

REVEAL JAP ATROCITIES TO BATAAN HEROES

Berlin Is Afire Again After Heavy RAF Raid American Soldiers Tortured, Starved By Inhuman Foe

BRITISH REPULSE NAZIS 21 MILES SOUTH OF ROME

Allied Headquarters, Algiers—(AP)—The German 10th army, backed by planes, struck with fury at the allies' Nettuno beachhead but was repulsed by British forces in a battle near Carroceto, on the Via Anziate 10 miles north of Anzio and 21 miles south of Rome, allied headquarters announced today.

Great Air Defeat At the same time the Germans suffered their greatest air defeat of the Italian campaign, losing at least 50 planes in 24 hours in sky battles over the beachhead and over southern France where Flying Fortresses and Liberators struck at three airfields near Marseille and Montpellier and crippled the bases from which Germans raid allied shipping off the Italian coast.

Heavy German armored trains, backed up almost to Rome, shelled allied troops in the fan-shaped beachhead area and correspondents' reports said 60-ton Tiger tanks were assembling along the fringes of the beachhead as the enemy recovered from his surprise and mustered resources for a fiery contest for the Italian capital.

Enlarge Bridgehead But today's communique from advanced headquarters said Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth army had enlarged its bridgehead and taken many German prisoners.

Associated Press Correspondent Don Whitehead, in a delayed dispatch, said the British and Americans had established by the end of the fourth day a wedge so strong that Rome now was menaced, and that optimism was running high among the troops, with men, guns, armor and supplies pouring into a broad area.

Edge Forward The Fifth army has extended its grip up the coast to a point 12 miles north of Anzio, another report said, and Americans edged forward two miles in another sector yesterday.

Gen. Sir Harold Alexander's Italian headquarters reported the beachhead was at least five miles deep at all points now, generally six miles deep, and much deeper at some points.

While allied tank destroyers and columns of infantry flowed inland in a steady stream, special German troops had been raced by truck into the flat, almost treeless country and posted in farmhouses with machine-guns in a desperate effort to bar the path to their vital communications.

Elements of two German divisions, the Hermann Goering armored division and the 29th armored grenadiers now had been identified in assaults on the bridgehead.

Exact Heavy Losses Heavy losses were exacted yesterday by the British who met the 29th and took more than 100 prisoners.

Meanwhile, captured German prisoners said Adolf Hitler had given See—ITALY—Page 7

Tokyo Calls Upon Americans to Form World Peace Club

New York—(AP)—A Tokyo propaganda broadcast, beamed to the United States at the same hour the army-navy report on atrocities against prisoners of war was released, called upon Americans to promote "a peace for the world club." U. S. government monitors said today.

The Japanese commentator discussed the "lonely men out here in internment camps" and said prisoners of war were going to present the first act of John Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men" as camp entertainment.

Then he said that since the United States is a nation of clubs, "why not promote a peace for the world club?"

"Ask yourself who will pay the bill," the Japanese propaganda speaker declared. "Are the sacrifices of your soldiers worth while? Drop a line to your favorite newspaper or radio commentator."

Government monitors said no Japanese reaction to the army-navy statement on atrocities had been reported up to noon C.W.T.

Tax Advice

Taxpayers will effect a great economy in aspirin while making out their 1944 income tax returns if they will take the trouble to follow the series of 12 clearly-written articles on "Your Income Tax" which will be published daily, starting today, in The Tribune.

Spain's Main Oil Supplies Halted By U.S.

Washington—(AP)—Spain faced today the necessity of redefining her position toward Germany and the allies as a result of American suspension of her main oil supplies.

The United States, it was learned on highest authority, has stopped scheduled February oil shipments to Spain from the Caribbean area, virtually Spain's only source of supply.

Secretary of State Hull is expected to announce the move today. The action was understood to be part of a general reexamination of American policy toward the key neutral.

For some time the United States and Britain have made representations to Spain on the following requests:

Release of a number of Italian vessels from internment in Spanish ports; thoroughgoing restrictions on activities of Nazi spies and saboteurs; reduction of Spanish exports of vital war materials to Germany.

Immediate reason for the United States action was said to be conclusion recently of a German-Spanish financial agreement.

In settlement of debts incurred during her civil war, Spain agreed to make 400,000,000 pesetas (about \$40,000,000) credit available to Germany.

This was taken here as a major blow against allied economic warfare, which during the past six months had virtually succeeded in preventing Germany from obtaining the strategic war materials she needs most from Spain, including wolfram, the ore from which tungsten is derived.

