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COMPROMISE TAX BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

They Call It Pacific

By Clark Lee



Bombing victims, burned, wounded, death, starvation, misery and the corruption of tax were Shanghai daily since the Japanese.

CHAPTER 2 That last night in Shanghai I went out on the balcony for a last look at the city that had been my home for three years...

British Give Casualties

514,993 in First Three Years of War LONDON.—Britain has suffered 514,993 casualties of empire armed forces in the first three years of war...

General's Widow Donates Blood

LOS ANGELES.—The general's widow observes Memorial Day. Mrs. Vera George, whose husband, Dixie-Gen. Harold B. George, was killed April 20, 1942, in an airplane accident...

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Income Levy Bill Sent To Senate By Action

Quick Approval Expected There

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—A compromise pay-as-you-go income tax bill, cancelling 75 to 100 per cent of one year's individual tax liability, was passed by the House today in quiet climax to a hot and historic fight which has gripped Congress for four months. The vote was 256 to 114.

The action, which sends the measure now to the Senate where quick approval is anticipated, came in the final drive to shift the nation's 40,000,000 taxpayers to a current basis under a 20 per cent withholding tax. Collection of the levy would start one month from today.

Representative Doughton, Democrat, North Carolina, veteran chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, told the House in the closing minutes of debate that Senate members of the Conference Committee met the House Representative Robertson, Democrat, Tennessee, protested that the bill would have the effect of transferring an unjust and unfair part of the cost of war to the wealthy on the shoulders of those in the lower income brackets.

The roll call vote was tallied off only a few minutes after Representative Robertson, Democrat, Virginia, said, "The President has signed on page 5."

Northeast Gets Gas Coupon Cut

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The Office of Price Administration today slashed the value of all rationing gas coupons in the Northeastern states now under a ban on non-essential driving from three gallons to 2 1/2 gallons.

Says Nazis Can't Hide Wounds

STOCKHOLM.—(AP)—The Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm Tidningen quoted "informed Berlin quarters" as telling neutral correspondents today that Germany no longer hides the crippling effects of her defeats in South Russia and North Africa and the battering attacks of constant Allied air attacks.

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Five Jap Divisions Over 400 Routed By Chinese

Victory Hailed as Greatest in Six Years of Warfare in China

CHUNGKING.—(AP)—Spurred on by General Hsueh Yueh, "The Little Tiger," and encouraged by air support, the Chinese troops were announced today to have routed completely five Japanese divisions in a victory hailed in Free China as the greatest in six years of war.

The Japanese were thrown back in disorder and with heavy losses toward Ichang, their Yangtze River base, the High Command said. Chinese quarters in this provisionally captured city reported that the enemy divisions, involving perhaps 75,000 men, were said to have been trapped in a big encirclement.

Late Bulletins

SEAMAN SAVED MIAMI, Fla.—(AP)—Captain Julius F. Swenson of Piermont, N. Y., reported here that all 20 men aboard his vessel, a small U. S. merchantman, were saved after the ship was torpedoed by a hit-and-run Axis submarine, early in May. The attack occurred in the South Atlantic, off a large West Indian Island.

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By E. C. DANIEL LONDON.—(AP)—Indications that Germany was afraid to turn her back on the aggressive British and American armies long enough to mount another big summer offensive against Russia were seen by some observers today in the attack campaign to prepare the people of the Reich for a defensive phase of the war.

Willie Undecided

OVERLIND, Ohio.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willie said in a press conference today he hadn't decided whether to enter Ohio's Republican primary, and declared he might "in spite of myself."

Quadruplets Born

LONDON.—(AP)—Quadruplets—two boys and two girls—were born to Mrs. Alfred J. Court at Buntingham Hospital today. The babies, weighing 1 1/2 pounds each, were born at 11:30 a. m. on June 22 in a series of eleven hours.

Eight Belgians Executed

LONDON.—(AP)—The Belgian news agency said today that eight Belgians have been executed by German occupation authorities on charges of "treasonable" acts in attacks on Nazi military activities to sabotage Nazi military activities.

Virtually All Lewis Union Members Idle

Ignore Roosevelt Warnings That Strike Cannot Be Tolerated

By ASSOCIATED PRESS Ignoring stern warnings from President Roosevelt that a nation-wide coal strike could not be tolerated, virtually every one of John L. Lewis's United Mine Workers stayed away from the Government-operated pits today despite continuing negotiations to reach a contract.

There are some half-million members of Lewis's union in the approximately 2,150 soft coal and 450 hard coal mines now under Federal control, although reports indicate that maintenance men are remaining at work to keep the shafts ready for a speedy return to production.

Hit Italian Isles Again

By DANIEL DE LUCE ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA.—(AP)—The American air attack on Palermo and Syracuse, Italy's southern island, was maintained at a steady pace yesterday and flying fortresses gave Poggio, the aviation and airway center on the mainland, the third heavy bombing in four days.

Slain in Saturday Advance on Attu

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—More than 400 Japanese troops were killed on Attu Island Saturday night, the Navy reported today, when three columns of United States soldiers advanced toward Chichago Harbor, where they joined Sunday.

Large Number of Enemy Aircraft Destroyed

The Chief Executive spoke at that time only hours after Lewis had announced the second extension of the coal strike under which the miners had been operating since April 1—an extension that expired last night.

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Weather

Continued warm.