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Large Scale German Offensive On Kerch Peninsula Folds Up

Nazi Attackers Are Forced Back In All But One Sector By Hard Fighting Reds

LONDON, May 12.—The British admiralty today announced three British destroyers, Lovely, Jockal and Kipling, have been sunk by German bombs in the Mediterranean. More than 500 officers and men were saved.

A big scale German offensive on the Kerch peninsula, supported by Rumanian divisions and warplanes, folded up today after four days of fierce Russian resistance, according to a British report. The Nazi attackers have been forced back to their starting point in all but one sector which now is under a savage attack by the Soviets, a London commentator said. The Germans announced the battle for the Crimean oil fields is the greatest offensive operation since last Fall and is still in full swing.

The Italians announced waves of German planes caught and sank three of four British destroyers in the Mediterranean seas at the end of the offensive.

During May 11 in the Kerch peninsula, the communists said, our troops waged stubborn battle against the German forces which had taken the offensive.

This department from the Crimea has been reported to have begun a large scale movement toward the oil fields so heavily prized by Adolf Hitler that he expended thousands of thousands of lives in previous efforts to get them.

'42 American Mother



Pictured in New York City is Mrs. William N. Berry, of Greenboro, N. C., the American Mother of 1942. She has thirteen children for raising them in "feed 'em, love 'em, and neglect 'em." One son is an army captain, another a midshipman, a third is about to become an ensign, a fourth has enlisted in the naval reserve, while a fifth will soon be ordained a priest.

Fierce Fighting Chinese Force Foe To Retreat

Each Army Is Trying Encirclement Tactics In Burma

(By Associated Press) Fierce fighting Chinese defenders forced the Japanese vanguard to retreat from inside of China's Yunnan province back to the Burma frontier town of Banting today and each force now is trying to encircle the other, Chungking declared.

Chinese lines of entrapment held fast last night around the remnants of a Japanese column enveloped and slaughtered on the Burma Road despite the stock of reinforcements rushed from Burma by the frustrated invaders of Free China's back door.

Two hundred and fifty miles south of this dramatic scene of Japanese annihilation, another ill but forgotten Chinese army, by-passed in the reckless and headlong Japanese dash, organized the three Indian frontiers near the River Salween, was specially reported to have smashed three attacks by a fresh Japanese column in the Laitum sector near the River Salween.

Britain's commander in India, Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavell, was disclosed last night to have reorganized the three Indian frontiers into powerful and competent mobile armies to meet the Japanese "attack from the Japanese on eastern or southern India.

Three army commands were created—northern, south and northwest. The vast central force will be administered under the central India command, whose major function will be to train new defense forces.

French Break In Relations With U. S. Is Foreseen

Paris Radio Wrecked By Saboteurs Cafe Is Dynamited

(By Associated Press) VICHY, May 12. (AP)—The German military in France today issued a sweeping decree taking 10 itself the powers to increase working hours in French enterprises and ordering employees to report immediately the number of categories of workmen available for other work. The result will be longer hours (presumably the order applies only in the occupied zone).

With French-German negotiations reaching the state of urgency, Field Marshal Herman Goering may meet tomorrow with Marshal Petain and Laval to reach final decisions, reported French diplomatic quarters today. It was predicted the French would refuse to accept the Martineau negotiations with a resultant break in relations with the United States soon.

Saboteurs have wrecked radio Paris, the key broadcasting station for Nazi propaganda in occupied France and the station is silent for the first time since the Germans marched into Paris nearly two years ago, the London Daily Mail reported in a dispatch from the French frontier today.

The giant masts and pylons at Bourges, 120 miles south of Paris, were destroyed by a gigantic dynamite explosion Saturday, the dispatch said.

