

WASHINGTON Calling

A Weekly Sizeup by the Washington Staff of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers

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ordered. While German rockets have been getting publicity, our naval bureau of ordnance has been quietly at work developing its own.

AMERICAN PLANES get into action against Nazis five days after they leave our factories, in some cases. It's no longer secret that they're flown over Alaska to the Russian front. This is one reason for emphasis on developing oil supplies in Alaska.

Surprised at MacArthur Rumpus

REP. A. L. MILLER of Nebraska says he's surprised at rumpus he kicked up with MacArthur letters. He didn't think they were news! But Miller has no qualms about publishing them, expects no protest from the general. Months ago, he says, he wrote MacArthur that he'd make no use of correspondence if the general preferred that he did not. Says he had no answer.

AMERICAN EXPERTS chosen to discuss international petroleum policy with the British here next week include experienced oil men, but some independent operators warn that unless they're on their toes they may get their pants traded off them.

Early discussions will center about our government's proposed Trans-Arabian pipe line. Talk eventually will cover whole field of Middle East oil operations, may include rationing of production and division of markets in that sphere of British influence, supplying India and Far East after the war, and international trade issues created by our great new synthetic-rubber industry.

Companies Have Far-Flung Interests

BRITISH DELEGATION includes Sir William Fraser, chairman of Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., in which British government holds majority interest, and Sir Frederick Godber, chairman of Shell Union Oil Corp. Their companies have far-flung interests in Middle East and in Netherlands, East Indies, where both oil and natural rubber are produced. Also:

Sir Frederick's Shell Union is controlled by Batavian Petroleum, which is part of Royal Dutch. In addition he is one of the managing directors of Iraq petroleum, affiliate of Shell Transport & Trading Co., which is associated with Royal Dutch.

AND: Among other owners of Iraq Petroleum is Near East Development Co., owned 50-50 by Standard of New Jersey and Socony-Vacuum, both American companies, both opposed to our Trans-Arabian pipe line.

Sir William's Anglo-Iranian is half owner with Gulf Oil of concessions at the head of Persian gulf. And Gulf Oil is one of three others being Standard of California and Texas Co. which have agreed with our government on the Saudi Arabian pipe line.

NEW ATTEMPTS to amend anti-trust laws are being planned by an investors' group. Idea is that combinations in big and little businesses which have helped us break records producing munitions should be permitted in the peace to provide full-scale employment—but only if held by a disinterested agency to be in the public interest.

Ideas may be advanced as the fifth freedom. "Freedom of private enterprise." But observers here believe any effort to change Sherman and Clayton acts will meet stiff opposition in congress unless it can be proved that only in this way can we win the peace on the home front.

Polls Show Wallace's Popularity

DESPITE ALL the things not in his favor, feeling grows on Capitol Hill that Vice President Wallace has a good chance to be No. 2 man on a fourth-term ticket. Reason: Polls showing his popularity, and the thought that he might gather in the nebulous labor vote and the confirmed New Deal vote. He has steadily advocated the New Deal, even after F. D. R. chucked the name out of the window.

SPEAKER SAM BURNETT's friends say he brought back from Texas no important worries about his campaign for renomination in July primaries. The Democratic national convention opens in Chicago three days before the first Texas primary, and some think the speaker might be nominated for vice president before his renomination to the house.

POWER COMMISSION and WPB will resist congressional drive to repeal national daylight-time law. Leader of repeal movement is Chairman Cannon (D. Mo.) of house appropriations committee.

J. SIDNEY JOHNSON, advertising executive who organized war food administration's drive to promote use of no-point and low-point foods, will return to his old job in private industry about May 1. Campaign has been launched in 250,000 food stores, will start soon in hotels and restaurants.

GOP to Contribute \$3000 to Campaigners

REPUBLICAN campaign organization, fighting to win house control, plans \$3000 contributions to incumbents facing stiff contests and to candidates with chances to unseat Democrats.

