

U. S. AIR FORCE BATTER ITALIAN BASES

BULK OF COAL MINERS RETURN TO PITS



WINNIE (WITHOUT CIGAR) IN ALGIERS—An excellent character study of Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain, this photo shows him without the usual cigar at an off-the-record press conference in Algiers.

General Ramirez Argentine Leader

Rawson Steps Out as Head of New Government of Republic

BUENOS AIRES—(AP)—General Arturo Rawson resigned as head of Argentina's new government today and charged General Pedro Ramirez with organizing a new regime after the two revolutionary leaders had failed to agree on the constitution of a Cabinet.

Sink Jap Destroyer

Dive and Torpedo Bombers Attack

WASHINGTON—(AP)—America's mounting air might in the Pacific made itself tellingly felt over the week-end.

Wading through a swarm of Japanese Zero fighters, a formation of dive and torpedo bombers escorted by United States fighter planes sank an enemy destroyer to the bottom and set fire to a corvette off Bougainville Island in the northwestern Solomons.

At least fifteen of what the Navy described yesterday as a "large force" of Japanese Zero planes were downed and three others damaged in the battle, which occurred Saturday noon.

Four United States planes were reported missing.

Far to the northeast, waves of heavy and medium bombers continued their softening up of the beleaguered Japanese garrison on Kiska Island, in the Aleutians, by raiding it five times Friday.

Operators' Dissension May Snarl Bargaining

Interest Shifts From Workers

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The bulk of John L. Lewis's half-million coal miners trudged back to their pits today under a fourth truce agreement even as indications appeared of a new crisis in the prolonged dispute—reports of dissension among the Southern operators.

The UMW executive and his aides closed themselves briefly with operators to discuss the next step in their interrupted negotiations.

A few minutes after the group returned, closed doors emerged to report that the miners had refused to permit an operators' caucus. He said the operators had received no word from the War Labor Board, which last week had halted until actual production had been resumed, and added he had no other comment.

The UMW also was silent, but a board official who declined use of his name said he doubted that the operators would issue formal instructions for a resumption of negotiations. As he said, "The operators and operators would be smart just to go about negotiating with a UMW not waiting for a UMW nod."

Later in the morning formal negotiations were resumed by a subcommittee composed of Charles O'Neil and former Senator Edward Burke, representing the Northern and Southern operators, respectively, and Lewis and Percy Teltow of the UMW.

The bargaining talks lasted only briefly, however, and the operators again caucused among themselves, adjourning shortly after noon to meet again with the full UMW negotiating group at 2:45 P. M. There still no comment.

Interest in the wage dispute shifted from the mines, whose "no contract" work stand last week set war production plants back more than 10,000,000 tons of coal, to the question of whether the operators would accept a new contract at the conclusion of all issues by the War Labor Board.

While there was no clearly defined geographic line, most of the northern commercial operators were represented as feeling the unionists' offer was better. He also announced postponement of today's scheduled swearing-in ceremonies for which a holiday holiday has been decreed. There was no indication as to when the Ramirez Administration might be sworn in.

Rawson's communique was addressed to the National Armed Forces and said: "Having fulfilled the aim to overthrow the Government and being unable to reach an agreement on the constitution of the cabinet, I deliver to Gen. Pedro Ramirez my irrevocable resignation from the position."

See RAMIREZ on page 6

See MINERS AT on page 6



GENERALS MARSHALL AND EISENHOWER CONFER—Four-star U. S. General George C. Marshall (right), chief of staff of the U. S. Army, and Dwight Eisenhower, Allied commander-in-chief in North Africa, confer during an informal press conference at Allied headquarters in North Africa.

Late Bulletins

DUTCH NAZI SLAIN—Amsterdam, Netherlands news agency, reported today that Dr. Folkert E. Posthumus, described as one of the most prominent Dutch Nazis, had been shot and killed.

NAVAL TOUR MADE—London—(AP)—Admiral Harold R. Stark, commanding U. S. Naval Forces in European waters, has just completed a swift tour of United States warships and shore installations in the British Isles.

"Some of the new training features will be invaluable in future operations of both the United States and Royal Navies," Stark said today.

TROOPS TO NEW ZEALAND—Auckland, New Zealand—(AP)—Rear Admiral Theobald Wilson, deputy commander of the South Pacific area, disclosed today that a large body of United States troops recently came direct to New Zealand from the United States.