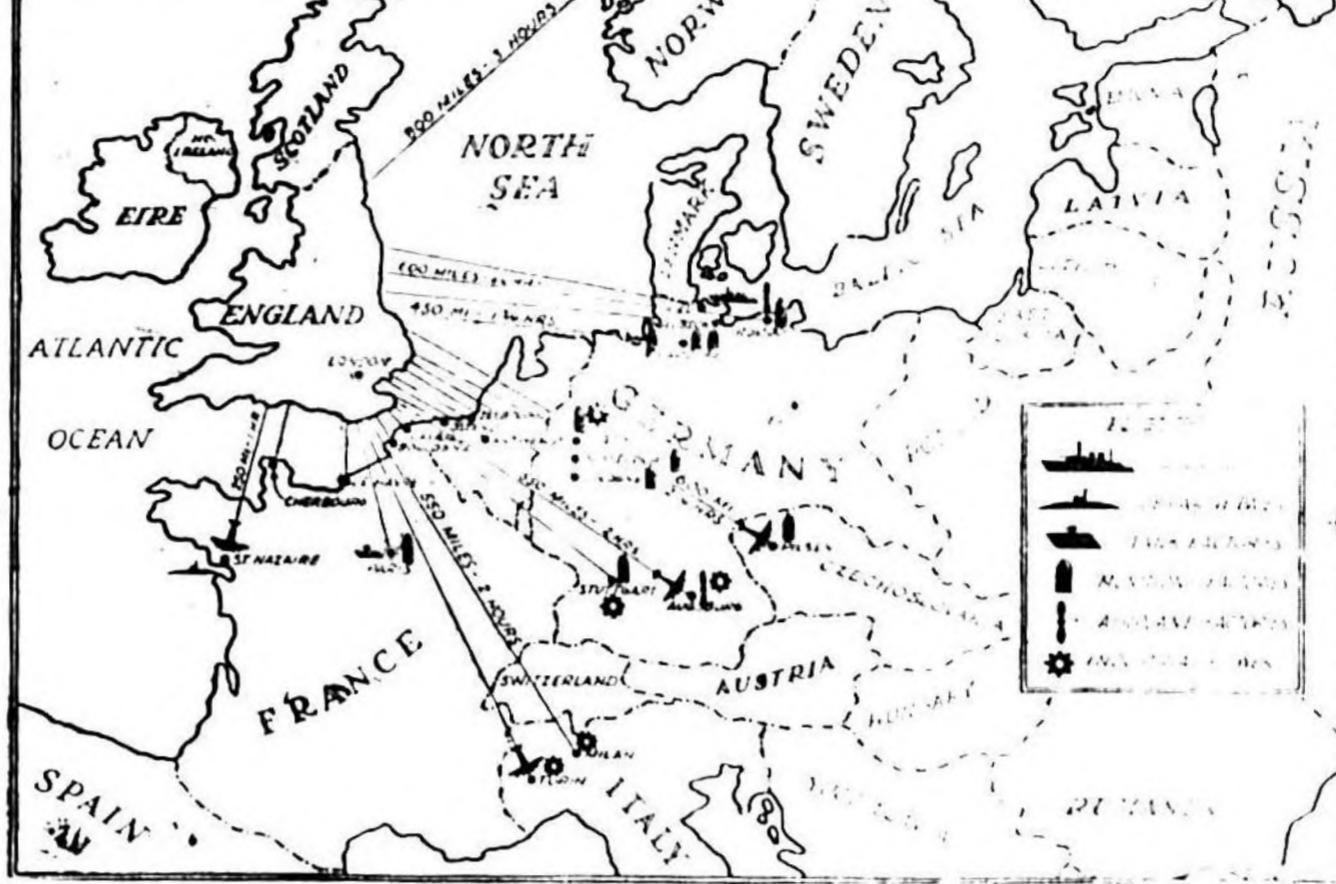
Property trawlers here from Bourges declared the damage will take weeks to repair. Masts, pylons and aerials were shattered and twisted. Transmitting and relaying machinery were wrecked.

The station had not been heard in London for two days.

Defense Classes For Men, 17-25, To Start

Two year defense training classes for young men between 17 and 25 will start at the Sandhills High School here June 15, and boys who are interested in joining should immediately contact the school.

HOW RAF POUNDS AT SECOND FRONT



Younger Set Will Get Dance Place At Mellon Park

Commission Is Told Job Service Will Not Be Set Up Here

Over \$158,000 Has Been Pledged In Canvass Campaign

Frank Evans, Seminole County chairman in the recently concluded "Every American Canvass" has issued a revised report on the yearly expenditures for the county for war bonds and stamps, and with 60 of 62 canvass teams reporting, the total figure to be invested in bonds and stamps is \$158,581.60. This does not include \$10,007.25 that was not pledged but actually spent when the campaign was being conducted.

Of the \$158,581.60, Sanford residents will provide 192,156.60 on a total of 1,189 pledges. Second high in the county is Little Blavia which supplied officials with a high return of \$32,774.40 on 84 pledges. Lake Mary followed with \$8,476.60 on 63 pledges, Orivado \$6,474.30 on 142 pledges and Forest City \$4,996.40 on 156 pledges.

Concerning the immediate pledge drive, Sanford \$10,155. Surprisingly enough, Bear Lake was second high with \$2,923.50. Orivado was next with \$1,308.75. It is estimated that nearly 10 percent of the people in the county pledged to buy a certain amount of bonds or stamps every week or month.

