

DEATH PLOT BOMB BURNS HITLER

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Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

POLITICAL developments in the camps of our enemies to overshadow in our interest the shooting war news, and to bring the Chicago convention more or less into the background.

It really looks today as if the Japs, shaken to their man- monkey psychological roots by the loss of Saipan, may have ousted Tojo out.

Whatever may have happened in Japan has a one of the symptoms of a crack-up revolution. Keep that clearly in mind. Two tough-minded MILITARISTS, with all-out expansionist records, have been picked to form a new cabinet.

As nearly as we can learn from the propaganda-garbed news, the dominant Jap idea is to get leadership that can WIN battles instead of LOSING them.

Tojo seems to have LOST too often.

KEEP your fingers crossed and your eyes and ears open. Something approximating the truth about this Tojo business should emerge within a few days.

SOME kind of attempt on Hitler's life appears to have been made.

The propagandized and rigidly-censored news available as this is written indicates that somebody threw a bomb. It is admitted that der fuhrer was slightly burned and bruised. MUCH more important is the admission that SIX generals and two admirals were mugged up along with Hitler.

There was evidently quite a crowd around at the time.

WHAT we'd like to know is who tossed the bomb. And WHY.

There are vague hints today that at least some of the generals who got blasted were from Hitler's personal military stable. This General Hofmeister, who was nabbed by the Russians and TALKED yesterday, suggested pretty strongly that there is a serious quarrel between Hitler's "intuitive" school of war-making and the hereditary, professional German war leadership.

Did some of these professionals (or one of their stooges) heave the bomb?

OR was a bomb really thrown at all? Is this bomb business just eye-wash? About all we outsiders can be sure of is that we can't be very sure of ANYTHING—yet.

As in the case of Tojo, something more tangible should emerge later.

WE can be very sure, however, that our enemies aren't happy. They see DOOM approaching. The acts of men facing approaching doom don't always follow a clear and logical pattern. A cornered wolf doesn't always do the thing you expect it to do. Sometimes you don't know why it does what it does.

This much is CERTAIN: Back in the days when they were WINNING EVERYWHERE, the Japs and the Germans weren't acting as they're acting now.

MONTGOMERY's drive out of Caen is continuing. He seems this morning to be turning to the left, toward Havre. That might be significant. For one thing, he wants to clear the Germans out of range of the canalized river that is Caen's port. We need ports and more ports.

There is evidently a big tank battle on in the plains east of Caen. Its results aren't apparent as this is written.

THE Russians are pushing westward. They've CROSSED THE BUG at one point. They're hitting hard everywhere. They seem to have everything that is needed at the moment.

DOWN in New Guinea, the wisdom of MacArthur's bypassing strategy is being demonstrated so far. The 45,000 Japs who have been trying to get out of his by-pass trap don't seem to be doing very well. They are still hemmed in.

BACK in Chicago, Henry Wallace, damned with faint praise by Roosevelt, is putting up a battle that one can't help admiring.

Nobody likes a quitter, and no matter what else his Wallace is proving he isn't that.

WALLACE is the kind of person who sees visions and hears voices. For example, he says today:

"All I know is that there is a sentiment here in Chicago, and it is encouraging. There is a tremendous ground swell of liberal sentiment—possibly a ground swell the like of which this country has not seen in many years—among the delegates to this convention."

MAGINE that in this convention of political bosses and their hangers-on gathered to proclaim their belief that the time has arrived in America when ONLY

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Tojo, Cabinet, Ousted By Hirohito

GOVERNMENT RE-FORMED BY KOISI, YONAI

General, Admiral Now In Control of Japan

By The Associated Press
 Premier General Hideki Tojo, who led Japan into war against America and Britain and had been virtual dictator for two and a half years, has fallen with his entire cabinet and Tokyo announced today that Emperor Hirohito had ordered another general and an admiral to form a new government "in cooperation."

Hirohito's mandate was given General Kuniaki Koiso, governor-general of Korea, and Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, premier in 1940, two of the most powerful leaders of the fighting services. Tokyo broadcasts said completion of the new cabinet was expected tonight or early tomorrow (Tokyo time).

