

British Army Seizes Gabes In Tunisia

American Planes Strike At Jap Ship

ALLIED HDQS., NORTH AFRICA, March 30—(UP)—The British eighth army has captured the major axis supply port at Gabes and the El Hamman stronghold, it was announced today as General Sir B. L. Montgomery's forces drove on northward in pursuit of the fleeing enemy columns to within 40 miles of a junction with American troops in the El Guettar sector.

Dispatches from Algiers said that Field Marshal Rommel, anticipating the Allied trap, had ordered destruction of Sfax harbor on the Tunisian east coast and radio Algiers said in a broadcast reported at London that the British Navy had disembarked men at Sfax in an effort to prevent an enemy Dunkirk.

WASHINGTON, March 30—(UP)—Daring American fighting planes operating in the northern Solomons set fire to a Jap destroyer in a strafing attack carried out at such low altitude that part of the wing of one Lockheed Lightning was sheered off by the destroyer's mast, the Navy department reported today.

Chinese Successes

CHUNGKING, March 30—(UP)—Chinese successes in three widely separated sectors of the broad China front were announced tonight by the Chinese high command which for the first time in weeks failed to mention the fighting in the Hupah-Hunan border area.

RAF Attacks

NEW DELHI, India, March 30—(UP)—Royal Air Force flyers yesterday smashed another Japanese attempt to raid British shipping and harbor facilities at Cox's Bazaar, on India's Chittagong district coast when six RAF Mohawks intercepted 12 enemy fighters south of their target and badly damaged two of them without suffering a loss, it was announced today.

US-Russian Talks

WASHINGTON, March 30—(UP)—President Roosevelt said today he expected US-Russian talks on post-war matters could be held in the near future and that he was hopeful of conferring with Soviet Premier Josef Stalin.

Truman Reports

WASHINGTON, March 30—(UP)—Chairman Henry S. Truman (D., Mo.), of the Senate War Investigating committee, said tonight his group has received new evidence showing that knowledge of "cheating" on government steel contracts of the

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Helen O'Connell Visits Chapel Hill Navy Cadet

Vocalist Rests Up From Broadcasting

By Lloyd Koppel

The beautiful and sweet Helen O'Connell has arrived in Chapel Hill, and while resting beneath the shadows of familiar Carolina landmarks the ex-singer of Jimmy Dorsey's champion band makes known to all who meet her that "Chapel Hill is just a wonderful place."

Time Off

Taking some time off between radio appearances to bask in the Spring glory of Carolina, and to join hands with an unknown cadet admirer, Helen will be in Chapel Hill until Sunday.

"Jimmy released me from my

The Daily Tar Heel

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Two Negro Babies Die In Flaming Cabin

Raging Fire Throws Back Attempts To Save Victims

Two negro babies died last night in a blazing cabin on Church street, while helpless onlookers awaited aid.

It was Chapel Hill's first fatality by fire in over 20 years.

Called to the blaze at about 8:15, firemen were unable to spray water until several minutes after their arrival; and when they finally entered, the bodies were burned beyond recognition. They were the children of Mr. and Mrs. Booth of Chapel Hill.

Rescue Attempt

Before the engine came, an unidentified Negro man crashed through the blazing door in a futile attempt to save the babies. A fire-seared bed was thrown-out, but it proved to be the wrong one. The would-be-rescuer was only slightly burned.

The alarm was turned in by a Mr. Rigsby who, seeing the flames in the cabin, tried to enter, but was forced-out by clouds of smoke. The children's cries were heard above the crackle of wood in the frame structure, but the sobs had stopped by the time the engine arrived.

750 Foot Hose

Outside town limits, the volunteer firemen were hampered by a 750-foot hose. The inferno-like fire was described by observers as being "so hot that you couldn't get within 20 feet of it."

The DAILY TAR HEEL was unable last night to determine the exact cause of the fire, but it was believed that, with the children's parents away, a stove had overturned.

Final Totals Now Complete

Enrollment Dives In Recent Count

Final totals on registration, released yesterday by the Central Records office, showed 1,752 men and 656 women enrolled for a grand total of 2,408.

