

# FIELD GUNS, TANKS POUND VIA CASILINA

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ish in the Lepini hills north and east of the front line marshes to protect the flank of the Germans in the Liri valley and their retreat route on Via Casilina toward Rome.

### Tanks Push On

The American armored force pounding upon Valmontone was continuing its thrust today. The advance yesterday carried it to the vicinity of Ardena, only 2 1/2 miles below Valmontone.

Of the 17 main divisions engaged below Rome, eight are in a line where their escape would be highly complicated by cutting of the Via Casilina. They have other alternative retreat roads, but these could be easily clogged and the Germans probably would be forced to lose many men and much equipment.

Valmontone is 21 miles southeast of the eternal city.

Thirty-six miles to the southeast of this spearpoint flung out of the Anzio beachhead, Germans on the main front were defeated in heavy tank fighting and fell back, leaving masses of equipment, including tanks, behind them.

### Advance 12 Miles

Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's reconnaissance troops in the Ardena area, racing the drive from the beachhead, had advanced about 12 and a half miles north of the former beachhead perimeter after the allies beat back sharp enemy counter-attacks, in which 15 huge Tiger tanks participated.

An official report said the enemy appeared to be pulling back heavy artillery from the Cisterna-Valmontone road.

### Defeat Nazis

Surging up the Liri valley, the eighth army defeated the Germans in a furious tank battle west of the Meleia river, knocking out 12 tanks.

Then Canadian and British forces pushed to within two miles of Arce, near the confluence of the Liri and Sacco rivers, and to within two or three miles of Ceprano, important road junction on the Cassino-Rome highway.

### Straight to Rome

These vital road junctions control communications at the head of the Liri valley where highway six (the Via Casilina) begins its long, straight stretch through a wide valley to Rome. Desperate nazis threw in reinforcements at several danger points, and used more armor and mobile forces against the eighth army's Liri valley thrust than at any previous time in the Italian campaign.

### German Rush Aid

Field Marshal Albert Kesselring rushed a hurriedly-assembled battle group of the 334th German infantry division from the Adriatic sector into the line against the fifth army force, including the French, who are advancing northward toward Ceprano.

But these reinforcements were beaten back and the allies captured both the Giovanni and Pastena, both heavily-defended strong points.

Boring steadily into enemy defenses further west, the French seized Monte Rotondo and Monte Quattordici, and yesterday reached the outskirts of Amaseo, eight miles west of Pastena.

### Motor Movement

An allied official spokesman declared "a tremendous amount of motor movement" was observed further southwest, where other fifth army troops crossed the Asemo river and took the village of Castella Valentino.

"All the German divisions in the line and in reserve at the start of the offensive now have been drawn into the main battle area, including two from the Adriatic flank," this official said. Germans gave ground reluctantly as the fifth army widened the breach in their defenses north and northwest of Cisterna and fought ever deeper into the salient pointed at highway six.

### RANCH SOLD

MEDFORD, May 27 (P) — Sale of the W. E. Hammel 1800-acre stock ranch near Eagle Point to Mr. and Mrs. James G. Town, New York City, was announced here today.

Robert Fulton built a submarine before he built a steamboat, and offered it to Napoleon, who refused it.

Enough steps are taken by the average man in a lifetime to walk around the world six times.

The old Latin name for the vegetable we call an onion had the meaning of "pearl."

## His Fuehrer's Face



U. S. Army M. P. William Spalding of Dresden, N. Y., enjoys a chuckle as he brings in a diminutive German prisoner who bears considerable resemblance to Der Fuehrer. If Heine thought sping Adolf's mustache and forelock would bring him luck he was wrong.

# Air Medal, Three Clusters, DFC Awarded Capt. Calkins As Flying Ground Officer

A U. S. NINTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England—When lean, lanky Capt. Carroll C. "Bob" Calkins, attached to the photographic section at this ninth air force Marauder station, recently accepted the DFC for participation in 25 aerial operations over sizzling enemy targets in the ETO—he smiled wryly.

