

# Yanks K. O. 41 Jap Ships and 107 Planes in Four-Day Raids

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American sea and air forces destroyed or damaged 41 Japanese ships and 107 planes in sweeping raids that included a four-day bombardment of the Bonin and Volcano islands, four new air attacks on the Philippines and a bombardment of the former American base at Wake, it was disclosed today.

Forces of Adm. Chester W. Nimitz and Gen. Douglas MacArthur collaborated in the raids which ranged from the northern Kurile islands to the Dutch East Indies in the Southwest Pacific.

Twenty-one of the ships and 88 of the planes were bagged in a concentrated four-day assault on the Bonins and the Volcanos by army Liberators, carrier-based planes, cruisers and destroyers.

Nimitz's communiqué said surface ships escaped damage although five carrier planes were lost with four crewmen missing.

Wake island, long bypassed in Nimitz' drive toward the Japanese homeland, was attacked by cruisers, destroyers and carrier planes without loss Sunday.

Allied bombers from MacArthur's command struck from the Philippines to the Dutch East Indies over the week-end, destroying or damaging 20 Japanese vessels and 22 planes.

Four separate attacks were made

# French 40 Mi. North of Lyon; Yanks Beat Nazis at Montrevel

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ROME, Sept. 5.—French troops paced the rapid 7th army advance through Southern France today, driving up the west bank of the Saone river to the outskirts of Macon, 40 miles north of Lyon.

American forces probed northward from Montrevel and reached points less than 120 miles from the invasion armies in the north.

The French sent a spearhead northwest from Villefrance, where they captured 2400 prisoners, to the edge of St. Bonnet de Bruyeres, 17 miles due west of Macon.

A communiqué said the French and American forces, driving north along both banks of the Saone, were meeting only "ineffectual resistance," the Germans apparently having withdrawn their main forces.

Macon, a wine center with a population of about 16,000, is 13 miles west of Montrevel, where the Americans continued their advance after beating back a stiff German counter-attack.

The Germans brought tanks into the battle at Montrevel, and the Americans suffered some casualties and lost some men as prisoners.

A C.B.S. correspondent reported from Bern that American motorized troops had taken the French road junction of Pontarlier, 50 miles north of Geneva and 62

# Italy—Allies Closing in on Rimini, Important Port on Adriatic

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ROME, Sept. 5.—British and Canadian forces closed in today on the important Adriatic coastal city of Rimini after a drive to within six miles of the southern edge of the Fo River valley, while in the west U. S. 5th army troops approached Lucca and Prato, less than 10 miles from the Tyrrhenian sea and south of the Gothic line.

Expanding their bridgehead north of the Conca river into a square roughly five miles wide and three miles deep, the British 8th army drove into the suburbs of Roccamare, six miles south of Rimini.

Capture of Rimini, southern terminus of the railway and highway lines leading to the southern Adriatic coast from Bologna, would open the way for a sweep up toward the coastal town with which their 1st parachute division, supported by tanks, was resisting.

In the western sector, meanwhile, American troops drove north along highway 12 for a two-mile advance which resulted in the capture of Ripafraia, seven miles north of Pisa.

American troops also were nearing Prato, 11 miles northwest of Florence, but increasingly stubborn resistance was found there and northeast of Florence.

Between Monte Pisano and the Tyrrhenian sea, American troops consolidated their gains as far as the south bank of the Serchio river, while the Germans continued to hold the north bank.

Supporting the 8th army's drive on Rimini, H. M. S. Loyal and Urchin, British destroyers, bombarded enemy batteries, transports and troop movements from the Adriatic.

Medium and light bombers of the 15th air force also struck German gun emplacements just south of Rimini. Heavy and medium bombers also made sweeps over northern Italy.

# PITTMAN OPPOSING M'CARRAN IN NEVADA

CARSON CITY, Nev., Sept. 5 (U. P.).—Another Pittman makes his bid today for a seat in the U. S. senate from Nevada where Lt. Gov. Vail Pittman, brother of the late Senator Key Pittman, opposes Senator Patrick A. McCarran for the Democratic senatorial nomination in the state's primary election.

Pittman, a publisher from Ely, has waged a vigorous attack against McCarran's isolationism before Pearl Harbor and on his asserted non-support of the Roosevelt administration.

McCarran, whom President Roosevelt unsuccessfully sought to pursue in 1936, has refused to comment on Pittman's campaign charges, standing on his record of 12 years in the upper chamber, where he is chairman of the senate judiciary committee.

Observers have predicted that the race would be a close one.

# NELSON MAY AID CHINA INDUSTRY

Plan Would Take Japan's Foreign Markets for Post-War Era.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5 (U. P.).—Donald M. Nelson, now on a secret White House mission to China, is believed laying the groundwork for industrializing China as a means of stripping Japan of her foreign markets and providing the United States with heavy machinery.

President Roosevelt said he was sending the war production board chairman as his personal emissary to discuss "economic" problems but did not disclose the exact nature of the discussions. However, a study of Nelson's past views on world economic problems indicated that he would take up the matter of modernizing and expanding China's pocket-sized industry.

Nelson Outlines Plan

In a speech several months ago—which may have caught the attention of Mr. Roosevelt—Nelson expounded the theory that this country must help others build up healthy industries of their own to avoid a serious global depression after the war.

"In preparing our internal economy to withstand the shock of large cutbacks in war production, we have vital need for a backlog of orders from abroad," Nelson said in that address.

