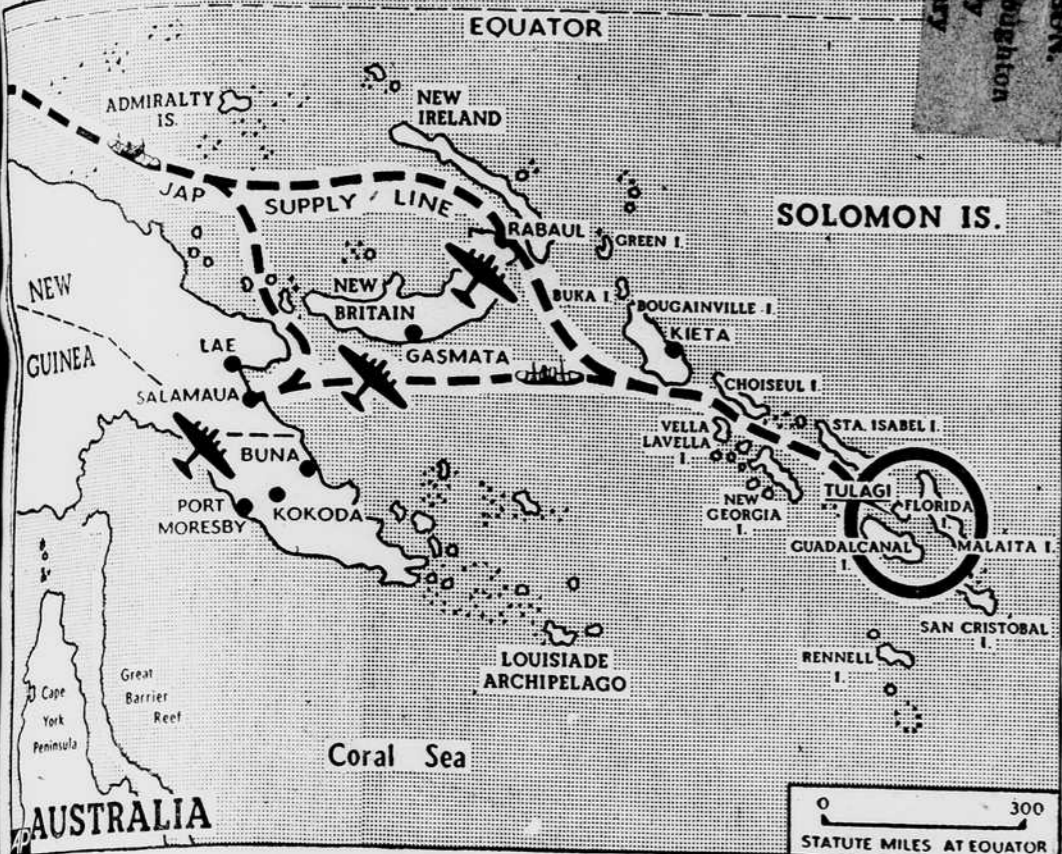


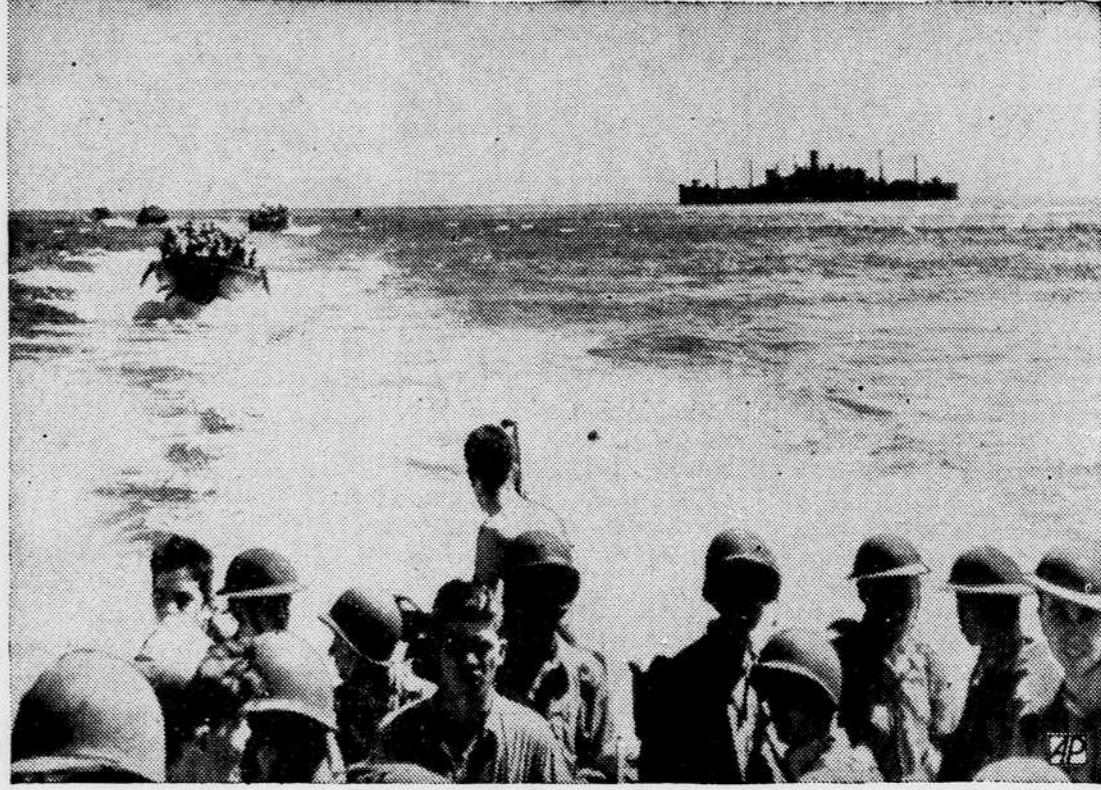
U. S. Marines And Allied Planes Strike At Japs



While United States Marines fought to consolidate their positions in the Solomon Islands (circle), Allied bombers (plane symbols) smashed at key points in Japanese supply lines leading to the Solomons. The Allies' objective in the attacks on the supply lines was to hinder Jap reinforcements on the way to the battle areas. Meanwhile, the Marines appeared to have won the first round of their battle in the Solomons, beating off furious Jap counter-attacks at three invasion beach-heads in the 900-mile-long island chain.

AMERICAN BOMBERS BATTER JAP CONVOY; U. S. GRIPS SOLOMONS

Marines Landing In The Southwest Pacific



Traveling in speedy landing boats, United States Marines leave a Navy transport (right background) and roar toward an island somewhere in the southwest Pacific. This landing was unopposed by the Japs, but a similar landing by the Marines in the Solomon Islands led to the battle still raging there. This is a Marine Corps photo.

HIT REINFORCEMENTS

Allied Planes Are Combing South Seas For Signs Of Enemy Shipping

MAY BE VICTORY HOLD

Navy Announces Task Of Consolidating Beach Heads Progressing

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Flying fortresses and fast attack bombers of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's command were reported battering a Japanese naval convoy in a continuing action tonight off New Guinea to prevent the enemy from reinforcing his Solomon Islands garrisons, already hard pressed by the driving U. S. Marines and the great guns of the Pacific fleet. Australians looked in vain in their newspapers for fresh news of the battle of the Solomons, which lie 1,100 miles northeast of Australia. Informed sources said press and radio reports from Australia purporting to give specific details of the battle were largely guess work. Since the offensive erupted a week ago, the Australians and General MacArthur have released no news on the ebb and flow of the battle. All statements have come from Washington or Pearl Harbor, headquarters of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander of the Pacific fleet.

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Latest Sinkings Announced By Navy Boost Atlantic Total To 425

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The rescue of 87 seamen from three torpedoed merchantmen attacked by enemy submarines in western Atlantic waters was disclosed in dispatches from Recife, Brazil, yesterday.

The latest victims of undersea raiders—the 4,694-ton British freighter Tremarnard, the 6,221-ton British tanker Tricula and the 6,161-ton Norwegian tanker Havsten—raised the Associated Press count of announced allied and neutral ship losses in the western Atlantic to 425 craft since Dec. 7.