And behind that grin is the story of a determined young man who had earnestly and always wanted to fly and who had been ruled out to fly on six different occasions by army medics on the grounds of "functional high blood pressure!"

Instead of becoming a flying cadet whose objective is combat duty in a swift American bomber, Calkins had to plug away at dreary and unexciting details of administrative work as a member of the administrative air corps officers' candidate school at Miami, Fla. "Bob" revealed that it was dull and plain work.

"I studied hard, however," he said, "but all the time I wanted to fly."

Within a few months he graduated, becoming a member of Col. Herbert B. Thatcher's Marauder group being activated at Mac Dill Field, Fla. The group, a tight, inclusive attack unit, left shortly afterwards and Bob arrived in the ETO with a dreary and monotonous future planned for him.

Pinch-hitting as photographic officer early last summer he watched the B-26s roar off on their first mission, accompanied by two aerial cameramen. "I felt low," he said about it.

Meanwhile his blood pressure had returned to normal. He was permanently assigned to his present duties. He was also aware of the intricate problems of aerial photography when later he asked to fly. "I wanted to see what the enlisted cameramen had to put up with," he explained quietly.

Checked out not long after in the dual capacity as waist gunner and cameraman whose duties are to film oblique pictures, prominent terrain features for navigational aid, photos of targets and strike attack shots, Calkins flew on his first mission early last summer. Since then he has rolled up an impressive number of sorties, collecting valuable information for the men who are today pulverizing enemy targets over Belgium, Holland and France.

Today when Bob recalls what the army medics once said and then looks proudly at the DFC he now wears, he just can't help but smile wryly—for he is one of the few—if not the only—ground officers ever to receive the Air Medal, three Oak Leaf Clusters and the DFC!

Before his induction into the armed forces Bob attended the University of Oregon as a student of advertising. He was president of the sophomore class of '42 and a member of the Alpha Delta Sigma frat-



Capt. Carroll "Bob" Calkins, former Klamath Falls resident, was recently awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross following missions over Europe with a Marauder squadron.

## Drinkers Crack Up More Often, Says Flight Officer

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 27 (P)—Flight Lieutenant George (Buzz) Beurling, Canada's ace fighter pilot who is spending a short leave at Vancouver prior to receiving a new assignment from the RCAF, said in an interview here today that "the fellows who drink crack up more often than the ones who don't."

"You can't fight as well," said Beurling, who never takes a drink, even while off duty.

### FISH BOATS TIED

ASTORIA, Ore., May 27 (P) — Forty-five boats of the Astoria fishing fleet were tied up today in protest of the 2 cent a pound price offered for Dover sole by processors. Fishermen, demanding the OPA ceiling of 3 1/2 cents, contended they could not operate profitably at less.

# 106 LUMBER PLANTS HIT BY WALKOUT

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sible expulsion from the union. The new disturbance followed the recent dispute which had affected 11,700 workers at seven of the company's units in the Detroit area.

A partial survey by the Associated Press disclosed that walkouts in the lumber industry affected 106 plants, sawmills, woodworking plants, door and plywood mills, woodworking companies, logging and booming operations and other concerns connected with the industry. Estimates were that 11,000,000 board feet of production was lost daily by the walkouts, which were in protest against the war labor board denial of pay increases. The strikes, union leaders said, were unauthorized and members were asked to return to work. There was, however, no indication that they would obey the leaders.

### No Election

Lincoln county (Ore.) coastal communities were without electricity yesterday after a walkout of AFL sawmill workers. And fear was expressed the Toledo, Ore., water system would go dry because of lack of power to operate the pumps. A lumber company's power plant was left without fuel when the men failed to report for work at the company's mill. The plant uses waste from the planer mill.

Other labor disputes in Detroit and Michigan kept more than 7000 idle, including striking bread truck drivers who voted to continue their walkout and not to meet until next Wednesday. Meantime, the Michigan metropolis was virtually without bread or bakery goods.