Until now, the allies have been able effectively to keep Germany out of the Spanish market because the Nazis lacked pesetas and Spain refused them credit.

McMurray Upholds Federal Ballot Plan

Washington—(AP)—Representative Howard McMurray (D-Wis.) told the house he believed the Worley soldier-vote bill for federal handling of the vote contains every provision for a state ballot included in the Rankin or state-control measure.

The Worley bill would provide that the army and navy distribute the ballots, permitting a vote for president and members of congress, while the state would be left with the duty of certifying and counting the returned ballots.

"It is important for everyone in this house to understand that there is offered also in the Worley bill an additional opportunity to vote only if the soldiers do not vote their state ballots," McMurray said.

"If they vote their state ballots, their so-called federal ballots are invalidated."

ENGLAND LOSES 34 AIRCRAFT IN 12TH BIG ATTACK

London—(AP)—Hundreds of RAF heavy night bombers touched off fields of flame in Berlin again last night in a possible coup de grace to the Nazi nerve center, previously described by Gen. H. H. Arnold as three quarters destroyed.

Great American bombers took over the assault on Hitler's Europe shortly after daybreak, thundering out over the general area of the Nazis' much-touted "Atlantic wall," and a U. S. headquarters announcement said that "a military target in northern France" had been blasted.

The raid, in the same general area where mystery targets have been hit heavily several times in the last six weeks, was the Americans' eighth this month and the second of the week.

Loss 34 Aircraft The British announcement described the 12th heavy assault of the Berlin obliteration campaign as "very strong," a statement borne out in the loss of 34 aircraft in all the night's operations.

Other RAF bombers hit at Helgoland, the Nazis' mighty North sea island fortress, while still others struck at unnamed targets in western Germany and northern France and laid mines in enemy waters.

"Mopping Up Operation" For all practical purposes, this latest attack in the campaign launched last Nov. 18 to knock Berlin from the war might be described as a "mopping up operation." It certainly was not considered here as the last assault planned against the German capital but was looked upon rather as one of the decisive finishing strokes.

The air ministry's communique did not announce the tonnage, but it likely approached the 1,500-ton average of all previous heavy attacks.

Early Swedish reports said the raid left great fires burning in the outer districts of Berlin where most of the capital's heavy industry is concentrated. The center of the city, heavily pulverized in previous attacks, apparently escaped further damage.

Make Usual Claims Berlin, making its usual claims that the raid was a "terror attack," said that "great damage was done, especially in residential quarters."

Confirming to some extent the belief that the heavy assaults have reached the "mopping up" stage, the Berlin correspondent of the Swedish newspaper Aftonbladet said a high percentage of the bombs were strewn among the ruins left in previous attacks, thereby piling up destruction upon destruction.

Eight More South Wood County Men in Armed Forces

Of the eight men accepted for service from the January quota of selectees sent by the south Wood county selective service board to Milwaukee last Saturday for physical examination, five were qualified for army service and three for the navy, according to information released by the board office Thursday.

Army men are: Leonard LaVaque, Roger Richard Rickhoff, Fred John Roach, all of this city; Jack Revilo Willan, Route 3 and Robert Mason Hanson, Route 5.

Those accepted for the navy are: Melvin Wallace Burkerson, Richard John Hagen and William Joseph Simonis, assistant leader, all of this city.

Big 3 May Turn World Over to Business, Fear

New York—(AP)—H. G. Wells, British author and historian, objects to Russia, Britain and the United States attempting to control the world after the war, and asserts that "big business grabbing may destroy what is left of our world."

His views were contained in a symposium on post-war treatment of Germany in the trans-Atlantic edition of The London Daily Mail published in New York today.



CONFERRING ON YOUTH—Wisconsin Rapids teachers discussed teacher-student relationships Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Dorothy Waldo Phillips, as part of Mrs. Phillips' one day appearance here as a youth counselor. Shown above in interested discussion, named in clockwise order and starting with Miss Mary Zapp, in foreground with her back to the camera, are: Miss Zapp, Miss Eudora Beadle, Miss Hilda Veve, Supt. Floyd Smith, Harold Samuelson, president of the local teachers' association; Mrs. Phillips, Miss Gwen Cobleigh, Prin. A. A. Ritchay, Junior High Prin. Ann Mary Pitsch. The photo was taken for Lincoln high school files by Angus McDougall of the school faculty.

