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ROME SURRENDERS TO GERMANS; ALLIES TAKE TARANTO NAVY BASE

Mariupol Seized

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN the mass of rumors, propaganda and incomplete and contradictory dispatches that make up the news of today, this much seems fairly certain:

The battle of the Mediterranean is on.

It will be a REAL fight.

When it is over—along with whatever else it touches off—the end of the war in Europe will be more clearly predictable than now.

SO far as we uninformed outsiders are concerned, the situation in Italy today is like a whirling, snarling, snapping dog-fight waged in a cloud of dust. About all we can do is to listen to the din and watch the fragments that fly out of the dust cloud.

AS one of the more tangible of these fragments, we seem to have landed at Naples, fought off determined German counterattacks, ESTABLISHED our beach head and are now fanning out into the interior.

That is to say, we seem to have succeeded in our FIRST important effort.

IT seems likely that the Germans may have grabbed Rome. They're evidently trying to set up a puppet government of their own in Italy—both to capitalize for themselves what remains of fascism (the die-hards whose goose is cooked unless the Germans win) and to create added confusion in already-dazed Italy.

Possibly they hope we'll out-gear world opinion by coming in after them and destroying art, religious and historic shrines in the process.

Maybe they hope to HIDE BEHIND these shrines.

GERMAN and Italian troops appear to be FIGHTING EACH OTHER in the vitally important valley of the Po.

Reports persist that Italian army garrisons hold Milan and Turin, the valley's most important cities, and are prepared to fight ANY German attempt to occupy them.

THE fate of Genoa, Italy's No. 1 seaport (Naples is No. 2) is obscure. The Germans seem to have taken it.

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SOVIETS GRAB VITAL PORT, FOUR CITIES

Trap Threatens Nazis
As Reds Cut at
Dnieper

LONDON, Sept. 10 (AP)—Russian troops have captured Mariupol, important Sea of Azov port about 55 miles west of Taganrog. Moscow announced today in a special order of the day.

The order, broadcast by the Moscow radio and recorded by the Soviet monitor, also announced the capture of Barvenkovo, Volnovakha and Cholino in a general cleanup of the southern Ukraine.

Near Dnieper
Chaplino, westernmost point of the four newly captured cities, is barely 60 miles from the great Dnieper river power center of Dnieper-Opetrovsk.

Volnovakha is on the Stalino-Mariupol railway about 33 miles north of Mariupol and Barvenkovo is about midway between Stalino and Kharkov.

Force Deeds
The Moscow communiqué, recorded by the Soviet monitor, announced that south of Bryansk the red army forced the (Continued on Page Two)

Spud Production Estimate at 460 Million Bushels

The nation's potato crop was estimated by the U. S. department of agriculture Friday at 460,512,000 bushels, an increase that brought comment here that potato production this year looks like an all-time record.

The September 10 estimate was compared with 443,067,000 bushels predicted a month ago, 371,150,000 produced last year, and an average ten-year production of 363,332,000.

In normal years, it was pointed out, the huge estimate would indicate a low price, but government support will prevent a deep price cut this year.

The indicated production of barley, with comparative figures for the forecast a month ago, last year, and ten-year average, was as follows: 333,282,000 bushels; 348,848,000; 426,150,000; 243,373,000.

Activity at airdromes around Port Moresby, 200 miles south of Lae, makes New York's Laguardia field look like an emergency landing strip. From the moment after dawn when the cloud masses lift from the Owen Stanley mountains until they close down again in the afternoon over the 10,000 to 12,000 foot ranges, there is rarely a minute when a formation of transports is not in the air over the Moresby fields.

Transport Used
The olive drab painted transports lumber on and off the main runways, nose to tail, like elephants in a circus ring. Fleets (Continued on Page Five)

Yep, They Bought Football Tickets and Bonds



This long line-up awaited the opening of chamber of commerce headquarters before 8 a. m. Friday, time for the start of sale of tickets to KUHS football games. By afternoon, \$9675 in war bonds had been sold for seats at the Grant game, and virtually all reserved seats for other home games had been sold out. Many Grant game reserves were yet to be sold. At the head of the line-up were Joe Lake, Dr. J. E. Clanshaw, J. Wagner, S. J. Starkey, F. Colson, R. C. Ross, Bob Ellington, Lee Smith and Bernard Coughran.

AERIAL ASSAULT ON CONTINENT PAUSES

Eight-Day Non-Stop
Battering Takes
Breather

By GLADWIN HILL

LONDON, Sept. 10 (AP)—The great allied eight-day, non-stop aerial assault against the continent—a sample of the mighty blows that will lead to the final, decisive drive upon Germany—apparently is over, but the momentary lull only signifies the beginning of a new phase of the war.