Military Rule Continues
 The choice indicates there will be no fundamental departure from the principle of military rule. Both Koiso and Yonai have (Continued on Page Two)

South Drops White Supremacy Plank Fight

CHICAGO, July 20 (AP)—Southerners suddenly dropped their fight for a "white supremacy" plank today after the democratic platform committee turned them down cold.

"We have exhausted every means at our power; we have run out of steam," said Former Governor Dan Moody of Texas, a leader in the bitter southern fight against the committee's platform racial plank.

Moody said the platform fight would not be taken to the convention floor. It could not, he explained, because the signature of only eight states could be obtained for a minority report. Twelve signatures are necessary to do this, a study of the rules showed.

Two Army Planes Crash at Redmond

REDMOND, Ore., July 20 (AP)—Two single-seater fighter planes from Portland army air base crashed here, yesterday within a 12-hour period, and an investigation was under way today.

Portland air base officials identified the pilots as Flight Officer Joseph S. Pusateri, son of Mrs. Louise Pusateri, 109 Green St., Cincinnati, Ohio; and 2nd Lt. Warren H. Schmitzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Benton Schmitzer, 7044 7th avenue, Los Angeles, Calif. Both were killed almost instantly.

The planes were on combat training missions.

Mrs. Roosevelt Arrives in L. A.

LOS ANGELES, July 20 (AP)—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the president, arrived here today from San Diego.

"I'm just passing through; I'm on my way home," she told reporters.

U. S. Ships Enter Barrage Phase in Attack on Guam

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, July 20 (AP)—Battleships, thundering for four straight days at Guam, one of the war sectors to grave- worry Japan's emperor that the Tojo cabinet resigned—have carried the unprecedented assault into the barrage phase.

The term, often applied to screen operations for landing troops, was used for the first time by Adm. Chester W. Nimitz in his reports on 15 straight days of bombing and shelling the former U. S. outpost in the Marianas.

"Our battleships, cruisers and destroyers laid down an intense

Sen. Barkley Names FDR For Renomination

By JACK BELL
 CHICAGO STADIUM, July 20 (AP)—The name of Franklin D. Roosevelt was placed in nomination for a fourth term today by Senator Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky and the democratic national convention moved toward speedy nomination and an acceptance speech by radio from the president tonight.

Barkley's speech was shoved ahead of platform action to keep the delegates occupied. Senator Samuel Jackson of Indiana, permanent chairman, said the next order of business will be to "open the nominations for the election of your nominees" and said that the actual balloting on nominations would await convention action on the platform.

As Barkley spoke, word spread that Vice President Henry A. Wallace, engaged in a battle with Senator Harry S. Truman of Missouri, for the vice presidential nomination that overshadowed everything else at the convention, would be given the floor to make a seconding speech for Roosevelt.

GERMAN LINES WEAK AS BRITISH ADVANCE

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 20 (AP)—British armor slashing forward in several directions has cut into good tank fighting country on broad front five miles south-east of Caen and the Germans have been unable to stabilize their lines in the third day of the offensive despite their best efforts, supreme headquarters announced today.

Heavy fighting was raging, however, around a German anti-tank screen in the Emieville-Frenouville area from two to three and a half miles southeast of Troarn, a railway center eight miles east of Caen.

Camp at South of Caen
 The British were reported to have swept through the Troarn railway station just outside the town, and British tanks—led by a man once the prisoner of Marshal Erwin Rommel—were engaged near Troarn. (Continued on Page Seven)

Plane Crew Dies In Bomber Crash

WALLA WALLA, July 20 (AP)—The entire crew of 12—six officers and six enlisted men—were killed yesterday when an army Liberator bomber from the Walla Walla army airfield crashed near Touchet, 17 miles west of here, Col. David Wade, base commander, reported.

Witnesses said the plane had exploded in the air. Wreckage and bodies, some with opened parachutes beside them, were scattered over a three or four mile area.

Roy Dodd, farmer, said he first saw the plane in trouble, circling at a fairly high altitude and thought one motor was missing.

Yanks Pursue Germans to Lower Arno River Banks

By NOLAND NORGAARD
 ROME, July 20 (AP)—American troops, reaching the south bank of the lower Arno river on a 25-mile front in hot pursuit of the Germans fleeing their Gothic line defenses beyond the river, have captured Colle Salvottoli, seven miles northeast of allied-held Livorno, allied headquarters announced today.