AIRMAN KILLED—New York—(AP)—Air Transport Command authorities here said today that Col. Philip R. Love, prominent St. Louis airman, was killed in the crash of a twin-engine transport plane, eighteen miles west of Austin, Tex.

NEW SHIPING PROGRAM—Washington—(AP)—The Navy is planning a new \$3,500,000 ship construction program involving construction of vessels ranging in size from small boats to aircraft carriers.

COURT TRANSFER—London—(AP)—An Italian Government decree published in the Official Gazette today has ordered the transfer of various branches of courts in heavily-bombed Palermo and Messina, Sicily, to Catanzaro, Calabria, and Reggio Calabria on the Italian mainland.

Italy Puts Ban On Musicians—Bern, Switzerland—(AP)—Open air players of mandolins and other musical instruments in Italy will hereafter be liable to three months imprisonment and fines by new decrees announced as intended to impress the people with the seriousness of the war situation.

A Rome dispatch to the Basler Nachrichten said that in addition to banning the time-honored strolling

Invasion Guesses Strike New Peak

New U. S. Air Unit Reaches Britain; Marshall May Direct Great Attack

LONDON—(AP)—The Eighth U. S. Army Air Force was expanded today by the arrival of another large contingent of airmen and equipment, and already-feverish invasion speculation was heightened by Prime Minister Churchill's continuing round of conferences believed to bear directly on the Washington war strategy meeting and his visit to North Africa.

For military reasons the strength of the U. S. air unit just arrived at a British port was kept secret, but it is known that bombers and their crews have streamed across the Atlantic as the weather improved and that ground personnel, bombs and other equipment have been arriving regularly by boat.

The full in the aerial onslaught to soften Europe for land invasion continued into its ninth day. The last heavy raids were May 29, when U. S. fliers hammered Rennes and St. Nazaire and the RAF smashed at Wuppertal.

WEATHER BAD—Bad weather over the Continent was given as the reason for the lay-off, although there was some speculation the heavy bombers had shifted to the Mediterranean for concentrated action on that potential invasion front. The Daily Mail said the RAF had a new bombing policy—giant raids aimed at obliterating a large industrial center in a single night.

The RAF struck at Channel shipping and French coastal districts Sunday and Nazi fighter-bombers hit at least one west coastal town, which the German radio said was East-Bonn.

The invasion guessing continued in London's press, with the Daily Herald declaring General George C. Marshall, U. S. Army Chief of Staff, probably would head invasion forces in the Mediterranean

See INVASION on page 6

Hit From Two Directions At Enemy Posts

Blast Facilities on Both Sides Of Messina Strait

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—(AP)—Hitting from two directions, U. S. aircraft smashed rail and ferry facilities on both sides of Messina Strait at the toe of the Italian Boot, and pounded Pantelleria again yesterday, following up Saturday's smashing attack on the Italian fleet at La Spezia.

At least eight of a formation of more than 30 fighter planes which attempted to intercept American heavy bombers of the Middle East Command which raided San Giovanni, Reggio Calabria and Messina, were shot down and others were damaged, a Cairo communique said.

It was officially announced that "approximately 50 of our aircraft took part in the attacks" from Middle East bases and every one returned safely.

F11A were scored on railway sidings, oil installations and other terminal facilities, the communique declared.

RAF fighters also shot down two Cant Z-1007s, three-engined heavy bombers, in the eastern Mediterranean yesterday, it was announced. No Allied planes were lost.

FOUND ISLE—The constant heavy pounding of Pantelleria island, between Tunisia and Sicily on the European invasion path, continued yesterday with new aerial onslaughts.

Through Saturday night, after the arrest formation of Flying Fortresses ever sent out from North Africa bases smashed at the island, La Spezia, Sicily, bombers of the Northwest African Air Force hit again at Pantelleria, and on Sunday the attack was continued by medium and fighter bombers.

The war bulletin said eight enemy aircraft were destroyed in aerial duels during the attacks. A giant Junkers-53 air transport plane was shot down off Sardinia by a Beaufighter, it was announced. The Allied forces lost one plane.

