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REDS PUNCH NAZI MID-SECTION

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

AS these words are written, Berlin has been under allied air attack three nights running—first a major blow by heavy British bombers in strong force and on the two succeeding nights by swift British Mosquitos.

Reports of the damage done are beginning to leak out, and it is generally described as catastrophic.

SWEDISH newspapers estimate that 12,000 people have been killed, 50,000 wounded and a half million made homeless. Trains are jammed with people trying to get out of the city, and it is said that many get out at night and come back the next morning.

THERE are indications that the German government has moved out of Berlin. Reports before the heavy bombing began asserted that the governmental machinery had been moved to Vienna, in Austria.

There are other reports to the effect that the machinery of Nazi government has been "dispersed" throughout Germany.

One guesses cynically that the Nazi big shots would get out when the danger of bombs became acute. Nazism is essentially a racketeer form of government, and it is natural that the racketeers who run it should save their own skins and leave the general run of the people to take the punishment.

AS this is written, there has been no repetition of the heavy bombing, such as was done Monday night. The destruction of Hamburg was not accomplished in consecutive, nightly blows. There were intervals in between the attacks.

Our losses on Monday night were heavy. Naturally we are wondering if they were heavier than can be afforded. If they were, there will be fewer attacks on an all-out scale.

If they were NOT, there will be OTHER attacks—continued on the Hamburg pattern until the German capital is destroyed.

THE air is full of talk of the second front that is so persistently sought by the Russians. The big question in the minds of us outsiders (who, lacking exact information, can only guess) is: Will there BE a second LAND front this fall?

Obviously, we can only ask the question. We can't answer it.

But we can speculate as to the probability that our purpose is to knock Germany out from the air instead of paying the heavy price of a land attack.

LET'S not underestimate these mighty bombings that destroy whole cities.

Suppose the Japs destroyed in spite of all we could do to prevent it first Los Angeles and then San Francisco and then Seattle and Portland. We'd be getting pretty panicky if that happened.

It's quite reasonable to assume that Germany is getting panicky.

BECAUSE of the question of cost, we're watching with the keenest interest for the next big raid on Berlin. If it comes within a reasonable length of time, we'll be safe in assuming that these staggering, whole-city-destroying air blows are no more costly than can be afforded.

We can be reasonably sure by this time that if they can be continued, Germany can be defeated from the air.

LORD MOUNTBATTEN'S appointment as supreme allied commander in Southeast Asia is unexpected enough to arouse considerable speculation. The general drift of the speculation is that it forecasts action in Burma.

The end of the monsoon rains (Continued on Page Five)

Old Mill Makes Spectacular Night Fire



This picture shows the spectacular fire that leveled the old Shaw-Bertram mill buildings on Klamath river Thursday night. The dark building, at left, was saved, but the power tower in the right of the picture finally fell. The buildings belonged to John D. O'Connor, Klamath stockman. The Shaw-Bertram plant was finished in 1923, and operated by Shaw-Bertram and J. Royal Shaw until 1931. In the middle 'thirties it was taken over by Long-Bell, and operated until about a year ago, when it was bought by Weyerhaeuser Timber company. This company dismantled the mill and sold the site to O'Connor for a stock-feeding operation.

Night Flames Level Old Shaw-Bertram Buildings

The old Shaw-Bertram mill buildings on Klamath river were a mass of smoldering embers today, following a spectacular night fire that leveled all that was left of the partially-dismantled 20-year-old plant.

Because most of the mill equipment had been removed from the buildings, the loss was confined to sheds, the boiler house, power company equipment, and some salvage materials. It was roughly estimated at not more than \$10,000, largely covered by insurance.

Present Owner
Present owner of the property is John D. O'Connor, well-known Klamath stockman, who bought the site recently from Weyerhaeuser Timber company and established there an extensive stock-feeding operation.

A favorable wind direction and the efforts of fire-fighters prevented the flames from spreading to O'Connor's newly-built feeding sheds and 3000 tons of hay.

The fire was first noticed shortly after 8 p. m. Thursday

by one of O'Connor's men, who gave the alarm. It was burning in an area between the boiler house and the old mill building, and spread quickly to the frame structure.

Mass of Flames
Soon the whole mill area was a mass of flames, which lit up the night sky and attracted hundreds of spectators from the suburbs and the city.

