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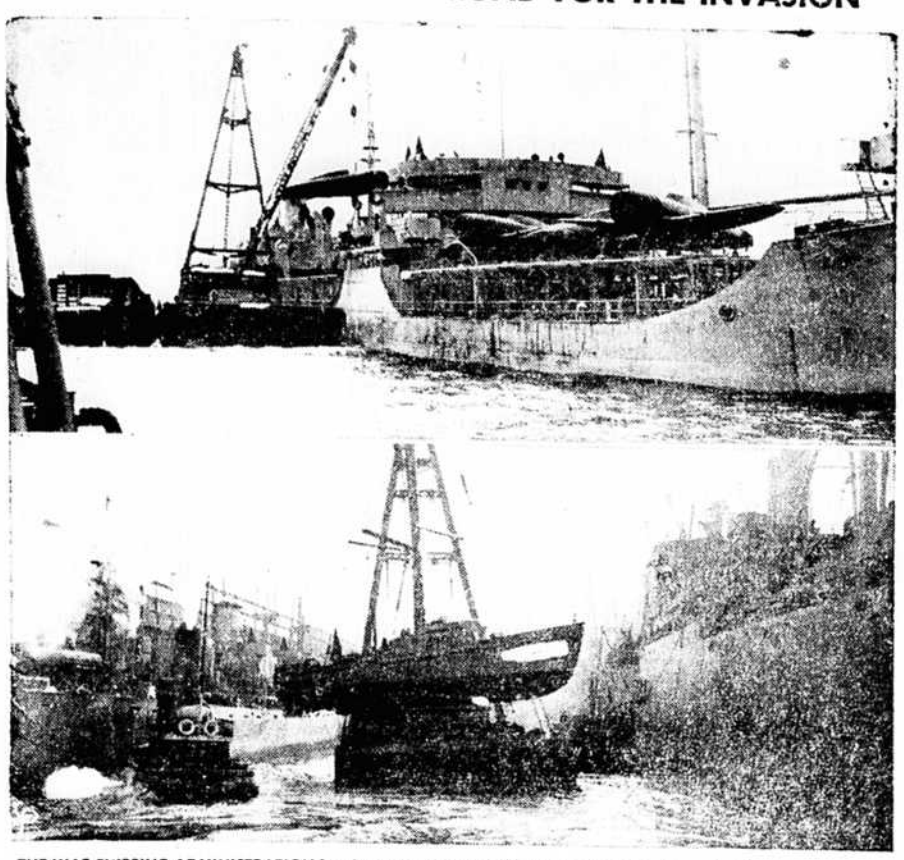
YANK SUPPLIES HEAD ABROAD FOR THE INVASION



THE WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION has just revealed that the Port of New York war traffic now exceeds its peace time peak by ten times and that the loading period for ships has been cut to five to six days. A vast amount of cargo and military equipment for the European invasion flows through the harbor each day. A fighter (top) loads P-47 Thunderbolts, encased in waterproof coverings, on to a United Nations freighter. At another dock, a huge crane (bottom) swings an 83-foot Coast Guard sub-chaser aboard a ship. (International)

Red Armies Near Sevastopol Yanks Hit Continent Twice

Budapest Is Attacked From South

Dawn Assaults Made On France, Belgium; Red Planes Active

London, April 13 — (AP) — American bomber formations ripped into Europe from two directions today, the Berlin radio said. German accounts of fierce encounters over Hungary indicated Italy-based planes might be striking for Budapest in a quick follow-up to last night's RAF raid on that capital.

German radio programs were broken for warnings of American aircraft penetrations, both from the south and west. Stations began fading from the air shortly after Britain-based fleets streaked out across the Channel.

Dawn assaults by both American Marauders hitting at France and Belgium, and by British medium blasts at northern France carried the current air series into its sixth straight day.

An Allied announcement said that RAF Wellingtons making the Budapest raids last night had hit the capital with 1,000 pound block busters for the first time. It was the third Allied raid on the capital on the city's rail yards, in a series of attacks designed to cripple transport links over which Hitler is supplying his forces locked in battle with the Red army.

Russia air forces also were throwing new weight into the Allied blows at the Balkans, the Moscow radio said, with Red army air force attacks on Constanta, the Romanian port through which Germany may attempt to evacuate forces cut off in the Crimea.

RAF Mosquitoes carried the new offensive on through last night by attacking Osnabruck, industrial and rail center about 75 miles west of Hannover.

A United States communique, meanwhile announced that 26 Nazi planes were shot down over western Europe by American heavy bombers and fighters yesterday.

