

GERMANS CONCEDE EVACUATIONS IN ITALY

Great Offensive Is Launched By Allies On Anzio Front

Bombers Blast Way For Ground Forces On Italian Coast

Allied Headquarters, Naples, May 23—(AP)—Allied troops on the Anzio beachhead launched a powerful offensive today, cracking into the German lines only 22 miles from famed fifth army forces driving up from the southeast.

Steel Firm Wins Acquittal by Jury At Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 23—(AP)—A Federal court jury today acquitted the Carnegie-Illinois Corporation of a government charge of concealing and falsifying records and tests on steel plates.

Fourth Term Is Burning Texas Issue

Democratic Fight Grows More Bitter; GOP Has Troubles

After all the fanfare of an election campaign, Texas Democrats convened today with their choice of the State's delegates to cast 18 votes in the national convention apparently hinging on the outcome of a battle between administration and anti-fourth term factions.

Near 2,000 U. S. Planes Hit Nazis

Daylight Attack Follows RAF Blow Struck at Night

London, May 23—(AP)—An aerial armada of up to 750 U. S. Flying Fortresses and Liberators, escorted by more than 1,000 fighters, smashed at airfields in France and Western Germany today.

The first crack of dawn brought out the day attackers, while the American heavy bombers were including their deadly cargoes on a wide assortment of installations, figuring importantly in the Germans' plans to combat the impending invasion.

Counted together, the night and day assaults saw approximately 2,000 Allied planes roar out from British bases and hurl an estimated 2,000 short tons of bombs on continental targets. These latest attacks brought to around 22,000 tons the total weight of explosives dumped by Allied aircraft during the last five days.

Medicine Bill Attacked At Drug Meeting

Raleigh, May 23—(AP)—Controversial proposed legislation in the State's pharmacy laws, held the attention today of more than 300 drugists who came here for the opening session of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association's annual convention.

Holding joint sessions are the traveling men's association and the women's auxiliary. Sessions of the three groups began at 2 p. m. with former Governor J. C. Brinkley, president of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, giving the welcome address.

A committee studying proposed changes in the pharmacy laws met at 10 a. m. to complete its phrasing of recommendations to be made in reports to the convention tomorrow. Also holding a pre-convention meeting was the nominating committee, which will present tomorrow.

AERIAL VIEW OF THE CORPSE OF CASSINO



THE TOWN OF CASSINO, long a stumbling block in the path of our advance on the road to Rome, is shown as it looked from the air on the day the Allies entered it. Uncounted bomb craters, shell holes, a few gutted buildings and heaps of rubble is all that remains of the once popular Italian town.

Tenseness Of Invasion Is Growing

Train Service Is Greatly Curtailed All Over England

London, May 23—(AP)—New invasion tenseness gripped troop-packed Britain today as further drastic cuts in main line passenger train schedules left thousands of civilians stranded in stations.

At some stations, as many as fifty trains were cancelled without warning, causing on-line confusion. "We are in the hands of the authorities," was the only explanation officials at one station would give.

Chrysler Strike At Detroit Ends By Board Order

Detroit, Mich., May 23—(AP)—The Chrysler Corporation strike, causing idleness for nearly 12,000 car workers, was called off suddenly today by the executive board of Local 490, United Automobile Workers.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy and continued warm today, tonight and Wednesday, with widely scattered afternoon and evening showers.

Burma Road Is Cut And Japs Isolated

Chungking, May 23—(AP)—The Chinese high command announced today that Chinese forces, striking for the Burma border from the Salween river, have cut the old Burma road at Chetung, only 28 miles from the Burma frontier.

The Chinese victory isolated the main enemy Burma road base at Landing, 35 miles to the northeast, by cutting its supply route from Mandalay. The communication and the Japanese garrison at Chetung was encircled and wiped out by the advancing Chinese.

All New Guinea Is Now In U. S. Bombers' Range; Menace To Philippines

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, May 23—(AP)—American activation of Wadke's, aerially brought all New Guinea within range of fighter-sorted Allied bombers today and presaged deeper aerial inroads on the Dutch East Indies, even as penetration of the Philippines.

Might Drain Light Vote Seen For State Primary On Next Saturday

Ealeigh, May 23—(AP)—Veteran political observers here were predicting a light vote in Saturday's primary. Various estimates placed the State's voting strength at more than 600,000 in the 1,500-odd precincts, with more than 100,000 of this number in the armed forces.

Woman's Body Light Vote Seen For State Primary On Next Saturday

Meantime, her 21-year-old grandson, Edward Jewett Martin, a Charlotte chemist, was held in jail here on an open charge. By the advice of his attorney, Victor S. Bryant, he declined to make any statement.

Allies Push Deeper Into Enemy Lines

Fighting in Italy Is Fierce Beyond 'All Description'

London, May 23—(AP)—Berlin declared today the Germans had evacuated Pico, stronghold in the center of the Hitler line in Italy.

Advanced Post On the Anzio Beachhead, Italy, May 23—(AP)—Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark established a fifth army advanced command post on the beachhead after inspecting American troops here yesterday.

Fighting Terrible London, May 23—(AP)—Minister of Information Brendan Bracken said today that the fighting in Italy "is beyond all description" and "the Germans are receiving one of the greatest thrashings in their history from the forces under General Sir Harold Alexander."

Deep Penetrations Allied Headquarters, Naples, May 23—(AP)—Allied troops, fighting German reinforcements hastily flung into battle, have struck deeper into the German mountain area only 22 miles from the Anzio beachhead, seizing more mountain heights northeast of Terracina, it was announced today.

The German high command declared "without confirmation here" that the fifth army on the beachhead had launched a strong infantry and tank assault, supported by planes, at the center of that front, and "fighting is in full swing."

In the town of Piedimonte, four miles west of Cassino, the enemy still was clinging to strong points, while eighth army troops, including Poles, were on three sides of this strong natural position. Street fighting was raging in some parts of the town.

CATTLE SHOW WILL OFFER BELK PRIZES

College Station, Raleigh, May 23—The third annual Junior cattle show at North Carolina will offer prizes amounting to \$1,000 donated by the Belk stores of Eastern and Central North Carolina, according to an announcement made last week by dairy specialists of the State College Extension Service.

Cotton Shows Slight Gains

Table showing cotton futures prices for various months: July 20.60, August 19.91, September 19.66, October 19.43, November 19.21, December 19.23.

Labor Board Member Bitter Toward Ward

Washington, May 23—(AP)—Gerard Reilly, member of the National Labor Relations Board, asserted today that the Montgomery Ward Company had a long record of violating labor laws.

40 Lumber Plants Idle From Strike In the Northwest

Seattle, Wash., May 23—(AP)—Production of lumber supplies listed by the War Production Board as the nation's foremost vital materials shortage, was stalled in more than forty plants

Absent Ballots Coming Slowly Over The State

Raleigh, May 23—There is no way to tell how many absentee ballots have been issued for soldiers and sailors to use in the primary Saturday, because so many of them were issued on personal applications by members of the family. Even the Wake County Board of Elections did not have Monday a complete list, since some had been sent on mail requests and some on personal and the totals had not been tabulated.