Two Argentine ships effected the rescues. The motorship Rio San Juan picked up 57 crew members of the British vessels, and the tanker Junca arrived at Recife with 30 survivors from the Norwegian cargo carrier.

Sinking of a Brazilian tanker by a Nazi submarine operating in the Caribbean was disclosed in reports from that area yesterday, but this loss of neutral Brazil's 12th merchantman since America's entry into the war was withheld from the tabulation pending further details of the attack.

Also withheld from the Atlantic ship-loss compilation pending additional details was the torpedoing of a vessel in the South American area whose survivors included two members of the United States field service. The Americans, C. A. Chapman, of Barrytown, N. Y.

Nazis Pierce Soviet Lines On Don River

Drive Through Defenders South Of Kletskaia, Near Stalingrad

KRASNODAR BREACHED

Russians Reveal Germans Break Through In Southwestern Caucasus

MOSCOW, Saturday, Aug. 15.—(AP)—German troops fighting toward Stalingrad in the Don river bend were reported officially early today to have pierced Russian positions south of Kletskaia, 75 miles northwest of Stalingrad.

"To the south of Kletskaia," a Russian communique said, "our troops fought fierce battles against an enemy group which had broken through to a river."

The communique indicated the Germans had reached the Don river because Kletskaia is only a short distance from the Don, the last natural defense barrier west of the important Volga river port of Stalingrad.

Germans Lose Heavily (The German-controlled Paris radio reported that Siberian troops had arrived to bolster the Stalingrad front and that German airmen "heavily strafed these newly arrived divisions.")

The Russians also acknowledged a Nazi break-through in the Krasnodar area in the southwestern Caucasus despite heavy losses inflicted on the Germans.

"On one of the sectors," the communique said of this front which is northeast of the Black sea port of Novorossick, "the enemy at the cost of large forces was

MORE EXECUTIONS BEGIN IN EUROPE

Germans And Italians Killing Many In Occupied Countries As Reprisals

LONDON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Gen. Wladyslaw Sikorski, premier of the Polish government in London, announced the formation of a Polish armored motor corps for "a future offensive on the continent" today as the spirit of rebellion appeared to be on the rise in Nazi-occupied Europe despite executions and reprisals.

From Norway, Czechoslovakia, Holland, France and Greece came reports of punishment for sabotage and anti-Nazi activities, while via the Moscow radio the French were advised to "prepare for armed struggle" because "the real fight is at hand."

Fighting French headquarters here declined to comment on the broadcast but dispatches from the Soviet capital quoted the Soviet newspaper Pravda as reporting that the French were "preparing for armed struggle" because "the real fight is at hand."

Dutch government officials here openly expressed fears a greater number of victims than originally faced execution might be killed be-

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ROOSEVELT HAILS ATLANTIC CHARTER

President Calls Treaty The Basis For A Just And Happy World

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—President Roosevelt hailed the Atlantic Charter, on its first anniversary today, as the basis of a just and happy post-war world.

It was one year ago today that the president and Prime Minister Winston Churchill, meeting on a warship in the north Atlantic, signed that historic document. It was a joint declaration of the principles for which Britain was fighting and on which the United States, then a neutral, was helping that

country's bases for a post-war settlement were: No territorial gains. No territorial changes except as approved by the people affected. Respect for the rights of all people to choose their own forms of government.

Full access by all nations to world trade and raw materials. Full international economic collaboration.

The establishment of a peace assuring the safety of all nations, and their freedom from want and fear.

Freedom of the seas. Abandonment of the use of force by the nations, and the disarmament of those threatening aggression.

Reaffirming this declaration, Mr. Roosevelt said:

"The Atlantic Charter is a landmark in the history of the world. It is a declaration of the principles for which we are fighting today, and which we hope will guide the world in the years to come."

Confessed Spy Ring Member Tries To Clear Lutheran Pastor

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 14.—(AP)—After Gerhard Wilhelm Kunze, confessed spy ring member, had testified that the Rev. Kurt B. Molzahn had played no part in a plot to deliver American military secrets to the Axis, prosecutor Thomas J. Dodd, Jr., scathing accused the one-time Bund member of being a liar and a

Kunze, who is awaiting sentence under the espionage conspiracy indictment on which Molzahn is on trial, quietly denied the allegations in the questions literally roared out by the prosecutor, and frequently laughed at some of the charges. "You've lied throughout your life. Haven't you?" Dodd demanded.