Fire-fighters gave up hope in (Continued on Page Three)

Train Killer Gets Extension Of Appeal Time

ALBANY, Aug. 27 (P)—Robert E. Lee Folkes, negro sentenced to die in the state's lethal gas chamber for the "lower 12" knife slaying of Mrs. Martha Virginia James, today was granted until September 30 to file a bill of exceptions in his appeal to the state supreme court.

Circuit Judge L. G. Lewelling extended the filing time at the request of Leroy Lomax, Folkes' attorney, who said Mrs. Justing A. Miller, court reporter, has not completed the transcript of testimony. Lomax said he was unable to find out when it would be finished. Lomax supported his motion with a stipulation of District Attorney Harlow Weirick.

Folkes was convicted May 28 of first degree murder. Mrs. James, 21-year-old navy wife from Norfolk, Va., was slain as she lay in berth lower 13 of a passenger train as it rolled through Linn county last January 23. Folkes was second cook on the train.

strikes and clashes between Danes and German soldiers continued throughout Denmark.

WORK STARTS ON NEWELL BUILDINGS

Two-Story Barracks, Theatre to Be Built

TULELAKE, Calif., Aug. 27—Work started today on the construction of barracks and other buildings for the enlargement of the army quarters at Newell.

Several modern two-story barracks buildings are to be built, along with a theatre, and a recreation hall for each of five military companies.

Roads, Towers
Construction started several days ago on roads, towers, fences and bridges in connection with the enlargement of the center to house all "disloyal" evacuees as well as much larger military personnel.

It was learned today that five companies of military police and escort guards will be moved to the center at the start, making a total of about 1000 men and 40 officers. After the shift of disloyal Japanese to Tulelake is (Continued on Page Three)

Hull Charges Writers With Aiding Enemy

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27 (P)—Secretary of State Hull said today that "a few among the writers and commentators" had been "lending aid and comfort to the enemy" by making untrue statements relating to international relations of the United States.

Hull made his remarks at a press conference and then for emphasis issued them to the press for direct quotation. He volunteered his views and did not specifically connect them with any of such recent developments as the reported resignation of Undersecretary Sumner Welles or the replacement of Maxim Litvinoff as Soviet ambassador.

No Trace Found Of Missing Bomber

PENDLETON, Aug. 27 (P)—No trace has been found of a four-engine army bomber, missing since it left Pendleton field on a routine flight June 28, local air base authorities announced today.

Nothing was heard from the plane and its 10 crewmen after it took off from this field. A search has been conducted since that time without results.

U. S. Airmen Send Tons Of Bombs Crashing on..

Germans Italians Japanese

LONDON, Aug. 27 (P)—American medium bombers escorted by fighter squadrons attacked the enemy air field at Poix in northern France today in a continuation of daylight blows at Nazi concentrations across the channel. It was announced authoritatively.

The formations roared across the coast of Kent at 8 a. m. (3 a. m. EWT), flying at a great height in cloudless skies.

Mines Laid
An air ministry communique said RAF bombers laid mines in enemy waters last night and naval aircraft damaged four enemy minesweepers in attacks on shipping in the English channel. All the planes returned.

Last night was the third anniversary of the first big German air attack on London, but the night passed without a sign of any Nazi raids.

Waxes Worry
The Germans now presumably had enough worries of their own, particularly in bombed and burned Berlin from which the population was reported rapidly scattering to escape future raids.

The British Broadcasting corporation said the Nazi government branches were preparing to move to occupied territory. General Chief Heinrich Himmler's ministry was headed for Prague, BBC said.

Vienna Bound
The broadcast said the foreign ministry might go to Vienna, the ministry of education to Posen (Continued on Page Three)

By NOLAN NORGAARD ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Aug. 27 (P) United States heavy and medium bombers in strong force renewed their assault on the Italian peninsula yesterday with a set of scorching attacks on key airbases. Flying Fortresses smashed the Capua airfields and Marauders raided the aerial installations at Grabbanese.

Large numbers of dispersed planes on the target fields were hit and 15 enemy fighters were destroyed in stiff running battles. Enemy planes shot down in the 24-hour cycle up to this morning totaled 19, allied headquarters announced.