The latest town to fall to the Americans, fanning out against decreasing Nazi resistance, is about 10 miles southeast of Pisa, on a highway leading directly to that important enemy anchor position.

Sniping Opposition
 German opposition was confined largely to sniping parties armed with automatic weapons as United States forces seized the last high ground held by the Germans south of the Arno river, and laid down artillery fire which left the enemy without any alternative than retreat.

At the other end of the front Polish and Italian units pushed on from the west coast port of Ancona and cut the coastal road at Torrette a Mare, nearly three miles west of the city. Another column, with armor, sped along the inland route in the Adriatic sector and established a bridgehead over the Esino river, 10 miles west of Ancona and south of Chiaravalle.

Leave Equipment
 The enemy left much valuable equipment in the Ancona sector. Torrential rains impeded movements on the entire battlefront, but both the fifth and eighth armies made steady progress. Elements of the veteran American 34th division and attached units were the first to enter Livorno. The 34th, originally largely from Iowa and other midwestern national guard units, participated in North Africa landings November 8, 1942, and have been in action ever since.

Ready For Trip to Lake



This group of marines from the Marine band at the Barracks is shown with a group of local girls just before they left for Lake Oa Woods Wednesday to spend the day at a cabin owned by Mary Grafton.

Front row, left to right, they are Mrs. John A. Wattles, Helen Howry, Jean Underwood, Margie Clark, Mary Grafton, Virginia Turnbow and Barbara Schultz. In the truck are, sitting, S/Sgt. Robert E. Pritchett, Sgt. C. F. Sanders, Cpl. E. E. Blanchard, Cpl. W. H. Siegrist, PFC E. H. Rechel, Sgt. A. J. Beauchamp, Standing are Sgt. John A. Wattles, S/Sgt. William J. Cunningham, Sgt. William J. Selinsky, Sgt. F. P. Battis, Cpl. M. B. Artellan, Mr. John Eastop and Cpl. John Eastop.

They were accompanied by Mrs. Harry Jackman.

New Red Offense Advances 32 Miles to Western Bug

LONDON, July 20 (AP)—The red army has opened a new offensive west of Kovel, Marshal Stalin announced today.

Kovel is about 95 miles north of Lwow and on the main road to Lublin and Warsaw.

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP)—American army casualties in Italy from the time of the landings last September to July 12 totalled 73,166, Acting Secretary of War Patterson reported today. This was an increase of 2767 for one week.

The death list now stands at 12,999, an increase of 344 for the week; the wounded at 49,861, an increase of 2104. There are 10,606 missing.

Truman Mother Wants Son to Be in Senate

KANSAS CITY, July 20 (AP)—The 91-year-old mother of Senator Harry S. Truman (D-Mo.) doesn't want her son to be vice president. She thinks he should stay in the senate where "he can do more good."

"His investigating committee is doing fine work," she says. "He ought to stay there."

Oregon Pledges Vote to Wallace

CHICAGO, July 20 (AP)—The Oregon delegation to the democratic national convention agreed today at a noon-hour caucus to vote as a unit for Henry A. Wallace "as long as he has a chance" for the vice-presidential nomination.

Should Wallace fall from the running, the 14 Oregon delegates voted to support William O. Douglas, United States supreme court justice now on vacation in Oregon. Third choice will be Sen. Harry S. Truman.

Patterson Says Japs Grave

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP)—Acting Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson said today the shakiness in the Japanese government was proof the Japanese people were beginning to learn the serious nature of their defeats.

He added that the Japanese were mistaken if they thought a change in rulers "will make us forget the treachery and barbarity of their behavior since the first attack at Pearl Harbor."

FUEHRER HURT DURING TALK WITH LEADERS

Seven Generals, Two Admirals Injured By Blast

LONDON, July 20 (AP)—Adolf Hitler was slightly burned and bruised by a bomb in an attempt on his life today while he was surrounded by closest personal military advisers, an announcement from his headquarters said.

Seven generals and two admirals were injured by the blast, Berlin added.

Attackers Escape
 (One broadcast attributed the blast to dynamite while another said "explosives" were used. An account recorded by NBC said the unnamed perpetrators escaped, but that police were "on their trail.")

Closely-controlled official announcements gave no inkling of the nature of the originators of the attempt, but London contacts with the German underground suggested that the sensational development was the result of serious feuds within the military hierarchy in Germany.