AMONG FIRST recommendations to reach new house committee on post-war military policy will be one from naval affairs subcommittee urging allotment of naval vessels to friendly South American republics for joint hemispheric defense. Some members of policy committee are dubious.

IF THE STEEL and other campaigning unions break the little steel formula, look for United Mine Workers to ask for more pay despite the apparent victory they won from Ickes-Welch agreement that ended last year's coal strikes. The miners, working longer hours and more days for more "take home" pay, are viewing seriously the war labor board's argument that the settlement involved no raise in basic pay.

Coal for Householders to Be Scarce

COAL FOR HOUSEHOLDERS will be scarcer next winter. Administrator Ickes is preparing consumers for a chilly winter—or the use of inferior substitute grades—by limiting purchases of scarce coals before Oct. 1 to 75 per cent of yearly requirements.

IN MANY CITIES householders will be required to file declarations of needs, supply on hand, type of equipment, etc. Ickes calls program "dealer control," since retailers will be enforcement agents, but aides concede it's "rationing without the name."

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE BERLE, back from London meetings with Lord Beaverbrook, probably will go before a senate commerce subcommittee on aviation early next week to report. He's said to be much more wary of British plans than when he started out, and he'll find listening senators determined to O. K. no foreign air agreements which give away big concessions to other nations.

North Side-Terrorized
By Knife-Wielding-Burglar

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bedroom window. When he shouted the man ran. Police found the screen pried out of the window.

About 5:15 a. m. Martha Persell and Marian Bey, 3630 N. Meridian st., Apt. 3, were awakened by a man entering their apartment. He held his knife at the throat of Miss Persell and said, "Don't say anything or I'll kill you. I've already killed two people tonight." They screamed, anyway, and the man disappeared for the third time through a window.

Hold-up Men on Rampage

Hold-up men were also on the rampage last night, taking billfolds containing more than \$100 and a watch worth \$45.

When Dr. Dan R. Tucker, 3311 College ave., got out of his car at 30th and Illinois sts., two men forced him back into the seat and drove him to McClain st. and Boulevard pl. There they robbed him of \$50 and a wrist watch valued at \$45, put him out of the car, took one shot at him, and drove away.

A man in an automobile offered

KURILES ABLAZE AFTER ATTACKS

U. S. Bombs Start Fires
From End to End of
Jap Bases.

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enemy's Kurile bases. Heavy anti-aircraft fire was encountered but there was no aerial opposition and all of our planes returned undamaged.

Fires and explosions were caused in this morning's attacks by navy Venturas on air installations at Suribachi, Kurabu, and Kurabu Katori or Paramushiro.

Lt. Cmdr. W. R. Stevens, Salem, Ore., one of the navy pilots, reported he dropped two 500-pound demolition bombs and incendiaries on a large "H" shaped building at Suribachi. The bombs straddled the building which burst into flame, and Stevens said eight greenish explosions followed.

Army Liberators attacked the important airbase on Matsuda island early today and then ranged northward 250 miles to bomb Kurabu Zaki.

**Australians Take
New Guinea Base**

BY UNITED PRESS

Allied forces, striking against the Japanese from land and air, carried an aerial offensive on the Kurile Islands in Japan's northern empire, into the fourth day, while 4000 miles to the south they captured Bogadjim, on the north coast of New Guinea, and were driving toward Madang, 16 miles away.

Yanks Blast Weewak

The Australian conquest at Bogadjim, protective base of Madang, was coupled with new aerial attacks of the northern New Guinea coast, where American bombers blasted the Weewak, 200 miles north of Madang, with 250 tons of explosives, and strafed a 90-mile stretch from Weewak to Aitape.

Southwest Pacific bombers also hit Wakde Island, 110 miles west of Hollandia, on the far northern New Guinea coast, and shot down a Japanese bomber 280 miles southeast of Palau, 550 miles east of the Philippines.

