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## Reds Force Nazis Into Retreat

### China Warns Of 'Grave Danger' Of New Offensive

#### Major Drive Is Believed Imminent

Chungking Government Announces Possession of Japanese Map Showing Extended Limits for 'Co-Prosperity Sphere.'

China sounded a rare note of alarm today, warning that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's armies faced a "very grave" danger in the five-year war with Japan amid signs that a major Japanese offensive against China was imminent.

While allied warplanes slashed at the invaders on the approaches to Australia and in Burma, a Chinese government spokesman said Japanese reinforcements were pouring into Burma and that 500 Japanese planes were massed there on a scale "out of proportion with their land operations."

The spokesman said the Chungking government had come into possession of an officially approved Japanese map, published in Tokyo, showing that Japan's "co-prosperity sphere" for greater East Asia.

The projected sphere's western boundary, he said, ran up the Persian gulf, then to the Caspian sea and on to the Ural mountains.

According to present indications, the next item on the Japanese program is a major offensive against China, the spokesman declared.

General Harold Alexander's Third British force still slowly retreating from Burma into India, RAF warplanes again pounded the Burmese port of Akyab and attacked Japanese river craft in northwest Burma.

In the battle of Australia, General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters reported that allied forces probably destroyed two Japanese transports in an attack on shipping at Koepang, Dutch Timor, while enemy warplanes attacked the allied base at Port Moresby, New Guinea, in the heaviest raid in three months.

An armada of 34 Japanese bombers and 15 fighters attacked the port yesterday, the 52nd raid there since the war began. General MacArthur reported that allied interceptors shot down one heavy bomber, probably destroyed three others and damaged three enemy fighters.

#### High Court Hears Motion In Pelley Case

Raleigh, May 19.—(AP)—A motion asserting there was a conflict of jurisdiction between North Carolina and federal courts on charges against William Dudley Pelley was today by counsel for the Silver Shirts leader.

The high court took the motion under advisement after allowing Attorney General Harry McMillan to file an answer for the State which contended "there is no conflict of jurisdiction and the allegation that such conflict is likely is purely speculative."

#### Solons Back WPB Order On Building

Increased Munitions Production of 25 Per Cent Forecast as Result of Tapering Off in Construction of New Plants.

Washington, May 19.—(AP)—A 25 per cent increase in output from present facilities was forecast today by congressional leaders who unanimously backed the war production board decision to taper off plant expansion in order to accelerate the immediate delivery of weapons.

Several senators predicted that the policy of channeling vital materials into ships, planes, tanks and guns instead of into new manufacturing facilities would bring a flood of protest from communities disappointed by the curbing of plant contracts. But Senator Van Nuys, Democrat, Indiana, as well as others, said he was prepared to support the board's ruling nevertheless.

Senator George, Democrat, Georgia, told reporters it was his opinion that an average increase of 25 per cent might be obtained almost immediately in the production of all types of ordnance if additional raw materials were made available to war contractors.

Concurring, Senator Pepper, Democrat, Florida, said he had been informed that some aircraft factories could boost their present output by 30 per cent, without additional machinery, if they were assured a maximum supply of materials.

The federal works administration disclosed meanwhile that it was re-examining the 1,400 projects on its program with a view of halting work on any not deemed indispensable to the war effort.

There was a general feeling in Congress that the WPB decision to concentrate on immediate rather than long range production could be regarded as indicating there was some hope of ending the war victoriously in 1943.

"If we can hold the axis in check this year," Pepper declared, "we know that by next year we will be so far ahead of them in military production from present facilities that they will never catch up with us."

#### DAUGHTER BORN TO ALICE FAYE

Hollywood, May 19.—(AP)—There's a new member of the Phil Harris family.

A daughter, weight seven pounds, two-one-half ounces, was born at 2:38 o'clock this morning to Mrs. Harris, known professionally as Alice Faye.