Breda May Be Scene
 These sources said the attempt might have occurred at Breda, Holland, where Hitler was reported to have gone yesterday for a conference with Marshal Erwin Rommel, his commander in Normandy.

There was speculation that a general brawl may have resulted when Rommel demanded more divisions to prop his front and met with refusal.

Minor Injuries
 Quick to stress the minor nature of the 55-year-old dictator's injuries, the radio announcement said he conferred immediately afterward with Benito Mussolini and also received Reichmarshal Hermann Goering, who was en route to the headquarters at the time of the attack.

By strange coincidence the attack took place only about 16 hours after Hideki Tojo, the third of the ill-starred axis leaders who led their countries into (Continued on Page Two)

FDR, Churchill May Meet After War in Australia

CANBERRA, Australia, July 20 (AP)—Speculation that President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill may meet in Canberra after the war in Australia, was carried today in Australian newspapers.

The story quoted New Zealand's prime minister, Peter Fraser, at Auckland.

Chinese Rout Reinforcements

CHUNGKING, July 20 (AP)—Chinese forces, having routed a Japanese column to the relief of besieged Pingliang in western Hunan province, are relentlessly pursuing the retreating enemy forces and are now in contact with the Japanese rear guards at Mengtui, 10 miles west of Pingka, a Chinese communication center.

Although the WRA internal security staff is conducting the investigation of the Hitomi murder, and the colonial police had not taken part in it, a number of the Japanese policemen received the reports.

The colonial police staff dwindled from 115 at the time of Hitomi's murder to 72 at the time of the resignations today. Director R. R. Best asked each of the 74 residential blocks to choose two representatives to serve in a new community organization.

Navy Bombers Hit Bonins

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP)—Big navy bombers, presumably flying north from Saipan, attacked the Bonin islands only 62 miles from Tokyo Tuesday. Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific commander in chief, reported today.

The attack was the first by land-based bombers on the Bonin group, which is well within the inner defenses of Japan.

The Liberator bombers flew at a low level to strafe and bomb Chichi Jima and Haha Jima. They left 11 enemy sea-planes wrecked, four coastal vessels in flames, a small cargo ship sunk and several fires blazing among enemy seaplane base installations.

Churchill to Make War Talk

LONDON, July 20 (AP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden announced today that Prime Minister Churchill will make a statement on the war situation to the house of commons on August 2.

Eden added that commons probably would adjourn August 3 until September 26, but said that if necessary in the interim parliament would be recalled.

JAP COPS QUIT

The colonial police force at the Tulelake segregation center, made up entirely of Japanese residents of the center, resigned in a body today.

WRA officials said that the reason given for the resignations was that the force had not received cooperation from other residents.

Function of the colonial police was to maintain peace and order in the Japanese residential area. The chief of the colonial police and his assistant resigned on July 3 after receiving anonymous threats, it was disclosed today. That was the day after the fatal stabbing of Yaovo Hitomi, head of the cooperative merchandising enterprises at the center.

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Break-Up Signs

MOSCOW, July 20 (AP)—The German army showed signs of breaking in the hotly-contested battleground west of the Niemen river before East Prussia (Continued on Page Two)

Germans Seize Poles in Lwow

LONDON, July 20 (AP)—Acting to forestall an uprising as the Russians approach, the Germans have seized about 3000 Poles in Lwow, including all the prominent persons, the Polish telegraph agency said today.

Quoting the Polish underground radio, the agency said Gen. Ledochowski, former commander of the Krakow military area and a brother of the late Cardinal Ledochowski of the Jesuit Order, was among those arrested.

NON-STOP FLIGHT

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP)—The first non-stop flight from London to Washington, D. C., was made this week by an army air transport command crew in a C-54, four-engine Douglas transport plane.

Junior Chamber Sponsors 'Miss Klamath' Contest

A Miss Klamath contest in which some attractive local girl will be chosen to participate in the state contest for selection of "Miss Oregon," is being sponsored by the Junior chamber of commerce, it was announced today.

Registration for contestants begins July 24 and ends August 5. Girls to be eligible must be single and between the ages of 18 and 26 years, and a Klamath county resident. The winner will be chosen primarily for talent and personality though personal appearance will also count.

Final selection will be made between August 5 and 15 after which Miss Klamath will be

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