

FRESHLY RE-EQUIPPED TROOPS RUSHED UP TO BATTLE

Soviets Hold Germans West of Stalingrad

Situation Below Rostov Continues Extremely Grave, However

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MOSCOW.—(AP)—Armored trains of the Red Army rolled into the shell-toned steps of the Don bend today, bringing up fresh reinforcements for the defenders who already had reported checking the German onslaught west of Stalingrad.

Raid Made On France

British Fighters Sweep Over Channel

LONDON.—(AP)—British fighters swept across the Channel in the direction of Bologne this morning in a resumption of daylight raids on the occupied French coast after night of scattered German bombing attacks upon Britain.

Nazi planes also were active over the Channel during the forenoon, but heavy anti-aircraft fire was directed against them on the outskirts of London, which had no quick alarms during the night.

The gunfire sent shoppers in the initial scurrying for cover, but the raiders were not seen to approach the city.

Eight towns in the Midlands were hit with high explosives and incendiary bombs by the German raiders, and a well-known church was damaged, with the following the usual practice of lighting up the target area by the raiders before unleashing their bombs.

OWN'S FIRST RAID

A dispatch from this sector said stiffened Russian defenses were taking a terrific toll of the German forces fighting with the forces which gained footholds south of the Don in the Timanyk area.

Earlier battlefield reports said the Russians had yet to halt the German advance into the Caucasus.

Dispatches from the hard-pressed front south of Rostov and Timanyk said the Russians had lost further ground and reported a grave situation developing in the Balakh, further miles south of Rostov, and the Sea of Azov.

Angersoll in the Army Now

NEW YORK.—(AP)—Napier Angersoll, editor of the newspaper PM, is inducted into the Army today by the War Department.

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Angersoll said he would try to do his selective service duty on land to ride on his appeal as a "best case." Field band his appeal as a "best case." Field band his appeal as a "best case."

Axis Bombers Raid Alexandria

CAIRO, Egypt.—(AP)—Axis bombers raided Alexandria last night, dropping four persons and injuring three others, and causing slight damage to property, the Egyptian Interior Ministry announced today.

The raid alarmed the Egyptian Ministry, but the Egyptian Ministry said the raid was a "light raid" and that the Egyptian Ministry was "indispensable" to PM.

Japs Lose New Zero-Type Fighter

CHUNGKING.—(AP)—The Japanese in two separate attempts today lost two Zero-type fighters under the guns of the U. S. Air Force.

China, Lieut. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters reported today that the Japanese had lost two Zero-type fighters under the guns of the U. S. Air Force.

Think Reds Want New Front Set Up at Once

Fear Held for Russia's Fate

By ROBERT BUNNELLE
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LONDON.—(AP)—The quickened pace of British and American offensive preparations in this theater and the constant conferences of Allied war leaders were viewed in London as indications that the Russians have made it plain they think the time is ripe for a diversion action against the Germans in Western Europe.

Packers To Make Audit

Will Refund all Above-Ceiling Charges

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The "Big Three" meat packers—Armour & Co., Swift & Co. and Wilson & Co., Inc.—have agreed to audit records of their 800 branch houses and refund to customers all above-ceiling charges for dressed beef and pork.

The agreement climaxed a broad investigation of the industry by FPOA.

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Will Go to Washington

CANBERRA, Australia.—(AP)—Prime Minister John Curtin announced today that Lieutenant-General Vernon Sturdee, chief of the Australian staff, should be taken to Washington to head the Australian Military Mission there.

Weather

Continued warm today and early tonight.

Today's Temp.: H. 95; L. 74
Sunset today: 8:27
Sunrise tomorrow: 6:52

Additional U. S. Weather Bureau forecasts will be found on page 2.

Note to Readers

Dispatches from Berlin, Rome, Tokyo and other enemy countries are published by The News and the editors that they frequently contain false statements intended for propaganda purposes. This should be taken into consideration when reading the stories credited to Axis sources.



FORD AT 79TH BIRTHDAY—Henry Ford observed his 79th birthday anniversary in Detroit July 30 with a visit to the little shop in which he built his first automobile. He sat in the first little car (above) and gazed at the crude equipment he used half a century ago. Said he: "I guess I am getting along in years."

Americans Down Nine Jap Raiders

Most Air Activity in Australian Area Since Battle of Coral Sea

By VERN HAUGLAND
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GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia.—(AP)—In the biggest burst of aerial warfare since the Coral Sea battle nearly three months ago, American fliers in Curtiss Kittyhawks yesterday shot down nine Japanese raiders over Darwin and downed one or possibly two miles north of New Guinea, while heavy Allied bombers 100 miles north of New Guinea set raging fire to a Japanese transport and shot up its destroyer escort.

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Hit Transport

Keeping up their own offensive operations, Allied heavy bombers pounced on the destroyer-escorted Japanese transport 100 miles off Guam Mission, Papua, and scored five direct hits, leaving the vessel smoking flames visible for 30 miles.

Weird Story Of Death

DENVER.—(AP)—Trapped in the tiny attic of a house that children believed haunted, a wily, half-starved man has admitted Detective Captain James E. Childers said today, beating to death the aged home owner, and then living furtively in a cubbyhole of the house for nine months.

Admits Slaying Home Owner And Then Living In Attic 9 Months

Peters, 73-year-old retired railroad auditor, who was found beaten to death in a blood-spattered bedroom last Oct. 17.

Nazis Must Be Adjudged By Military Body

High Tribunal Throws Out Plea Of Defense Counsel

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The Supreme Court unanimously upheld President Roosevelt's wartime power today to close the civil courts to seven alleged Nazi saboteurs and to appoint a military commission to determine their fate.

Nelson for Big Planes

Kaiser Says WPB Chief Backs Program

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Henry J. Kaiser, West Coast shipbuilder, told a Senate Committee today that Donald Nelson, chairman of the War Production Board, had promised "full support" of his program to build giant troop and cargo carrying planes in his shipyards.

Guide to Good Reading

FIGHTING CHAPLAINS IN UNITED STATES NAVY

The men who are serving as chaplains in the United States Navy are doing a noble job. They are men who have been trained in the Navy Chaplain School at the Norfolk, Va. Navy Base. For an interesting article about them, read the story by Herman Allen, staff writer, on page 24.

Charlotte Dog Official Mascot

When a Charlotte man joins the Navy, that is interesting. But when a Charlotte dog officially is inducted as a Navy A. A. dog, that is something in the way of a special mention. Russell, Boston Terrier, belonging to the famous Ralph H. Fleming Jr. of Charlotte is just such a dog. Tom, a West Highland White Terrier, is his daily dog companion on page 24.

RODMONT HAS A KIDNAP TOO

This business of baseball players liking to be kidnapped and freedom and cash is not a new thing. It is more than an exception. In the major league, it is a regular thing. In the minor league, it is a regular thing. In the minor league, it is a regular thing. In the minor league, it is a regular thing.

DRAGGED OUT

Arnold shot a flashlight beam through the tiny opening and saw Cornish covering in the loft, about four feet square and 100 feet from the man to stand erect. He seized Cornish by the wrist and dragged him to the front door and weighing only 75 pounds.