

'BRITISH MOVE LIKE MACHINE'

Writer in Armored Patrol Car Gives Play-by-Play Report on Attack.

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P. m. with a concentrated barrage, the tanks began moving up and at 6 p. m. the order was given for a general advance.

Already we could see tanks burning on the sky line.

The British forces showed perfect synchronization. Tanks, infantry, artillery and airplanes moved together like parts of a machine. The attack moved fast.

One section of our force bit into the front tip of the German 90th light division which was lying along the southwestern edge of the Alamein perimeter 60 miles from Alexandria.

Another section swept directly on a field headquarters of the German command.

Enemy Forced Back

Other sections swept in from the south on the enemy flank.

A big task force of tanks cut in behind a German tank force, turned back due eastward and compelled the enemy to withdraw to avoid entrapment.

The specific purpose of the imperial attack was to cut off the enemy's tail by pushing behind him to the coast, a reversal of the tactics the Germans had used against Tobruk and Matruh, and deprive him of supplies.

The British had expected an axis attack yesterday afternoon and Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck had planned to catch the Germans on the move. But they continued to dig in, and Auchinleck went after them.

Lying on my stomach behind a heap of stones hewn from the rock to make pill box defenses along the coast, I could check the progress of the British sweep by the fast moving sand clouds which the tanks threw up.

Guns Blaze Away

The heavy tanks moved in close formation in several lines, with light tanks forming an exterior screen ahead of them. The British 25-pounder guns and heavy machine guns hammered at the enemy's northern flank from their coastal positions.

Long range enemy anti-tank guns, ranged on a ridge in the dust bowls, blazed away at the British tanks.

A detachment of 40 German tanks crept eastward to the south of the British main body of tanks, trying to sandwich them between the flying column and the main German armored force. But the New Zealand artillery drove them off with its usual accurate shooting. I drove along the fringe of the British attack area at twilight. Very heavy shelling by both sides stirred the desert dust into an inferno. The night was overcast. Flares and gun flashes were like great fire flies all over the landscape.

The Germans seemed to be kept guessing what the British would do next, and they began a bombardment of the Alamein railroad station.

Between listening through radio car phones to headquarters and hungrily stuffing in bread and jam, liberally coated with flies, a South African sergeant, sprawled on the hot steel floor of his armored car, told me how his crew had just fought their way out of a German trap.

"We went out on patrol reconnaissance," he said, "when we saw four ugly shadows looming on the side of a hill. I thought they were armored cars. Not on your life! They were Jerry tanks. Some more appeared and soon we counted 20 of them swarming around. But we used our pistol—pointing to a light machine gun—and sheered off."

A mile farther on were two British armored cars, sheltering just under the crest of a hill. A young officer gave me a hand to the turret of one and passed me his binoculars so I could see the enemy down in the depression. The guns were going pretty heavily.

I made out a group of tents and trucks about a mile away.

Ambulances Spotted

"One of our advanced casualty clearing stations," the officer said. "They are under easy range from the German guns, but they are not moving."

We watched the ambulances creep over rough tracks toward the main camel track leading from north to south. They got to the coastal road and then, speeding up, raced for the rear with their wounded.

I drove to the British vantage point on a humpbacked road to watch the fighting. There was a desultory artillery duel, in which the Germans were outgunning the British. High explosives began cracking to our right and we moved on. The Germans were ranging on the British.

Tank scraps developed occasionally in the dust bowl and in the wadis, the dried stream beds. I constantly ran across stragglers. I just met three men, actually caked with white dust. They had lost their tank the night before, helping Indians to get themselves out of a tight corner when a big German patrol attacked their box defense post.

Why the Camouflage?



Add shudders of war: Camouflage swim suits designed to obscure such charms as these. Lee and Lynn Wild, singing twins, model suits, which help the wearer avoid detection by airplanes, it says here.

Sevastopol: 'Others Must Know How to Die as We Died'

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successive abandonments of Tobruk, Sidi Barani and Mersa Matruh cannot be portrayed in diluted phrases or with false optimism.

These people, fighting virtually alone, have endured the cruelest punishment for more than one year. Their dead and wounded are counted in the millions—several millions.

No one nation paid such a colossal price in any one year of the first world war, nor has any nation probably paid such a price in the same short period at any time in history.

ONLY BY REALIZING these facts can anyone outside Russia hope to get some conception of the Russian reaction to the events in Egypt. The Russian people and their military leaders cannot understand

many things and are deeply anxious because they cannot find adequate answers.

The Russians cannot understand why Tobruk, which had already withstood a siege of many months, should not have been so strongly fortified that no conceivable German force could take it except after long and costly assaults.