Action Is Urged To Supply Gas Masks

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP)—The possibility of imminent action in Europe has prompted members of Congress to urge special action toward supplying American war workers and civilians with masks for the protection of snark gas raids which might be attempted in this country. Senator Hill said: "I don't anticipate any gas raids in this country, but we can't afford to leave any stone unturned." Senator George said he was glad Prince Maurice, Winston Churchill, stressed the gas question into the open.

3,500 Owners Of Passenger Cars To Sign In Gas Ration

WASHINGTON, May 12. (AP)—As motorists from Maine to Florida started registration for gasoline ration cards today the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee recommended the investigation of possible use of inland waterways for the transportation of petroleum products. It was estimated 8,500,000 owners in 17 eastern states and the District of Columbia would complete the registration Thursday and starting Friday may obtain ration cards for privately owned cars by presentation of cards.

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Board Confirms Recommendation Of All Teachers

Day Of Rest Will Be Given Instructors, Lawton Announces

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City News Briefs

Samuel S. McCahill, State head of the American Legion will install the officers of the Campbell-Losing Post, the Women's Auxiliary and of the Sons of the Legion next Monday night in one of the few triple installation ceremonies to be held in the state, it was announced today.

The Lions Club will meet at 7:15 P.M. Wednesday at the Veterans Hotel.

Enemy Losses in Sea Fight Are 24 Ships

Allied Bombers Score Hits On Two Other Troop Transports, Damage Tanker

(By Associated Press) Allied bombers raised their score of Japanese losses from the battle of the Coral Sea by 23 or 24 ships with at least two more enemy transports and possible heavy damage to a large enemy tanker in the waters off southeast Australia.

Caught on the surface by an Australian plane, one of the two Japanese destroyers sunk in the North Queensland coast this week, crashed, divided so quickly that it left several members of its crew struggling in the water. They were not rescued. The plane had no float plane in its hold.

By destruction of a Japanese destroyer and two cargo vessels, the United States submarine force in the western Pacific has increased its tally by the destruction of three vessels.

The Japanese gave no account of the latest blows at the Coral Sea. They announced that they had sunk the recent U.S. submarine, the USS Gato, in the Coral Sea.

The sinking of the Gato, a 1,000-ton submarine, was the first of its type sunk in action since the war began. The Gato was on a mission to transport units known as the "Coral Sea" force.

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Hearing Will Open On Barge Canal Bill

WASHINGTON, May 12. (AP)—Chairman Mansfield of the House Rivers and Harbors announced yesterday he would open hearings on May 18 on a bill to authorize the appropriation of \$144,000,000 for construction of a barge canal and pipeline across Florida to relieve the oil shortage on the East Coast.

The measure also would provide for deepening the existing, six-foot barge canal from the West Coast of Florida to Corpus Christi, Texas, to 12 feet, and extending the waterway on an additional 15-foot depth to Corpus Christi, Texas, on the Mexican border.

'Hot' Braves Win 11th In Last 15 Games By 3 To 2

BOSTON, May 12. (AP)—The Boston Braves, just about the hottest team in the National League at present, chalked up their 11th victory in 15 games yesterday with a 3-to-2 win over Philadelphia.

Ernie Lombardi's third homer of the season in the sixth inning was the deciding blow. With Eddie Miller, only Lombardi lifted one over the left field fence to score the two needed runs.

The third-place Braves' first run came in the fifth on a balk by Johnny Podresny. Bob Sisti had doubled and gone to third on an infield cut and Tommy Holmes was at bat when Sisti made for home. Podresny balked and Sisti was awarded the run. The Phils' only run off Tom Earley prior to the ninth inning was a homer by Albany Glasop into the right field stands in the fourth.

Fleming's Home Run Gives Indians Win

CLEVELAND, May 12. (AP)—Les Fleming's three-run homer in the ninth inning yesterday clinched an uphill battle for the Cleveland Indians and gave them an 8 to 5 victory over the Detroit Tigers.

The rookie first baseman's circuit clot pushed across the winning runs after an eighth-inning trial scoring spree that netted five runs to tie up the ball game. The victory put the Indians a full game ahead of the Tigers, and one and one-half games behind the Yankees, who were idle.

After his teammates jumped on Vernon Kennedy and Steve Grochok for five runs on three hits in the first, Dizzy Trout held the Tribe scoreless for seven innings.

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Table listing market prices for various commodities like corn, wheat, and other goods.

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Celery Report

SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION FOR PHOENIX, MAY 12. THE SANFORD-ORLANDO MARKET AND WEATHER: ...