The night assault on Budapest, carried out "with good results," by RAF Wellingtons, was a return Allied visit to that Balkan rail hub after the city was blasted by American heavy bombers April 3 and again last night.

Cotton Lower Around Noon

New York, April 13—(AP)—Cotton futures opened five to 15 cents a bale lower, May 21.09, July 20.73 October 20.07.

	Pvs. Close	Open
May	21.11	21.06
July	20.75	20.73
October	20.13	20.11
December	19.93	19.91
March	19.70	19.69

COUSIN OF BUTNER NAMESAKE AT CAMP

Camp Lutner, April 13—It was only fitting that Camp Butner be named for Major General Henry Wolf Butner, a North Carolinian of World War I fame—much decorated and mentioned of a legend in his State. The camp, since its activation, has proved two divisions and many Army ground force and Army service forces units. A while back the Eastern Personnel Reassignment Center was established here. Then the long arm of coincidence reached forth. To the EPRC for reassignment came Private Joseph Butner, of Pilot Mountain, N. C., cousin of the general for whom the camp was named.

AXIS FISHING

London, April 13 — (AP) —Radio Nacional, an Axis transmitting station purporting to operate from Britain, said in a broadcast tonight that "President Roosevelt left Washington for the Caribbean sea, where he is to make last minute plans with Prime Minister Churchill about operations in Europe during coming weeks."

PAPER BAG SHORTAGE

Washington, April 13.— (AP)— Customers will have to manage with far fewer paper bags and much less paper wrappings, the war production board said today, announcing the civilian supply of such wrappings has dropped to less than one-third of normal.

REDS IN TWO CRIMEA DRIVES

TWO RED DRIVES on the Crimea (1), part of an effort to clear all south Russia of Axis invaders, divide interest with the Russian race for Ovidiopol (2 and 3) where an effort is being made to halt the flight of Nazi troops seeking to escape a bottleneck following the fall of Odessa. The Red Fourth Army is now storming into the Crimea on a 75-mile front and with a two-directional swing. The drive to the south of Odessa also is two pronged, as the map shows. (International)

Tiraspol, In North, Is Taken

Ancient Stronghold Is Dangerously Near Ploesti Oil Fields

London, April 13—(AP)—The Caucasian army is a rapid sprint westward along the Black Sea coast of the Crimea has captured Feodosiya, 100 strategic miles east of its naval base of Sevastopol, Marshal Stalin announced in an order of the day.

Feodosiya is 58 miles west of Kerch, at the eastern tip of the Crimea, and 18 miles west of the last reported position of the Red army. It is 62 miles east of Simferopol, administrative center of the peninsula.

At the same time, Moscow dispatches reported the fourth Ukrainian army was sweeping down from the north and was within sight of the tank bastions of Simferopol, 56 miles north of Sevastopol.

London, April 13 — (AP) — With Sevastopol less than 16 miles away, the fourth Ukrainian army is sweeping down through the lower Crimea toward that great Black Sea naval base, Moscow dispatches said today, while General Yeremenko's Caucasia troops are advancing steadily from the Kerch peninsula to the east.

On the mainland to the north, other Russian armies yesterday captured Beli Tiraspol, 45 miles northwest of Odessa, and Faliceni, 170 miles north of the valuable Ploesti oil fields, a Russian communique announced.

At the same time, Red army troops drew tighter the noose around the Skala pocket north of the middle Dniester river, where the remnants of fifteen German divisions, possibly 10,000 men, faced annihilation.

The twin Russian drives through the Crimea, which dispatches said was crumbling Axis defense lines in all directions, was materially aided by the Soviet Black Sea fleet air force, which was blasting enemy evacuation ports and communication lines with devastating results, the war bulletin reported.

Constanta, big Romania Black Sea port and oil shipping center, was heavily bombed, Moscow said. Constanta is 230 miles across the Black Sea from Sevastopol, and presumably would be one of the logical ports of debarkation for Axis troops evacuated from the Crimea.

The Soviet war bulletin said that fourth army troops liberated 150 towns and villages during the day. Approximately 3,000 enemy troops were killed and more than 2,000 captured, the communique added. Other German units, reported heavily reinforced, were reported hurrying to Sevastopol, where perhaps German and Romanian troops making up the garrison may elect to make a final stand.

Mopping up outlying of liberated villages, the main Ukrainian army was credited with capturing an important junction of the railroad from Odessa to the Dnieper, figure on the shortest route toward Romania for the evacuation of the garrison of fallen Odessa.