The round-the-clock aerial barrage and record joint U. S.-RAF operations demonstrated impressively the allied air superiority in this theater.

Now all that remains is the building up of this superiority to the point of complete aerial dominance and a repetition of what happened in North Africa and Sicily.

The final day of the drive yesterday brought the American eighth air force to the peak of its activity.

More than 1000 sorties—in (Continued on Page Two)

Taxi Driver Found Guilty Of Liquor Sale

A jury of six men found James Guerin, local taxi driver, guilty of wilfully and unlawfully selling alcoholic liquor, after a two-hour trial in justice court Friday morning.

The fine was to be imposed later by Justice of the Peace J. A. Mahoney.

The taxi driver was arrested in July by two members from the Oregon State Liquor commission, who testified at the trial that Guerin, shortly before his arrest, had sold them a quart of whiskey for \$15.

In his testimony, Guerin denied ever seeing the two men or selling any liquor to them.

Members of the jury were M. O. Hector, F. A. Victory, John R. Holzgang, Paul Lambert, Elbert W. Stiles and H. E. Hauger.

Bond Buying Leaps With Grant Game Ticket Sale

Bond-buying in large and small denominations spurred ahead Friday, with the reserved seat sale for the Grant-Klamath football game giving the Third War Loan "E" bond drive a husky boost.

There was a line-up at the chamber of commerce before 8 a. m., when seats went on sale, and by afternoon bond sales for Grant game reserved seats had reached \$9675. Grant game seats can be obtained only by the purchase of a bond at the chamber of commerce, and many good seats are still left for that game. The bond-seat sale was continuing at a fast pace in the afternoon.

Seats for other home games of the Klamath Pelicans were fairly well sold out.

Drive Surges
Meanwhile, the Third War Loan drive in general surged ahead, with Chairman E. S. Hall of the R.R.s committee reporting a number of large sales made here as well as an increasing number of smaller ones.

Hall announced that Weyerhaeuser Timber company had allocated \$200,000 for a bond purchase here, and Ewauna Box company had bought \$100,000. California Oregon Power company came through with a \$60,000 (Continued on Page Two)

Sentence to Be Passed on Moss Friday Afternoon

Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg was to pass sentence at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon on Dale Roy Moss, who, according to Sheriff Lloyd Low, admitted participating in the Diamond Lake junction robbery a week ago. Moss and Rose Ellen Tucker were arraigned in circuit court Friday morning.

Moss admitted in court that he took \$53.84 out of the till at the junction store while the storekeeper and Moss' girl companion Rose Ellen Tucker were outside looking for a sack in which to put her belongings. He said, however, that Rose did not know about this robbery and that he took the money on an impulse when he saw the till.

The 18-year-old boy also admitted stealing the motorcycle on which the couple were traveling, at Chico and that before that he had taken a car which the two had later abandoned in favor of the motorcycle.

Moss admitted to having been in trouble before. He said that at 14 years he was sent to a reform school in California for being (Continued on Page Two)

Mexican Help for Spud Harvest to Arrive Sunday

Two hundred Mexican nationals will arrive in Klamath county this Sunday, to aid in the potato harvest, according to a wire received by the Klamath Potato Growers association this morning.

The Mexicans will be available for work September 13, the wire from the war food administration said. The laborers will arrive about noon on the train.

This group is part of a contingent of 500 workers requested for this area, and 338 more are expected October 1 to help in the harvest. The workers will be stationed at the Merrill civilian conservation corps camp until the mobile tent camp is set up in the Malin area.

Malin Camp
The Malin camp will be located on the Bonanza hill road (Continued on Page Two)

Balkan Tinder-Box Exploding; Hitler Cries About Italy

By ROGER GREENE
Associated Press War Editor

Rome surrendered to German attack today after being shelled by nazi artillery, Berlin claimed, while allied sea-borne forces captured the big Italian naval base at Taranto and a huge American-British invasion armada was reported moving against the nazi-occupied Balkan kingdom of Albania.

As the crisis in Italy flamed ever higher, Adolf Hitler came to the microphone for the first time in six months to assure the German people that the loss of Germany's southern ally was of little military importance, but, he said:

"We may have to cede some territory."
"May the blood of German soldiers be upon the treacherous Italians!" the fuhrer cried bitterly.

Hitler Smashes Peace Hopes

Hitler declared that Germany would now fight with more fanatical will than ever before—thus quashing any hopes for peace on the bomb-scarred German home front—and asserted that "the reich will never be destroyed."

