the deep finger-marks of her strangler.

She died several hours later in the county hospital, fearful to the end of "that old red-headed man."

Sheriff A. W. Kimerer questioned three transients, one of them red-haired, yesterday and said "I've several other good leads that we're working on." Jackie Marie was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hamilton, of Tracy. The family came west from McAlester, Okla., three months ago for farm work.

New Faces Seen at Allied Meet of War Leaders



Here's another group picture made at the historic meeting in Quebec of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill of England. From left, standing, the Earl of Athlone, Prime Minister MacKenzie King of Canada, Sir Alexander Cadogan, Brendan Bracken, Seated, Anthony Eden, President Roosevelt, Princess Alice, Foreign Minister Winston Churchill. Today Secretary of State Hull's presence in Quebec brought a political aspect to the strategy conference.

Hull Arrival Underlines Politics at Strategy Talks

QUEBEC, Aug. 20 (AP)—A formal announcement that President Roosevelt would spend Wednesday in Ottawa, Canada's capital, and address members of the Dominion parliament disclosed today that the Quebec war conference would end Tuesday.

QUEBEC, Aug. 20 (AP)—The arrival this afternoon of Secretary of State Cordell Hull pointed up today the political angles of the Quebec war council and speculation that a conference emissary might go to Moscow.

Anthony Eden, British foreign secretary, who has been here several days, has been mentioned frequently as a likely messenger to carry word of the results of the Quebec meeting to the soviet capital.

Hull and Eden will dine tonight with President and Prime Minister Churchill of Britain, but that the absence of Russian representation in Quebec indicated that decisions which would seal the political future of post-war Europe were unlikely.

Accompanying Hull was James C. Dunn, a political advisor. Delegation The delegation selected to welcome the secretary upon his arrival at the Quebec railway station will include Stephen Early, presidential secretary; Ray Atherton, American minister to Canada, and a presidential military aide.

While the president and Churchill toiled in the Quebec citadel over their war maps and strategy plans, Early told reporters that when the president leaves here early next week and goes to Ottawa, the Canadian capital, he will not return later to this conference city.

Indications The war committee of the Canadian cabinet met this morning in Ottawa, and may return to Quebec for another session.

There was a strong, official indication that tremendous new opportunities were being opened up.

Rubble Hides Fate of Eight In Explosion

KEARNY, N. J., Aug. 20 (AP) A mass of rubble hid the fate today of at least eight persons believed buried in the ruins of a three-story brick and concrete building at the Conglomerate, Inc., plant after an explosion and fire which left three dead and 10 others injured, eight critically.

Fire Chief Charles Burnett of Newark said steamshovels would be used in the search of the blackened, smoking heaps of debris.

The blast late yesterday afternoon rocked a 10-mile area in the heart of war-busy northern New Jersey and broke windows in homes and stores within a mile radius of the sprawling linoleum products plant on the banks of the Passaic river.

Fire which sprouted out from the blasted No. 12 building wrecked two other structures before the flames were brought under control late last night.

"The building just blew skyward in a cloud of wreckage and then fell back to the earth in a cloud of dust," said a witness.

Indian Decapitated While Asleep on Railway Tracks

Lewis Ames Picard, Chiloquin Indian, was found dead by the Southern Pacific railroad tracks near the Esplanade underpass late Thursday night. He had been killed by a train and it was thought that he had lain down on the tracks to go to sleep when the train ran over him.

JAPS HANG ON AT BAIROKO, SALAMAU

Solomon Supply Line Cut; New Guinea Strained

By C. YATES M'DANIEL ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Aug. 20 (AP)—Japan's supply line has been cut in the Solomons and sorely strained in New Guinea—the right and left flanks of the allies' Pacific drive—but the resourceful enemy still has a precarious foothold on New Georgia and clings to Salamaua.

Reports in today's communiqué from both ends of the 750-mile battle arc emphasize clearly the jungle character of the Pacific war and the determination of the Japanese to make the most of their advantages.

