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Doctors From Charlotte Will Be Close To Firing Line When 2nd Front Opens

Our Medical Evacuation Unit

brigade, from temporary tents and barracks, watch the activity and wonder when the day will come when they, too, can start work.



THEY'RE IN ENGLAND—Major Paul Sanger (left) and Lieut.-Col. Preston White, organizers of the Charlotte Medical Evacuation Unit now in England, are shown here as they were pictured just before leaving Charlotte.

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Fresh Troops From Siberia Join Battle

German Forces Dangerously Close To Heart of Volga City

By HENRY C. CASSIDY Associated Press Wire Correspondent

MOSCOW.—(AP)—Reinforced Red Army troops battled vigorously within Stalingrad and upon the exposed Nazi left flank there today in a supreme effort to halt and turn back German divisions whose vanguards are dangerously close to the city's heart.

Guns flamed in other sectors from the Karelian front to the central Caucasus and Russians emphasized Soviet gains in a diversionary offensive in the Voronezh area, 300 miles northwest of Stalingrad.

The Germans, however, developed continuous attacks both in the northwestern section of Stalingrad and against a Soviet-held height dominating the center of the city. Some of the invaders were reported arrayed in Red Army uniforms.

Siberian-trained troops moved into the firing lines at Stalingrad. They were among the thousands headed westward to join the Red Army's veterans.

(Some of these may have struck directly across the Volga at the neck of the Axis salient into the industrial center for the Berlin communique said a "relief attack made by strong enemy infantry and armored units from the north" against a German wedge "collared with heavy loss . . . more than 100 tanks were destroyed.

IN OUTSKIRTS (The German communique may have been referring simply to counter-attacks from Stalingrad, but the Russians have placed the Northwestern battle scene within the outskirts of the city.)

The Russians said Red Army men, slashing through a network of barbed wire, mine fields, pill boxes and dugouts, had captured several additional settlements in the basin of the upper Don about Voronezh and that street fighting was progressing in others.

Karelian front troops were credited with the capture of an important height in hand-to-hand fighting which cost the lives of 400 Finns.

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Wall Of Water Hurlled On Town

Flash Flood Causes Widespread Destruction in Wisconsin Village

SPRING VALLEY, Wis.—(AP)—This village of 973 persons, given temporary relief by sympathetic neighbors and the Red Cross, moved today to erase the havoc wrought by a sixteen-foot wall of water hurled upon it by a flash flood Thursday night.

On the order of Assemblyman Seiner W. Gunderson, who estimated the damage at between \$1,000,000 and \$1,500,000, Governor Julius P. Heil directed the State Research Department to assist in rehabilitation plans. The director, August Frey, arranged a conference with Red Cross and RFC officials to determine the community's needs.

A company of State Guards patrolled the business district. State highway crews also were on the scene.

The 50 or more houses were sheltered at surrounding farms and towns. Those whose dwellings were untenable until the muck could be shoveled out obtained food and care at a church converted into a relief station.

Forteen business buildings were demolished. Others were wrecked, their stocks and furnishings smashed or washed into the river. Houses were destroyed. Many others were damaged seriously. Although a number of persons had narrow escapes, some cutting holes in building roofs when they found themselves trapped, no one was killed or injured seriously.

The village was inundated by the sudden rise of the Eau Claire River. The water rose four feet in five minutes and within three hours was towering as a 16-foot peak. Five hours later most of the water was gone.

Son of Britons Given U. S. Birth Certificate

BRIGHTON, England.—(AP)—The parents of seven-month-old Westport Leslie Sheildaker are British. His mother, Mrs. Edith Sheildaker, who just arrived from San Francisco with her husband, was aboard the U. S. Army transport ship Westport en route to Columbia, South Carolina, when Westport was born Feb. 4.

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As National Commander James U. Stambaugh of Paris, N. D., tapped a substitute Liberty Bell for the opening, the 1,500 delegates were quizzed over the spacious municipal hall.

NO FARE There was no fare; no parade. Addressing the Legionnaires, he said:

READY TO WORK "Engineering is the first job—and we already have that phase nearly completed," he said in an interview last night.

Shortly before leaving for New York and thence to the West Coast, Kaiser disclosed that the hull of huge cargo planes would be constructed more than half of wood and plastic material—and that he felt certain it would be possible to develop 10 sources for all critical materials needed for the ships.

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Shipbuilder Kaiser Gets Green Light To Construct Cargo Planes

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"We are already at work," said Kaiser, noted plane designer, and he said that the three experimental cargo planes which

Gas Rationing Books Stolen

NORWALK, Conn.—(AP)—This city's entire supply of gasoline rationing books was stolen during the night from the rationing board's office.

Board Chairman Thomas A. Collins called pending an inventory, the exact number of stolen books and the amount of gasoline they were good for was undetermined. It is unofficially estimated the number at approximately 2,000.

The News Loses An Advertisement Because The Horse Dropped Dead

To The News classified advertising department came today this little notice—too late for insertion in the noon edition.

"For Sale: nice gentle horse with reconditioned buggy and bridle. Owner called in Army." The typewriter checked it, and the make-up man put it in the page form.

An hour before deadline for the afternoon final, Classified Advertising Manager T. K. Moore rushed into the composing room, grabbed the ad from the page form, scribbled out this version:

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The horse had dropped dead. Fifteen minutes later, he dashed in again.

"The horse had taken the whole thing out."

For when the horse died, it fell over on the buggy shafts and broke them.

The lady hadn't made up her mind about the bride.

WEATHER

Continued warm today.

Today's Temp.: H. 90; L. 72. Sunrise tomorrow 7:09. Additional D. W. Weather Bureau data will be found on page 7.

Good Reading

FRESHMEN ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD

Top topic of conversation among coaches and other athletic officials is the action of the strong Stalingrad German forces in the face of stubborn enemy resistance.

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