

SOVIETS PURSUE NAZIS PAST CAPTURED SMOLENSK

Allies Seize Mountain Tops Around Naples

Airmen Take Toll Of Germans Attempting To Flee From Corsica

PRISONERS CAPTURED More French Troops Land On Corsica And Cooperate With Allies

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Sept. 22.—(Delayed)—American and British ground forces have smashed their way to the mountain tops guarding the smoke-filled plain of Naples, headquarters announced today, as Allied airmen took a growing toll of German troops attempting to flee by plane from Corsica to Italy.

The American Fifth army pressed its onslaught day and night against the strong German mountain defense line. The total of Nazi prisoners taken since Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's forces landed at Salerno rose to well over 2,000.

F. W. BELL QUILTS DEFENSE POSITION

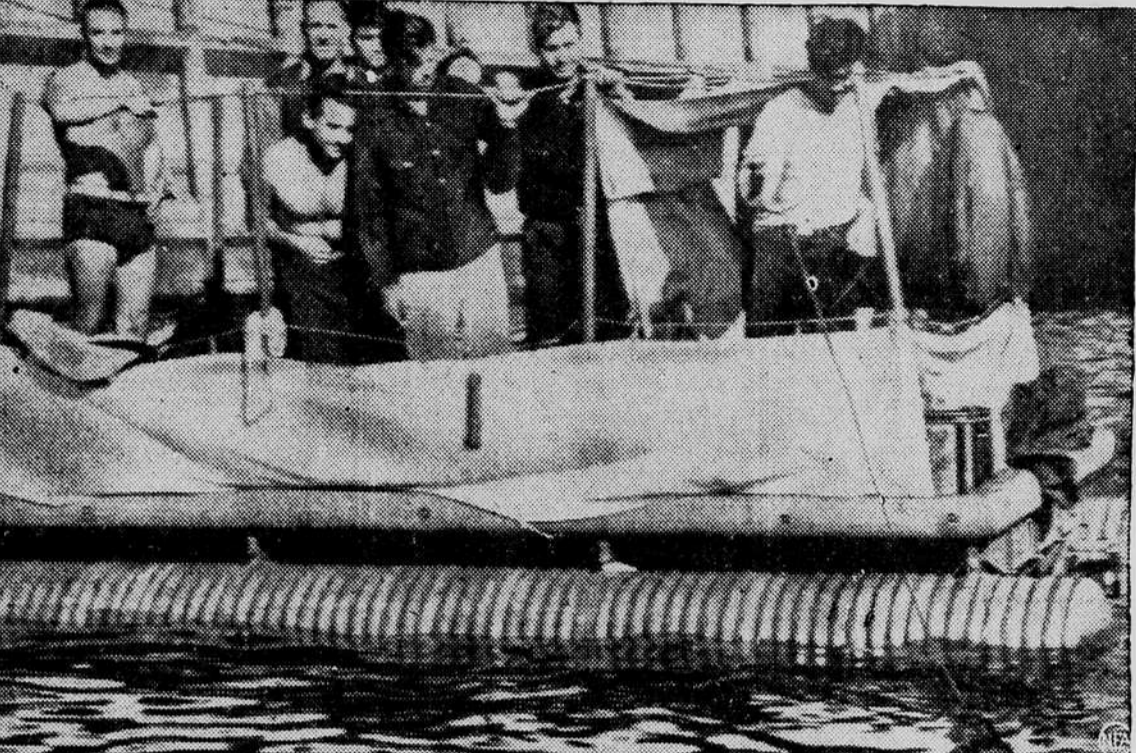
Plans To Return To Post With Large Tobacco Company In Turkey

The New Hanover County Defense council has accepted the resignation of its coordinator, Franklin W. Bell, who will leave Monday for Washington and New York to complete plans to return to his executive position with a large tobacco firm in Istanbul, Turkey, after an absence of two years.

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA: Moderate temperature Sunday and Sunday evening.

"MAROONED" UNTIL OREGON REACHES BOND QUOTA



The seven men in the photo above don't know how Oregon's Third War Bond drive is going, but they hope it's going well. Set adrift in a lifeboat, 65 feet out in the Willamette River to publicize the state's \$104,000,000 goal, they vowed to remain "at sea" until the quota was achieved.

Third War Loan Drive Reaches \$5,000,000 Here

SHORT OF GOAL N. C. Bond Purchases Total \$110,000,000

WINSTON-SALEM, Sept. 25.—(AP)—North Carolina citizens have bought \$110,000,000 worth of Third Loan securities, or 76 per cent of the quota of \$145,000,000. State War Bond Chairman Clarence T. Leinbach of Winston-Salem announced tonight.