Enrollment of men dived steeply largely as a result of calling of ERC members. Comparison with last Spring's registration reveals a decline of more than a thousand male students. Women's registration showed a loss of only 51 over the same period.

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RECENT NAVY CAA GRADUATES.

Rosenstengel Gets War College Appointment As Coordinator of Navy's Training Program

Dr. W. E. Rosenstengel of the Department of Education has been appointed to the staff of the College of War Training as coordinator of the Navy's War Training Service program at Carolina, Dean R. B. House announced yesterday.

Appointment of Rosenstengel makes him supervisor of messing, housing, discipline and ground instruction for the 20 Navy V-5 reservists who are now training here.

The naming of a full-time co-

ordinator became necessary when intensification of the training program, previously classified as Civilian Pilot Training, became an increasing load for W. R. Mann, former supervisor of the program and chief of flight instruction at Horace Williams airport. Mann will now be able to devote all his energies to the actual flying instruction of the trainees.

Chi Phi House

Housed in the Chi Phi house, the fledgling pilots have just finished the second week of their

eight-week course. The previous class graduated March 15.

Curriculum

Standard curriculum for the cadets includes mathematics, physics, and meteorology. The courses are designed to aid in preparing for pre-flight school.

New Uniforms

Latest addition to the uniforms on the campus are those worn by these cadets, who have adopted the standard Navy dark green jackets and khaki trousers.

IHR Speaker Dykstra To Give Case for Wartime Democracy

Dr. Clarence Dykstra, Weil-IRC lecturer for 1943, will present the case for wartime democracy in peace and war in his series of three addresses, April 12-14.

Under the general heading "Dynamic Democracy," the president of Wisconsin university will deal with the origins, development and present struggle for survival of the Democratic states of the modern era.

First Night

The first night address is titled "Dynamic Tradition in America," and Dykstra plans to discuss the American traditions that gave rise to our form of democracy—"the colonies, the states, the union."

"Grass Roots and Democratic Action" is scheduled at the second speech, with Dykstra drawing on his extensive study of freedom's institutions to present the application of democracy to man's life.

Weil Lectures

Concluding the Weil lectures for 1943, the noted educator plans to bring the rise of self-government up to date and analyze its place in the world conflict; propose his ideas of "Positive Democracy."

Dykstra's Weil series takes its place with the other Institute of Human Relations surveys of the April 8-16 meeting subject, "Total Victory and Global Peace." The lectures will be an estimation of democracy's future in the post-war world. According to Harry Comer, IHR Institute executive secretary.

Positive and Dynamic "Positive and Dynamic as applied to Democracy have long been vague terms used by planner and rabble-rouser alike. In Dr. Dykstra's speeches we will get a clear idea of just what they signify to the man who will have much to do with their application to the governments of the

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Town Girls Elect Cobb President For Coming Year

Carol Cobb was unanimously elected president of the Town girl's association last week at a luncheon held at the local Presbyterian church. Other top offices went to Ruth Patterson, Juju Newsome, and Rita Smith.

Patterson Elected

Patterson was elected vice-president of the organization on a separate poll with opposition. Offices of secretary and treasurer go respectively to Newsome and Smith.

Margaret Pickard and Hilda Weaver, former president of the association, were chosen Senate and honor council representatives of the Town girls.

Miss Martha Johnson, head of the local YWCA, was present at the meeting to help with the luncheon.

Red Cross Leader Arrives Thursday

Mrs. Elizabeth Caro, representative of the American Red Cross will be present at the University April 1-3.

All women interested in engaging in Red Cross war work were asked to be present at one of the group meetings to be held Wednesday at 5:15 and Thursday at 1:30 in Horace Williams Lounge of Graham Memorial.

contract on January 21st, which was very sweet of him," are the words used by the lovely Miss O'Connell in telling the story of a new advent in her life. Worn out by one-night stands and five-a-day theatre jumps, Helen has now settled down to the life of the artist she is.

Left Dorsey

Since leaving Jimmy on his last day at the Strand in New York, Helen has guested on the Al Jolson show four times, and has been a regular feature of the Basin Street show on NBC. Her only plans for the future center about a new show to be presented next Monday night over NBC at 10.30. She hopes to release

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