"No sir," answered Kunze. "You're a Nazi, aren't you?" "I haven't had the opportunity to become one."

Naval Officer Declares U.S. Could Take Kiska If It Was Needed

PEARL HARBOR, Aug. 14.—(AP)—The Japanese "have a toehold as a potential threat" in the westernmost Aleutians but the situation "is not serious" said a ranking naval officer today who returned recently from that area.

The main concentration of enemy forces is in the Kiska area, 600 miles west of Dutch Harbor, this source asserted. They may have ten thousand troops in Kiska, but they face difficult digging in, as that requires dynamiting.

"While I can not discuss strategic operations," said the officer, "I might say if we needed Kiska we could take it. Offensive operations always are costly against a defended position."

The name of the officer can not be disclosed for security reasons. His comment was made in the first official interview here with a participant in the Aleutians fighting.

"If the Japanese try for a major attack they are due for a surprise," said the officer.

The impression given was that operations are to be conducted so hold Harassing ETA SHR SHR SH for the Japanese to maintain their

SOLDIER POLL TAX MAY BE RESCINDED

Senate Committee Appears Ready To Junk Clause On Army Voting

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Members of the Senate elections committee appeared ready today to junk a controversial poll tax clause in the interest of swift passage of a bill permitting members of the armed forces to vote by absentee ballots as long as they remained in the continental United States.

Senator Pepper (D-Fla.) urged the committee to adopt his amendment removing the poll tax requirement, which prevails in six southern states, as a voting prerequisite for soldiers, sailors, marines and Coast Guardsmen.

Senator Lucas (D-Ill.) said a

WEATHER

FORECAST: NORTH CAROLINA—Little change in temperature today.

(Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday): EASTERN STANDARD TIME (By U. S. Weather Bureau)

TAX BILL TO PASS CONGRESS SHORTLY

Expected To Be Approved Before October; Measure Largely Revised

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Senate passage before October 1 of a substantially revised tax bill was predicted today by chairman George (D-Ga.) as the finance committee wound up three weeks of public hearings on the new revenue measure voted by the House in July.

Although George declined to speculate on detailed changes in the bill, which would add \$6,271,000,000 to yearly federal revenues as it passed the House, he told reporters that testimony taken by the committee had made it apparent to him, at least, that some alterations were necessary in major sections of the measure.

Business Representatives have concentrated most of their criticism

Wilmingtonian Injured In Navy Airplane Crash

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Navy hospital officials said tonight that Ensign Edward C. Wilmington, N. C., formerly of Cadet Robert Frederick Wilkie, 21, who were injured in the crash of their naval training plane near Clinton, Md., Wednesday, were still "seriously ill but improving."

The two were stationed at a reserve aviation base here and were on a routine flight when injured. Wilmington's address was listed as general agent, Atlantic Coast Line railroad, Norfolk, Va., and 1516 V street, Washington, Wilkie's address was given as Prospect, Ky.

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He recited reports of shortages of vital materials and shut downs of war plants and declared they threatened America's present military positions abroad.

"The time has come," said Tolan, "for Mr. Nelson to use the

BIG MALTA CONVOY HIT HARD BY AXIS

British Announce Loss Of Carrier And Cruiser In Mediterranean

LONDON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—A British convoy defied swarms of Axis warplanes, submarines and torpedo boats and fought its way through bomb-splashed seas, to deliver supplies to the embattled mid-Mediterranean fortress of Malta at the cost of the cruiser Manchester and the aircraft carrier Eagle, the Admiralty announced today.

Axis claims of sinking 21 cargo ships, two destroyers and three cruisers as well as the Eagle were curtly branded as known exaggerations by the Admiralty statement. The Axis also claimed damage to two battleships, two carriers and an unspecified number of other ships.

The bulk of the British ships, shepherded by several British battleships as well as aircraft carriers, weathered what was believed to have been the heaviest air attack yet directed against a Mediterranean convoy.

