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## Chrysler's Workers Returning To Jobs; Others Remain Idle

Killed in Air Battle



COMMANDER IN CHIEF of the combined Jap fleet, Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto, was killed in "air combat" according to an announcement by Radio Tokyo from Imperial Japanese Headquarters. He was the Jap leader who once said he would dictate peace terms in the White House. (International)

## 30,000 CIO Unionists Still Out in Rubber Plants; Coal Accord Not Reached

(By The Associated Press)

Back to work movements restored war production today to all of a half dozen struck plants of the Chrysler Corporation and to two of four major rubber companies as the War Labor Board pressed toward a final decision in the soft coal dispute.

Some 30,000 CIO unionists remained idle at the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company and the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company at Akron, although workers at the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company and the General Tire and Rubber Company were returning to their jobs after a week-end stoppage precipitated by a WLB wage decision.

The Chrysler walkout, which began last Thursday and ultimately left 24,000 workers idle, was ended formally yesterday by a back-to-work vote by two CIO automobile workers at Detroit. Most of the strikers had ignored a regional WLB order to return to work Saturday.

A company spokesman said the day shifts reported for work at about full strength, although absenteeism was "a little over normal." In Washington, the WLB, despite a special Sunday session, ruled out any possibility of deciding the coal case before tomorrow night at the earliest. A detailed report from a three-man fact-finding panel laying much stress on the miners' demand for portal-to-portal pay, will provide the basis for the board's verdict.

## Attu Commander



IN COMMAND of U. S. Army troops on Attu in the Aleutians is Maj. Gen. Eugene M. Landrum, according to an announcement by Secretary of War Stimson. This photo was taken in the Anderson Islands when Landrum was a brigadier general. (International)

## Conferees Can't Agree On Tax Plan

## Senate-House Group at Variance on Pay-as-You-Go Taxes; GOP Backs Ruml Idea

Washington, May 24—(AP)—A joint conference committee failed again today to reach any compromise of Senate and House differences on pay-as-you-go taxes, but scheduled another meeting tomorrow morning. Democratic members from both houses arranged to meet later in further attempts to agree on a compromise which they might be able to vote through the conference over the objection of the Republican supporters of a modified version of the Ruml skip-a-year legislation passed by the Senate.

## Stocks Go In Narrow Lines

Wall Street, New York, May 24—(AP)—Stocks generally were unable to get anywhere in today's market. Bonds held to a narrow course. Commodities improved.

Resistance was exhibited by Union Pacific, Standard Oil of N. J., Montgomery Ward, Woolworth, Sears-Roebuck, Bethlehem, International Harvester, Philip Morris and Consolidated Edison. Backward were U. S. Steel, Pennsylvania, American Telephone and Telegraph, Chrysler, General Motors, U. S. Rubber, Goodrich, Boeing, Allied Chemical and Western Union.

## Cotton Stages Sharp Advance

New York, May 24—(AP)—Cotton futures opened five to 20 cents a bale higher. Noon prices were 40 to 75 cents a bale higher. July 20, 18, October 19.90, December 19.79.

## Hundreds More Families Moved From Flood Areas

(By The Associated Press) Evacuation of hundreds more families, continued today in the flooded middle west, but officials optimistic reports indicated the spreading waters of the Mississippi, Missouri and Illinois rivers may have at last reached their destructive crest. However, about 50,000 acres more were in the path of flood water which collapsed the Wolf Lake levee extending five miles along the Illinois side of the Mississippi south of the town of Wolf Lake and near the confluence of the big muddy rivers.

# 2,000 TONS OF BOMBS DROPPED ON DORTMUND

## HAPPY AXIS TROOPS ON WAY TO PRISON CAMP



APPEARING MORE LIKE VICTORS than a group of captives, these Axis troops sing and shout jubilantly as they head toward a prison camp somewhere in Tunisia. The French policemen leading them through Tunis seen pretty pleased about the whole thing too. (International)

## Air Attack Is Greatest In History

## British Lose 38 Bombers; Endless Stream of Planes Fly East for Two Hours

London, May 24—(AP)—In the greatest air attack in history, the RAF dropped more than 2,000 tons of bombs last night on industrial Dortmund and raided other targets up and down the water-logged Ruhr valley of Germany. Scores of four and two ton bombs and tons of thousands of incendiaries kindled vast blazes in Dortmund, the smoke of which licked angrily into the sky three miles above the city of 500,000.

The weight of explosives loosed last night topped the previous record of more than 1,500 tons dumped May 12 on Duisburg, also in the Ruhr. The importance of Dortmund has increased greatly recently because the saturation bombing of Essen had caused the shipping in Dortmund of many war industries. The British lost 38 bombers. The returning pilots described the hammer blow as highly successful, although accurate observation was obscured by clouds of smoke and flames.

