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GERMANS BITE INTO RUSSIAN DEFENSES AFTER CROSSING DON



FIRE! FIRE!—AND THE CROWD RAN.—Spectators flee from the scene as a balloon, intended for an exhibition ascension, suddenly burst into flames at Bedford, Ind., while being inflated. This remarkable picture was made by a Bedford amateur photographer, D. L. Fisher. It shows the crowd dispersing just as the fire started. Several thousand persons were nearby to see a scheduled parachute jump from the balloon.

Appropriation For OPA Is Approved

\$120,000,000 Allowed—Much Less Than Asked But Beats House Sum

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—A Senate appropriations subcommittee approved today an appropriation of \$120,000,000 to operate the Office of Price Administration for the current fiscal year—\$90,000,000 less than Administrator Leon Henderson originally requested but \$45,000,000 above the sum voted by the House.

Say Allied Ship Sunk

ROME.—(From Italian Broadcasts).—A 5,000-ton Allied merchant ship, carrying a cargo of foodstuffs and other supplies, was reported to have been torpedoed and sunk by an Italian plane in the Eastern Mediterranean. The ship was carrying a cargo of foodstuffs and other supplies. The Italian High Command reported today.

WEATHER

Continued warm tonight, with scattered showers today.

Today's Temp.: H. 86; L. 72
Sunset today - 8:39
Sunrise tomorrow - 6:17

If you must drive your car, drive slowly, carefully, and park in a cool place.

Additional U. S. Weather Bureau data will be found on page 6

Secret Trial Of Eight Charged As Saboteurs Moves Nearer End

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The two big water-off attacks on the fifth floor of the Justice Department Building where the Commission is sitting. Apparently the off-limits came through a maze of inner offices or by private elevators.

SEEK MORE NEWS

Information officials continued their efforts to expend information available to the public, perhaps by securing the release of two bulletins daily. The first break in the barrier against publicity which was raised in the interest of national security came late yesterday with the issuance of two brief statements by Maj. Gen. Frank B. McCoy, president of the seven-general trial commission.

Egypt Line Now Forms Coast-To-Desert Are

Seek To Cut Down Axis Supply Line

By EDWARD KENNEDY

CAIRO.—(AP)—British mobile columns southwest of El Alamein squeezed Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's armored right flank while United States bombers and British submarines sought to cut his Mediterranean supply line.

A British broadcast quoted reports from Ankara that the Axis was moving reinforcements to North Africa from the Balkans, pulling German troops from Yugoslavia and even Crete in an effort to restore Rommel's striking power.

HUNT AXIS SHIPS

British Headquarters announced that long-range United States bombers based in Arizona shot down two German fighters attempting to intercept them. An Admiralty communique in London credited a single British submarine with sinking one merchant ship from a strongly-guarded Axis convoy bound for Libya and sending a naval auxiliary vessel to the bottom.

The change in Rommel's line eliminated a sharp angle where the German front turns back to the west. Now the line forms an arc extending from the coast west of El Alamein into the desert some 30 miles south of El Daba.

The British maneuver apparently was a continuation of the salient which had been carrying out daily to keep Rommel on the defensive and thereby postpone a showdown in the battle for Egypt.

Allied bombers and fighter bombers, meanwhile, were reported blasting at the Axis leader's tenuous lines of communication and were credited with destroying more than 50 enemy transport vehicles in one assault.

The announcement reported that Rommel's latest withdrawal to the west, in the southern sector, mobile columns engaged enemy forces, including tanks.

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Japs Moving Toward India

NEW DELHI, India.—(AP)—The RAP, in announcing a new series of destructive raids on the Japanese in Burma, disclosed today that Japanese convoys of troops and supplies are moving steadily toward India, a continual rain of British bombs.

In the past 46 days 200,000 pounds of bombs had been dropped on the Japanese, a communique said.

Today's announcement said many camps, were hit by bombs on Japanese troops in a low-level bombing of a barracks at Myittha and heavy damage was done to locomotives and the right-of-way of the Mandalay-Myittha Railway in Northern Burma on Wednesday.

SWORN TO SECRECY

The information was limited to a disclosure that the proceedings began on Wednesday with the disposal of some "preliminary" procedural motions, that seven witnesses testified during the first two days, and that all participants were sworn to secrecy.



GLIDER TROOPS IN ACTION.—Troops stationed at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, landed by glider to "seize" the field in a demonstration before General George C. Marshall, U. S. Army chief of staff, and other high-ranking Army officers. This Army Air Corps photo shows "invasion troops" emerging from a glider.

Nimitz in Plane Crash

Disclose That Admiral 'Escaped Serious Injury'



NIMITZ

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The Navy reported today that Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the Pacific Fleet, recently "escaped serious injury" in an airplane crash on the West Coast which cost the life of the plane's pilot.

Nimitz, normally in the Hawaiian area, was on the mainland for a meeting with Admiral Ernest J. King, commander-in-chief of the U. S. Fleet, and to receive from King the Distinguished Service Medal for his conduct of naval operations against the Japanese, particularly the Coral Sea and Midway actions.

The plane crash in which his life apparently was gravely endangered occurred, the Navy said.

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Sugar "Bonus" Available Now

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—You can now buy your extra two-pound bonus allotment of sugar by presenting ration stamp No. 7 to your grocer.

The stamp became valid this morning, OPA announced, and may be used until midnight of Aug. 22, as authorized by OPA last week.

The sugar purchasable with stamp No. 7 is in addition to the 14 pounds of sugar provided by stamps No. 5 and 6. No. 5, also good for 2 pounds of sugar purchase, may be used until midnight July 25, after which stamp No. 6 may be used until midnight Aug. 22.