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Nazi Bund Youth Leader Charged With Conspiracy, Tenders Plea Of Guilty

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Hugo Richard Steimle, 29-year-old youth leader of the German American Bund, pleaded guilty today to an indictment alleging conspiracy to counsel Bund members to violate the Alien Registration Act.

Federal Judge Eugene Rice remanded Steimle to jail pending the trial of 25 other Bund leaders named in the indictment and in another indictment charging some of them with counseling Bund members to violate the Selective Service Act.

The indictments, returned July 7, named 29 leaders of the Bund living in all parts of the nation. Three already have pleaded guilty.

The trial of the 25 is scheduled to begin Aug. 18.

Oil Company Reveals Little Trick Of Conserving Precious Gasoline

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 14.—(AP)—every motorist should agree to, said J. N. Pew, Sun Oil president. "It's only the beginning of things that can be accomplished if really great automotive engineers will pick up where we leave off and carry on this research."

As explained by John G. Moxey, assistant chief engineer of the company's research department, the method boils down to three steps: Removing valve lifters from every other cylinder so that both intake and exhaust valves remain closed; pinching together the points on spark plugs in the non-working cylinders so there will be no ignition spark; and carburetor adjust-

Indian Lull Disrupted As Police Fire On Mob

BOMBAY, India, Saturday, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Eight demonstrators were wounded today when police fired into a crowd of demonstrators in Calcutta, ending a period of quiet in the All-India Congress party's campaign for independence for India.

The demonstrators in India's great eastern city interfered with street car service, cut telephone wires and smashed fire alarm boxes.

Mounted police dispersed a crowd at Rajkot which attempted to picket the secretariat of the Western Indian States agency.

Delhi was quiet but two big

OPA WILL SMASH BLACK MARKETS

Surface 'Only Scratched' Say Attorneys As Investigation Begins

CLEVELAND, Aug. 14.—(AP)—OPA attorneys, threatening criminal actions, said tonight a suit filed here "only scratched the surface" in their nation-wide drive to break a "black market" in steel, no. 1 war commodity.

Accusing steel operator Willard P. Markle of charging 68 per cent in excess of legal ceiling prices, the OPA attorneys today obtained a temporary injunction against the former Houston, Tex., warehouseman. Their civil suit said he had bought 80 tons of steel and sold it to the New Orleans shipbuilding interests of Andrew J. Higgins, Judge Robert N. Wilkin set the suit for hearing Aug. 24.

Markle, who is in a Cleveland hospital for removal of a cataract, told a reporter the steel he sold was fabricated material on which he knew of no ceiling prices.

"Those men are talking through their hats when they say I made 68 per cent profit," the 72-year-old defendant declared. "I sold at prices based on cost plus freight rates, allowing a small profit for

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Chilean President To Visit Nation At FDR's Invitation

SANTIAGO, Chile, Aug. 14.—(AP)—President Juan Antonio Rios will leave about mid-October to visit the United States at President Roosevelt's invitation, an informed source said today, and a prominent newspaper pointed out the Chilean executive would have a chance to "clarify our present position" regarding the Axis.

El Mercurio said "it is no secret our relations with the North American Democracy has suffered through an erroneous interpretation which some circles have given on the attitude of Chile toward the war."

"It seems necessary to seek new methods to clarify our present position and there is no doubt the personal contact of the presidents of Chile and the United States will bring a complete understanding of our respective viewpoints."

Chile and Argentina are the only South American nations which have not cut diplomatic ties with the Axis.

NAVY ACTS FAST IN PLANT STRIKE

Takes Over Large Cable Company; Employees 'Glad Uncle Sam Is Boss'

BAYONEE, N. J., Aug. 14.—(AP)—The Navy seized the General Cable company's Bayon plant today to end a wildcat walkout and the strikers enthusiastically returned to work for "Uncle Sam, our new boss."

"We're all damn glad it happened," said Michael P. Petrakian, strike committee chairman. "We have a real boss!"

But the jubilation brought from Washington indication the Government had no intention of turning the seizure into a victory for workers who had walked out of their jobs despite the plea of the War Labor Board and their own union leaders.

The strike began Monday midnight when 1,000 workers tied up production of cable for Army and Navy after the War Labor Board

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