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AXIS TROOPS FORCED TO RETREAT IN AFRICA

Japs Driven From Newly-Captured Town British Lines Hold On All 35 Mile Front

Soviets Counter-Attack Reported In Full Retreat From Ihwang

Germans Claim 100-Mile Advance After Break-Through; Say "Big Push" Has Started.

(By Henry C. Cassidy, Associated Press Staff Writer) MOSCOW, July 5—(AP)—Savage Russian counter-attacks against German armies estimated at more than 150,000 men have hurled back the Nazis on two critical Ukrainian sectors and apparently stalled the newest Hitler offensive against Rostov and the Caucasus, Russian battlefront reports indicated tonight.

Battling on fields littered with German dead and wrecked Nazi tanks, the Russians declared, the Germans are throwing in their reserves in their grand attempt to crush the Red Army lines.

The Germans were described as using five infantry, four tank and two motorized divisions in the Kursk offensive, the immediate objective of which apparently was to break the Moscow-Rostov communications through Voronezh province.

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War Situation Last Night Nazis Admit Drive Slowed

(By KIRKE L. SIMPSON, Associated Press War Analyst)

The Allied world drew an easier breath Sunday at the end of a week tense with war drama in Egypt and Russia. For the moment at least British reinforcements appeared to have blocked again the Axis drive toward Alexandria.

Unquestionably Hitler's promised knock-out summer offensive against Russia is in progress. A German claim to have broken through Russian defences testified to that. A crisis is brewing in southern Russia that is no less urgent than that for the British forces in Egypt even though the factors involved, including the time element, are wholly different.

Neither Russian nor German reports afford much map data by which to gauge the ebb or flow of the huge and growing battle. This week-end the Germans spoke in broad terms of a gigantic breakthrough in the Ukraine and a speedy advance, toward the Don River area. For their part, the Russians had counter-attacked at Kursk, along a front of probably 200 miles from northeast to Kursk southward to Kupyansk, 80 miles east and slightly south of Kharkov.

That roughly corresponds to the line of the Kursk-Kupyansk-Khodkovsk-Kupyansk railroad. Kupyansk was taken by the Germans more than a week ago. Belgorod, like Kursk, remained in German hands throughout the winter of 1941. The Germans spoke in broad terms of a gigantic breakthrough in the Ukraine and a speedy advance, toward the Don River area.

It appears that the main German attack thus far has developed along a front of probably 200 miles from northeast to Kursk southward to Kupyansk, 80 miles east and slightly south of Kharkov. That roughly corresponds to the line of the Kursk-Kupyansk-Khodkovsk-Kupyansk railroad.

The territory as yet lost or gained is of small consequence as compared with the losses in men and equipment on either side. The battle for key points, its time element can be computed only in weeks or months.

WASHINGTON, July 5—(AP)—With two major plants in production, government officials have discovered that making synthetic rubber won't cost as much as they thought it would.

There is no object in the United States' 800,000-ton synthetic rubber program, but rubber co-ordinator Arthur B. Newhall was pleased nevertheless to report that the program probably will not require all the \$550,000,000 which Congress authorized for it.

In fact, it may cost considerably less, the War Production Board official said. Goodyear brought the first unit of the government-financed synthetic rubber plant into production in May and first-line the second in June. United States Rubber is scheduled to turn out one in August and B. F. Goodrich in November. The latter firm has had a small privately-financed plant in operation some time with 1,500 tons monthly capacity.

As the program now stands, about three-fourths of the synthetic rubber is to come from use of petroleum base and the remainder from use of alcohol. However, the corn belt, supplying grain for alcohol, may play an ever-rising part in beating the rubber shortage.

A 200,000-ton increase is under discussion. Farm-minded Senators reported today a report on the condition of fruit crops that "prospects for fruit production in Canada declined during the past month."

In the Maritime Provinces the apple crop now is expected to be smaller than that of 1941 although it is still too early to estimate the probable output. Other tree fruits, however, appear to be normal.

While strawberry yields have been cut by frosts in Nova Scotia and Quebec in New Brunswick, no definite estimate of the yield is as yet available.

By The Associated Press At least 373 seamen and passengers were lost in enemy submarine attacks on allied and neutral merchant vessels in the Western Atlantic area last week. More than 400 others were rescued and 38 were reported missing.

The unofficial Associated Press tabulation of united and neutral nations losses in the Atlantic and adjacent waters since the entry of the United States into the war went up Sunday to 339 with announced torpedoing of a big American merchantman off South America and the sinking of a smaller American vessel off the northern coast of the Dominican Republic.

