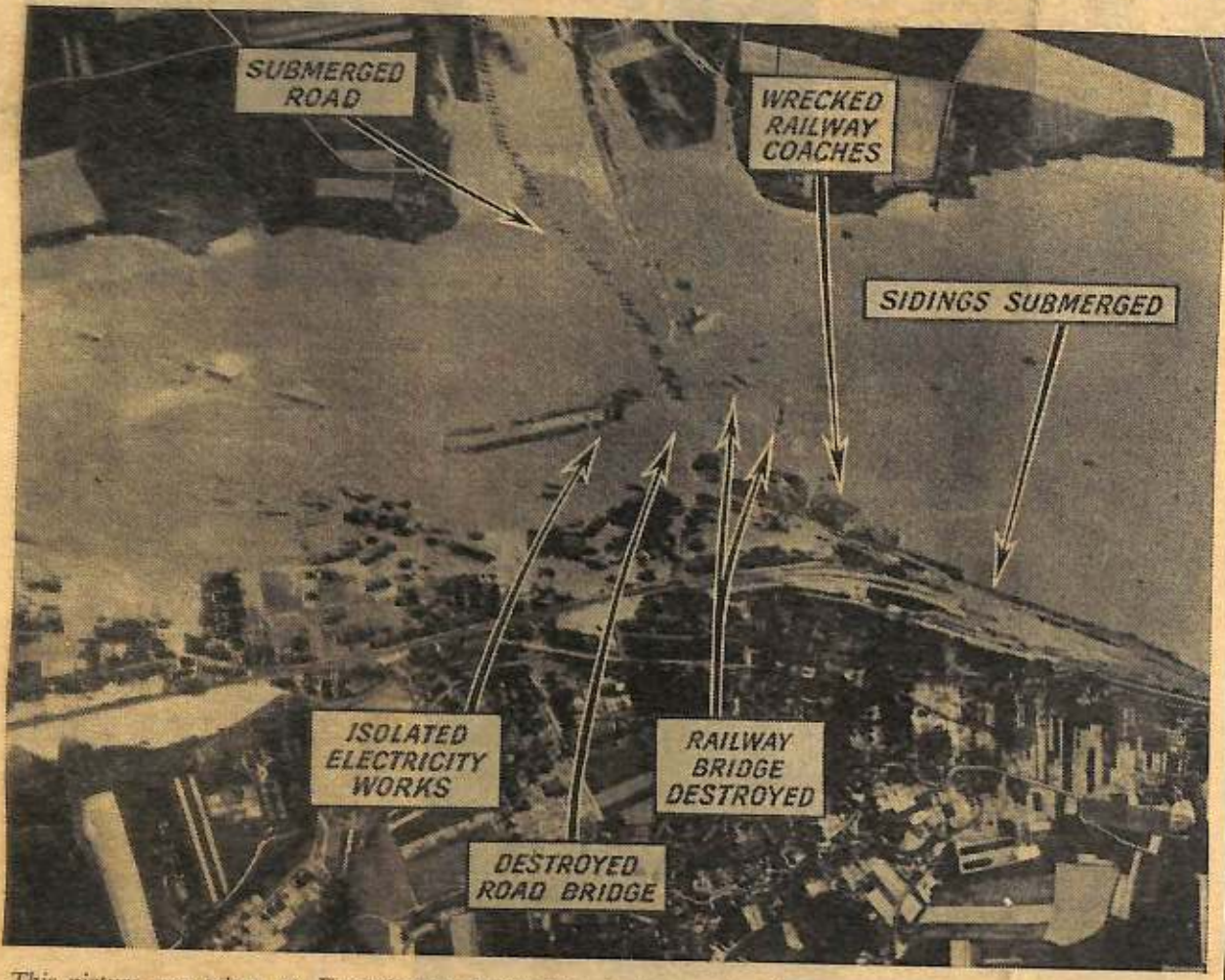


Forts Smash U-Boat Yards Along Baltic

There Once Was a Nazi Rail Center Here



This picture was taken at Froendenberg-Boesperde, in the Ruhr, 13 miles from the PAF... destroyed railway coaches... at Duisburg and Kassel.

Unescorted Bombers Leave Bases at Kiel, Flensburg in Flames

Six Planes Missing After Double Blow At Sub Works; Incendiaries Follow High Explosives Onto Targets

Unescorted Flying Fortresses raided two submarine construction centers in northern Germany during daylight yesterday. Six bombers were lost in the two-pronged attack which carried the USAAF's record this month to seven days of raiding on nearly three times as many targets. The yards at Kiel, huge Nazi naval base on the Baltic side of the peninsula which juts up from the Reich to the Danish border, and those at Flensburg, 45 miles farther up the peninsula, were left in flames after the Forts had pushed home their attack.