The aerial softening of Italy Pantelleria continued after daylight plane attacks Saturday which, in turn, had followed a dawn bombardment by the British Navy—the fifth time in seven days its guns had thundered against enemy batteries on the volcanic Italian out-post.

Italian batteries answered, but Sunday's communique said no damage was done the Allied Fleet.

SUB ACTION—Along with the concerted air and Navy surface craft attacks paving the way for the day when Allied troops may be ferried across the 90 miles of the Sicilian Strait, came official accounts of submarine activity off the battered Axis shipping in the area.

Monstrous Airframe and shipping in Porto Ferro, Sicily, were hit in Saturday's aerial action, which was climaxed by a night daylight bombing of La Spezia, during which bombers were reported to have been dropping 2,000-pound bombs.

The Italian communique, broadcast by the Rome radio and recorded by the Associated Press, asserted without offering any further detail that an Allied submarine was sunk

getting our share of the war in the Pacific. "I have been called on to attend a conference which is not particularly salacious as to the welfare of Hirohito, and which I hope will carry trouble to new offensive moves against the Japanese."

Admiral Nimitz disclosed his presence in continental United States yesterday in a surprise appearance at the University of California commencement exercises during which he was awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree.

Speaking to a university alumni meeting, the Admiral explained, "Much as I desire to

See YANKS ASSIST on page 6

See YANKS ATTACK on page 6

Red Airmen Blast Nazis

Report Destruction of 752 German Planes

MOSCOW—(AP)—Citizens of Moscow looked forward to a significant week of aerial warfare today as they went to work reading reports of the reported destruction of 752 German planes by Russian fighters and 212 from May 30 through June 5.

The week's activities brought the total number of German planes destroyed to 2,221 planes, Russian dispatches said.

(The Soviet mid-day communique, recorded in London from a Moscow broadcast, said Russian bombers were active again last night, hammering at airbases behind the Nazi lines in the Lacharok area of the Donets River front.

A Berlin broadcast quoting DWS said active last night, again heavily raiding Gorki, important Russian armaments plant on the middle Volga east of Moscow.

(Gripped-up artillery action and German attempts to destroy the Donets River crossing and counter-attacks near Serak, northwest of Khar'kov, also were reported in the mid-day communique.

It said the German attempt to cross the Donets and beat around Serak counter-attacks were thrown back after scores of the enemy had been killed.

150 Locomotives Are Knocked Out

LONDON—(AP)—RAF planes knocked out about 150 locomotives in Germany, France and the Low Countries during May in intensive attacks on the German rail system, the Air Ministry announced today.

A large number of freight train signal boxes, sidings and bridges were also hit and more or less seriously damaged, the ministry announced.

The attacks were made by fighter-bombers, some of which flew so low that they came home with strands of telephone wire tangled in their under-carriages and their wings blackened by soot from chimneys.

Roosevelt To Make Speech

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Roosevelt will open a radio network today at 8:15 P. M., Eastern War Time.

The address, to last about 15 minutes, is intended primarily to delegates to the recently convened United Nations Peace Conference at Hot Springs, Va.

Today's Temp. 70, High 75, Sunset, Today.

From Bataan To The Solomons They Call It Pacific

By Clark Lee

CHAPTER 7 Through a mutual friend in Honolulu, I met Captain Colin Kelly a few days before the war and he told me he had come out to the Philippines prepared to fight. Before he left Hawaii to ferry his B-17 out to Manila he spent three days studying the data on the Japanese islands and other Pacific islands gathered by John Williams, a Honolulu newspaper man.

The B-17s were to fly from Manila to Wake, and then across the Japanese Mandated Islands at night and land at Rabaul in New Britain. From there they were to go to Jarvin and then up to the Philippines.

For three days Kelly studied and made notes and said

Admiral Nimitz Says Pacific Fleet To Be Very Strong Soon

BENKLEY, Calif.—(AP)—The U. S. Pacific Fleet, steadily being reinforced, will reach formidable proportions by the end of this year, says its commander-in-chief, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, who is on the mainland to confer on new offensive moves against the Japanese.

Admiral Nimitz disclosed his presence in continental United States yesterday in a surprise appearance at the University of California commencement exercises during which he was awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree.

The Pacific Fleet commander denied that supplies for the fleet fighting Japan are "being strained."

By the end of the year our



WEATHER

Thunder-showers tonight. Moderate temperatures.