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MASSED FLEETS OF U.S. PLANES BOMB ROME

Yanks Capture German Coastal Stronghold Attack Follows On Heels of Heaviest RAF Raid On Italy

CAPE ORLANDO FALLS; MESSINA 35 MILES AWAY

Allied Headquarters in North Africa—(P)—Allied authorities announced today that the U. S. Seventh army had captured Cape Orlando, the German coastal stronghold which was outflanked by an American landing from the sea Wednesday.

The fall of the cape, little more than 40 miles west of Messina, came after American troops to the east and west had established a junction and overrun the adjacent towns of Naso and Brolo.

Axis prisoners now exceed 130,000, it was announced.

Capture Italian General

Among the captives was General Fiumara, second in command of the Italian Napoli (Naples) division, who was reported captured yesterday "with donkey."

The Americans under Lt. Gen. George S. Patton jr., sprang forward eight miles along the northern coast through Cape Orlando while the British Eighth army advanced four miles on the east coast, threatening Taormina.

Both allied wings were within 35 miles of Messina, whose beaches were the scene of an increasing enemy evacuation movement to Italy.

Allies Menace Randazzo

Randazzo, the central anchor of the Germans' rear guard line, was menaced from the flank as American infantrymen surged forward over the northern ring of mountains.

The occupation of Randazzo was in sight.

U. S. units fought with the Germans on the outskirts of that mountain-top town, which was littered and broken by repeated aerial bombardment and steady shelling from artillery batteries.

Allied airmen who cruised above the sector yesterday reported they saw exchanges of small arms fire close to the town.

Evacuation Quickens Pace

The enemy's evacuation to the Italian mainland quickened its pace yesterday afternoon, when from 35 to 50 vessels of various kinds were seen at one time in the narrow, heavily defended straits.

(Ross Munro, Canadian Press correspondent, said in a dispatch from the Eighth army front that a considerable portion of three mauled See—INVASION—Page 7)

Rift Between Reich, Italy Grows Wider

Bern, Switzerland—(P)—Signs multiplied today that Italy is stepping away from Germany in an effort to approach the allies and Democracy—for the latter, said the newspaper La Stampa of Turin, is the country's urgent need today.

Dispatches indicated the Italians looked anxiously toward Quebec and the forthcoming conferences between Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt, hopeful that the conferences would supply the means to get them out of the war.

The widening rift between the axis partners was becoming so apparent that the Milan correspondent of the Zurich Die Tat, in a dispatch passed by the Italian censor, said he could "no longer speak of good Italian-German relations."

The Italians' daily topic of conversation, the dispatch said, is "how can Badoglio free himself from the word of honor Mussolini gave Hitler?"

No Mention of Hitler

Not a single word about Hitler, the Nazi regime, or Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering now appears in the Italian press, which has relegated German war communiques to back pages in small type.

The British air attack on industrial Milan early this morning was described by that city's newspapers as "the most violent" of this war, with destruction sown in all parts of the city.

Heavy Opposition

The alarm sounded shortly after midnight and the all clear was not given until 2 a. m. Bombers swept over the city in waves and were met by the most intensive anti-aircraft fire yet put up by Milan's batteries.

From Chiasso, Swiss town on the Italian border, Italian night fighters could be heard in the air. Two planes were distinctly seen falling in flames as the whole sky glowed with the effects of numerous explosive and incendiary bombs.

Milan newspapers said whole blocks of buildings were leveled and that the number of victims was believed to be very great.

Tribune Enlists in Campaign to Solve U.S. Pulpwood Shortages

The Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune today has joined other daily and weekly newspapers of the nation in a campaign to aid the government in solving the serious pulpwood shortage situation.

It is the second time since Pearl Harbor that the nation's newspapers have been called upon to overcome a critical war material shortage. Last fall, at a time when scores of steel mills faced shutdowns for lack of vital materials, the newspapers sponsored a united scrap metal campaign on a nationwide scale. What was accomplished in that drive is history. The situation was saved with more than 6,000,000 tons of precious metal collected.

Needed for War Purposes

Now the newspapers have volunteered in the pulpwood campaign—equal in importance to the scrap metal drive because hundreds of thousands of cords of the nation's pulpwood are required for war purposes.