The Russians do not understand how or why, after nearly three years of war, there should be much less than 250,000 British and Empire forces in Egypt, which is the keystone to the entire near east.

The Russians do not understand why the forces of Egypt should still be weakened as a result of British empire forces being rushed to Malaya from Burma last winter. After all, they reason, London has had at least six months in which to replace every tank and every air squadron sent to the Far East, and who could fail to see that not the slightest risk of losing Egypt should be incurred?

MOST OF ALL, the Russian people do not understand why Britain's land forces have not yet made a stand, cost what it may—why British soldiers have not yet shown they know how to die the way the Russians, Greeks, Poles and Serbs know to die.

The Russians know full well that only through the will to die flames the will to win. This is one more reason why British defeats in Egypt come as a great deception to the Soviet people. Even the humblest, most uneducated Russian laborer or peasant talks of these things today and shakes his head gloomily and uncomprehendingly.

It is highly important that these Russian reactions be understood abroad and in high places as well as low. What about a second front this year, a front on which the Russians' greatest hopes are based?

Now they wonder whether Tobruk and Mersa Matruh are examples of the kind of fighting to be expected from British soldiers when the opening up of a second front is attempted—as it must be attempted.

Now they wonder whether British officers and soldiers will prove capable of dying by several hundreds of thousands to make that front a decisive, unsmashable reality.

NOW THE RUSSIANS' faith is badly shaken and it would be a most dangerous kind of folly to make believe that this is not so. It is so—and quite naturally so. No people on earth could pay the price of this fighting will-to-die that Russians have paid, and react otherwise.

It boils down to the fact that for the Anglo-American allies there cannot be another Tobruk or another Matruh in this war. Only the spirit of Sevastopol and only the spirit of those Britishers who charged with the light brigade at Belahai, some 80 years ago, can retrieve what has already been lost in Egypt. This war will only be won by many

SUBS FUELED BY TRAITOR'S SHIPS

Army Discloses How Canal Zone System Worked During Nights.

CARIBBEAN DEFENSE COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, July 4 (U. P.).—The "King of Belize's" schooners anchored in desolate, Caribbean bays. At night, axis submarines followed them, rose to the surface and moved close to the schooners. Fuel pipe lines were thrown aboard the submarines, and the schooners pumped oil into their tanks.

That was the way, the army revealed yesterday a spy ring which it has broken with the arrest of 20 suspects conducted part of its business with the axis.

The "King of Belize"—George Gough, British Honduran businessman the army believes was leader of the spies—operated a fleet of 10 coastal schooners, among other enterprises, directly from the port of Belize, British Honduras.

British Honduras, an army officer said, in revealing details of the spies' operations, was an ideal contact point between agents and submarines. Beautiful night club hostesses wangled information from dock workers and passed it on to the spies, who transmitted it to the submarines.

The officer said the submarines themselves furnished the tipoff that they were refueled off Central America. The army noted that submarines were raiding for indefinite periods in the Caribbean. It would have been impossible without land-based refueling points nearby.

U. S. authorities did not suspect Gough until an observer contacted a British agent, and they correlated their information. The British, the observer learned, had been working on the case for more than a year.

On the War Fronts

July 4, 1942

BRITAIN.—Six American bombers made first U. S. raid on German-occupied Europe. Two planes, with probably six men, lost.

EGYPT.—British striking relentlessly at new axis attempts to assault El Alamein sector in Egyptian desert battle, launching unprecedented air attacks on enemy.

RUSSIA.—Germans claim major break through in drive toward Don river, apparently first stage of Hitler's projected offensive against the Caucasus. Russians admit fall of Sevastopol.

AUSTRALIA.—Allied planes bomb Japanese base at Koepang and Lae; Japanese raid Port Moresby.

3 MORE SHIPS SUNK BY GERMAN U-BOATS

By UNITED PRESS

Disclosure that submarines have sunk three more vessels—one while she was docked—today raised to at least 353 the total of united nations' merchant ships sunk by axis submarines and mines in the Atlantic since mid-January.

The San Pablo, a 3305-ton United Fruit freighter, was sunk in the Costa Rican port of Puerto Limon, by a submarine which slipped up and fired two torpedoes into her. Twenty were injured by the explosions.

The other sinkings included a British vessel in the Caribbean on June 14 when 33 men died in two flaming lifeboats.

Twenty-one lives were lost in the sinking of a Latvian ship.

DETECTIVES CALLED IN ON LOCAL MURDER

City detectives were called in today to assist the sheriff's office in the investigation of the murder of Oscar (Tommy) Kersey, 17, who was shot to death early this week.