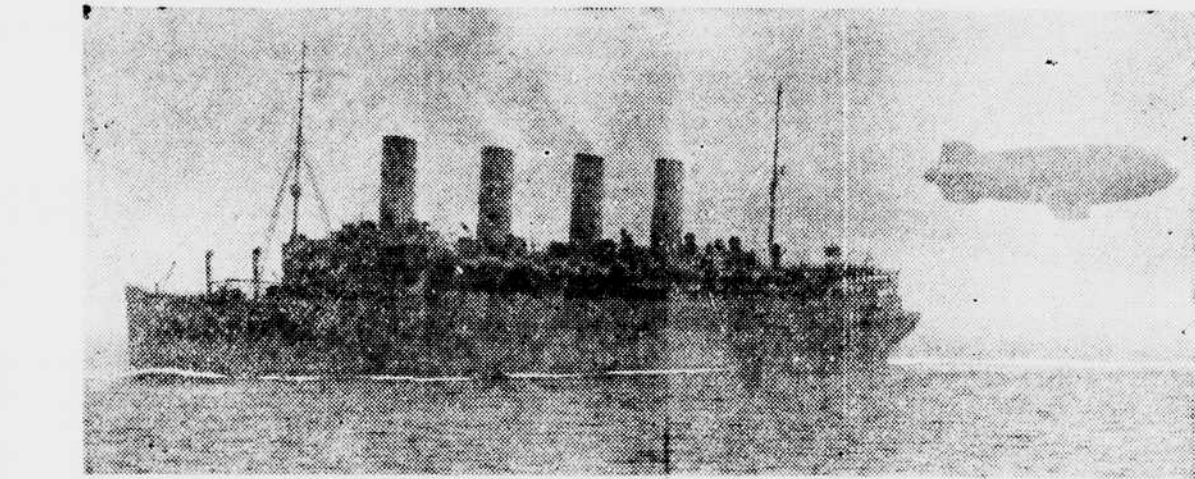
#### Vital Meeting Of Governors At Asheville

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Six Walter Hotel, By BOB THOMPSON

Raleigh, May 19.—One of the most important meetings ever held in North Carolina will be the governor's conference in Asheville June 21 to 24. It also will be one of the most important meetings the governors ever held.

Thirty-two governors already have accepted, according to Frank Bane, secretary of the conference, and several others are undecided. The part the several state governments should play in the war effort and the federal government's attitude toward the states will be among the questions discussed.

#### U. S. Sea and Air Units Guard Atlantic Convoy



One of the biggest ships in an Atlantic convoy (top) is seen hazily through an early morning mist as it ploughed towards one of our far-flung battle zones carrying the sinews of war. Keeping watch over the ship is a Navy blimp. Two fire control men are shown at their post aboard an escorting warship (bottom).

#### British War Effort Criticised

##### Raid Alarm In New York

New York, May 19.—(AP)—Major General Follett Bradley, commanding the headquarters air force of the eastern defense command, announced today that a "blue" alarm sounded for the New York area at 11:06 a. m. EWT and the all clear signal followed at 11:25 a. m.

No reason was given for the alarm.

NBC announced its station WJVA was off the air for 25 minutes.

##### Slackness Is Charged

Insurgents Demand Personal Appearance of Churchill to Answer His Critics.

London, May 19.—(AP)—Insurgent members of the House of Commons demanded today that Prime Minister Churchill personally appear in the House to answer charges of slackness in the war effort.

The insurgents smashed the even tenor of a war debate with angry criticism of the opposing statement by Clement R. Attlee, dominions secretary, who told the House that the possibility of opening a western front against Germany "is in our minds" but that "every move on the board is conditioned by transport problems."

RHYS John Davies, laborite, Sir John Wardlaw-Milne, conservative (Churchill's party), John McGovern, independent laborite, and even unimpaired Oliver Stanley, conservative and former secretary of state for war, joined in the clamor against the war policy of Churchill's government.

Prime Minister Churchill did not take part in the debate, which ranged from the battles in Soviet Russia to Australia and India and Burma.

"What the people wish to know is that the government is determined to deliver a great attack on the enemy in the west," Arthur Greenwood, former minister without portfolio, had said.

##### Big Canadian Liner Is Sunk

Ottawa, May 19.—(AP)—The loss of the 16,000-ton liner Empress of Asia was announced today by her owners, Canadian Pacific Steamships. She had been in war service.

The liner served as transport in two wars and was long known on the Canada-Orient run.

#### New Oil Pipelines Begun To Ease East's Shortage

Washington, May 19.—(AP)—Petroleum Coordinator Ickes announced today that work had begun on the first of six projects in a far reaching pipeline relocation program intended to help relieve the oil situation in the east.

The program, intended to increase by approximately 200,000 barrels daily the eastward oil flow, is in addition to the proposal for a huge, 1,500-mile line from Texas to New York, on which President Roosevelt yesterday asked an investigation as to feasibility.