Dewey's G. O. P. Rivals Fear Their Strength May Vanish

Congress Turns On Heat To Pass Major Measures

Washington, April 13.—(AP)— Congress opened a drive today to dispose of a group of major bills laid aside during the Easter recess.

While a record $32 billions naval appropriations bill had the right of way on the House floor, three committees pressed close behind with measures dealing with lend-lease, extension of the price control program and settlement of terminated war contracts. A fourth started a review of postwar employment prospects.

Chairman Cannon, Missouri Democrat, of the appropriations committee, predicted passage of the huge 1944-45 naval supply bill by nightfall, but the desire of numerous members to pay their respects to the world's largest navy and its accomplishments in an election year might forestall final action until tomorrow.

Slated to follow the navy bill to the floor is legislation to extend the lend-lease program another year beyond June 30, and Chairman Sabath, Illinois Democrat, called a meeting of the rules committee to determine procedure.

While no opposition to the lend-lease program itself has developed, a potent House group is demanding restrictions on its scope.

The House Banking Committee continued hearings on legislation to extend the price control act beyond its current expiration date, next June 30, and called Chester Bowles, OPA chief, to give his views. Despite an apparent cooling off in the Republican stand against continuance of the wartime controls program, the committee still faced a lively skirmish on the subject.

Stassen Supporters Doubt They Can Win; MacArthur Men Wary

Washington, April 13—(AP) —With the rumble of a Dewey bandwagon movement sounding in their ears, supporters of three other potential Republican presidential candidates tightened their lines today against a possible draft away from their favorite.

The demonstrated ability of New York's Governor Thomas E. Dewey to attract convention delegates while maintaining his public position that he is not a candidate caused some worry among leaders of campaigns being conducted for Governor John W. Bricker of Ohio, Lt. Comdr. Harold E. Stassen and General Douglas MacArthur.

Despite the strong showings made by MacArthur in the Illinois preferential primary, and Stassen in Nebraska, there are signs of a division of opinion among their backers as to the advisability of continuing the race.

While supporters of MacArthur's backers may believe it might be better to swing to Dewey as a leading candidate there appeared no likelihood that the MacArthur vice-president characterized before any sign of quitting.

The same sort of stand has been taken by Senator Ball, Minnesota Republican, in announcing an expansion of his Stassen campaign, which previously had been localized in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Nebraska.

There are no such signs of a cleavage in the Bricker camp, but there have been reports that the Ohio governor might be satisfied

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Larger Voice On Peace Is Desired By Congress

Washington, April 13—(AP)— New slants on the role Congress should play in writing the peace and on how it should be enforced emerged today from the State Department and the House, where postwar topics are gaining increasing attention.

Chairman Bloom, New York Democrat, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, advocated a constitutional amendment whereby both the House and the Senate could ratify the peace treaty by a simple majority vote. Now a two-thirds majority in the Senate is required.

At the same time, it was disclosed that State Department studies on world security organization have advanced to a point where this government is about ready to offer specific proposals. The plan, it is understood, rules out any kind of an international police force built by recruits from many nations. Instead, it calls for half a dozen or more of the major nations to maintain forces big enough to deal with potential trouble-makers.

This new concept of how the peace should be enforced is to be placed before informal bipartisan groups of the House and Senate for their opinions.

The State Department's concept of peace enforcement was made known officially in general terms by Breckenridge Long, assistant secretary, in a speech in New York last night. Long cited these points basic to postwar organizations

1. Creation of an international organization to preserve peace by settling international controversies, using force when necessary to prevent the outbreak of a major war.

2. The major nations should pledge themselves not to make war against each other or any other nation, except in accordance with arrangements of the international organization.

Unquestionably the major nations referred to are primarily the leading United Nations, Russia, the United States, Britain and China.

U. S. Hits Double Blow At German Air Plants

London, April 13—(AP)—United States heavy bombers landed a double blow at German aircraft production today, striking from Italy at works in Hungary and from Britain at important plants in Germany.

The fifteenth air force, based at Foggia, Italy, hit a Messerschmitt factory at Gyor, 70 miles northwest of Budapest, as well as railroad car and machine works. The Tokol airdrome assembly plant, eleven miles southwest of Budapest, came under fighter-bomber attacks.

The eighth air force, Britain-based made a four-pronged attack on aircraft plants at Augsburg and Oberpfaffen, and a ball-bearing works at Schweinfurt, an official announcement said. More than 500 bombers, accompanied by 750 to 1,000 fighter planes, went on this operation, and the announcement observed:

"The targets, all highly important to the German air force, have been hit previously and today's bombs were dropped both to disrupt repairs and inflict new damage."