Returning crews said bombing was good in spite of fierce enemy fighter resistance which began well before the bombers reached their goal.

Kiel was attacked last Friday by U.S. heavies. The Eighth Air Force heavies reversed the usual technique by sending in formations carrying high explosives to attack the target first and following them with incendiary-laden ships which dumped bundle after bundle of small incendiary bombs across the blasted U-boat yards.

In yesterday's raid bombardiers reported direct hits on construction yards despite the heavy smoke screens laid down by ground defenses and shine anchored.

Brig. Gen. H. S. Hansell, of Atlanta, Ga., said, "Preliminary reports of the raid are very satisfactory. We washed out one end of the sub plants the last time and went after the other one this time."

Robert A. Lovett, U.S. Under-Secretary of War for Air, talked with Gen. Hansell and Brig. Gen. Newton Longfellow, Bomber Command chief, at an operational field as the crews returned home.

While the bombers were out U.S. fighter planes carried out a diversionary sweep, but the Luftwaffe refused the bait and there was no opposition.

The official communique said: "It is announced by Headquarters, ETOUSA, that a strong force of Eighth Air Force heavy bombers attacked shipbuilding and submarine yards at Kiel and Flensburg, Germany, in daylight today.

"Bombing results were good and both targets were left in flames. Weather was favorable.

"The bombers, which were unescorted, were met by large numbers of enemy fighters and many of the enemy were destroyed.

Diversionary Sweep

"USAAF fighters carried out a diversionary sweep but the enemy refused action.

"Six bombers are missing." The long daylight mission—only Bordeaux, of the USAAF's targets is farther from England—followed a night in which German planes struck retaliatory blows at London and other districts, causing some casualties and damage.

Most of the night raiders were single-engine fighter-bombers. Heaviest weight of today's double attack was thrown against Kiel. The target was the Deutsche Werke, employing several thousand workers, and with facilities for constructing all types of naval craft. Its yards, too, are now devoted to

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U.S. Officials Join King, Queen in Thanksgiving

Bells of Thanksgiving rang out after services in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, yesterday afternoon at which ranking U.S. diplomatic and military officials joined Britain's King and Queen in giving thanks for the victory in Tunisia.

Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, commanding general, ETOUSA, headed the American delegation, the other members of which were Maj. Gen. John C. H. Lee, commanding general, SOS, ETOUSA; Adm. Harold R. Stark, commander of the U.S. Naval Forces in Europe; Ambassador John G. Winant, and Capt. Paul H. Bastedo, USN.

Also present were Vice Adm. Lord Louis Mountbatten, chief of combined operations; Gen. Charles de Gaulle, Fighting French leader; Anthony Eden; King Haakon of Norway; King Peter of Yugoslavia; the President of Poland and other heads and leading representatives of the United Nations.

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U.S. Forces Join In Two-Pronged Assault on Attu

Japs Retire to Main Base, U.S. Reinforcements Arrive, Tokyo Says

WASHINGTON, May 19—Advanced patrols of the two-pronged U.S. attack on Attu Island joined hands yesterday after smashing Japanese defenses and forced the enemy troops to withdraw towards their main positions at Chicago harbor, the Navy Department announced today.

The battle for the westernmost Aleutian island may be ending to judge from tones of Tokyo broadcasts today, which said U.S. reinforcements were continuing to arrive and that the Japanese forces would fight to the last man. Another Tokyo broadcast stated the Japs would deliver "blitzkrieg" blows against the Russians if they allowed the Allies to use bases in Siberia.

Attu is about 600 miles from the Siberian coast.

Japs Leave Snipers

During yesterday morning U.S. forces working inland from Holtz Bay on Attu Island were in possession of a high ridge southeast of Holtz Bay and U.S. troops from the Massacre Bay area were advancing northward.

Later in the day the Massacre Bay force advanced up a pass towards the Holtz Bay force and advanced patrols from the two forces met.

During the afternoon the pass was cleared of enemy troops, which withdrew toward Chicago Harbor, leaving only snipers behind. Several three-inch AA guns captured from the enemy are being used by our troops.

Elsewhere in the Pacific Allied reconnaissance planes over Stefan Straits, near Kavieng, New Britain, encountered two enemy floatplanes and damaged one.

A Billion Dollar Program Planned for Public Works

NEW YORK, May 19 (AP)—Vice-President Henry Wallace, speaking at a dinner of the American Labor Party, said that the national resources planning board was working out a program of post-war public works costing "a billion dollars."

"With full employment there is no reason why any of the democracies should fear communism," Wallace said.