Youth's Urge to Belong, To Be Important, Is Told To 1,000 Parents Here

The desire of young people "to belong," to be part of the social group and yet able to express their own individualities was told to 1,000 Wisconsin Rapids adults Thursday night in the fieldhouse here by Mrs. Dorothy Waldo Phillips, child guidance leader who is making a statewide tour under direction of Wisconsin chapters of the American Association of University Women.

Francis Huber Was Injured in Arawe Landing, Message

T/V Francis Huber, 31, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Huber, 1010 Washington street, was seriously wounded in action in Arawe, New Britain on January 14, according to a war department telegram received here by his parents Thursday afternoon.

Technician Huber, who enlisted in the army on May 7, 1941, was sent overseas in February, 1942. In January, 1943 he was stationed in the New Guinea area, and in June of that year word was received that he was in Australia.

The adjutant general's telegram assured Mr. and Mrs. Huber that they "will be advised as reports of condition are received."

Bar Acts to Protect Judge McCarthy's Job

Appleton, Wis.—(AP)—Gov. Goodland has been asked by the Outagamie County Bar association to oppose any action to declare vacant the office of Circuit Judge Joseph R. McCarthy, on leave of absence with the marines in the south Pacific.

A resolution, sent to the governor yesterday, declared that Judge Henry P. Hughes, Oshkosh, who volunteered to take over the work in Outagamie county, was serving the public and bar adequately.

The Tenth district, which Judge McCarthy presided over, includes Outagamie, Shawano and Langlade counties.

Battle Sound Is Terrifying to Those in Hospital Tents

BY WILLIAM STONEMAN With the Fifth Army Below Rome—Battle sounds are nerve-shattering in any case on one of these bridgeheads, and they are multiplied by the gloom of blacked out hospital tents.

Spends Night in Tent I have just spent a night inside one of those tents. I had lost my voice, due to a cold contracted during the landing, and made the mistake of going to an evacuation hospital for medicine. They made me stay all night. The bitter cold and the Germans made it one of the worst nights I can remember.

There was shelling only in the evening and these explosives did not ease the pains of the fellows in adjoining beds. The soldiers either had been hit early in the day, or were suffering from chills and fevers of various kinds.

The Germans kept popping 170-MM. shells and though they did not land near the hospital tents, their blasts were heavy.

Then in the middle of the night, bombers came after our shipping and the night vibrated with the mingled sound of ack-ack and bombs. We thought we could hear our fighters and anti-aircraft guns firing. Then we thought we heard British Beau fighters let off a blast of aerial fire at some German bomber.

It's Very Cold Soon afterwards, all became quiet and we fell asleep, or almost, because it was as cold as sin and we only had three thin blankets.

REDS TAKE MORE RAIL JUNCTIONS

Moscow—(AP)—Mauled German forces in northwest Russia were being hurled back today toward a line extending through Narva (in Estonia), Luga and Staraya Russa by charging red armies which had ripped to pieces their siege lines around Leningrad and captured the strategic railway junctions of Volosovo and Tosno.

The Germans were fighting to keep Soviet troops from the streets of Lyuban and Chudovo, their only two remaining towns on the double-tracked Leningrad-Moscow trunk line. All but 30 miles of the railway is in Russian hands.

Almost at Vitebsk Line At the lower end of the northwest front, the Nazis were battling frantically to keep the Russians west of LIBERATED CELEBRATE

Moscow—(AP)—The people of liberated Leningrad rolled out of bed and went to factories today, tired but happy and still thinking of last night's wild joy of singing and dancing in streets illuminated by brilliant flares and rockets.

Those in the city had not seen a spark of light by night—except that from bursting enemy shells and bombs and burning homes—for 27 months. Last night the guns were theirs, the noise theirs, and the firing theirs.

Altogether, 24 salvoes from 324 guns marked the full liberation of the former capital, proclaimed yesterday.

Novgorod and Lake Ilmen from rushing upon the Leningrad-Pskov and Leningrad-Vitebsk railways. Ski-men were but two miles from the Vitebsk line at midnight.

(The Germans reported heavy fighting near Kerch in the eastern Crimea and around Perekop at the north entrance to the Nazi-held Black sea peninsula. The Berlin communique claimed German gains in the western Ukraine southwest of Prokhorishche and said 23 Russian tanks had been destroyed yesterday.)

39 Miles From Volosovo

Capture of Volosovo placed Governor's troops within 39 miles of the Estonian city of Narva. Fifty miles east of Volosovo, Soviet forces stormed into Tosno, eastern terminus of the Narva-Reval railway where it meets the Leningrad-Moscow trunk line 30 miles southeast of Leningrad. Most of the Tosno garrison was killed in the attack, and the remainder threw down their arms, a communique said.