Possibly about 300 Fortresses and Liberators participated in today's Italy-based onslaught, which carried into the sixth straight day the current offensive to wipe out the bulk of the German air force, both in the air and a-building, before "D" day.

The Vecses airdrome, ten miles south of Budapest, was another of the fifteenth air force targets, while railroad yards in Yugoslavia, half way between Belgrade and Zagreb, bore another section of the attack.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Fair and cool, with slightly lower temperatures east portion tonight; fair and warmer Friday.

Japs Creep Nearer To Imphal Bastion

Washington, April 13—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson said today that Japanese troops had cut the road between Imphal and Kohima and "are attacking both towns."

He observed at the press conference where he made the disclosure that "it is not too difficult" for troops to penetrate in areas of the hills and jungles. A linear defense at Imphal he said, could not be employed, but it is possible in such fighting to retain certain strong points of defense. Thus far, he added, British and Indian troops are holding the strong point.

He said that "substantial reserves of men and weapons are available" in the area.

New Delhi, India, April 13—(AP)—The Japanese have edged around to the northwest of Imphal, supplementing their positions to the southwest of that partly surrounded base in the Manipur plains of eastern India, Admiral Lord Mountbatten's southeast Asia headquarters communique disclosed today.

The announcement said British and Indian forces have captured a hill position in that area in hand-to-hand fighting.

(A Domei broadcast from Tokyo declared Japanese formations were launching thrusts near an air field only two and a half miles north of Imphal, and three miles northwest of Imphal. Other forces on April 6 had reached a place nine miles northwest of Imphal, the broadcast said.

(Declaring that both Palel, 24 miles southeast of Imphal, and Moirang, another strategic point, were about to fall, a Domei correspondent said another special Japanese attack force was maneuvering to cut off the enemy's only line of retreat along the Bishenpur-Silchar road, and also the road west of Imphal. Silchar is 70 miles west of Imphal and on a spur track from the vital Bengal-Assam railway.)

The Japanese previously had been reported operating west of the Imphal-Kohima and Imphal-Tiddim roads in penetrations which threatened to encircle the Manipur capital.

To the north, along the strategic highway reaching back to the American-operated Bengal-Assam railroad, however, the communique said there was a continued improvement of the situation around Kohima and that progress was being made in clearing the road to the vicinity.

Finns Apparently Have Again Rejected Peace

Stockholm April 13.—(AP)— Russia's modified terms for peace with Finland apparently have been rejected. Finnish sources here said today after reports from Reykjavik that Parliament had given the government of Premier Linkomies a vote of confidence.

Linkomies had outlined the cabinet's stand on "the latest Soviet armistice proposals at a secret session of Parliament, and informed Finns in Stockholm said these discussions were a "repeat performance" of those in mid March when the original terms were refused.

There was no official word from Helsinki on what action was taken, but reports said the peace question again was put back to the Russians and the situation is absolutely the same as last time."

Finns said here sentiment for peace was gradually growing in Finland, especially among Social Democrats, but still not sufficient to quit the war.

Blockade Of Neutrals Is Tightened By The Allies

London, April 13 (AP) Britain and the United States bolstered their policy toward neutrals today by tightening the Irish blockade with reduced steamship service, protesting against increased Turkish shipment of chrome to Germany, and condemning the Spanish seizure of Allied oil stocks in Spanish Morocco.

The ministry of war transport announced cleaner service from Britain to Eire would be cut after April 24. This followed suspension of telephone service and virtual prohibition of travel permits.

Britain and the United States were both said by an authoritative informant to have made strong representations to Spain about oil and to Turkey about chrome. The emphatic diplomatic language used followed closely the address by Secretary of State Hull, in which he warned neutral there continued dealings with the enemy could not be tolerated.

It was probable that similar notes would be dispatched dealing with Spanish and Portuguese shipments of wolfram and Swedish exports of ball-bearings to Germany.

Under Secretary of State Edward Stettinius, Jr., here on an official visit, called together experts of the American economic mission, headed by Philip Reed, to map ways of meshing the gears of American and British economic warfare even closer together.

Spain seized oil belonging to Allied-owned companies at Tepuan, Spanish Morocco.

Leaders Slow Among Stocks

New York, April 13—(AP)—A few stocks led an uneasy look at a little recovery nourishment today, but market leaders generally were far from affording real convalescence.

Backward were Santa Fe, Western Union, N. American Co., U. S. Steel, International Harvester and American Air Lines. Occasional plus marks were attached to North American, Texas Company and DuPont.

Commodities eased and bonds were narrow.