The magnitude of last night's raid became apparent early in the evening when watchers on the Channel coast saw the procession of bombers pass non-stop for two hours toward their targets. It gave life to the words of Winston Churchill before the American Congress last week, suggesting that Germany and Italy might be bombed out of the war.

The Ruhr valley, which cradles a great percentage of Germany's coal, coke and steel industries, already was pockmarked from one end to the other by previous British raids which have cut sharply into war production. Only a week ago, mine-tossing Lancaster bombers leaped the great Eder and Moselle dams which supplied power and water to the Ruhr and Westphalia. The dam breaks loosed vast destruction floods.

Trip of 700 Miles Dortmund is the southernmost city of the Ruhr and the terminus of the Dortmund-Munster canal. It is the main transportation outlet from the Ruhr and the Westphalian coal basin. To get to it, the RAF flew 700 miles round trip. The heaviest bombers in the British bombers began their record-breaking effort to cripple Germany's war position a month ago when more than 600 planes captured Pilsen and Mannheim. That was the strongest force since the 1,000 bomber assault of last year.

The loss of 38 bombers was the highest price paid by the RAF since it spent 55 on Pilsen and Mannheim. Continuous Bombing During May, the RAF has been over Germany ten nights, four of them in great strength. Berlin has been attacked 48 times.

The German communiqué, broadcast by Berlin and heard by the Associated Press, said "considerable damage was caused by enemy bomber formations" which dropped numerous explosive and incendiary

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## Jap Attack May Be Opening Of Long Aleutians Struggle

(By The Associated Press) Official announcements from both Washington and Tokyo disclosed today that American forces attacking Attu island in the opening of north Pacific operations had drawn their first reaction from outside Japanese forces, possibly indicating the beginning of a long drawn out struggle in the Aleutians.

Making their second air attack in as many days, sixteen Japanese twin-engine bombers were engaged at Attu by United States Army Lightnings yesterday and five of the enemy aircraft were shot down. The Navy announced that one of the pilots was rescued.

At the same time, the Navy announced that Japanese resistance on the island was gradually crumbling and some of the enemy pockets had been liquidated.

Fifteen two-engine Japanese planes successfully attacked two United States warships sailing in the attack on the westernmost island held by the enemy, the Navy announced yesterday. It gave no details.

Apparently caught flat-footed by the event of an American offensive in the long northern sea, between Asia and America, the Japanese made their first effort to come to the assistance of their beleaguered garrison which already was cut into three isolated pieces.

Today, the Tokyo radio, broadcasting an Imperial headquarters communique, claimed that Japanese submarines as well as aircraft had begun counter operations. It asserted, without confirmation, that a United States destroyer had been sunk and another damaged, two cruisers damaged, a battleship damaged,

and two additional warships of unspecified type damaged—a total of seven ships.

There was no indication as to where the planes operated from, but they may have been sent from Japan's northern navy base Parashiro, 630 miles west of Attu.

Meanwhile, Chinese semi-official sources warned of Japanese preparations for an apparent large scale offensive up the Yangtze river from Ichang in a possible effort to reach Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's provincial capital at Chungking. The central news agency said the equivalent of four or five Japanese divisions were being concentrated at Ichang, 460 miles east of Chungking.

In the southwest Pacific Allied fighters and Boston machine-gunned B-24s and B-25s, used to transport supplies along the New Guinea Kavieng airbase and harbor in New Ireland. Other raiders visited Gasmata and Cape Gloucester.

## Education Body Moves Carefully

## Erwin Pledges Cooperation With Yelton to Best Interests of Children of State

Raleigh, May 24—(AP)—The State Board of Education, realizing that the best being taken would "have due consideration for the future of public education in the State," entered today upon a detailed discussion by a special committee.

Yelton is a committee of the board. He has declined to accept nomination without first giving consideration to the entire report. It is expected deliberations after Clyde A. Erwin, State superintendent of public instruction, promised that he and Comptroller Nathan Yelton would work in close harmony for the best of all public school children in the State, who are spending \$20,000,000 a year for maintenance of public free schools.

A supplemental list of city and county superintendents was approved. It included E. S. Johnson, of Washington, W. A. Mahler, of Tarboro, and P. T. Fugate, of Elm City.

## Conference Talks Appalachian Small Industries Future

Raleigh, May 24—(AP)—More than 50 representatives of farm organizations, colleges, industries and agriculture departments in Virginia, Tennessee and North Carolina met today to further the development of small industries in the Appalachian area.

Governor Broughton asserted the "low-water period will be the test time of democracy" and that "the Appalachian area has an abundance of things the nation needs. If the vast resources could only be manufactured or made into finished products, the Appalachian would be a vast trader with the rest of the nation."

The natural resources of the region, the governor said at the 24-day meeting, have been exploited by the traditional American regard for cream and disregard for skimmed milk. Lacking industries of its own, he said, the region has been forced to trade the richness of its minerals and forests and the labor of its people for goods manufactured elsewhere.