"It is becoming ever clearer that the best method by which we can promote a sustained and healthy expansion of foreign trade is to aid undeveloped regions build up sound industries of their own."

It is believed here that an industrialized China—with labor as cheap as Japan's—could move in on Japan's foreign markets and raise her own standard of living at the same time.

# DEGAULLE ORDERS PURGE OF TRAITORS

PARIS, Sept. 5 (U. P.).—Gen. Charles de Gaulle's government, opening a merciless purge of traitor elements, ordered the arrest of many prominent collaborationists today and it was revealed that police had unearthed a French branch of the German Gestapo accused of murdering more than 1000 persons and kidnapping De Gaulle's own niece.

Among the leading collaborationists sought—all refugees presumably in Germany—were Jacques Doriot, leader of the collaborationist Popular Party; Joseph Darnaud, head of the Quilting Vichy militia; Fernand de Brion, Vichy ambassador to Germany; and Marcel Bucard, collaborationist chief for Paris.

The secretariat of justice, starting proceedings also against five Paris daily and three weekly newspapers, ordered the arrest of their editors, including Marcel Deat, former cabinet minister, now believed to be in Germany.

ADAMS TO SPEAK

Robert A. Adams, Indianapolis attorney, will speak on "The Constitution of the U.S." at a luncheon of the Indiana society of the Sons of the American Revolution, to be held in observance of Constitution day tomorrow at the Columbia club.

# 3 Hoosiers Who Know What's Cooking 25% OF CAR DEALERS FAIL TO FILE REPORT



Any doubt that Alfred L. Bailey (center) of 1516 Comer ave. knows just what's cooking aboard his coast guard invasion craft should be dispelled by this official photo showing him nosing around the galley with a couple of other Hoosiers. His pals are Emery Anders (left) ship's cook, from Shelbyville and Cornelius J. Donovan, first class seaman of Gary. Bailey, a first class seaman, is in the Pacific theater.

REPORT GENERAL KILLED

ROME, Sept. 5 (U. P.).—Adolf Hitler gave the German high command six hours to arrange the death of Field Marshal Walter von Reichenau, Nazi commander in Southern Russia, whose death was reported on Jan. 17, 1942, the publication of the German high command today, quoting a war prisoner.

# Belgians Outdo Paris in Liberation Celebration

BRUSSELS, Sept. 3 (Delayed) (U. P.).—The Belgians, confident for months that their liberation was near, prepared a celebration, that out did Paris in its welcome to the liberators.

Before the last Germans fled the city, allied flags hidden four years were flying all through the capital. Welcoming banners, on which patriots had been working secretly for months, were stretched across streets and the women donned dresses of the black, yellow and red national colors.

As the British swept into the capital, the cheers of the joyous inhabitants drowned out the shots being exchanged by the liberators and isolated pockets of Germans in various parts of the city.

The liberation was a one-day miracle of the war. British armored forces crossed the Belgian border at dawn, swept 70 miles across Flanders and by night had entered Brussels.

I traveled with the British armor along 50 miles of the parade, interrupted occasionally by battles with isolated German columns which were mowed down quickly.

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As we reached Brussels, the skyline was ablaze. German rear guards had set fire to gestapo headquarters and the palace of justice to destroy documents and they had blown up the telephone exchange and the radio station.

Huge welcoming bonfires roared in the center of the city.

Crowds besieged the tanks and women and girls rushed up to embrace "les Tommies." But the armor had to force on too quickly for many embraces.

Wherever the tanks stopped crowds decorated them with flowers and allied flags.

From the time the British rolled across the border, they were aided by Belgian forces of the interior. Men of the "secret army" rose up at every town and village and did the mopping-up work for the troops.

TITO FORGES ACTIVE

LONDON, Sept. 5 (U. P.).—Marshal Tito's Yugoslav partisans launched an all-out drive against the German network of communications in Yugoslavia, and first official reports indicated today that the patriots were cutting rail lines to pieces.

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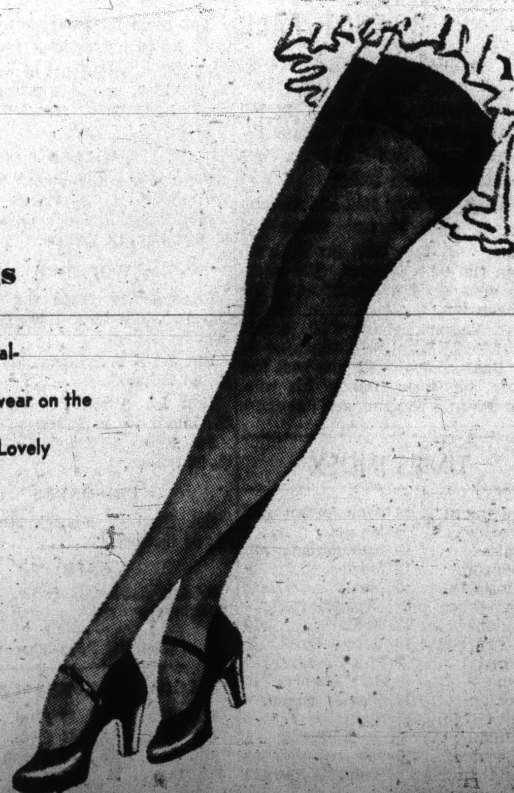
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