Sheriff Feeney requested the help of the city police and Fred Simon, chief of detectives, immediately assigned Detectives Elbert Romeril and Lawrence McLaughlin to assist Deputies Carl Beck and A. J. Thatcher, who have been investigating the shooting.

The body of Kersey was found Tuesday on 46th st. near State Road 52 with three bullet holes in the head.

MERLE SIDENER TO SPEAK

"Liberty or Death" will be discussed by Merle Sidener at the meeting of the Christian Men Builders class tomorrow morning in the Third Christian church. Broad Ripple Post of the American Legion members will be special guests. Dr. Clifford B. Chambers is commander and Cecil E. Hartman is chaplain.

Robert Hyland, Policeman Of Bicycle Era, Is Dead at 68

Robert Eugene (Bob) Hyland, bicycle policeman in the days of the Lew Shank city administration, died shortly after midnight today at his home, 1950 Bellefontaine st., at the age of 68.

When his uncle, Martin Hyland, was police chief during the Shank administration, Bob Hyland was promoted without his knowledge to sergeant. Upon learning of the promotion, he immediately resigned, stating that he wished to remain a bicycle policeman. His wishes were granted.

His partner on the force was the late Fred Amsten. Together they rode their bicycles out of station 4, on Prospect st. by Fountain

Charry Leaves



Rabbi Elias Charry

Rabbi at Beth-El Takes Germantown Pulpit; Here Nine Years.

Elias Charry, rabbi of the Beth-El Zedeck Congregation here for nine years, has resigned to become rabbi of the Germantown, Pa., Jewish Center Sept. 1.

Rabbi Charry, who came here from Youngstown, O., is former president of the Indianapolis Zionist district. Last month he was elected president of the Ohio Valley Zionist region, including Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia.

His new congregation, started five years ago, consisting of 300 families in a community of about 800 Jewish families. Rabbi and Mrs. Charry and their son and daughter, who have lived at 3242 Washington blvd., will leave the middle of this month to take a vacation in the East before assuming his new duties.

Rabbi Charry who has been active in Jewish affairs during his residence here expressed regret in leaving Indianapolis and hope that his new work will be as "fruitful and happy."

RUSS QUIT RUINS OF SEVASTOPOL

Germans Hurl Fresh Men Into Offensive on South Central Front.

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Hungarian allies were helping him in his long-heralded "summer offensive." It said that the Russians had fought the Germans in the directions of Kursk, Belgorod and Volchansk throughout the night.

"In the Kursk sector a unit commanded by Partonov killed several thousand (enemy) officers and men, most of which were from the Hungarian corps," it said.

"In the same fighting our units after 63 German tanks. On another sector, several dozen army tanks were destroyed and a large number of men put out of action.

"Our aviation in air combat destroyed 13 planes.

"In the Volchansk direction, our troops are resisting with great courage and beating off numerous enemy attacks."

Fifteen thousand German officers and men were killed and more than 250 tanks destroyed in one day's fighting around Kursk, last night's Soviet communique said.

Russian tank power had come into its own, Red Star reported, and hundreds of big tanks were dueling on the 135-mile front, particularly between Kursk and Belgorod, which is 50 miles northwest of Volchansk.

Sevastopol Falls

Russia announced last night that the gallant garrison of Sevastopol had withdrawn yesterday and that the Germans had entered a city in ruins. Sevastopol, Russia's greatest Crimean naval base, once was of the most beautiful cities in Europe.

The Germans, a special communique said, had hurled 500,000 soldiers and more than 400 tanks and 900 planes against Sevastopol. The final assault, which the Russians said had raged ceaselessly for 25 days, cost the Germans 150,000 men and officers of which at least 60,000 were killed, the communique said. In the eight months that the Germans had besieged Sevastopol, they lost a total of 300,000 men, killed and wounded, it asserted.

More than 250 German tanks, 250 guns and 300 planes were lost in the final assault, the communique added.

11,385 Russ Killed

"From June 7 to July 3, Soviet troops lost 11,385 killed, 21,099 wounded and 8300 missing; 30 tanks; 300 guns and 77 planes," the communique continued.

At the end of its resistance, Sevastopol had been pounded into rubble by German guns and planes. It was cut off from land communications with the rear. It had no air-dromes, and ammunition and food were disappearing.

Where the garrison is now was not disclosed. Presumably it now was fighting on in the little peninsula below Sevastopol.

ONE OF CHIEF AIDS EXILED BY FRANCO

MADRID, July 4 (U. P.).—Gen. Francisco Franco today issued a decree confining Lieut. Gen. Gonzalo Queipo de Llano, one of the most famous Franco military leaders of the civil war, to forced residence at Malaga, in Andalusia. Queipo is in Madrid now.