Rome Denies Reports King Has Abducted

LONDON, Sept. 10 (AP)—The Rome radio today denied reports originating in Switzerland and broadcast by the Berlin radio that King Vittorio Emanuele of Italy had abdicated in favor of Crown Prince Umberto.

"All these reports are untrue," declared Stefani, Italian news agency, in a broadcast recorded by Reuters.

Earlier Reuters had quoted Swiss reports as saying that King Vittorio Emanuele had resigned and that Crown Princess Marie Jose, wife of Umberto, had arrived in Switzerland last night.

Retroactive Pay Disputes to Get WLB Rehearing

As a result of petitions filed by several companies, a rehearing will be held in Portland September 22 in regard to disputed points in the retroactive pay decision case for the Lumber and Sawmill Workers, AFL, it was learned today.

Long Bell lumber company of Weed, Klamath Lumber company of Algoma, the Mount Pitt Lumber company of Central Point, the Fruit Growers' Supply company of Hilt, Peterson-Johnson mill in Lakeview, Southern Oregon Sugar Pine company of Medford and the Tiller Mill and Lumber company at Medford (Continued on Page Two)

Argentina Minister Quits; U. S. Embassy Under Guard

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 10 (AP)—A police guard was assigned to the United States embassy today to prevent any public demonstrations resulting from the resignation of Foreign Minister Segundo Storni.

Storni resigned last night following his unsuccessful bid for re-election to the Argentine Senate.

Although there have been no incidents, uniformed police circulated in the downtown building where the U. S. embassy maintains its offices, and mounted police patrolled the streets.

It was explained at police headquarters that the action was merely precautionary.

Resignation
Storni submitted his resignation last night to President Pedro Ramirez under a barrage of criticism from the nationalist press, which took the view that he had exposed Argentina to an open rebuke from the United States.

The foreign minister had been under fire since the announcement in Washington Tuesday night that Secretary of State Cordell Hull had rejected his request for lease-lend aid on the ground that Argentina had failed to do her share in protecting the western hemisphere from aggression.

Hull Reasons
Hull based his action on the Argentine government's failure to fulfill its commitments by breaking relations with the axis powers.

Although Storni declared in his letter to Hull appealing for lease-lend aid that he was acting (Continued on Page Five)

ROMMEL COMMANDS NORTH

Field Marshal Erwin Rommel, victim of the great allied victory in North Africa, was disclosed as commander of German forces in northern Italy as the allies smashed nazi resistance in the Naples area and drove deeper into the heart of the embattled kingdom.

These were the highlights in a day of rapid-fire developments which saw German and Italian troops locked in bitter fighting in northern Italy and a sea-air battle between nazi bombers and Italian warships fleeing to join the allies.

CONTROL BRENNER PASS

Madrid advices said the Germans had seized control of the Brenner Pass, vital link between northern Italy and Germany, after severe fighting with Italian garrisons. German reports said the Italians were now withdrawing to the west in the Alps near Caporetto.

Berlin asserted that 80,000 Italian soldiers had surrendered their arms to German forces in northern Italy in the past 24 hours, after brief fighting at Trieste and Cremona.

ROME SUBJECT TO ATTACK

Nazi capture of Rome would mean that the Eternal City, proclaimed an "open city" by the Italian government prior to Italy's surrender, would once more be subject to allied assault from the skies and by land.

Berlin said the nazi army would assume protection of Vatican City.

As the day passed, it became increasingly clear that the Germans were determined to make Italy a major battlefield even if it meant sacrificing Rome's ancient glories to allied attack.

NAZIS SHELL ROME

The Germans themselves bombed the capital during the night and this noon sent shells screaming into the city's outskirts.

Now under German control and broadcasting nazi propaganda, the Rome radio asserted that German troops would not enter the capital except for "occupation of the German embassy, the radio station and the telephone exchanges."

This was an evident attempt to make nazi Rome appear qualified as an open, undefended city.

There was the possibility of, not the probability, however, that German seizure of the capital was a move to keep vital rail lines open to the south in an all-out fight to hold Italy.

STREET FIGHTS IN VENICE

A British broadcast said Venice, Turin and Florence "are now in Italian hands after street fighting." Violent anti-German demonstrations were reported at Milan.

"War between the Italians and Germans has begun," Swiss reports said.

Dispatches from the Swiss-Italian frontier and Reuters, the British news agency, both reported that a powerful allied convoy escorted by warships was steaming up the Ionian Sea toward Albania.

German troops, disarming Italian armed forces, were (Continued on Page Two)