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SKIPPER PAUSE BETWEEN PATROLS—Assigned to patrol the Guadalcanal-Florida Island area for Japanese ships, these PT boat skippers of the U. S. Navy pause between trips at an advanced base somewhere in the South Pacific. (Left to right, foreground): Ensign Alexander W. Welles of Daytona Beach, Fla.; and Lieutenant Clarke Murray of Cowan, D. L.; (rear) Lieutenant Craig Smith of Rochester, N. Y.; Lieutenant Clarke Clarke of Kansas City, Mo.; Ensign Bart Connolly of Brookline, Mass.; and Ensign B. P. Percy of Greenville, Miss. Two flags pointed on side of boat denote two enemy ships to its credit.

Coal Hearing Door Open For Lewis

**WLB Panel Mine Leader and
Other Officials Will Attend**

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A War Labor Board panel started a public hearing on the soft coal wage dispute today with the expressed hope that President John L. Lewis and other United Mine Workers officials would change their minds and decide to attend.

Jap Vessel Set Ablaze

**Raid Made on Wewak,
New Guinea**

By VERN HAUGLAND
**ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN
AUSTRALIA**—(AP)—Pounding
continuously upon Wewak, New
Guinea, during the briefest
of prolonged stormy weather, Lib-
erator bombers set a Japanese
ship ablaze and left it sinking,
today's news communiqué dis-
closed.

French Farm Wife Happy As U. S. Troops Chase Nazis From Mateur

By HAROLD V. BOYLE
MATEUR, Tunisia, May 5—(De-
lyed)—A plump French farm
wife who had been unwilling hos-
ess for fifteen days to German
Army officers stood on a hilltop
outside Mateur today and clap-
ped her hands with joy as Ameri-
can artillery shells beat against
outposts across the valley where
the Nazis are entrenched.

Take Dozen More Towns In Driving Upon Port

**Soviet Warships
Stand Ready**

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW—(AP)—The
Red Army, hammering today
at the northeast approaches
to Novorossiysk, has taken a
dozen more villages in the
area in addition to Krymska-
ya and nine other towns
which the Soviets announced
they captured yesterday in
smashing through the Kuban
Delta bulge toward the Black
Sea port.

One of the villages is about nine
miles northeast of Novorossiysk.
Soviet troops have been threat-
ened to capture the port, and
the Soviet troops are sweep-
ing the Germans toward the sea
to a drive gaining momentum
daily.

Gen. Devers To England

**Succeeds Andrews as
Chief in Europe Area**

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Lieutenant General Jacob L. Devers,
commander of the armored
forces, was named today by Sec-
retary of War Simon to suc-
ceed Lieutenant General Fred
M. Andrews as commander of
American Army troops in the
European theater.

Ruml Plan Fight Taken To Senate

**Tax Program Advocates Get
Some Democratic Support**

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Rebuffed by the House,
Republican Rumlites enlisted some Democratic support and
carried to the Senate Finance Committee today a fight for
abatement of a full year's levies in the new current-collec-
tion tax bill.

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PULITZER PRIZE PICTURE—This picture, entitled "Water," taken by Asso-
ciated Press Photographer Frank Noel in January, 1942, as he drifted in a lifeboat
toward the northwest shore of Sumatra after surviving a ship torpedoing in the In-
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