The Victory Pulpwood campaign was initiated by the war production board, with the cooperation of other federal departments, war agencies and industry. It is designed to relieve increasingly serious shortages in pulpwood, the raw material from which is made smokeless powder, rayon for parachutes, plastics for airplane parts, shell and bomb casings, and shipping containers for ammunition, food, supplies, blood plasma and other necessities for our armed forces and our allies.

Local Committee Named

Appointed to the local committee which will cooperate with the Tribune in conducting the Victory Pulpwood campaign in this area are County Agent H. R. Lathrop, E. B. Hurst, director of the forestry department of Consolidated Water Power & Paper company, and F. G. Kilp, head forester of the Nekoosa-Edwards Paper company.

A meeting of the committee was held this afternoon to lay the groundwork for the local campaign.

WPB Chairman Donald M. Nelson, speaking of the pulpwood campaign, said: "Once again in an emergency situation involving production for the war effort, American newspapers have offered their assistance to the war production board. This voluntary and unsolicited action represents the highest expression of practical patriotism—the kind of patriotism which, if emulated by farmers and woodsmen in pulpwood producing areas of the United States, will solve the problem of current and threatening pulpwood shortages and, by its broader example, help to hasten the winning of the war. Personally, and as chairman of the war production board, I am happy to welcome the assistance of the newspapers in this important production campaign."

GERMAN DEFENSE AROUND KHARKOV IS CRUMBLING

Moscow—(P)—Battles around Kharkov, great German Ukraine base, approached final stages today as German defenses about the city crumpled under blows of the red army.

Counterattacking fresh German reserves were unable to dislodge Soviet troops threatening the city from the north and east, which had advanced at one point to within five miles of the city. The Russians were said to be gathering for a final assault.

Berlin Sees End

(The Berlin radio reported the Russians were throwing in "ever new divisions, tank brigades, artillery regiments and airforce squadrons" as fighting on the whole eastern front was "increasing in violence.")

The fall of Chuguev, main enemy bastion, 22 miles southeast of Kharkov, cleared the path for encirclement of the Ukrainian center.

The newspaper Red Star reported the main battles were raging along the Kharkov-Poltava rail line.

Town of Kilonatav Falls

The capture of Kilonatav, 30 miles up the Vorskla river from Poltava, threatened that German base.

Dispatches on the Chuguev battle described strong fortifications through which the Germans supplied their entire defenses of the western bank of the northern Donets. Soviet troops forced the river far north of the city and closed in through the forest after capturing several settlements along the route.

The city finally was taken when other Soviet units crossed the river in the region of the city itself after a violent three-directional assault.

Claim Red Tanks Destroyed

(Indications of the extent of the fighting was seen in the German See—RUSSIA—Page 7)

Attack Follows On Heels of Heaviest RAF Raid On Italy

Allied Headquarters in North Africa—(P)—American bombers caused heavy damage to two railway yards in Rome today in their second attack of the war on the Italian capital and returned without the loss of a plane despite strong enemy fighter opposition, it was stated officially tonight.

Allied Headquarters in North Africa—(P)—A huge fleet of American bombers again bombed Rome today, destructively emphasizing the recent warning to the Italian people that mass allied raids were about to be resumed.

The fleet of American bombers attacked the Italian capital before noon, it was announced, with railroad freight yards again the principal targets.

Rome was first bombed in a daylight raid by American precision bombers July 19.

Behind waves of Flying Fortresses in today's raid came the lighter Mitchells and Marauders, bombing from low levels and pouring their tracers into the center of an already burning area.

Equals First Raid

The raid probably equaled the first in size, when allied air commanders put into the air the greatest aerial concentration since the beginning of the Mediterranean campaign.

The raid on the Italian capital was disclosed shortly after London



AWARDED D. F. C.—The distinguished flying cross has been awarded Staff Sgt. Burnell F. Goodness, (above) of Nekoosa for meritorious service in the south Pacific. The Tribune was informed today by the Associated Press. The award was made Thursday at Casper, Wyo., where Goodness is now a radio instructor at an army air base. He is the son of Mrs. William Huchthausen of Nekoosa.

Believe Roosevelt - Churchill Meeting Will Stress Military, Not Political Aspects of War

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Cut to 3 Gallons

A, B and C coupons now worth four gallons each will be cut in value to three gallons each starting at 12:01 a. m. Monday.

The reduction applies to all motorists between the eastern seaboard and the Rocky mountains but will not affect the far west.

Harold L. Ickes, petroleum administrator for war, will broadcast reasons for the slash Sunday.