The Nazis now hold only the 20-mile stretch of the railroad between Lyuban and Volkhor, and troops of See—RUSSIA—Page 7

Vandenberg Approves Soldier-Ballot Bill

Washington—(AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) split the Republican opposition to the administration-supported war ballot bill with an announcement today that he would vote for the measure in order to assure participation of service personnel in the November election.

Criticizing President Roosevelt's charge of "fraud" against a previously-approved "states' rights" bill, Vandenberg told a reporter he planned to offer an amendment to facilitate the handling of state as well as federal absentee ballots.

Atrocities By Japan Shock Congressmen

Washington—(P)—Army-navy disclosure of heart-sickening mistreatment of the gallant defenders of Bataan and Corregidor at the hands of their Japanese captors was followed quickly today by an official promise to bring those responsible to account.

Secretary of State Hull said this government has been gathering all possible information about the treatment of American prisoners in the Pacific so that war criminals may be punished when the war ends.

Simultaneously, office of war information officials said the facts about what happened to American and Filipino troops who surrendered in the Philippines were given to the American public after a majority of government experts on Japan had decided that publication of an official account might bring an improvement in the Japanese attitude toward our prisoners still in their hands.

Congressional Reaction Congressional shock over the disclosures was reflected in a demand by Senator Clark (D-Mo.) that the United States "bomb Japan out of existence" and hang the Mikado in retaliation.

Others at the capitol described the reports of what had happened to our captured as "almost incredible," putting the Japanese "beyond the pale of civilization."

At a news conference Secretary Hull was asked whether this government was making a list of the Japanese officers in the Philippines directly responsible for the atrocities inflicted upon American and Filipino prisoners with a view of the punishment of war criminals.

Getting Everything Possible He said he could not say specifically with respect to officers in the Philippines but that the government has been ascertaining all information possible.

In touching on several points of the situation disclosed by the joint army-navy report of the abuse, RELATIVES HORRIFIED

Janesville, Wis.—(AP)—Mothers, wives and sweethearts of the 102nd tank battalion soldiers who were captured on Bataan peninsula, were shocked and horrified today when they learned of charges of atrocities to American prisoners of war by the Japanese.

Several hundred men from this community were members of the 22nd tank company of the Wisconsin National Guard which became Company A of the 192nd tank battalion which was captured when Bataan fell.

Mrs. Hazel Bruni, wife of Capt. Fred Bruni, one of the prisoners of war, said an executive meeting of the Janesville Tank Company auxiliary would be held tonight to determine whether any action could be taken to relieve the plight of the men remaining in the Philippines.

brutality and murder of prisoners taken after the fall of Bataan and Corregidor, Hull brought out that: 1. The United States will persevere in pursuit of what the secretary called a righteous undertaking to continue exchanging prisoner or civilian internees with Japan.

2. No one here has any accurate idea of how much chance there is of effecting such exchanges in the future.

3. The relief supplies for allied prisoners held by the Japanese which were delivered by the Gripsholm to a Japanese vessel on the last repatriation exchange about two months ago have not been heard from since that time and Washington has been unable to find out whether they actually were delivered to the prisoners.

Authorities Direct Quotation Secretary Hull authorized a direct quotation stating his views on the report of atrocities: "According to the reports of cruelty and inhumanity it would be necessary to assemble together all See—ATROCITIES—Page 7

Earmark \$35,000,000 To Recruit Farm Help

Washington—(AP)—The senate today interrupted consideration of the soldier vote bill to approve a \$35,000,000 appropriation to finance the government's 1944 farm labor recruitment program. In addition to the farm labor appropriation, the senate added a \$1,350,000 fund for the war manpower commission to import alien lumber workers.

PVT. BOEHM KILLED

Marshfield, Wis.—Pvt. George J. Boehm, 21, marine corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Boehm of Marshfield Route 3, has been killed in action in the Southwest Pacific, according to a navy department telegram received Thursday night by his parents. He had been overseas for six months.

Today's Weather Facts—Maximum temperature for 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m., 39; minimum temperature for 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m., 32. Precipitation, .60.

THE WEATHER For Wisconsin: Cloudy and considerably colder tonight with snow flurries in north portion. Saturday partly cloudy and colder. Diminishing winds Saturday. CLOUDY-COLDER