ETTA KETT



THE LONE RANGER



Romance, past and present—The romancers of the present are William Holden and Ellen Drew. Looking on (at Holden's right) are Brian Donley, a former Andrew Jackson, and a few of his cronies who come back to life in Paramount's fanciful new comedy, 'The Remarkable Andrew,' coming tonight to the Ritz Theater.

Defense Shop News

By ALEX R. JOHNSON. Otis Badger, a former welder and instructor of the Seminole County Defense Training School, has arrived in Sanford on track 17.

Devane Will Speak At Traffic Club Meeting

ORLANDO, May 11.—(Special)—Desley A. Devane, Orlando attorney, will deliver the principal address before the Central Florida Traffic Club, at its meeting to be held 8 P. M. tonight, at the Angebilt Hotel.

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Notice is hereby given that I am engaged in business at 46 E. 11th St. Sanford, Florida, under the fictitious name Pic and Pay and that I intend to register said name pursuant to the terms of the 'Fictitious Name Statute' (Chapter 3023 Laws of Florida) with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Seminole County, Florida.

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Advertisement for GERMZONE Security Feeds, featuring a picture of a cow and text about fertilizer and security.

By PAUL ROBINSON



By FRAN STRIKER





Hitler Masses Two Million Troops For Kerch Thrust

Nazis Claim Capture Of 40,000 Reds In Smashing Victory In Peninsula Fight

The Germans claimed a smashing victory today in the five-day-old battle for control of the Kerch peninsula, the gateway to the rich Crimea. Hitler's field headquarters announced the battle ended with the annihilation of Russians encircled there and the capture of 40,000 prisoners. The latest Soviet announcement reported no substantial changes and declared the Nazis still are attacking fiercely along the 12-mile front.

Greets Aussie Flier

Mrs. Douglas MacArthur, wife of the supreme commander of the Allied forces in the southwest Pacific, shakes hands with Australian flier I. A. C. Burgess at the Sunshine Club in Melbourne, where she witnessed an entertainment given for members of the armed forces.

Base Will Have About 2,000 Workers, Some Already Here

The vanguard of between 2,000 and 2,500 civilian workers, the estimated number of men to be employed in construction work at the Naval Operational Training Base here, has already started arriving in Sanford. Volie Williams, local contractor who has been hauling rock to the airport, told a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Seminole County Chamber of Commerce yesterday at the Valdez Hotel.

Resident Officer In Charge Of Naval Base May Arrive Today

Lieut. George T. Swigart, who has been designated as resident officer in charge of the Naval Operational Training Base here, is expected to arrive in Sanford this afternoon and get on temporary office to administer his work in connection with the start of the large construction project at the base.

Defenders Fight To Stem Japanese Invaders In China

A Japanese column struck northward from the Chinese city of Kunming today in an effort to cut the Burma road at Paoshan, 125 miles north of the Burma-China border. Reuters reported Japanese reinforcements battled Chinese defenders north of the border station of Wanting, and other strong Chinese forces fought to stem the invasion drive near the northern terminus of the Burma railway from Ranrong.

Japs North Of Australia Await Reinforcements

Apparently forced to postpone an invasion attempt because of shortages inflicted by the Allies in the Coral Sea battle, the Japanese invasion force was believed of late night to be lurking in island hideouts north of Australia, waiting for sea-plane reinforcements.

Robert Cornell Is Promoted In Army

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cornell that their son, Robert, has been promoted to the rank of captain in the United States Army.

British Maneuvers—Prelude to Invasion?



Support for the various hints that an invasion of the continent of Europe is in the offing indicated by these landing operations by British troops "somewhere in Scotland".

Navy Personnel Is Said To Be "Cream Of Crop"

You'll be surprised that the establishment of the Navy field here will do for you. You will have a lot of Navy personnel, and they are the cream of the crop," Lieut. Commander W. L. Ashton of the Jacksonville Naval Air Base told Kiwanians at a meeting here yesterday.

Honest Answers Are Desired To Gas Rationing Questions

About 500 motorists registered in Sanford yesterday for their gasoline rationing cards and a meeting here was held today and tomorrow. The Rationing Board announced this morning.

H. E. Morris Will Attend Civilian Defense Course

Herman E. Morris, one of the most active members of the Seminole County Defense Council, will represent the council at the War Department Training School in Civilian Defense to be held at the University of Florida at Gainesville from May 17 to May 28.

Three Youths Enlist For Foreign Service

Three young men, Fred J. Bender, son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Bender, Ralph Vincent, son of Mrs. Stella Vincent, and Clarence Rutando, have recently enlisted with the 32nd Ordnance Regiment for foreign service.