The strike of 1900 employees at two plants of Parke, Davis and Co., was in its fifth day, while at Saginaw, Mich., 2500 workers in General Motors' Chevrolet transmission division remained idle following a dispute over smoking regulations.

More than 1900 workers at the Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Co., in Providence, R. I., went on strike yesterday over the hiring of a woman to fill a job from which a man was transferred. The company, which manufactures machine tools, is engaged in war work.

Meanwhile, in San Francisco, Harry Bridges, west coast labor leader, urged organized labor to substitute political action for the strike threat during the war and indefinitely thereafter. Bridges, president of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union (CIO) said Local 8 of the union, representing 7000 members, has outlined such a policy.

### AUTO-TRAIN CRASH

SALEM, May 27 (P)—Eleven persons lost their lives in automobile-train collisions at public grade crossings in Oregon the first five months of this year, compared with 20 during all of 1936, when the greatest number of such fatalities for any year of the past 10 was recorded.

### PROMOTED

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE FIGHTER STATION IN ENGLAND, May 27 (P)—Robert S. Johnson, of Lawton, Okla., who destroyed 27 German planes in the air to become the top fighter pilot in the European theater has been promoted from captain to major, it was announced today.

Traffic Check—State police arrested 21 persons in a traffic check held Friday. They are slated to appear in justice court to plead.

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Klamath Falls	77	45	.00
Lakeview	76	38	.00
North Bend	61	50	.00
Portland	86	54	.00
Redding	82	64	.00
Reno	80	40	.00
San Francisco	86	40	.00
Seattle	75	51	.00

## EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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FROM THEIR HOME SLANDS to the Asiatic mainland. The little yellow men are reported to have extensive industrial installations in Manchuria.)

FOR a change, here's a HOPEFUL note from the home front:

Edgar F. Kaiser, speaking in Portland last night, says: "Labor and management should begin immediately to pattern post-war contracts that will be better for both of them (including profit-sharing by employees)." He adds: "We've found in our operations that you can pay high wages and STILL DO A JOB CHEAPER."

How low COSTS can be kept, not how low WAGES can be pushed, is the yardstick that business (management, to use a modern term) is interested in.

KAISER doesn't see much hope in cumbersome LAWS as a way to bring this about. He thinks labor and management must get together and work it out between them.

## PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR MEMORIAL DAY

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the shaft will be by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Stores and business houses are reminded that the retail trade committee of the chamber of commerce has voted that Memorial Day should be observed by closing. Flags should be displayed, it was suggested.

## Christian Endeavor To Hold Memorial Day Services

The Christian Endeavor annual Memorial Day services are to be held this Sunday afternoon at 3:30 in the Earl Whitlock Memory Garden.

Main speaker will be Lt. S. D. Crothers, local Marine Barracks chaplain. A duet will be sung by Nel Lindbergh and Iris Nelson and the organist is to be Mrs. Arthur H. Denison. Other musical numbers have also been planned.

If the weather should not permit that the services be held out of doors, the program will be held at the First Presbyterian church. The public is invited to attend.

## Returns Home—PFC John G. LeFleur, 1748 Menlo Way, has returned from two years' service with the armed forces in the Aleutians. With his wife, who makes her home here, he visited his father in Wabena, Wis., and both have returned to Klamath Falls for a one week's visit before going to Camp Haan where PFC LeFleur will report for further orders.

# 5,000 PLANES BLAST HITLER RAIL SYSTEM

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ing that unfavorable weather hindered defense efforts. Port Raided

Rounding out the powerful daylight thrust, other Italy-based heavy bombers raided the Yugoslav port of Razanik, 10 miles north of Zara, and RAF Mitchells made daylight sweeps over the continent from Britain in support of the poundings of Germany and France.

Britain-based heavy craft were grounded yesterday because of weather conditions, but the allies kept the day-night assault thundering with attacks on Europe by lighter craft from Britain and with Italy-based four-engine bombers striking southern French rail centers.

