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Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo

By Captain Tod W. Lewson
Edited by Bob Caselino

CHAPTER 2
Ellis came in the next day. She had driven from Los Angeles to Columbia and then had to drive to Eglin. She was lucked out, but I hardly had time to talk to her. There was another meeting at just that time with Doolittle.

When we were all assembled in the Operations Office again, Don Hill gave us a sample of how secret the thing was. A couple of high-ranking Army officers happened to walk through the section of the Operations Office when he immediately stopped speaking. I figured that what-

Swedes Told Americans Land To Watch

Danish Crisis Cited As Warning

STOCKHOLM (AP)—Swedish Prime Minister Per Albin Hansson asserted in a speech at Kalmars yesterday that swiftly changing events in Denmark were "warning to all of us ways to be watching."

Observing that the Danish crisis was an example that "situations can change very soon," he added: "Our hearts are beating for Denmark."

The Prime Minister and other Swedish Government leaders have maintained their neutral stance since the Danish invasion.

Commenting editorially on Denmark, the Stockholm newspaper Tidningen predicted difficulties for German handling forces "who will not succeed in freedom." It asserted that "German militarists, irritated by sabotage acts, were guilty of all circumstances and provocation between German soldiers and Danish civilians."

Nazi Protest On Workers

The Stockholm newspaper Nya Dagbladet Allden said that fighting of the German regime in Denmark "is a German position changes for the worse."

The paper's Afstandningen recalled the Nazis promised full independence for Denmark and Norway before the war, but now that they have been taken over, the paper added.

Plan To Lift Driving Ban

WASHINGTON (AP)—A tentative order to lift the ban on Eastern pleasure driving Wednesday has been sent to field offices of the Office of Price Administration.

The order has no official status yet, although OPA has given every indication that it was working on it. The order would lift the no-pleasure driving restriction either by Sept. 1 or next week.

Chester Bowles, general manager of OPA, said three weeks ago the agency hoped to liberalize Eastern pleasure driving in September. Secretary of the Interior Harold I. Ickes reported last week that he was now overhauling its daily gasoline allowance, endangering its chances for rationing equal to the rest of the country.

RAF Pilots Harnes

Japanese in Burma

NEW DELHI (AP)—RAF fighters piloted by British pilots have been ordered to destroy Japanese supply dumps, damaging many others and destroying five Japanese, a British communiqué said today.

At Kwaymyin on the Lwoy Irrawaddy the raiders struck an oil tank buildings which were set on fire, it was said.

German Insurance Policies Taxed

NEW YORK (AP)—German life insurance policy holders must help pay German war losses, a London broadcast reported in New York today.

A special extra payment on only policies collected, the broadcast said, adding that "only by means of these additional payments, which are estimated at \$250,000,000 retransmits (normally approximately \$62,500,000) can the insurance companies meet all their obligations."

Bulgarian Regime Expected To Collapse & Military To Rule

By FRANK J. O'BRIEN
ISTANBUL (AP)—Bulgaria, unbeset by the death of King Boris, presented a potential problem to Adolf Hitler today. Premier Zoglan Plovlov strove to reconcile conflicting elements in the nation which made his position too insecure.

The five-member regency which, according to German broadcasts, will rule in behalf of the boy King Simion II, reportedly is dominated by an anti-German, pro-Bulgarian church leader—the metropolitan of Sofia, an estimate who has protested against Gestapo activity in Bulgaria and against anti-Semitic laws passed during the last two years.

South Anchor Of Germans' Lines Given Up

Nazi's Entire Southern Front Positions Seen as Crumbling

LONDON (AP)—Premier Josef Stalin announced the capture of Taganrog, southern anchor of the 1,500-mile Russian front, today in a special order of the day.

The Germans earlier today admitted evacuation of the city.

Stalin said the capture was the result of a fierce engagement in which the Russians routed the Germans. The Germans said the town was evacuated after they had destroyed the town and harbor installations.

Capture of the southern flank of the Russian front indicated the Nazis' entire southern front positions were crumbling.

Stalin, whose order of the day was broadcast by the Moscow radio and recorded by the Associated Press, said the new victory was achieved as a result of a bold maneuver by Soviet cavalry and mechanized formations which broke through to the rear of the enemy troops.

U.S. Pilots Best Japs

Gen. Twining Says Ratio Is 14 to 1

GUADALCANAL (Delayed)—U. S. flyers of the Solomon Air force and American ground defenses maintained a superiority ratio nearly 14 to 1 in destroying 121 Japanese planes during the Solomon area during the past month.

Maj. Gen. Nathan P. Twining, commanding the newest combat group in the South Pacific, disclosed that our losses during the same period, between July 25 and August 26, were only fourteen Japanese planes. Six American pilots were rescued.

The Solomon air command was particularly proud of the fighter-plane record in protecting American vessels hauling cargo to troops who have pressed within 75 miles of Japanese-held Bougainville Island in the Northern Solomons. U. S. ship losses amounted to only 2-1/2 per cent, he said, despite continual heavy Japanese anti-aircraft gun attacks.

The general's figures showed U. S. fighters downed 100 enemy fighters, sixteen dive bombers, one medium bomber and fifteen floatplane type planes during the month. U. S. planes also shot down 25 Japanese fighters while night fighters brought down two enemy medium bombers and one Japanese fighter, thirteen dive bombers, six medium bombers and one on balloons.

"One of the strange features of the war is that the Japanese Twining, 'is the absence of any sizable number of Japanese medium bombers.'"

Invention Protects Machine Guns Now

NEW YORK (AP)—The problem of protecting machine guns from fire and water during landing operations has been overcome by new packaging material, developed by American chemists and now on the market.

At the start of the war, machine guns were collected with great care which offered protection, but did not permit immediate use. The new packaging is made of a material which is moisture and dust-proof and is so designed that it can be opened in shallow water, claimed later, resulting in water penetration into the machine.

REnt Act Ruled Unconstitutional

MAON, Ga.—United States Supreme Court in its decision today ruled "invalid and unconstitutional" the rent control section of the Emergency Price Control Act of 1942.

Judge Deavers handed down the decision in the Middle Georgia District Court in the case of John W. Payne vs. J. H. Griffin, both of Thomasville, Ga. In which Payne had sued Griffin for damages on grounds Griffin had charged above ceiling rent.

Payne had said that Congress had delegated too much power to the rent control agency for the purpose of far bigger raids to come.

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