

THE GREAT BATTLE OF THE AIR

Lives Newspaper In The Carolinas ESTABLISHED 1888 A War Reporter's Notebook

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Nov. 2.—(Delayed)—The "father confessor" of the American Army in the "Big Tank" corner, and also runs the paper's lost and found department.

As a result, he probably knows more about the American soldier's dreams, grief, and striving than anyone this side of the blue sky up yonder, and he is better than an armless soldier in the service.

His "Mail Call" letters consist chiefly of technical questions about army procedure, and requests for information and requests for information.

Jobber gets his biggest kick, however, out of telling with his feeble contributors, he is something of a rebel himself.

He turned down a 15-line poem and forthwith received from the author a letter of recrimination accusing him of violating a "constitutional" promise.

After the war, Welsh wants to publish a collection of soldier poetry, but he is disappointed. He has "never so truly great poem came out of the African campaign."

Americans Gain Mile; Eighth Army Drives Five

Allies Stronger; Nazis Weaker By EDWARD KENNEDY, ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGIERS.—(AP)—Repeated explosions in Gaeta indicated the Germans were preparing to abandon that port.

In the central portion of the Fifth Army front, Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Third Army has advanced over the rugged terrain of the whole island.

The German desperation over inability to halt the unexpected Allied advance was reflected not only in the rush to dislodge the port of Gaeta, but also in the hurried evacuation of the German garrison.

Originally the men had asked for a 10-cent raise an hour, but the committee rejected the 10-cent raise.

They don't have much chance to get a raise, and Welsh says "I stick in the office here until just before curfew, then hurry like hell for my room."

A Report From Behind The Enemy Lines: "Ghost Army" Plagues Germans In Italy

Editor's note: The following is the first of a series of uncorroborated stories telling of what actually is happening in what actually is happening in Italy. The series was written especially for the American people by Captain B. Kuntz, chief correspondent in Rome for the Associated Press.

British Betting On End Of War News From Front Inspires Wagers But Leaders Not So Optimistic By JAMES F. KING LONDON.—(AP)—Heavened by good news from the fighting fronts and from Allied Council chambers, an increasingly large number of people in Britain are talking and betting on the possibility of an early end to the war.

Rail Raises Advocated Increase of 4 to 10 Cents Recommended WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Wage increases ranging from 4 to 10 cents an hour for 1,100,000 railroad workers were recommended today by a special Presidential board.

Talking Strike Vote The fifteen unions affected, representing railroad workers who do not actually run trains or equip them, are also relying on a Congressional resolution to enforce an earlier increase.

Report German Attack On Troop Transports LONDON.—(AP)—The German High Command, in a report which was made public yesterday, announced that German planes had attacked an Allied column of 22 "fully-laden" troop transports on the coast of North Africa yesterday.

to recruit, and thousands of Indian prisoners of war, once interned in a camp near Avesano, were sent to Rome.

No Losses In Air Raid Planes Return From Attack On Germany LONDON.—(AP)—Formations of Allied aircraft roared across the English sky today to counter an offensive which American heavy bombers sustained yesterday.

Draft Parley In Deadlock WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The first meeting of Senate and House conferees on legislation to delay further drafting of new World War I veterans ended in a deadlock today.

Ominous Calm (For Japanese) Prevailing In South Pacific By C. YATES McDANIEL SOUTHWEST PACIFIC HEADQUARTERS.—(AP)—A prevailing calm which will probably prove more ominous for the enemy than for the Allies, prevailed in further early reports of Japanese South Pacific defenses.

How well the Allied forces rode out the storm of the 21-storming was told in official American reports which admitted damage to several vessels but the loss of none, and the downing of only 25 Allied planes in all service.

Great Push Threatens Disaster To Nazi Forces Move At Mile-An-Hour Speed

LONDON.—(AP)—The Red Army was rolling swiftly toward the Rumanian border today after taking the vital rail junction of Buzovna, 80 miles southwest of captured Kiev, and thus snapping the principal rail link between German forces in the Northern Ukraine and the Nazis still battling at Krivoi Rog.

High Court Tosses Out "Informers" Suit WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The Supreme Court today dismissed an "informers" suit seeking more than \$400,000 in damages from the United States military.

Weather Forecast Partly cloudy, light to moderate temperatures, occasional showers, steady and cool.

Today's Temperatures Washington, D. C., 50 to 60; New York, 45 to 55; Boston, 45 to 55; Philadelphia, 45 to 55; Chicago, 45 to 55; St. Louis, 45 to 55; Denver, 45 to 55; San Francisco, 45 to 55; Los Angeles, 45 to 55; Honolulu, 45 to 55.