Last week's announced sinkings included 20 cargo ships, of which 11 were United States vessels, two British, three Panamanian, one Norwegian, one Yugoslavian, one Brazilian and one Latvian.

The tabulation: Since Dec. 7, 1941: U.S. 7, 143; Canada 0, 35; U.K. 0, 109; Brazil 2, 28; Norway 2, 22; Panama 3, 37; Total 20, 337.

Airmen Strike Heavy Blow At Nazi Motorized Equipment Sunday.

(By Harry Crockett, Associated Press Staff Writer)

CAIRO, July 5—(AP)—Furious attacks by the reinforced British army of the Nile forced the Germans and Italians from their previously stabilized positions in the El Alamein sector 70 miles west of Alexandria Saturday after the Axis had suffered considerable losses in men and heavy equipment.

The Germans retreated locally to the northwest after being pounded by heavy guns, constantly strafed and bombed by the R. A. F. and S. A. A. F. and pressed relentlessly by bayonet-wielding New Zealand, Indian and British troops.

BRITISH LINES HOLD All British lines in the 35-mile bottleneck between the Mediterranean and the Qattara depression held firmly, and the men of Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck pressed their counter-attack with

(By Larry Allen, Associated Press Staff Writer) AT BRITISH NAVAL AIRCRAFT HEADQUARTERS IN THE EGYPTIAN DESERT, July 5—(AP)—Royal Navy fighter pilots, working in close co-operation with the Royal Air Force, struck a heavy blow at Nazi motorized equipment south of El Alamein today, destroying hundreds of trucks and other motor transport.

Navy airmen, who illuminated targets for the R. A. F. bombers by dropping flares, also dropped bombs, they reported upon returning to desert headquarters. They said they left behind a trail of fires and explosions that was seen 50 miles away.

Throughout the day and night, front-line dispatches said, it was the British forces who were doing all the attacking Saturday and the Axis which was doing the defending.

NAZI RETREAT NOT GENERAL The German retreat was not a general withdrawal, but the fact that all the fighting was west and southwest of El Alamein was considered significant by military experts at this capital, 160 miles from the front line.

A general headquarters communique said: "Our land forces continued to attack the enemy yesterday in the El Alamein area. Enemy armor was forced to withdraw from a ridge to the south of El Alamein after a number of enemy tanks had been knocked out. Our air forces maintained a maximum effort against the enemy, and landing grounds in the El Daba area (35 miles west) were bombed and ground strafed."

TWO HURT IN BLAST OTTAWA, July 5—(CP)—One man was critically hurt, one seriously hurt and another slightly injured Saturday when an explosion occurred at a shell-filling plant at Chertsey. The explosion was announced by the Munitions and Supply Department.

Dispatches said all agreed they were sick and tired of the battle (Continued from page 1)

Egypt's Cotton Crop May Be "Scorched" LONDON, July 5—(AP)—British textile interests anxiously followed the latest reports on the battle for Egypt today—mildly of the possibility that the Egyptian cotton crop could be "scorched" out of circulation.

These trade circles said there was a considerable carryover from previous crops in various parts of Egypt which would be a great prize for the Axis, who are known to be very short of the natural fibre.

Axis Business Places Damaged In Costa Rica SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, July 5—(AP)—Eighty-three business and other establishments of Italians, Germans and Spanish nationalists in this Central American capital were damaged Saturday night in a demonstration of protest against the submarine torpedoing of the United States freighter San Pedro. More than 50 persons were injured before order was restored.

P. E. I.—N. S. FERRY SERVICE Leave Wood Islands 7.00 a.m., 11.0 a.m., 3 p.m. Leave Carleton 9 a.m., 1 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. AIR SERVICE

PROMINENT MERCHANT DIES KENTVILLE, N. S. July 5—(CP)—James Roscoe Webster, 70, prominent Kentville merchant and former town councillor, died at his home here today after a two-week illness. He retired from active business four years ago.

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Materials Famine For Many Canadian Plants

Munitions Minister Howe Announces Civilian Concerns To Get What Is Available After War Needs Met.

OTTAWA, July 5—(CP)—Hundreds of Canadian manufacturers will be unable to get enough raw materials from the United States because of the critical supply situation, Munitions Minister Howe warned industry tonight.

Manufacturers making civilian articles will be given only what is left over after war industries have been provided with the raw materials, processed parts, machinery and repair parts they need, he said in a prepared statement.

"In many instances this means they will get nothing. Only those civilian industries which are essential to the economy of a nation at war will be given any preference," he said.

Allocation of supplies will be handled under a new plan which will be set up by the new system, Mr. Howe said.

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