## Consumers Seek Voice About Food

Hot Springs, Va., May 24—(AP)—Chairman Marvin Jones voiced general agreement today with a proposal of the British delegation to the United Nations food conference that consumers should have representation along with producers in determining post-war policy.

In a statement made before the conference yesterday, Chairman Richard K. Law, of the British delegation, urged the establishment of an international agricultural authority to help secure maximum production of foods and staple crops. It proposed that consumer representatives be allowed to participate in the decision.

Asked if the "pilot under" policy of the committee would find its way into plans for the future, the conference chairman said he hoped that "the long range program a way can be found to use, in the interest of people everywhere, the maximum production that can be had."

## Editor Taylor, 73, Of Dallas, Native Tar Heel, Passes

Dallas, Texas, May 24—(AP)—Joseph J. Taylor, 73, editor-in-chief of the Dallas Morning News, died today. He had been connected with the News since 1904. For years he conducted a column called "State Press" which was widely read throughout the southwest. He was a native of Wilson, N. C., and moved to Texas in 1884.

## Penn Wreck Is Worst In Many Years

Delaware, N. J., May 24—(AP)—A creek Pennsylvania railroad passenger train being north from Atlantic City to New York with nearly 1,500 passengers, homeward bound after a week-end at the seashore, wrecked on a curve in this southern New Jersey community last night, killing 14 persons and injuring at least 20 others.

At the result of a down today, weary workers gave up the search for missing bodies. The task of clearing the right of way, blocked since the crash at 10:08 p. m. and in two hospitals at Camden, three miles south of Deloit, police and railroad officials began the grim task of attempting to identify nine horribly mangled bodies, including those of a mother and child to which she gave birth in the wreck. Both were decapitated. Five of the other unidentified dead were women.

It was the Pennsylvania's worst wreck in years.

## MEREDITH COLLEGE BURSAR DIES AT 58

Raleigh, May 24—(AP)—Foller Broughton Hamrick, 58, bursar and treasurer of Meredith college since 1929, died early today after a brief illness.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 at the First Baptist church here.

## WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Occasional rain and showers this afternoon and tonight. No decided change in temperature but slight rising tendency in interior.

## To Vote Tuesday On Anti-Poll Tax Measure in House

Washington, May 24—(AP)—The House opened the way today for a vote tomorrow on anti-poll tax legislation by discharging its tax committee from further consideration of the measure.

The House action came despite a declaration by Representative Cox (D-Ga.) that the legislation is "a bid for Negro support" and the assertion that "if the New Deal persists in heaping indignity on the states that have kept it alive, there is no telling what might happen."

The legislation would make it unlawful to levy a poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in any election in which a Federal office is at stake, seven southern states, Virginia, Arkansas, Georgia, South Carolina, Mississippi, Alabama and Texas now charge poll taxes.

## Creedmoor Man Is Given Star for His Guadalcanal Feat

Somebody in the South Pacific April 29, (delayed)—(AP)—Three United States Marine Corps officers were awarded silver star medals and a navy pharmacist's mate received a citation for bravery at impressive military ceremonies recently.

The award resulted from the Marines' heroic deed during the campaign against the Japanese at Guadalcanal.

The silver star medal recipients included Captain Ralph H. Curran, 24, of Creedmoor, N. C. Captain Curran was decorated for leading a heavily outnumbered force of Marines in a successful drive against the Japs. This was part of the attack that later ended in a complete rout of the Japs on Guadalcanal.

## Pantelleria Bombed Thrice In 3 Hours

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, May 24—(AP)—United States military planes and fighters attacked Pantelleria three times within the last hour, yesterday and RAF Wellingtons followed last night with a B-24 bomber raid on the docks and airfield of the fortified Italian island. It was announced today.

The missions against Pantelleria, 45 miles east of Cap Bon, encountered no enemy opposition. Delayed reports, however, boosted to 205 the number of Axis planes destroyed in the Mediterranean theater offensive by the northwest African air forces during in five days, against announced losses of 14 aircraft, a ratio of almost 17 to 1. In addition, middle east and Malta squadrons have accounted for at least a dozen other Axis planes in the same period. Two of the allied planes were lost yesterday.

Moscow, May 24—(AP)—Sharp action based again in Sevsk area near the important Russian base of Kursk early today, where 44 German planes were shot down Saturday when the region was attacked by a large formation of fighters and bombers.

Two battalions of German infantry were dispersed and partly annihilated by artillery fire after Soviet scouts had noted heavy troop movements northeast of Kursk, the midday communiqué of the Soviet information bureau said. Four more Nazi planes also were reported down. (Berlin radio reports heard in London have indicated that the Germans expect a heavy Russian assault to be launched on Orel from Kursk.) Slight overnight improvements in Russian positions in the Kuban area north of Novorossiisk and at Lisichansk on the Donets river were reported in front line dispatches. Artillery action in the Kuban was the first mentioned there since Saturday.

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## Reds Get 44 Planes As Russian Front Flares