Chemical Center Hit It was the second assault in a little more than 12 hours on the chemical center of Ludwigshafen, hit last night by RAF Mosquitos which also pounded the Rothe Erde rail yards at Aachen.

The Berlin radio said the Rheinland cities of Karlsruhe and Mannheim had been hit with "substantial quantities" of explosives and incendiaries. It added that weather conditions had kept all but a few of Germany's fighter interceptors from making contact with the American bomber formations and their escorts.

Fail to Return Two RAF planes failed to return from the night operations, which included mine laying in enemy waters as well as the attack on the two German cities.

Paris radio announced today that Costende, on the coast of Belgium, was bombed yesterday. There was no allied confirmation.

RAF aircraft of the coastal command and the fleet air arm have been firing rockets at the Germans both on land and sea since last June with considerable success, it was disclosed after a U. S. navy announcement in Washington that American planes hunting Nazi submarines were now equipped with long-range rocket guns.

Beaughtlers, Hurricanes, Typhoons and Swordfish are fitted with projectors carrying eight rockets, four under each wing, and are employing them against U-boats, shipping and land targets such as bridges, gun emplacements, wireless stations and military buildings.

## New Health Group Formed In Oregon

PORTLAND, May 27 (P) — Health officers, nurses, sanitarians and health educators banded together today in a new Oregon Association of Public Health.

The organization, formed here at the three-day convention of several state health associations, has 100 charter members, and will be headed by Dr. Samuel B. Osgood, Grants Pass, president. Dr. Willard Stone of Salem was chosen president-elect.



JOYCE

This attractive two-year-old is Joyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Roberts of Poe Valley, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Roberts of Poe Valley and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Webber of Henley.

There was a good attendance at the meeting of the Rebekah Social club, held Wednesday in the IOOF hall. Dessert was served at 1:30 o'clock by the hostesses, Ora Sweet and Vera Clemens, and the afternoon was spent in Red Cross sewing. Silent sisters of the past year were revealed, and new ones assigned for the coming year. The social club will sponsor a dutch auction cake sale to be held after the Rebekah lodge meeting, Thursday, June 1.

## Episcopal Church To Sponsor School

St. Paul's Episcopal church will sponsor a daily vacation Bible school at the parish house, 8th and Jefferson, starting Monday. Hours are from 9:30 a. m. to 11:45 a. m. daily except Saturday and will continue for a period of two weeks.

There will be no classes on Tuesday, Memorial Day, it was announced. At that time there will be celebration of Holy Communion at 10 a. m.

### SIX INJURED

PORTLAND, May 27 (P) — Six Portlanders were seriously injured early today in a head-on automobile crash here. Police said both drivers exceeded the speed limit, and charged both with reckless driving.

# NEW HOSPITAL OPENS SUNDAY

The Community hospital, 1940 Main, recently purchased and renovated by Mrs. Kathryn Wilson, well known registered nurse of this area, will open Sunday and the public is invited to visit and inspect the hospital any time during the day.

The Community hospital, originally Soule sanitarium, is now completely redecorated and equipped, has 20 beds and will be mainly an obstetrical hospital, but with surgical facilities. It is staffed with four registered nurses, one undergraduate nurse and one nurse in charge. Mrs. Kathryn Wilson will be in charge.

First of the three floors of the hospital building will be occupied by the nurses. The second is the obstetrical floor, and the third floor will be occupied by delivery rooms and nurseries. For patients, there are private and semi-private rooms and three bed wards.

Mrs. Wilson, Community hospital owner, for several years owned and operated the Merrill hospital. Of later years has been employed by the government as supervisor of the clinics in northern Shasta county and in Klamath county. Mrs. Wilson said that Mrs. Road, registered nurse, now at Wahoo, Neb., but formerly of Klamath county, who has been quite ill since last December, hopes she will be able to visit Mrs. Wilson by the middle of summer and will, perhaps, enter into partnership with her at that time.

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