

# CLASH OF NAZI 'PUPPETS' SEEN

LONDON, March 19.—(AP)—The Vichy News Agency, in a Bucharest dispatch published here by Reuters, reported today that Prof. Mihail Antonescu, Rumania's acting premier, virtually had warned Hungary not to provoke Rumania and had raised anew the issue of the disputed province of Transylvania, which Hitler partitioned between the two nations.

In British circles this was seen as the first public and official expression of a quarrel often reported brewing between Germany's two traditionally antagonistic satellites.

**Canadians Reach Britain**  
OTTAWA, March 19.—(AP)—The safe arrival of a fresh contingent of Canadian troops in Britain was announced today by the Canadian government.

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# COMMUNIQUE

### Stilwell Takes Chinese Command; British Torpedo 2 Ships Off Africa

**FAR EASTERN FRONT—UNITED STATES**  
WASHINGTON, March 19.—(AP)—The War Department's communique No. 151, covering reports received until 10 a. m. today, said:

1. Burma.  
"Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has placed Lieut. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, United States Army, in command of the 5th and 6th Chinese Armies, operating in conjunction with the British forces in Burma."  
"2. There is nothing to report from other areas."

**BRITISH**  
NEW DELHI, India, March 19.—(AP)—British headquarters in Burma issued the following communique today:

Sittang front:  
"During the withdrawal of our formations last Sunday from operations in the Shweboin area, our patrols first contacted the enemy south of Kyaukataga and were followed up."  
"On Monday the enemy launched an attack on the left flanks of our most forward troops, as reported yesterday."

"The attack was beaten off and the withdrawal proceeded."  
"From reports received from an American Volunteer Group pilot it is apparent that the Bilin and Sittang bridges had not yet been repaired."

"Moulmein Airdrome and Fedel Landing Grounds were attacked yesterday by our aircraft and the approximate figure of 25 enemy aircraft is believed to have been destroyed."

"A town in North Burma was bombed yesterday and today and some damage done."

"Chinese Front:  
"Our patrols engaged a party of Thai with Japanese officers in the area of Xiawthi, east of Bawlake, about 50 miles east of Toungoo. Some casualties were inflicted on the enemy."  
"Irrawaddy Front:  
"Nothing to report."

**AUSTRALIAN**  
MELBOURNE, Australia, March 19.—(AP)—An Australian communique said today:

"This morning Port Moresby was raided by medium forces of Japanese heavy bombers."

"The raid lasted a half hour and was directed at harbor installations and shipping."

"About 40 bombs were dropped in the three runs, which were hampered greatly by anti-aircraft fire."

"Neither casualties nor damage are reported."  
"After the first run, one enemy bomber broke formation and ceased to attack. The remainder left the target flying at great height."

"An earlier Australian communique today said:  
"Our aircraft again raided Rabaul in a daylight attack yesterday morning."

"Bombs were dropped on shipping in the harbor with successful results."

"A direct hit on the stern of a Japanese heavy cruiser was followed by a rising column of smoke. Near misses were obtained on two other large vessels."

"Reconnaissance flights were made over other parts of the New Britain area."

"Enemy reconnaissance over Papua and New Guinea was continued through the day."

"Type 'O' enemy aircraft made reconnaissance in the afternoon over islands near Cape York, Queensland."

"The enemy force split up into two formations and continued reconnaissance for 15 minutes. No offensive action was taken and the all-clear sounded later."

"An attack by this force of enemy aircraft was made on shipping in the vicinity after the reconnaissance. No damage yet has been reported."

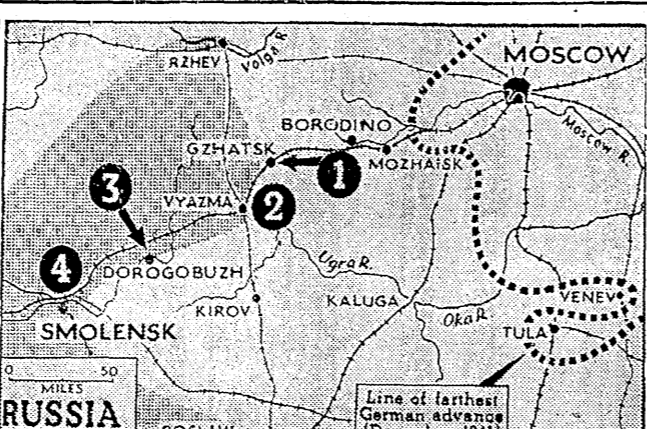
"Our aircraft again attacked Koepang (Timor) yesterday evening, the attacks being directed at an enemy airdrome. A large number of bombs was dropped with successful results."

"Hits were observed on runways and buildings. Fires which resulted were visible 50 miles away. Extensive anti-aircraft fire was encountered from both light and heavy-caliber guns."

"From all above operations one of our aircraft is missing."  
Prime Minister John Curtin issued the following communique today:

"Darwin had a further enemy raid this afternoon, made by a small force of Japanese heavy bombers. It apparently was directed against the residential area."