Forts Hit Capua
While the Fortresses hit Capua, 17 miles north of Naples, on a rail line, and the Marauders visited Grazzanise, in the vicinity of Naples, RF Wellingtons also carried out night operations in the suburbs of Naples, roaring over Baginoli again with blockbusters.

In other widespread operations over Sardinia Warhawks strafed power lines, motor transport and buildings and destroyed three planes on the ground near Guspini, and bombed the harbor at Carbonara.

Mitchell medium raiders shot up the railroad junction at Lodi, and A-36 invaders dive-bombed gun positions near Regio Calabria.

Seven allied planes were missing from all operations. The continued air onslaught (Continued on Page Three)

By WILLIAM F. BOWI ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Aug. 27 (P)—Allied heavy and medium bombers, flying in greater force than ever before in the southwest Pacific sent 180 tons of bombs crashing on Salamaua's supply base at Hansa bay New Guinea Thursday, allied headquarters announced today.

Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney's fifth airforce sent nearly 100 Liberators, Flying Fortresses and Mitchells, escorted by fighters into the attack from low altitude and succeeded in sinking a freighter, wrecking 45 barges, exploding ammunition dumps and destroying ground installations.

Attent to Hansa
While American and Australian ground forces, within one mile of Salamaua's airbase on one point, tightened their pressure on the Japanese, the same brilliant bomber formations which devastated Wewak in consecutive raids last week turned their attention to the Hansa bay area.

(A delayed dispatch from Associated Press Correspondent Vera Hausland, somewhere in New Guinea, said allied ground troops had advanced almost to the edge of Salamaua's prized airbase. The Japanese were continuing their slow retreat before Australian and Canadian ground troops while allied artillery pounded at the isthmus town of Salamaua itself.)

No Interceptors
The raiders were over the targets for more than an hour escorted by Lightning fighters looking for Japanese interceptors which never appeared. Some of the allied raiders were damaged by anti-aircraft fire but there was no mention of losses in today's communique which reported the attack.

Hansa bay, approximately 200 miles up the New Guinea coast from Salamaua, is an important supply and shipping base.

Low-flying Liberators sank the ship, one of 6000 tons described as a freighter-transport and destroyed or seriously damaged 45 barges and luggers. Ammunition dumps were exploded, some sending flames skyward for 200 feet.

Lt. Douglas Charles Killed in Crash

Word has been received here of the death of a former Klamath Falls boy, Lt. Douglas Charles. He was killed at Daytona Beach, Fla., on July 31, while practicing dive-bombing.

He had made four successful runs, but crashed on the fifth. Lt. Charles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Charles, who lived here for 10 years, moving to Spokane four years ago. He was 20 years old at the time of his death. Funeral services were held in Spokane August 16.

Badoglio's Hair Grays as Italians Descend on Rome

By CHARLES S. FOLTZ MADRID, Aug. 27 (P)—A new worry has been added to Italian Premier Pietro Badoglio's cares in recent days, for despite all efforts of police and military authorities thousands upon thousands of provincial Italians are moving into Rome.

Air travelers from Italy arriving in Madrid today estimated that Rome now contains at least 500,000 more Italians than it did before the allies landed in Sicily, and said the number is daily increasing.

No Lodging
Parks, public squares and plazas are filled nightly with people unable to obtain lodgings and sleeping in the open, the travelers reported.

So far this civilian "march on Rome" from the provinces has been peaceful. It probably was inspired in part by the hope of many Italians that the capital may escape being bombed in the future if the allies recognize it as an open city.

Travelers reported, however, that many of those who came to Rome from the provinces had other ideas than merely seeking shelter from allied bombs. Some, they asserted, came for political purposes and they comprise the element that Badoglio most fears.

Jail Anti-Fascists
It was recalled that when demonstrations for peace and anti-German riots got under way in northern Italian cities, the police and military authorities, at Badoglio's orders, cracked down and tossed into jail a number of (Continued on Page Three)

SOVIETS OPEN NEW DRIVE IN SVENSK AREA

Russians Throw Back Stiff Counters by Jerries

LONDON, Aug. 27 (P)—Red army troops have captured Svensk, 85 miles south of Bryansk, the Soviet information bureau announced tonight in a Moscow broadcast recorded here by the Soviet monitor.