OUR GUNS ROAR ON WARTIME 4TH

Many Remain in Factories Forging Weapons to Guard Freedom.

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on, army and civilian defense officials warned:

The enemy may choose a holiday to strike.

In Indianapolis the celebration started at 10 a. m. with a downtown parade of army detachments, patriotic organizations and others.

At 11 a. m., Nelson E. Craig, Indianapolis' hero-father who has lost three sons in action in the war, was to adjust the war bond thermometer at the Circle, signifying that Marion county met its June quota.

Landis to Speak

At 11:30 a. m. James M. Landis, national director of civilian defense, was to be feted at a luncheon at the Columbia club. At 2:30 Mr. Landis was to make a public address at the Murat.

About 150 navy recruits were to be sworn in on the Michigan steps of the war memorial at 11:30 a. m. and at 1:30 p. m. the emergency relief show was to start at the state fair grounds. The show was to be repeated at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

The 12th district, American legion, was to hold an all-day celebration today at Columbia park, 3559 S. East st., with fireworks at 9:30 o'clock tonight.

Defense districts 21 and 22 also were to hold an all-day program, including an incendiary bomb celebration by the fire department at 9 p. m. at Rhodus park.

Although gasoline and rubber rations restricted many a celebration, the national safety council saw it as a blessing. The council predicted a 25 to 30 per cent decrease in accidental deaths but still estimated that at least 350 persons in America today would lose their lives in traffic, drownings and other mishaps.

Last year 500 were killed on the July 4 week-end.

Donates Curls To Choke Axis

FITCHBURG, Mass., July 4 (U. P.).—Nine-year-old Carleen Gabriel was happy today in the knowledge that she had done her part in the war effort by contributing her 20-inch, brown curls.

Carleen, a third-grade pupil, decided several weeks ago that she would like to help and she had her long locks cut.

The hair will be sent to the Bendix Corp. of Baltimore, which previously tested a sample and found it perfect for use in precision instruments.

WASHINGTON Calling

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accident investigation bureau isn't set up. One has just been created, under able officers, but it's strictly within the army. It's recognized that all accidents can't be eliminated, that AAF is performing gigantic task. But congress wants to make sure accident rate isn't out of proportion.

LOOK FOR AN increased sugar ration quota in about three weeks. New quota may be as much as 12 ounces, as against the eight you get now.

BIGGEST CONGRESSIONAL mail still comes from constituents wanting to be commissioned officers in the armed services. Few want a place on the firing line, many want safe posts, congressmen report.

ONE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S most closely guarded secrets is the program of the office of scientific research and development, headed by Dr. Vannevar Bush and staffed by some of the nation's most eminent scientists. The house, told that this agency has developed some hundred devices, formulas and methods of value to the armed services, voted \$73,000,000 for next year's researches.

NO NEED FOR priorities on railroad shipping facilities, Transportation Chief Eastman says. He's told rail managements and shippers that previous experience indicates they'd mean only inefficiency and confusion.

New Inheritance Tax Suggested

Stiff new inheritance tax is latest proposal for making up tax bill's two-billion-dollar deficit.

Present law taxes estates, not inheritances. New proposal would retain death duties, impose a new tax as estates are liquidated and property passes over to beneficiaries.

Proposal would hit several large estate trust funds set up before there was any estate tax, or while it was very low. Headliners hit—among others—would be Brenda Frazier Kelly and Marshall Field III. Treasury hasn't yet oked the plan.

SPEAKER SAM RAYBURN will have something to say on proposal of Rules Committee Chairman Sabath for separate house votes on mandatory joint income-tax returns, sales tax, other revenue-raising plans.

What he'll say is "no!"

BUT SABATH SEEMS to have got away with sidetracking the floor six weeks ago. Sabath said he wanted to hear testimony from Hobbs anti-racketeering bill. Hobbs asked a rule for debate on the labor leaders. But they've never been summoned.

BATTLE OF LIBYA may cause a shift in production program. It showed up desperate need for tractor-drawn artillery. Tank production may be cut, tank-blasters built instead.

Good news (it's needed!): American arms are costing less than estimated, being built with fewer man-hours, Nelson told congress.

To Cut or Not to Cut

TWO-BILLION-DOLLAR cut already made in war plant building program may be doubled. It would speed up arms production in next 12 months, slow it down in 1944. Decision probably won't be made till after battle for Egypt.

MANPOWER COMMISSION will talk over idea, urged by some congressmen, that small businessmen forced out by war program be given preference for government jobs.

POLITICAL MIRACLE-OF-THE-YEAR: Rep. James W. Wadsworth, lifelong conservative Republican from upstate New York, has been offered the Democratic county leaders of his district. May run on both tickets. He's been for Roosevelt foreign policy.



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