"About 25 anti-personnel bombs were dropped. Casualties were slight. There was some damage to property."



**VYAZMA MENACED** The Russians today reported they were pocketing the Nazi garrison at Gzhatsk (1), placing Hitler's troop concentration at Vyazma (2) in a position of grave menace. With the capture of Dorogobuzh (3) some time ago, the important highway between Moscow and Smolensk (4) has been blocked in two places. The shaded area indicates the territory held by the Germans.—Map prepared by Associated Press and transmitted by wirephoto.

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## —AFRICAN FRONT—

**BRITISH**  
CAIRO, March 19.—(AP)—The British Command covered the Libyan campaign today with this communique:

"Other than patrol activity there is nothing to report."  
A Royal Air Force Headquarters communique said today:

"Naval torpedo-carrying aircraft successfully attacked enemy shipping in the Central Mediterranean during the night of Tuesday, March 17-18."

"A hit was obtained on one merchant vessel which was set on fire. Another larger vessel also was torpedoed."

"Bomber aircraft again raided the enemy landing ground at Martara, in Cyrenaica, during Wednesday, March 18. Our fighters also continued to be active."

"Enemy raids on Malta continued during the same day. It now is known that a JU-88 was destroyed by anti-aircraft fire on Tuesday, March 17."

"One of our aircraft is missing."  
**ITALIAN**

ROME (From Italian Broadcasts), March 19.—(AP)—The High Command issued this communique today:

"There is nothing of importance to report from the Cyrenaica front."  
"The air force raided Malta and destroyed three enemy aircraft on the ground. German fighters shot down eight enemy fighters in aerial combat."

**GERMAN**  
BERLIN (From German Broadcasts), March 19.—(AP)—A High Command communique today said:

"In North Africa, effective attacks by German aircraft were directed against military installations at Tobruk."  
"Continued day-and-night bombing of air fields in Malta caused violent explosions and fires."

"In the Mediterranean area eight enemy aircraft were shot down in air combats and three were destroyed on the ground."

**—EASTERN FRONT—**  
**GERMAN**  
BERLIN (From German Broadcasts), March 19.—(AP)—The High Command communique today said:

"In the Kerch Peninsula, enemy attacks, carried out in less force than a previous days again failed."  
"In the Donets area, German troops repulsed several fierce attacks with heavy losses for the enemy. Our own counter-attacks progressed successfully."

"At other points on the Eastern Front heavy defensive fighting was in progress."  
"Lieutenant Strelov, a fighter pilot, shot down seven Soviet aircraft on the Eastern Front."

**RUSSIAN**  
MOSCOW, March 19.—(AP)—The Soviet Information Bureau broadcast the following communique today:

"During the night of March 18-19 no essential changes took place in the situation at the front."  
"Our warships sank an enemy transport of 3,500 tons in the Barents Sea."

# ALLIES IN BURMA BAG 25 PLANES

NEW DELHI, India, March 19.—(AP)—American Volunteer Group and British pilots possibly destroyed 25 enemy planes in attacks on Japanese-held airdromes in Southern Burma yesterday, a communique from British headquarters in Burma reported today.

"The big battle of the Prone Road Key to Burma's Yomangtung oil fields—seemed today ready to burst momentarily as Japanese troops streamed up the Irrawaddy Valley for an assault on New British defense positions."

"Reuters said unofficial advices from Burma reported that British imperial forces had withdrawn from the Irrawaddy, 60 miles north of Rangoon and almost halfway to Prome, up the western branch of the road to Mandalay."

"As the war edged deeper into Central Burma an Indian refugee migration which a high civil official estimated at 750,000 men, women and children choked the roads out of Burma, with starvation and thirst taking a heavy toll of the marchers."

"The official said there was suffering on a scale hard to imagine, despite efforts to care for the refugees in temporary camps along the way."

**Hospital Sewage Safeguards Taken**  
Assurance that sewage from the naval hospital being built at East 165th Street and 155th Avenue Northeast will be disposed of properly was given County Commissioner Tom Smith today.

In a letter to the commissioner, Lieut. Comdr. R. M. Harris, resident officer in charge, said every scientific measure was taken to safeguard against contamination of Lake Washington. Smith said several residents had expressed fears that lake water was being polluted.

**250 Gallons 'Gas' Stolen From Tank**  
Theft of approximately 250 gallons of gasoline from the storage tank of a garage at 3406 E. Union St. was reported to police last night by E. H. Williams, garage proprietor. Williams said the tank's cap had been forced Tuesday night and the gasoline pumped out.

**Gasoline Coupons Due in Six Weeks**  
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of \$5,000 or one year's imprisonment.

At least one major oil company today was preparing instructions for all station managers in Washington and Oregon to limit individual gasoline sales to five gallons, effective on the receipt of the special bulletin. Some may receive them today, others not until tomorrow.