'Lorries' Are 'Trucks,' But 'Gas' Is 'Petrol'

WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP)—"Lorries" have become "trucks" in North Africa, and, on a lend-lease basis, "gasoline" is now "petrol" to both British and American Armies, Prime Minister Churchill revealed in his speech today.

He cited the give-and-take of British and American terms as illustrating the true spirit of cooperation which has been established for combined Allied operations.

WAACs Won't Recruit Here

American women living in the United Kingdom who volunteered to join the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps right after the announcement of its formation, a year ago, will still have to wait.

"Even when more WAACs arrive here," said 1/Lt. Selma Herbert, of New York, assistant to the commanding officer of the WAACs in this theater, "there will be no possibility of recruiting women on this side until training facilities are set up. It is too early to discuss the question."

Within a few days of Pearl Harbor many American women over here offered their services. Right after the announcement of the formation of the WAAC over 70 applied for enlistment.

Since the advance detail of 11 WAACs arrived in Britain, five American girls serving in Allied uniformed services have applied for transfers.

Pilot Keeps Doomed Ship Flying To Save Crew, But Dies in Leap

By keeping his bomber flying after a take-off mishap that had damaged the aircraft beyond repair, Capt. Derrol W. Rogers, of New Britain, Conn., saved the lives of his crew, and probably the lives of people below—but lost his own.

The plane was doomed as soon as it became airborne, yet Rogers kept it aloft until his crew had time to bail out, including one injured man. 2/Lt. Norville J. Gorse, of Chicago, remained with him as he flew the plane over the sea to jettison his bombs.

"A crash landing probably would have endangered the lives of those below, so Rogers headed the plane out to sea, and

Knockout War In Air Pledged By Churchill

Premier Tells Congress Britain Will Help Raid Japan's Mainland

WASHINGTON, May 19 (UP)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill promised an all-out air offensive, designed to knock the Axis countries out of the war, in an address today before a joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives.

"There is no doubt," the British premier said, "that the Allied air power already vastly outnumbers the hostile forces of Germany, Italy and Japan. Still more does their output of new planes surpass the output of the enemy."

"In this air war, by which both Germany and Japan fondly imagined that they would strike decisive and final blows, terrorize nations great and small into submission to their will—in this air war it is those guilty nations which have already begun to show their first real mortal weakness.

Can 'Out-replace' the Axis

"We can replace casualties and machines far more rapidly than the enemy," Churchill said.

Opinion is divided, the Prime Minister frankly admitted, as to whether air power alone can bring about an Axis collapse.

"But," he added, "the experiment is well worth trying so long as other measures are not excluded."

The Prime Minister said he and President Roosevelt hoped to talk with Prime

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Other members of the crew were: 1/Lt. Joe L. Hudson, of Little Rock, Ark., navigator; 1/Lt. George D. Rawlings, of Tuttle, Okla., bombardier; S/Sgt. Edwin C. Ruffekugle, of North Buena Vista, Iowa, waist gunner; S/Sgt. Robert Dominick, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., tail gunner; T/Sgt. Hasil F. Maxwell, San Pedro, Cal., top-turret gunner; S/Sgt. Robert L. Bennett, Chicago, ball-turret gunner; S/Sgt. Alfred G. Miles, Elmwood, Ill., radio operator; and S/Sgt. Edward C. Youngers, Le Claire, Iowa, waist gunner.

RAF Leaflets, Floods in Ruhr Hit Axis Nerves

Italy Fears Dam Smashing Technique; Resistance Spreads in Balkans

ated at Axis nerves across all of Europe yesterday.

Rome radio broadcast what the announcer called the text of leaflets dropped by the RAF. He said they warned Italians that Rome was on a list of Allied air targets and that a huge invasion force was waiting the word to march through Italy into Europe.

In France, deportation of slave laborers for German war factories was being halted by Frenchwomen, who threw themselves on the tracks in front of trains full of industrial conscripts.

Denmark and Norway blazed with renewed sabotage.

There was intensified guerrilla fighting in the Balkans as Italian troops from Greece headed home for what may be a desperate last stand defense when their own country is invaded.

Swiss reports quoted still another Italian fear, not credited to any "leaflets," to the

Mussolini Will Flee Soon, Says LaGuardia

NEW YORK, May 19 (AP)—Mussolini will be a fugitive from Italy "within a very short time," Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia said in his regular weekly broadcast.

He said the Fascist government will disintegrate and Mussolini will "sneak across the Alps on a dark night." "Italy," said LaGuardia, "is at present at the mercy of the Allies and I predict that it will soon be out of the war."

effect that the devastating mine-bombing technique which wrecked the German Ruhr Valley dams might be used against Italy.

In the industrial northern section of the country, hydro-electric plants dot the mountain valley, and man-made lakes stretch from them to the sheer slopes of

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