Former Resident Dies In Orlando Hospital

T. E. Thornley, 67, former resident of Sanford died this morning at an Orlando hospital, and funeral services will be held at the Erickson Funeral Home tomorrow at 4:00 P. M. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

Passenger Vessel Lands 44 Survivors

NORFOLK, May 13. (AP)—Forty-four survivors, including an eight-man Navy gun crew of a medium-sized American merchantman torpedoed off the west coast of Africa in early April were landed by passenger vessel today which also brought misadventured and other Americans from Africa. No members of the regular crews were lost but nine of the 66-man crew on the African long-hauler were killed in the attack and another died en route to port.

John Meisch, Sr., Drowns In Accident

Prominent Grower Dies After Auto Plunges Into Lake From Boulevard

John Meisch, Sr., prominent local grower, was drowned at about 9:45 o'clock this morning when the automobile he was driving ran off the bulkhead on Lake Shore Boulevard, a short distance west of the French Avenue intersection.

A motorist who saw the car fall into the water immediately called the police, and when Chief Roy Williams and Officer Roy Tills arrived at the scene of the accident, several divers with the aid of a rope, had pulled the body ashore. Chief Williams tried artificial respiration while a pulmonologist was being rushed to the scene by the Fire Department.

Mr. Meisch was alive when the ambulance arrived to remove him to a local hospital, but shortly afterward he died. The attending physician said death apparently occurred from drowning.

Witnesses to the accident stated that he was not in the water over five minutes. While no positive reason is known as to what caused the automobile, a 1936 Plymouth, to leave the road, police advanced the theory that Mr. Meisch, who had been subjected to sixty spells recently, apparently had lost consciousness from such an attack. This theory was substantiated by the fact that there were no marks on the road showing that the brakes in the car had been applied. He was alone in the car.

Auxiliary police were called and about 15 of them reported immediately to render assistance. It was reported that Mr. Meisch never regained consciousness.

Mr. Meisch, 48, was born in Vander, Louisiana, July 17, 1893. He came to America settling in Seacrest, N. J., and from there he came to Sanford in August, 1920. He was one of the leading growers of Seminole County, and was well known in this area. He served as chairman of the Board of County Commissioners for 16 years. He built and was the owner of the Meisch Building, 107 N. W. 11th St. Sanford. Mr. Meisch lived at 2118 Park Avenue.

He formerly was in the real estate business in Sanford. He was a member of the Masonic and Elks Lodges, and attended the congregational church. His survivors besides the widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Meisch, are three sons, Joseph, Edward and John, and one daughter, Mrs. Dean Smith of Chicago; four brothers, Nick, Frank and Joe of Sanford and Pete Meisch of Luxembourg; two sisters, Mrs. Julia Ludwig of Sanford and Mrs. Fred Lilly of New York; and six grand-children. Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

Government Has Fund To Purchase Tires From Public

WASHINGTON, May 13. (AP)—The Government established a \$150,000,000 trust fund Tuesday to purchase new and used tires from American motorists, but withheld for the present the details of the program.

Secretary of Commerce Jones said the plans would be disclosed after they had been worked out by the Office of Price Administration and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. There was no immediate indication that automobile owners would be compelled to sell any tires to the Government, although this has been suggested in some Congressional quarters.

Mr. Jones indicated that some of the tires purchased by the Defense Supplies Corporation, RFC subsidiary, would be held by county tire rationing boards for resale at prices set by OPA for persons needing them for essential transportation.

His announcement preceded a statement by the Office for Emergency Management warning that motorists were "riding themselves off the road" at an average cost of 1.15 per cent a week. OEM explained this was the rate at which rubber was wearing from automobile and truck tires.

WEATHER
FLORIDA—Little change in temperature tonight. Breeze from showers in north and central portions this afternoon and tonight.

47 Bodies Recovered After Mine Explosion

OSAGE, W. Va., May 13. (AP)—The bodies of 47 of 54 men believed killed in a terrific explosion in one of northern West Virginia's largest coal mines today were located by rescue crews who immediately attacked great masses of rock and coal blocking the recovery. Seventy others narrowly escaped death when the blast let go at 2:30 A. M. in No. 3 mine of the Christopher Coal Company. Among the men trapped underground was Tom Corwell, the father of 13 children.

Girl Awaits Hearing On Shooting Charge

MORRISTOWN, Tenn., May 13. (AP)—Dry-eyed and unmoved by her plight, 16-year-old Mattie Pearl Manning led the time away in the Hambley county jail awaiting preliminary hearing on the charge that she shot and killed her 25-year-old husband. She is scheduled to appear before the magistrate tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

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