The OPA is expected to extend the restricted gasoline area from the eastern seaboard to districts 2 and 3 established by the PAW. District 2 consists of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee. District 3 embraces Texas, New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

One gallon of the A coupon will be for occupational driving and two for non-occupational. At present, of the 16 gallons a month allowed on the A card, six gallons are considered non-occupational.

Cut Maximum Amount

The maximum amount which will be allowed motorists needing their cars in the "course of work" will be cut from 720 miles a month to 480. This does not affect preferred motorists such as doctors, ministers and war workers who receive C cards according to actual need but without a specific limitation.

Current B and C coupons will become valid after September 1. Most B and C books expire at that time. Instructions on these renewals will be released later.

Stalin Will Know Details of Meeting

Washington—(P)—Secretary of State Hull indicated today that Premier Stalin of Russia would be kept informed on the discussions between President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill.

Hull's attention was called at his press-radio conference to the statement by Tass, official Russian news agency, that the Soviet government was not invited to participate in the conference. He was asked if no invitation had been extended through the state department.

He had not checked closely on that, Hull replied, since President Roosevelt gives his personal attention to such matters. He then added, that he had no doubt the president and other heads of United Nations kept each other abreast of all phases of their respective situations and attitudes.

Asked if there had been any peace feelers from Marshal Pietro Badoglio's Italian government, Hull said nothing at all tangible had come to his attention.

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Youth Confesses to Shooting of 13-Year-Old Twins

Cleveland—(P)—The bodies of Charles and James Collins, 13-year-old twins missing more than 24 hours, were found today in a woods near Saddle road in suburban Bay village.

Detective Inspector Frank W. Story said a 19-year-old Lakewood youth, recently released from the psychiatric ward of a hospital, had confessed the shootings and an attack Wednesday on Jack Buchanan, nine-year-old son of City Food Inspector E. B. Buchanan.

The youth, one of several suspects arrested in connection with the Collins boys' disappearance and the attack on the Buchanan boy, led detectives straight to the scene where he earlier said the shooting occurred, Story reported.

The Collins brothers apparently disappeared on the way from their home to the Lakewood Country club in Westlake village, where they were caddies.

The Buchanan boy remained under treatment at a hospital where he gave a fragmentary account of his abduction. He reported a man in a blue car offered him a ride after he left his home to go to Lakewood park Wednesday. Police found the boy, dazed and bleeding, in a field at Westlake village yesterday. Dr. Gallagher said the child had been attacked by a sex degenerate.

Finnish Minister Back From Berlin

Stockholm—(P)—The Finnish minister Toivo Kivameki returned to Helsinki from Berlin today, reviving talk of Finnish moves to get out of the war.

Finnish fears of Russia, however, were reflected in the liberal newspaper Helsingin Sanomat, which cautioned that Russia might have the most to say about post-war Europe.

Don't Rush OPA for Sugar, Request

Without a staff adequate to care for applications, Fred Bushnell, chief clerk of the rationing board here, asks women who are not in urgent need of canning sugar to postpone their applications as long as possible.

"We regret the delays," said Bushnell, "and we don't keep people waiting up here in the office for hours on purpose, but our staff simply is not large enough to take care of the rush periods."

Bushnell admits there is a lack of voluntary, unpaid help available for his office, and OPA—subject to congressional criticism—has not funds to give him a larger paid staff.

Recommend Sentences for 6 German Spies

Buenos Aires—(P)—A federal prosecutor recommended prison sentences of one to three years last night for six Nazi spies arrested last year after the American government supplied detailed proof of axis espionage in Argentina.

The men, who were arrested last December, pleaded guilty and involved the former naval attaché of the German embassy, Capt. Dietrich Niebuhr, who was recalled by his government on the request of Argentina last January.

Charges of axis espionage in Argentina were first made by Sumner Welles, American under-secretary of state, in a speech in Boston last October. Argentina demanded proof and the American government forwarded a detailed memorandum.

NEKOOSAN WINS FLYING CROSS

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8 Months in South Pacific

Sgt. Goodness spent eight months in the south Pacific war zone, flying out of New Hebrides and Solomon bases as radio operator and gunner aboard a Flying Fortress. He returned to the United States last April, and after a three weeks leave here, went to Salt Lake City, from where he was assigned to the Casper air base as a radio instructor.