Hit at Carolines

Central Pacific forces continued their offensive against the Carolines, striking the main base of Truk on Wednesday and four of its protective positions on Thursday. The outlying targets were Ponape, 437 miles east of Truk, which was raid ed for the 22d time in two weeks; Pagan, near Truk; Ulul, 150 miles northwest of Truk, and Kusaie, the easternmost Carolines base, 343 miles southeast of American-held Kwajalein.

Army, navy and marine planes of the Central Pacific attacked four isolated Japanese bases in the Marshalls both Wednesday and Thursday, while American airmen from Solomon bases, carried out their daily raid on Rabaul.

King Says Japan

Dodging Battle

WASHINGTON, April 15 (U. P.)—Adm. Ernest J. King, accusing the Japanese of "lack of cooperation" in staging a major sea battle with the United States navy, said today that powerful new blows would be delivered during the next few months against Japanese bases, and against the Japanese fleet if it can be found.

Addressing the graduating class of the federal bureau of investigation's national police academy, the commander-in-chief of the U. S. fleet said:

"I think we could rightly define a major part of our policy with respect to the Pacific as 'seizure of opportunity.' So far it has been impossible, for lack of Japanese cooperation, to stage a major sea battle.

Japs Won't Gamble

"We are willing, but the Japs do not seem to want to gamble with that type of battle. So we are seeking opportunities to strike whenever we can get within range of their warships or bases, and I think you will find within the next few months to come that we shall create more of these opportunities."

"For example," he said, "I have only to cite the recent successful attacks on Palau, Yap and Weewak islands." Palau is 560 miles from the lobby and the guests dashed out the other. No casualties were reported and the bees departed of their own free will.

A confidant of the gang leader told the United Press he talked with Guzik on the telephone last night, a little more than 24 hours after the gang leader was reported to have been dragged from his automobile in suburban Berwyn by three men.

"Guzik said he had not been kidnapped," the informant said. "But he didn't say where he had been."

The gambling czar's friend said he had called back to make sure the caller was Guzik and was convinced the information was "on the level." The call was placed from the Philippines.

Reminding that to date more than 600 Japanese merchant ships have been sunk, probably sunk or damaged by submarine action alone, King added that Japan "cannot stand such a rate of loss for any length of time and keep her empire together."

Objective Is Tokyo

He said that well over 2,000,000 tons of Japanese cargo tonnage has been sunk to reduce Japan's merchant fleet to not more than two-thirds of pre-war tonnage.

He reiterated that the American objective in the Pacific is Tokyo.

"But," he added, "we do not underestimate our enemies. We give them credit for determination and tenacity, skill and ingenuity, as well as a savage disregard for humanity and for lives—even their own."

King declared that as time goes on, the Japanese will learn that the United States is not relying on so-called orthodox methods of warfare.

Lt. Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, marine corps commander, told the graduates that the American soldier's faculty to think for himself and to make the right decisions constitutes one of the greatest advantages he holds over the Japanese fighting man.

John J. Dugan, 419 N. Oakland ave., was relieved of his billfold containing \$9 as he was walking near Maryland and California sts. last night.

A youth struck Laverne Simmons, 1149 Dawson st., several times as she was walking near her home.

Rommel REPORTED ILL

The clandestine radio Atlantic said last night that Marshal Erwin Rommel has been ill, but will be able to resume his duties in a few days.

YOCKEY IS APPOINTED

Harry Yockey, city OCD director, today was appointed by Mayor Tyn dall to represent the city on the Marion county tax adjustment board.

CLUB MEETS MONDAY

Petit for Victory club will meet at 8 p. m. Monday at Shelby and Tabor sts.

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

Complete Training

TURKISH POLICY

QUEER PARADOX

Concern for Future Viewed

As Explanation of
Aid to Reich.

BY RICHARD MOWRER
Times Foreign Correspondent

CAIRO, April 15.—Turkish policy is perhaps the strangest paradox of

the war.