NIPPONESE NAVY PULLS IN HORNS

No Mention Made Of Sinking Of Japanese Craft Since August 7

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Sept. 26 (Sunday)—(P)—The Japanese navy has pulled in its horns during recent weeks of the Allied offensive in New Guinea and the Solomons.

F. D. R. Asks Nation To Note 'Victory Fleet Day' By Purchasing More Bonds

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(P)—Shipyards will celebrate "victory fleet day" on Monday — second anniversary of the launching of the first Liberty ship — and President Roosevelt asks that all Americans join in the observance by buying war bonds.

F. R. Names Stettinius To Welles' Post

Leo Crowley Heads New Office Of Foreign Economic Administration

LEHMAN APPOINTED Named Special Assistant To Make Plans For Relief Meet Nov. 9

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(P)—President Roosevelt, in a three-way move to bolster his foreign policy and foreign economic administration, tonight names 42-year-old Chicago-born Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., as undersecretary of state to succeed the Sumner Welles, who resigned.

HULL MAY ATTEND MOSCOW MEETING

New Ambassador May Accompany American Delegation To Red Capital

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(P)—High importance of the Moscow conference on American-British Soviet war and post-war collaboration appeared increasingly likely tonight to bring attendance of Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

AMERICANS RAID ST. OMER FIELD

British Attack Rail And Water Transport Targets In France

LONDON, Sept. 25.—(P)—American Marauder bombers blasted the Longueueuse airfield at St. Omer in northern France today and British planes attacked rail and water transport targets in northern France and Belgium and sank a medium sized supply vessel off Den Helder in north Holland, it was announced tonight.

Report On Rail Workers' Raise Plea Given To F. R.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(P)—An emergency board created to hear demands of approximately 600,000 railroad operating employees for a 30 per cent wage increase submitted its report today to President Roosevelt.

SPEARHEADS CRACKING GREAT DNEIPEP RIVER FRONT AT SIX PLACES

Germany Features Peace Talk In Propaganda Drive

LONDON, Sept. 25.—(P)—While the breath of military disaster blew cold upon their necks in Russia today, the Germans went to work on another propaganda campaign featuring peace rumors from many quarters.

Australian Troops Near Japs' Finschhafen Base

SET UP BEACHHEAD Outnumbered Lightnings Turn Back Strong Enemy Air Formation

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Sunday, Sept. 26.—(P)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today that Australian troops have fought their way against Japanese opposition across the Bumi river within three quarters of a mile of the enemy air and supply depot base of Finschhafen, New Guinea.

JAILED UAW CHIEF ORDERED RELEASED

CIO Official Found In Contempt Of Court By Judge In Texas

AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 25.—(P)—Chief Justice James P. Alexander of the Texas supreme court tonight granted a writ of habeas corpus for the release of R. J. Thomas, president of the United Automobile Workers (CIO), from Travis county jail.

FLORIDA SHIPYARD RESUMES ACTIVITY

Disagreement Over Employment Of Wilmington Man Reported Settled

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Sept. 25.—(P)—Full scale operations were resumed today at the St. Johns River Shipbuilding Company yards after a three-day work stoppage resulting from a labor dispute.

AIMING AT ORSHA

Soviet Forces Are Pressing Along Famous Moscow-Minsk Highway

MOSCOW CELEBRATES Most Important Enemy Center Of Resistance Freed From Nazis

LONDON, Sunday, Sept. 26.—(P)—Soviet columns pounded on the past captured Smolensk, the Red army's greatest 1943 victory, in pursuit of the fleeing Germans, Moscow dispatches said today, as some reports said Russian spearheads had cracked the great Dnieper river line at a half dozen points from Smolensk to tottering Kiev.

America Suffers 3,497 Casualties At Salerno

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—The War department reported today that American casualties at Salerno up to and including September 15 totaled 3,497 killed, wounded and missing.

They were aiming now at Orsha, 65 miles beyond the fallen central front bastion, and also at Vitebsk on the highway to Latvia. At Vitebsk, 75 miles northwest of Smolensk the Germans have erected powerful defenses around the Vitebsk lakes.

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Flank Turned

The capture of Smolensk turned the northern flank of the Dnieper river line the Germans expected to hold as an east wall deep in Russia.

Crossing Dnieper

Meanwhile London newspapers, quoting Reuters dispatches from Moscow, said that Russian troops were fighting their way across the Dnieper at several points. They did not make clear, however, whether the west bank had been reached and held. The capture of Smolensk involved a crossing of the Dnieper at its headwaters where