**Mass Meeting Planned**  
Within the next day or two most independent retailers probably will be operating on the five-gallon-limit plan, it was indicated by John Penberthy, manager of the Washington Gasoline Dealers' Association, who stressed the fact that his members believe that strong efforts should be taken to remove uncertainties as to gasoline sales measures.

It is expected that a mass meeting of all members of the association, and any other elements in the petroleum sales fields who may be interested, will be called for next Monday or Tuesday in Seattle to discuss steps which can be taken to obtain uniform sales methods or restrictions.

**First Come, First Served**  
One major company today indicated that no restrictions of any kind would be placed on the amount of gasoline sold customers—that, as a principal sales executive put it, "it is the stations which are now being rationed, and not the customers, and we propose to provide the best possible service to our customers."

This company has taken the position that it will comply with all customer requests just as long as there is any gasoline in the stations' tanks, with those stations being placed on a daily quota of 80 per cent of their sales a year ago. Should those stations run out of gasoline during the 12-hour period in which sales are now permitted, customers will have to go elsewhere.

All stations in Washington and Oregon must comply with the existing rationing order, which provides for a strict 12-hour day for gasoline sales and a maximum of a six-day week. Individual operators, or companies, have, however, complete freedom of choice as to which hours, or days, they are to be opened.

**Hours Are Big Problems**  
Sharp differences of opinion as to operating hours for gasoline stations were apparent today. Desiring to offer fullest possible service to established customers, or to sections in which motorists' demands have been heaviest in the past, many oil-company officials were today completing arrangements for setting the "open" schedules of several stations to coincide most closely with past sales experiences.

For example, stations which have had their heaviest volume of sales during late morning or afternoon will, under new 12-hour limitations, probably be open from 10 o'clock in the morning until 10 o'clock at night. Others may stress early-morning operations, and close in the late afternoon or early evening.

One major company, with large service units in areas heavily patronized by war-industry workers coming to and from late shifts, indicated that it planned night operation of stations in those districts but would close them during daylight hours.

Independent dealers have announced their support of a program which would close all stations from 7 o'clock at night until 7 o'clock in the morning, and all day Sundays.

**Past Experience Cited**  
"Many years ago, you know, merchants used to think that they had to open their stores at 8 o'clock in the morning and stay open until late at night," commented one dealer who favors the 7-to-7 closing hours. "They thought that the public demanded it. But they have found out that people can adjust their buying habits to shorter hours. There's no reason why the same reasoning can't prevail in the gasoline industry—except, of course, in emergency situations for which special arrangements can be made."

Tacoma gasoline stations will be closed from 7 to 7, the Associated Press said.

# JAPANESE START ACROSS GUINEA

(Continued From Page One.)  
terday with the direct hit on a heavy cruiser at Rabaul. Moresby, the Japanese would like to turn into a springboard for invasion of Australia proper, was emphasized by a dispatch in The Sydney Sun from its Port Moresby correspondent—a report that a considerable force of Japanese was advancing overland toward the city over difficult terrain from Lae to the north.

The Australian War Cabinet decided today to form a mobile works squadron of the Royal Australian Air Force to construct landing grounds and encampments wherever needed and with maximum speed.

Lieut. Gen. George H. Brett, U. S. A., deputy supreme commander in charge of air operations, stressed in an interview pursuit of a policy of never losing a plane on the ground—"If we have to lose them, we'll do it in the air."

Gen. Douglas MacArthur made it plain today that his paramount purpose as supreme commander in the Southwest Pacific is to build as rapidly as possible an offensive force to smash Japan and at the same time relieve his beleaguered troops in the Philippines.

MacArthur outlined his purpose to his old friend and former War Department associate, Brig. Gen. Patrick Jay Hurley, now minister to New Zealand, who told a press conference:

"General MacArthur breathes the very spirit of victory. He specifically stated that he still is in command of the Philippine situation and has the utmost confidence that he will again be back on Filipino soil."

**Japanese Capture Siangshan Harbor**  
CHUNGKING, March 19.—(UP)—Japanese troops have captured Siangshan Harbor, south of Shanghai, to close an area from which Allied attacks on Formosa and Japan proper might be made, a Chinese military spokesman said today.

Only 900 kilometers from the great Japanese naval base at Nagasaki, Siangshan had remained in Chinese possession through four and one-half years of the Sino-Japanese war. Japanese forces began their attack on the port early this month.

The spokesman said, however, that the Japanese effort to bottle up all possible bases of Allied naval and air concentration for an offensive against the Japanese Archipelago was futile.

"There are too many harbors on China's long coastline for the Japanese to occupy," he said. "If the Japanese seize one harbor, we will be able to use some others."

# JAP HAVING 400 BULLETS HELD

A Seattle Japanese who had 400 rounds of ammunition in his possession was taken into custody today by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it was announced by H. B. Fletcher, agent in charge of the F. B. I. office here. He was placed in detention quarters of the Immigration Station, 315 Airport Way.

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