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## PANTELLERIA OCCUPIED BY ALLIED FORCES

### Mine Strike Is Threatened After Fines Are Imposed

HE'S A ONE-MAN TANK



CHAMPION WEIGHT-LIFTER Pvt. Harry Tanen of Chicago shows what he can do in service at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. He is carrying two 112-pound, 50-calibre machine guns from a shellhole, a job usually assigned to several men. (International)

### Aeronautics Commission Appointed By Broughton

Governor Describes Group as Among Most Important Named This Year

Richmond, June 11.—(AP)—Acting under authority granted him by the 1943 legislature, Governor Broughton today appointed the North Carolina aeronautics commission, whose job it is to get the state set for great expansion in aviation.

### Labor Appeals For Subsidies For Rollback

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### WLB Coolness Adds Tenseness To Coal Situation Toward Agreement

Washington, June 11.—(AP)—A powder keg atmosphere hung over the nation's coal fields today as government fines on miners for their last walkout brought threats of a new strike.

Interior Secretary Ickes, federal operator of the mines since May 1, ordered the fines yesterday. They range from \$1 a day for each miner for each day he is out of the job without a valid reason.

Although the miners were idle five consecutive days, it appeared they would be out only for a few days on the first four days. The fifth day was a Saturday and some cases will have contracts generally made Saturday week optional with the miners, making fines inapplicable for that day.

In another development, the UMW voted to put a formal end to the futile negotiating conference because, it said, of "failure of the operators to attend" conference sessions.

Ickes pointed out that the government ordered the old contract continued when negotiations were suspended. UMW President John L. Lewis' demands for \$2 a day pay boost.

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### Back from Africa



AFTER TAKING PART in sixty-one missions, downing two planes, and blowing up a German general's headquarters in Tunisia, Lieut. Col. Philip G. Cochran (Flt. Cockin) has returned to the U.S. He's shown in New York City. In Africa he earned eleven citations and five decorations. (International)

### French Face New Crisis

Paris, June 11.—(AP)—The newly constituted French Committee for National Liberation wrestled with a fresh crisis today as General Charles de Gaulle was reported threatening to resign unless the committee bowed to his demands for dismissal of certain Frenchmen still holding government posts in French North Africa.

His opposition to a number of French officials because of their former connection with the Vichy government was one of the snags which delayed the committee's formation.

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### Soviet Air Force Wins Supremacy In Kuban Valley

Russians Attribute Comparative Lull In Caucasus Area To Control of Air

Moscow, June 11.—(AP)—The Russian air force has established supremacy in the Kuban valley after two months of violent mass aerial combat over the axis western Caucasus bridgehead.

An Izvestia dispatch said that since the end of May "our Staromik Feathers have been able to punch German troops in the battlefield as well without loss to themselves."

One other explanation for the lull in the Kuban was offered: that the Germans had shifted their planes to concentrate on bombing vital targets such as the Gorki war production factories behind the center of the Russian line.

The Soviet midnight communiqué told of a German lull yesterday as hundreds of tanks and plane-supported troops against the Russian lines between Rostov and Taganrog, 100 miles westward.

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### Elopes on Leave



ATTRACTIVE Lt. Wilma Jo Stanton, WAAC poster girl, has eloped with manufacturer Leo S. Vogel while on a five-day leave in Los Angeles. She has modeled more posters for the WAACS than any other girl in the service. (International)

### Tax Machine In Motion

Treasury Releases Withholding Tax Forms as President Signs New Tax Bill

Washington, June 11.—(AP)—The machinery for collecting 20 per cent after-tax payments from the wages and salaries of all income tax payers beginning next month was set in motion today by the Treasury.

Immediately after President Roosevelt signed the pay-as-you-go tax bill yesterday, orders were issued to internal revenue collectors throughout the country releasing millions of forms and instruction sheets for employers, who became the government's collecting agents.

Although the legislation became effective July 1, its withholding provisions will not be felt by the majority of taxpayers until July 8 or later—July 10 for most people on a weekly wage basis. This is because of a provision applying the 20 per cent withholding levy to pay-roll periods which begin on or after July 1.

The Treasury is reported to have prepared a comprehensive program of new levies to meet \$1,500,000,000,000 in taxes and savings to help finance the war.

The Treasury proposals, said to have been presented to James I. Hines, war mobilization director, include suggestions for a spending tax, new excise levies and higher individual and corporation income taxes.

Los Angeles, June 11.—(AP)—Requested investigations by marine officers, the state attorney general and the Los Angeles county grand jury into recent violence between servicemen and riot suits began today.

### White Flag Is Hoisted Over Island

Outpost Surrenders Unconditionally After Only 19 Days Of Bombardment

London, June 11.—(AP)—British military observers said today they expected the surrender of the Italian island of Lampedusa to follow the fall of Pantellera.

Lampedusa, 80 miles south of Pantellera, was raided by a British scouting party earlier this week. It is isolated and probably is short of provisions.

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, June 11.—(AP)—Pantellera surrendered unconditionally today after 19 days of bombardment capped by the most concentrated allied aerial attack of the war.

General Dwight D. Eisenhower's forces promptly moved ashore on that Italian outpost in the Sicilian straits, breaching the ring of fortified axis islands guarding southern Europe from invasion.

British ground forces landed at noon (6 a. m. EWT) but reached all objectives by 12:22 P. M.

The fall of Pantellera—three years and one day after Italy entered the war—was announced in a special communiqué.

The climactic raids on Pantellera yesterday and last night were described here as the greatest allied air attack of the war in point of bomb tonnage dropped on a target of similar size.

The island of Pantellera today surrendered and is being occupied by allied forces.

New York, June 11.—(AP)—Ralph Howard, NBC reporter in north Africa, said in an NBC broadcast from there today that "exactly 22 minutes after our landing party came ashore Pantellera was in our hands."

He said that though the white flag was seen flying over the island this morning some shell resistance was encountered by the landing forces. He did not elaborate.

A white flag was displayed on July 14 in the northern part of the island. It was announced early this morning.

### Jap-Russo War Likely

Stewart Says Capital Predicts Outbreak Within 60 Days; Japs to Attack

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, June 11.—Is Japan on the verge of attacking Russia? British statesmanship evidently had not thought of that possibility.

The theory hitherto has been that it would be perfectly heavenly if Russia would attack the Japs. This country naturally has thought so. Being at war with Nippon, it is argued that its activities against the islanders would be immensely facilitated if the latter could be provided with a formidable enemy from their opposite point of the compass.

Incidentally, Russian Siberia would be a mighty convenient place for our own planes, bombing the mikado's archipelago.

The Chinese, being more fiercely pressed than ourselves, have yearned even more ardently for Russian aid than we have.

### Fraud Trial Nears Jury

Fort Wayne, Ind., June 11.—(AP)—Court officers of the five American Wire and Cable Co. employees indicted on charges of conspiring to defraud the government through the alleged sale of wire and cable.

The government completed its argument yesterday.

Phil R. McNamee of Fort Wayne, counsel for the company, told Judge Thomas W. Sick that the company was "genuinely" guilty but innocent of conspiring to defraud the government through the manufacture and sale of wire equipment, as charged.

### Argentina's New Regime Recognized

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### WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Little change in temperature with a few scattered thunder-showers this afternoon and tonight.

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### Zoot Suit Riots Probed

Los Angeles, June 11.—(AP)—Requested investigations by marine officers, the state attorney general and the Los Angeles county grand jury into recent violence between servicemen and zoot suits began today.

### Peace Stocks Get Support

New York, June 11.—(AP)—A mild recovery to the good war news was made by a few peace stocks in today's market.