Yank Armada Bombs German Aircraft Oil Plants, Dromes

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR

LONDON, Aug. 16 (AP)—An... great American armada of ... planes, half heavy bomb... smashed today at aircraft ... oil plants and airdromes in ...many while other hundreds ...fliers attacked enemy troops ...defenses on the north and ...h French battlefields.

...argets all were in the Leip... and Magdeburg area in the ...y heart of Germany.

Berlin Target

...erlin was bombed last night ...h two-ton blockbusters with ...ish RAF Mosquitos disturbed ...azi capital's sleep.

...he German radio said the ...ch also was being penetrated by American flights from Italy which were striking over the Alps into the Tyrol and Bavaria.

This was the fourth straight day in which the U. S. eighth air force had sent 1000 or more Flying Fortresses and Liberators against continental objectives.

Air Strength Attacked

Much of the day's effort again was directed against German air strength in continuance of the campaign to prevent the hobbled Luftwaffe from coming to life in time to fly to the aid of battle-shattered German field armies.

Targets included the Delitzsch air equipment depot, one of the most important in Germany; bomber assembly plants at Schkeuditz and Halle; aircraft engine plants at Magdeburg, Dessau and Kothen; synthetic oil plants at Zeitz, Bohlen and Magdeburg; a carbonization and oil refinery at Rositz and a German air force station at Halberstadt.

First Hits Scored

The Delitzsch, Schkeuditz and Rositz targets never had been hit before by American heavies. The Magdeburg engine plant and the Halberstadt air force station were damaged heavily earlier this month. Synthetic oil plants struck today were knocked out two months ago but recently were repaired and producing on a reduced scale.

All bombing was done visually in good weather and U. S. headquarters called the results good to excellent. The German radio reported fierce air battles and asserted that 130 allied bombers were shot down over southern France yesterday. The enemy said, moreover, that his bombers raided allied invasion fleets off South France last night.

Weather Hampers

Squalls in Normandy lessened slightly air support for the allied battle of annihilation after a day in which a massive force of 1900 heavy bombers, with supporting fighters "in great strength," mangled 21 German air force bases.

Some 14,000 fliers supported the D-Day operations in the south of France.

On the Russian, French and Italian fronts, allied communiques listed 71 German planes destroyed and 56 allied craft lost.

FDR BACKER WINS WISCONSIN BALLOT

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 16 (AP)—An incumbent administration supporter and a former state senator apparently won democratic nominations for congress from the fourth and fifth (Milwaukee) districts in Wisconsin's primary yesterday by building up substantial leads over candidates endorsed by the CIO political action committee.

Returns from 212 of 278 precincts in the fourth district, gave Rep. Thad Wasielewski, seeking his third term, 14,645 votes to 5549 for Anthony P. Gawronski, who had the blessing of the PAC. Former Representative Raymond J. Cannon had 3345.

In the fifth district, Andrew J. Biemiller, who is making his first bid for a national office after several terms in the state legislature, has a good lead over Clem Kalvelage, PAC-endorsed candidate. Biemiller had 5951 votes in 217 or 299 precincts in the district. Kalvelage had 3897.

Meanwhile, republican Senator Alexander Wiley had an easy time winning the nomination over three opponents who called him isolationist. He was far out in front with 2099 of the state's 3078 precincts reporting. The vote was Wiley 98,166, Capt. Joseph R. McCarthy, of the marines, 45,745; Leathem D. Smith, a shipbuilder, 16,159 and Perry J. Stearns, Milwaukee attorney, 8578.

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