Note To Readers

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

Report Hitler Has Recalled General

Ousted Army Commander Said To Have Been Summoned Again

LONDON.—(AP)—The Daily Mail published a report today that Adolf Hitler had called back his ousted army commander in chief, Field Marshal Walther von Brauchitsch, yielding to the insistence of his High Command.

There was no confirmation of this report, which came from the newspaper's Stockholm correspondent, who said it was brought by neutrals arriving in the Swedish capital from Berlin.

Von Brauchitsch, who engineered most of the Nazis' conquests, was appointed as commander by Hitler himself last Dec. 22.

The Daily Mail report said he was back again, directing the general staff work of the new German offensive in Russia.

Ever since the announcement last December that Hitler had assumed the military leadership of his armies, following the dictates of his "intuition," there have been recurring rumors of drastic changes in the Nazis' top military command.

The replacement of Von Brauchitsch, when the Germans were stalled before Moscow and beginning to feel the terrible hardships of the Russian winter, was reported by the Nazis' top military command.

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Two United Nations Vessels Sent Down

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Chinese Turn Japs Back

Re-Capture of Town Reported

CHUNGKING.—(AP)—The Chinese High Command announced today the recapture of Changshu, 45 miles southwest of Nanchang, in a new repulse of the Japanese and a sharp set-back of the invaders' latest push along the Kiangsi railway to Hunan Province.

Also recaptured, the Chinese said, was the town of Tsungshui, 70 miles south of the Japanese base at Nanchang.

JAPS TRAPPED

The High Command confirmed Chinese dispatches which reported yesterday that a Japanese force of 30,000 had been ambushed and driven back to the north and east in heavy fighting in Kiangsi.

The first fruits of that repulse were the recapture of Nanchang, Hwang and Poyang, into which Japanese columns had stabbed from Nanchang and the Chekiang border to the east.

The Chinese gains took on even larger significance with the reported recapture of Tsungshui, where the Japanese had driven south toward Kwangtung Province and Changshu, where the invaders had reached the Kiangsi-Hunan Railway.

The Japanese had taken Changshu early this week in the start of a new phase of their apparent campaign to establish a rail route from Shanghai to Singapore. Their conquest through Chongking Province and into Kiangsi gave them lines from Shanghai to Nanchang.

SL War Savings Stamp Will Not Move Letter

CLAREMONT, N. H.—(AP)—A 51 war-saving stamp will help build tanks and planes, but it won't move a letter.

The stamp, after discovery that it could not be accepted as postal tender, and the massive was held in the "postage department," awaiting the issuance of its super-patriotic sender.

OUR BIRDS AND THEIR BATHING HABITS

While columnist Paul was relating with Galey's Editor, Columnist Dorothy Knott was being entertained by some of our native birds in their bath. Her observations in today's "I Love Everything" will entertain you, too. It's also on page 28.

THE PRIVATE LIFE OF A COMIC ARTIST

Most successful of all newspapermen in having a life as interesting as the comic artists, whose labors produce the most popular features of our newspaper. Today, for a look into their private lives, the editorial page had up sketches on some of the best of them all.

FREE-FLIGHT SCHOOL READY FOR FOOTBALL

Students of the Free-Flight School are in the midst of their football season, but that doesn't mean they're not also being trained in the art of the free flight. The school is now in full swing, and the students are being trained in the art of the free flight.

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Nazis Blast At Lines of Reds Before Veronezh

Another Battle Near Rossosh

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW.—(AP)—German tank forces which crossed the upper Don bit into the Soviet defenses before Veronezh today while 100 miles to the south a second furious battle raged full force at the approaches to Rossosh, where reinforced German troops had driven a new salient 90 miles into the Russian line.

Red Star, organ of the Soviet Army, said conditions west of Veronezh were becoming "more complicated" and "more serious" "very difficult" with combat close to the city.

THREATENS NAZI FLANK

An important Red Army counter-attack designed to relieve pressure on Veronezh was reported threatening the German flank, however, and Red Star said "stubborn battles there may have a serious influence over the position near Veronezh."

It was not disclosed whether the German forces were in the Don sector 165 miles northwest of Veronezh where the Germans have reported Russian troops on the offensive.

Russian tanks, leading an attack on one position where the Germans were described as particularly vulnerable, were said to have halted the Nazi line back and recaptured several points.

In the battle before Veronezh, key rail link between the Russian central and southern armies, the Germans have established two

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Guide to Good Reading

LOOKING BACKWARD WITH MR. PAUL

Ever hear of Galey's Editor? Columnist C. A. Paul has been reading this massive compendium of all knowledge known to man by a fellow "From a Gentleman to a Lady offering her hand in Marriage." And he's "I Love Everything" (favorable). Turn to "On The Square" on page 28.

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Mr. MacKenzie's Analysis:

Allies Will Strike At Continent At Earliest Moment They Can

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Wide World Military Analysis

Public anxiety over the prospects of a second front in Western Europe naturally has increased as a result of the dangerous position created by Hitler's million-man onslaught in the Don River zone against Red troops who are making such a magnificent effort to carry out the admonition to give "not one step backwards."

Many inquiries are coming my direction and it is even urged that this column indicate how an invasion of the continent would be carried out. Well, in the first place

We know in advance that the anxious Hun is forearmed. The position undoubtedly is as succinctly described the other day by a German High Command spokesman: "We are expecting an invasion at any time. Let them try it. We are ready."

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