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ALLIED PARATROOPS LANDING IN TUNISIA

War at Turning Point—FDR

FIX DATES FOR 18-YEAR-OLDS' REGISTRATION

Washington — (P) — President Roosevelt fixed three separate registration periods today for youths who have reached or will reach their 18th birthdays in the last half of this year.

Southerners Continue to Filibuster Against Anti-Poll Tax Measure

Washington — (P) — The senate cleared away today some of the parliamentary underbrush which had thwarted administration efforts to bring up an anti-poll tax bill only to find a filibuster nurtured by southern members still blooming hardily.

Nazi Fleet Units Reported Bound for Mediterranean

Bern, Switzerland — (P) — Units of the German fleet have left their Norwegian bases with the probable intention of participating in axis attempts to cut the allies' supply lines to the new North African battle zone, a Stockholm dispatch to the National Zeitung of Basel said today.

CONSERVATION OFFICER SLAIN

Florence, Wis. — (P) — State Conservation Officer Al Reif, 33, of Campbellsport, was killed today as he and a fellow officer, Floyd Sanders, questioned a man about shots he heard in the woods.

Funeral Here Thursday for Ewald R. Otto, 51

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 9:30 a. m. at the Baker chapel for Ewald R. Otto, 51, of 1951 Eighth street south, who died early Tuesday morning.

Bayfield Co. Farmer Has 7 Sons in Service

Ashland, Wis. — (P) — When Raymond Verville, of Mason, reported for induction into the army with the Bayfield county November contingent he became the seventh son of Nick Verville, a farmer, to enter the armed services.

Length of War Depends on Us Says First Lady

Washington — (P) — Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt told reporters today that her trip to England had convinced her that if American citizens could only realize that the length of the war will depend largely on what they do "we might put a great deal more into our war effort."

Jap Airforce Attempts to Stem Allied Drive on Buna

General MacArthur's Headquarters, Australia — (P) — Japanese forces continue to fall back toward Buna but their air force has re-emerged in an effort to harass allied columns closing relentlessly on that Papuan base, today's communique disclosed.

BUT 'GIGANTIC JOB' REMAINS, NATION WARNED

Washington — (P) — President Roosevelt sized up a fortnight's "good news" from the battle zones last night as indicating that the turning point of the war had been reached.

Assails Loose Talk

Assailing "loose talk" and what he considered politically-inspired criticism of the war effort, the president said that persons without access to all the facts almost inevitably speak from guesswork.

Confesses Mistake

He said he himself had tried to keep politics out of the war but he confessed to making one mistake. That was in permitting announcement of the loss of an unidentified aircraft carrier in the Pacific late last month when the Japanese did not know her fate.

CHILD HEALTH CENTER

A maternal and child health center will be held at the courthouse Friday afternoon, November 20, from 9:30 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Move to Suspend Tariffs Stirs Congressional Fight

Washington — (P) — President Roosevelt's request for broad wartime power to suspend tariff and immigration regulations developed today into a potential major battle for the dying days of the 77th congress and the administration's first test of strength since the Nov. 3 elections.

PRISONER OF WAR

Kenosha, Wis. — (P) — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stenstrom have received word that their son, Lieut. Milton Stenstrom, an army flyer, is a prisoner of war in Germany.

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Japan Acknowledges Loss of Battleship, Other War Craft; Exaggerates American Losses

New York — (P) — Japan announced today that one of her battleships was sunk in the latest battle of the Solomons.

Name of Ship Withheld

The sunken battleship, whose name and class the Japanese withheld, was the first the enemy has announced as sunk in the war.

List 4 Other Ships Sunk

Imperial headquarters also listed a Japanese cruiser and three destroyers sunk and seven transports damaged.

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FLIES AGAIN OVER TOBRUK—British soldiers raising the Union Jack over the pile of debris that was Tobruk, after axis forces gave up the battered desert town. (Radiophoto from Cairo.)

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SEIZE KEY AIR BASES IN DRIVE TOWARD BIZERTE

Allied Headquarters in North Africa — (P) — Lieut. Gen. Kenneth A. N. Anderson's British-American army, already within Tunisia, was thrusting tonight from the border eastward toward the Tunisian naval base of Bizerte under a powerful protecting umbrella of planes.

London — The Germans boasted today that they were established and ready to fight for the important Tunisian naval base of Bizerte against a powerful allied force whose advance guard was already deep in Tunisia, where British paratroops had landed at key airbases and American paratroops were poised on the frontier.

The British radio said Lieut. Gen. Kenneth A. N. Anderson, commander of the British First army, had declared himself satisfied with a "very good start" by his forces—which include an American column—in their eastward thrust from Algiers.

The Tunis radio went off the air after given the explanation Monday morning that its silence was intended to save power, and this suggested a possibility that parachute operations might even have been brought close to the Tunisian capital which the axis had announced was in its hands.

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