

From Bataan To Solomons They Call It Pacific

By Clark Lee

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The Japs would skirt what they imagined to be blood-trailing trails, interspersed with such words as "ASSAULT!" and "ATTACK!" They infiltrated our lines wherever possible and then split up into groups of two or three men who climbed trees and waited for the enemy to be tempted to approach our behind-the-line camps where they threw grenades and tried to create confusion. They took the uniforms from our dead prisoners, especially the pilots, and tried to pass our sentries at night. They were very clever at imitating the voices of our officers and men and tried to pass our sentries at night. They were very clever at imitating the voices of our officers and men and tried to pass our sentries at night.

When they were captured the Japs became meek and docile. They seemed small and ineffective without their rifles and sometimes without their clothes, which they had removed in the hope of winning to the safety of their own lines. Talking to the prisoners seemed more than ever convinced that the Japs are not supermen. The presence of a Japanese unit was to be alive and did not regret their failure to die as heroes. The Japs were terrified when they first came into contact with the Americans. They had been terribly frightened when they first came into contact with the Americans. They had been terribly frightened when they first came into contact with the Americans.

one or two glasses of beer they frequently become surly and unmanageable.
Once, at a party given by Japanese Army officers for foreign correspondents, I saw a major draw his sword and deliver a blow at the head of a British newspaper man. The reporter saved himself by grabbing a chair and thrusting it in front of him. The sword cut clean through two legs of the chair.

Will Inspect State Guards Here Tonight

To Be Held At Armory

Formal Federal inspection of the North Carolina State Guard will be held tonight at 8 o'clock at the Army-Auditorium by Lt.-Col. Emil Engel of Fort Bragg. The inspection will be open to the public. Captain Guy V. South, company commander, announced today, and will be followed by the company's first Military Ball at 10 P. M., to which admittance will be by invitation only.

Mr. MacKenzie's Analysis: Work Stoppages On Home Front Would Give Axis Chiefs Respite

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

When I came out of the far northern Maine woods last week-end, after being cut off from news during a fortnight's fish-in vacation in the wilds of a rural Maine town, I was reminded of what the main development of the war had been during that period. The coal miners are going back to work.

Stalin's renewed appeal for the opening of a western front by the Anglo-American Allies. The Soviet Generalissimo in his reply to the Allied messages on the anniversary of Hitler's attack on Russia declared: "Victory will come all the sooner we strike our joint united blows against the enemy from East and West."

He added that "unless the opportunity afforded by the favorable conditions prevailing for the opening of a second front in Europe" would be a serious setback for the Allied cause. This summation represents the view as I have found it among American and British military men, although it isn't yet clear just how far the Anglo-American Allies may find it feasible to go this summer. It can be said that there still is a possibility of a wholesale revision of the continent's strategy if the Allies don't encounter any big hitch. Both Hitler and Mussolini are getting a powerful softening up, and the process is intensifying.

Prepayments Tax Figure Mounts Here

One-Fourth of Year's Levy Paid

Prepayments of County taxes through Monday, the last day accounted for, totaled \$12,183.60, more than one-fourth the total levy for the year, said Commissioner of Revenue Plato W. Davenport. The new fiscal year will begin tomorrow and it appeared today that about one-third of the 1943-44 taxes would be paid before the tax office closes this afternoon. A discount of 2 per cent is allowed on 1943-44 taxes paid during June. The County began accepting prepayments June 21. Final figures on payments of 1942-43 taxes were not available today, but more than 90 per cent of the levy had been collected.

No Worker Compensation

Textile Employees Will Not Get Pay

Cotton textile mill workers in North Carolina, who customarily are given unpaid vacation periods each year, will not be eligible for unemployment compensation for those periods, usually one week in the summer and one week in December, according to a ruling received here today from the Unemployment Compensation Commission's headquarters in Raleigh. Without naming the mills, the commission said approximately 10,000 workers in sixteen plants, including three in the Charlotte area, will be affected by this ruling. Acting Chairman W. R. Curtis said this action was in accordance with an amendment to the Compensation Act adopted by the Legislature early this year.

395 Strikes In Month

620,000 Workers Affected In May

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Bureau of Labor Statistics today reported a preliminary estimate of 395 strikes in May, the same number as in April, but the number of workers involved more than tripled. An estimated 620,000 workers were affected and the number of man days of idleness was put at 1,275,000, compared with 200,000 workers involved in April and 675,000 man days. The Bureau said the coal strikes of May 1-3 accounted for considerably more than half of the idleness and the number of workers involved in May strikes. Other important strikes included those in the Akron rubber plants and at the Detroit Chrysler plant. Strike idleness in May was estimated at 0.16 per cent of available working time, compared with 0.08 per cent in April.

Heat Kills Eight Males

NEWTON—A correspondent from the Vale section of the county reported that at least seven or eight males died from heat in Lincoln County last week. Some of them were dropped over in the field and others in the barn lot after work was over. The male deaths were estimated at 0.16 per cent of available working time, compared with 0.08 per cent in April.

Wilson's Grandson Receives Commission

PORT WASHINGTON, Md.—(AP)—Woodrow Wilson Sayre, grandson of former President Woodrow Wilson, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army today at the graduation exercises of the Adjutant General's School. Sayre is the son of Francis B. Sayre, American High Commissioner to the Philippines at the time of the Japanese invasion and the late Mrs. Jessie Wilson Sayre, daughter of President Wilson. Lieutenant Sayre was one of a class of approximately 160 former enlisted men who received commissions.

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Five Officers Named To Police Department

Appointments of five officers to the City Police Department, who will report for duty on tomorrow's midnight patrol, was announced today by Chief Walter P. Anderson. The transfer of Patrolman C. T. Brown to the detective division and their names were placed on the police department eligibility list.

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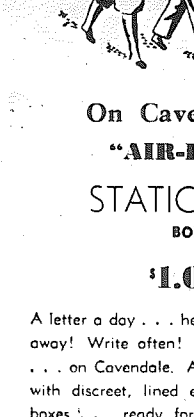
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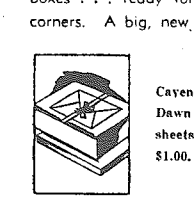
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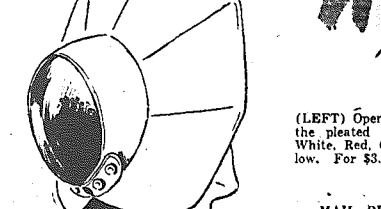
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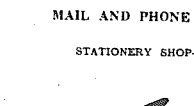
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