During Britain's bad days, when the British were being driven out of the European war zones.

They are T. Sgt. Lester W. Seelig, husband of Mrs. Alberta L. Seelig, Howe; 1st Lt. Robert J. Shurilla, son of Mrs. Mary Shurilla, Gary; and Sgt. Robert D. Smith, son of Mrs. Rose Smith, Kendallville, all European casualties.

Missing in the Mediterranean are Pvt. Albertus H. Miller, son of Mrs. Mable V. Hollinger, Angola; Pfc. Alva J. Smith, son of Charles F. Smith, Anderson; Pfc. Jesse J. Sparks, son of Mrs. Beatrice M. Sparks, Terre Haute; S. Sgt. Irvin Stillson Jr., son of Mrs. Lucy M. Stillson, Crown Point, and 2d Lt. Ted F. Stralkowski, son of Mrs. Mary P. Stralkowski, Gary.

AMONG THE 387 U. S. soldiers listed today as wounded in action are seven Hoosiers stationed in the Mediterranean theater, and in the Pacific.

Pfc. Mike Jaros Jr., brother of Mrs. Jane Holly, East Chicago, was injured in marine action.

Those wounded in the Mediterranean are T. 5th Gr. Ralph E. Chasteen, husband of Mrs. Evelyn Chasteen, Williamsburg; Sgt. Stanley J. Chwalek, son of Mrs. Frances Chwalek, South Bend; Pvt. Raymond D. Gustafson, son of Mrs. Hulda C. Gustafson, Knob; Sgt. Forrest H. Hartman, son of John H. Hartman, New Albany; Pfc. Herbert L. Schneid Jr., husband of Mrs. Alice Jane Schneid, Ft. Wayne, and S. Sgt. Louis M. Treber, brother of Carl Treber, South Bend.

S. SGT. AUGUST K. FRICKE, husband of Mrs. Mae L. Fricke, Anderson, and T. Sgt. Charles O. Cole, son of Mrs. Myrl Cole, Midland, are prisoners of war in Germany from March 6 to March 23.

The Indianapolis file: recently started operational flights with the Mustang fighter group of the 8th air forces. Lt. Anderson, who holds the air medal with one oak leaf cluster, participated in missions in

the Mediterranean area.

**Dean to Address
State Educators**

CITY AND STATE educators will hear Dr. T. R. McConnell, dean of the college of science at the University of Minnesota, speak Next Friday and Saturday at Butler university.

Dr. McConnell will discuss "The Future of Liberal Education" Friday in the second series of meetings this year on post-war education.

There will be other talks and forums during the two days with the program centering on education for veterans of world war II who return to school.

**3 COUNTRIES WOULD
SHARE OCCUPATION**

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3. Whatever happens Britain cannot afford now or in future to renounce its alliance or friendly relations with Turkey—it will want a friendly Turkey to bulk up its interests in the Middle East against powerful Russia.

4. Russia's military successes are far, but if the war of attrition continues long enough Russia, perhaps, will be weakened that Turkey will have less to fear.

5. Nobody knows what is going to happen. Maybe the Russians and Anglo-Saxons will quarrel before the war ends—various diplomatic events have suggested lack of synchronization, if not absence of identical viewpoints between the Russian, British and American governments.

In any case, it is better for Turkey to be strong and well armed to meet the uncertainties of the future. Such, whether for better or for worse, appear to be the fundamentals of Turkish reasoning at this stage of world developments.

By U. S. News Service
and the Chicago Daily News.

**BEES OUST GUESTS
IN SOCIETY HOTEL**

PALM SPRINGS, Cal., April 15 (U. P.)—A swarm of bees looking for a place to light caused a hasty evacuation of the Oasis, upper-crust resort hotel, yesterday.

The bees buzzed in one side of the lobby and the guests dashed out the other. No casualties were reported and the bees departed of their own free will.

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