Food-Poisoning Strikes Mexican Hop Pickers

GRANTS PASS, Aug. 20 (AP) Thirteen Mexican hop pickers are still in the hospital here today and scores more are sick in their tents at the WFA labor camp from illness attributed to food poisoning. No deaths are expected, according to hospital attendants.

Capt. H. B. Makover, regional medical officer for WFA at Washington, Idaho and Oregon, flew from Portland last night. He said he is making an investigation and had not determined that the illness was by food poisoning. He said samples had been sent to laboratories for testing.

Treatment was given to over 300 workers late yesterday.

Murder Charge Spurs Search For Ship Worker

PORTLAND, Aug. 20 (AP)—A murder charge spurred a search throughout the western states today for shipyard worker Harry E. Lewis, wanted in the slaying of a red-haired, 24-year-old divorcee who had a swingshift job in the same yard.

Sidney L. Hayes, Multnomah county deputy district attorney, issued a felony information charging Lewis with the first-degree murder in the death of Mrs. Virginia Gillen of Cheyenne, Wyo.

Her almost nude body was found on a bed in Lewis' room late Wednesday night. She had been shot in the heart and covered with a blanket, said Detective B. H. Yoemans. A coroner's report gave the time of her death as about 4 a. m., the day before.

On the floor police found a note, threatening suicide, written by Lewis, 31, who came here from Phoenix, Ariz., and went to work at Willamette Iron & Steel corporation, where Mrs. Gillen was employed. The note was dated 3 p. m., Monday.

Officers at first believed their search would be for a dead man. But they changed their tack after Mrs. Gillen's former husband, Verne, told Yoemans she possessed about \$300 in cash, a diamond ring and at least one war bond. Only a bond was found.

Loyal Danes Sabotage Nazi Supply Lines to Norway

By JOHN H. COLBURN STOCKHOLM, Aug. 20 (AP) A determined, country-wide campaign of sabotage, apparently aimed at destroying land and sea transport facilities used by the nazis to supply their forces in Norway, was reported by travelers arriving here from Denmark today.

Danish patriots, the travelers said, are systematically wrecking Danish factories producing German war materials as well as railroads and harbor installations which have become increasingly important to the Germans since they can no longer

ship men and supplies across Sweden to Norway.

Session Called

At the same time representatives of the five major Danish political parties were called into an extraordinary session in Copenhagen, apparently to consider changes in the government's policy toward Nazi occupation of Denmark.

Possibility of a switch in government leaders was seen as a result of the convulse, but any decisions reached are not expected to be announced until after King Christian meets with

BOMBS, SHELLS PLASTER AXIS; ISLANDS TAKEN

Americans and British Await Invasion Signal

By ROGER GREENE Associated Press War Editor Allied headquarters announced today that an American naval expedition had captured two stepping-stone islands aimed directly at the Italian mainland north of Sicily with the surrender of Lipari and Stromboli in the Tyrrhenian Sea.

Stromboli island lies 50 miles north of the Sicilian port of Messina. Lipari is 35 miles above Messina. The tiny isles form the main part of the Aeolian group.

Meanwhile, a 24-hour storm of bombs and shellfire rocked axis defenders in southern Italy as the American seventh and British eighth armies awaited the signal to leap from Sicily into Europe proper.

The call to action, it was believed, may soon be forthcoming from the war council of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill at Quebec, where final plans were said to be developing to advance the zero hour for invasion.

Plaster Italy "For 24 hours now, allied artillery, air forces and naval units have been plastering southern Italy in one of the most formidable combined attacks ever seen," declared radio France at Algiers, in a midday broadcast.

Simultaneously, King Vittorio Emanuele III told Sicilians in a proclamation broadcast by the Rome radio that the present isolation of allied-conquered Sicily from the rest of Italy "will not last for long."

The king made no mention of continued prosecution of the war, however, and may have been hinting at Italian overtures for peace.

Shells Across Strait Dispatches from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters said big shells hurled steadily across the two-mile-wide Strait of Messina between Sicily and the toe of the Italian boot as American and British field batteries slammed away at enemy fortifications, while 15-inch axis coastal guns replied with 2400-pound projectiles.