More than a score of other settlements in the area south of Bryansk were also declared taken.

This plunge by the Soviet forces into a new sector between Kharkov and Bryansk was coupled with advances and mopping up in the area west of Kharkov which the communique said led to gains of from three to five miles and the recapture of the district center of Kotelvo, which had changed hands several times, and other populated places.

Kotelvo is 20 miles southeast of Bryansk, previously recaptured by the Russians.

The offensive at Sevsk left the Russians only 20 miles short of the vital Bryansk-Konotop-Kiev railway.

In the Donets basin southwest of Voroshilovgrad the Russians said "our troops continued their successful offensive."

During Thursday's fighting on all fronts the communique said the Red army disabled 63 German tanks and shot down 61 planes.

MOSCOW, Aug. 27 (P)—German troops have struck at (Continued on Page Three)

Clifford Phillips Awarded Purple Heart in Africa

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Phillips, 1943 Gary street, have received word from their son, Corporal Clifford Phillips, that he has been awarded the Purple Heart for being wounded in action. He is now at an American Red Cross hospital somewhere in Africa, being treated for shrapnel wounds in the left leg.

In his last letter he wrote that he had participated in the landing at Fedella, Africa, the initial attack on Casablanca, the drive on Tunis, and later, the attack on Sicily.

His letter states, "We were landed on the south coast of the island, where we started a push inland. We went through several heavy artillery barrages and the going, in general, was pretty rough for the first 10 days."

Corporal Phillips also states that they are taking good care of him in the hospital and he expects to be back on duty in a month or two.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips received a telegram from the war department advising them that Corporal Phillips was wounded on August 1.

Russians Welcome French Committee to Allied Fold

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27 (P)—The seal of Soviet Russia's approval was stamped today on one of the first announced diplomatic results of the Quebec conference—formal recognition of the De Gaulle-Giraud committee of national liberation as "trustees" of French interests.

The Russians apparently went even a step further than did President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill in welcoming the French committee into the allied fold as the representative of millions of Frenchmen fighting for freedom.

Moscow Announcement
For the announcement from Moscow declared that the group headed by Gen. Charles de Gaulle and Gen. Henri Giraud would be recognized as the "representative of the state interests of the French republic and as the leader of interests of the French republic and of all French patriots fighting against the Hitlerite tyranny."

The Soviet report, broadcast by the Moscow radio, said that the Russian decision of recognition had been handed to the French committee on August 26, the day the action of the British and United States government was made public.

FDR Reports
Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill, however, in their joint (Continued on Page Three)

Armour May Be Successor to Welles' Post

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27 (P)—Latin American chiefs of mission and other personal friends among the diplomatic corps said today that Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles had written them that his resignation had been accepted five days ago.

Norman Armour, ambassador to Buenos Aires and a career diplomat, appears to have the inside track in the field of possible successors to Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles, when and if Welles' resignation is announced.

Breckenridge Long, assistant secretary of state, has strong congressional backing, associates said today, but a man with more diplomatic experience is expected to be the ultimate choice.

There had been widespread speculation in Washington that Welles, despite his rift with Hull, might go on missions to South America or Moscow as President Roosevelt's personal representative. (Continued on Page Three)

Road Commissioners To Be Dinner Guests

Members of the state highway commission, expected here late Friday, will be guests this evening at a special dinner at the Pelican cafe party room.

Klamath's road program will be presented at that time.

The commissioners were at Lakeview at noon Friday. State Senator Marshall Cornett is accompanying them on the trip here.

Irish Luck Deserts Pet Dog, Family

OMAHA, Aug. 27 (P)—The luck of the Irish deserted the F. A. Berigan family the day Bozo, the pet dog, got caught in the neighbor's hay mower.

Bozo suffered a mangled lower leg, which had to be amputated above the paw. The mower also cut off his tail.

Mrs. Berigan, who was canning at the time, suffered a sprained finger. She started suddenly when her son, Al, 9, ran into the house to tell her about Bozo.

Pat, 18, ran out of the house. She slipped and tore the ligaments in her right wrist.

Frank, 16, jumped over the fence to aid Bozo. He gashed one knee, and the other hit his eye.

And Champ, the Berigan's other pet dog, excited by all the commotion, jumped over the barn door. He caught his right front foot in the latch and broke a bone.