The Nekoosa flier was stationed at Hickam field in Hawaii when the Japs struck at Pearl Harbor, and was an eye-witness to that infamous attack on the morning of See—GOODNESS—Page 7

Place Military Cordon About Ploesti Fields

Istanbul, Aug. 11—(Delayed)—(P)—Germany has ordered a military cordon thrown about the Ploesti oil fields pending outcome of an investigation to fix blame for the American raid on Aug. 1 which caught the defenders napping, it was learned today.

Military heads are expected to roll as a result of the attack on that vital Rumanian oil supply.

Channel Invasion Date Near at Hand

London—(P)—Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, commander of U. S. forces in the European theater, told graduates of the army's officer candidate school today that the day will come when the allies will "cross these narrow waters and strike the enemy with all the force at our command.

(The "narrow waters" of the English channel and the North sea separate England from the continent.)

"That invasion will continue until Nazi Germany is a dead page in history and Nazi armies have surrendered unconditionally," the general declared.

U. S. Employment Reaches Record Peak

Washington—(P)—Employment in the United States reached a record peak of 54,300,000 during July, the census bureau reported today.

The July total was 300,000 above the previous high recorded in July and August of last year.

Hinek Killed in Action in North Africa

Milladore, Wis.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hinek of this village today received a war department telegram stating that their son, Pfc. Alexander M. Hinek, 25, was killed in action in North Africa July 12.

Pfc. Hinek was born in Milladore Feb. 23, 1918, attended the graded school at Sherry and high school at Junction City, Milladore and Auburnale. He was the oldest of five children, leaving one brother in the service, one brother working in a Milwaukee defense plant, and two sisters.

He was inducted Aug. 25, 1941 and trained at Camps Wolters and Barkley in Texas, at Fort Devons, Mass., Pine camp, New York, and Camp Pickett, Va. He left the east coast for overseas duty June 12, 1943, just a month before he was killed.

Himmler Ordered to Stop Tactics, Report

Madrid—(P)—Travelers arriving in Spain from Berlin reported today that Heinrich Himmler, head of the German secret police, has been ordered to stop terrorizing anti-Nazi Germans.

These travelers said it was also "quite possible" that certain Jews might be asked to cooperate with the military by taking technical war jobs from which they previously had been banned by the Nazi party.

Merchant Vessel Is Sunk; Crew Saved

Washington—(P)—The navy reported today that medium sized United States merchant vessel was torpedoed and sunk by an enemy submarine early in July in the south Atlantic. Survivors have landed at Miami, Fla., and New York.

The navy said none of the 40-man crew was killed or seriously injured.

Army Medical Corps Calls Triggs to Duty

Dr. Perry O. Triggs, son of the Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Triggs of this city, who holds a first lieutenant's commission in the army medical corps, has received his orders to active duty and left yesterday for Carlisle Barracks, Pa. He will spend six weeks there before receiving further assignment.

Lieut. Triggs graduated from the University of Wisconsin medical school in June, 1942, served his internship at St. Joseph's hospital, Marshfield, and has for the past several months been associated with that hospital.

Mrs. Triggs, the former Sybil Mary Blodgett, will remain at Marshfield for the present.

FDR Says Philippines Have Earned Liberty

Washington—(P)—The Philippines won their right to independence by the fight the natives put up on Bataan, says President Roosevelt. Furthermore, the islands will "soon be redeemed from the Japanese yoke."

In these words, Mr. Roosevelt spoke last night to the Filipino people on the 45th anniversary of American occupation of the far Pacific territory.

The moment the Japanese are ousted, said the president, the Philippines will have their own republican government. By their battle against the Japanese in December, 1941 and for weeks thereafter, they "gave final proof that here was a nation fit to be respected," he declared.

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Germany Strengthen Defenses in Balkans

Ankara, Aug. 11—(Delayed)—Information from the Balkans today reported the Germans were throwing up defense fortifications on the north banks of the Sava river in Yugoslavia which joins the Danube north of Belgrade.

It was believed the Germans were preparing secondary defense lines through the Balkans should they be forced to fall back due to Italy's capitulation or an allied invasion of the Balkans.

The Sava river, the Danube and the Carpathian mountains form a natural defense line for the northern Balkans.

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THE WEATHER

For Wisconsin: Cooler to night and Saturday forenoon.

Today's Weather Facts—Maximum temperature for 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m., 88; minimum temperature for 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m., 69; temperature at 7 a. m., 69. Precipitation, 1.11.