Construction of these two legs of the project, according to engineering reports, will increase by 20,000 barrels daily the crude delivery in the Chicago area, and of this amount 25,000 barrels can be moved, on eastward mainly through existing pipelines. It will be necessary, however, to build 150 miles of used eight-inch pipe along the Illinois Pipeline Co.'s main line running eastward across Ohio from Lima, and to reverse the flow of the Tuscarora pipeline across Pennsylvania.

#### Doolittle Led Raid On Japan

Identity of Leader Revealed in Washington as He and 79 Others in Historic Raid Receive Medals; All Bombs Struck Home.

Washington, May 19.—(AP)—"Practically every bomb" which American fliers showered on Japan April 18 appeared to have hit their targets, the raids' leader—Brigadier General James H. M. Doolittle—said today, and he numbered among these such vital objectives as the navy yard south of Tokyo and an aircraft factory near Nogoya.

The identity of the leader was disclosed today in a White House ceremony at which President Roosevelt presented to General Doolittle—"Jimmy" Doolittle of peacetime speed records—the Congressional Medal of Honor.

To 79 others in the historic foray went the Distinguished Service Cross.

"One salvo made a direct hit on a new cruiser or battleship under construction in the navy yard, Doolittle related in a statement, and 'left it in flames.'"

The aircraft plant was strewn with incendiary bombs "along a quarter of a mile" of its length, he added.

Japanese planes gave the raiders little trouble, their leader reported, and not much difficulty was encountered in getting to the objective in the sensational raid, which threw Japan into confusion and gave a great lift to the morale of the United Nations, aside from inflicting important damage.

Doolittle said that the squadron of American planes came in just over the housetops, and dropped bombs from 1,500 feet. The low level flying, he said, made it difficult to observe results of the bombs.

"It appeared to us," the flying general declared, "that practically every bomb reached the target for which it was intended. We would like to have hurried and watched the later developments of fire and explosions, but even so we were fortunate to receive a fairly detailed report from the expected Japanese radio broadcasts. It took them several hours to calm down to desperation and accusation."

will increase deliveries to Cushing, via the Texas Pipeline Co. system, by 15,000 barrels daily, Ickes estimated.

The second section will involve stepping up the capacities of the Texas-Empire Pipe Co.'s system from Cushing to Sheldon, Mo., and from Valley Center, Kan., to Sheldon by 30,000 barrels daily. This will be accomplished by installing extra pumping equipment and laying 32 miles of additional line, using new pipe already on hand. June 1 was given as the probable completion date.

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If that could not be done immediately, Representative McCormack, Democrat, Massachusetts, said a pipeline should be built across Florida.

#### Large City Is Captured In Ukraine

Marshal Timoshenko's Armies Advance Between 30 and 40 Miles on 60-Mile Front; Big AEF Arrives in Ireland.

(By The Associated Press) Marshal S e m e o n Timoshenko's Red armies were reported hammering the Germans into retreat in the eight-day old battle of Kharkov today, advancing between 30 and 40 miles on a 60-mile front, crushing tank-led counter attacks and wiping out nazi parachute troops.

Front line dispatches said Russian cavalrymen, charging wildly across a pontoon bridge under an umbrella of warplanes, had captured "a large inhabited locality" in a further advance on the big Ukraine steel city.

Soviet tanks followed the horsemen, while Red warplanes shot down 17 German aircraft which vainly attempted to break up the assault.

The unidentified locality may have been Belgorod, about 25 miles north of Kharkov, or Zimiev, twelve miles south of Kharkov. The capture of either point would create a serious flanking threat to the Germans.

London military quarters said the Russian offensive, which began with a 35-mile breach through the German lines, was now sweeping forward at varying depth on a 120-mile line.

Soviet dispatches declared Russian shock troops were "breaking enemy resistance" and said the Germans were already showing signs of strain as wave after wave of reserves failed to stem the advance of Timoshenko's men.

More than 2,700 Germans were reported killed or wounded, in addition to 12,000 previously announced.

On the whole, Adolf Hitler appeared to have an increasingly gloomy outlook not only in the Russian campaign but at Germany's backdoor along the English channel "invasion coast."

This was emphasized anew with disclosure that the biggest AEF contingent of the war—tens of thousands of fresh United States troops with their own tanks and artillery—had arrived to bolster earlier forces training in northern Ireland.

A responsible London source declared the arrival of the new contingent, equipped with millions of

#### Lawmakers Get Gas

Stewart Points to Compensations of Office; Air Raid on Capital Feared.

By CHARLES F. STEWART (Central Press Columnist)

Washington, May 19.—Being a United States senator or representative has its compensations.