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Leapfrog Tactics of Japanese Secret of Hold in Aleutians

AT AN ADVANCE BASE IN THE ANDREANOF ISLANDS, Alaska, May 8 (CP) — Air-borne dynamite has, so far, not succeeded in blasting the Japanese off Kiska and Attu Islands. Cameras tell why. That "why" is a fragmentary text book of Japanese-leapfrog islandto-island warfare. This lens study gives the first account

and airplane base on American soil. For the past nine months, photograph interpreters have watched the Japanese build a sub base from scratch.

Kiska may have been part of the Midway plan, but the equipment was intended for Kiska and Kiska alone, and the troops which landed at the American island did ot come from troop ships turned back at Midway-those Midwayintended troops showed up in the South Seas.

Without interruption, the Japanese steamed into Kiska Harbor with cruisers, a seaplane tender, destroyers, cargo and troop-laden ships. They worked fast. They quickly built a tent city large enough to roof 3,000; unloaded bulldozers to make roads, trucks to carry cargo, auti-aircraft guns and coastal batteries to repel any possible air or surface attacks.

Progressive Building

About the first thing the Japanese aid was to stake down six canvas plane dummies on Trout Lagoon Spit, within the Harbor, to divert a possible United States Mother's Day plane attack. Those dummies remained until the Bering Sea winds Is Observed shredded the canvas.

During the first two months, dozens of ships came and went. On Impressive Meeting of Job's Daugh-July 21, for example, there were nine vessels in the anchorage, including three cargo ships.

as weather gave them more time, beautiful corsage flower. they replaced the early flimsy structures with substantial buildings, sandbagged eases-high.

The major construction, in orderly manner, was, roads, a submarine base, a seaplane base, fighter runway.

Meanwhile, anti-aircraft and coastal batteries began to appear. In the light of today's events, the United States knows the Japanese began a mainstem highway system which went to places

where he is doing business today. As roads expanded, more antiaircraft and coastal gun emplacements appeared and, as the roads were studied under a heavy reading glass, foot by foot, there ap-

Kiska volcano. It is well construct- good fighter weather was due. Japanese have on the island. These day.

nized easily. base, complete with marine rail- esses. Their roofs, for incendiary way, shops and shep, began within and camouflage purposes, also are two weeks and the work progressed covered with sod. Orderly. The main building was The Japanese built two water recovered room emerged.

more than twice that number.

Bombs Change Aspects

ALEUT ID. OCCUPIED

Americans Establish Themselves 63 Miles From Kiska

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 8 (CP) — It was announced yesterday that Amchitka Island, 63 miles east of the Japanese-occupied base of Kiska in the Aleution Islands, had been occupied in January by American forces as "part of the program of aggressive action" against Japan. This puts the American air force within range of Toyko. An Air base is already in operation on Amchitka.

There were six attacks on Kiska this Wednesday and four on Attu, it is announced.

ters Held on Friday Night

An impressive meeting of Job's from today. By this time, the Japanese be- Daughters took place last night at | W. M. Armstrong, general managan changing tents for wooden the Masonic Temple in observance ger, Canadian National Telegraphs, shelters and on the same date there of Mother's Day. The mothers or Montreal; J. G. Davies, general were as many frame buildings as their representatives were present superintendent, Winnipeg, and G. tents on the treeless island. Then, and each received the gift of a Gottfred, superintendent, Edmon-

> of heavy six-by-twelve-inch timbers. Then two hangars—and there was a seaplane base. The buildings were sunk and tundra-covered.

Within four months of their arrival the invaders completed Superannuation work on two hangars and had poured the concrete foundation Local Board Considering What Is for a third. On October 1, a nearhit damaged the largest hangar, and on the following day the new foundation was smashed and the wall studding flattened.

No work was done on the hangars after the second bombing. The Japanese apparently changed their mind Lout wanting a seaplane base—largely because an American peared radio stations and fuel and fighter and bomber base had been ammunition dumps and a power- built in the Western Andreanof Islands-and they switched within a More recently the Nipponese month to the construction of a built a road from the main camp fighter strip on the mountainous to the highest ridge approaching island, to be finished by the time

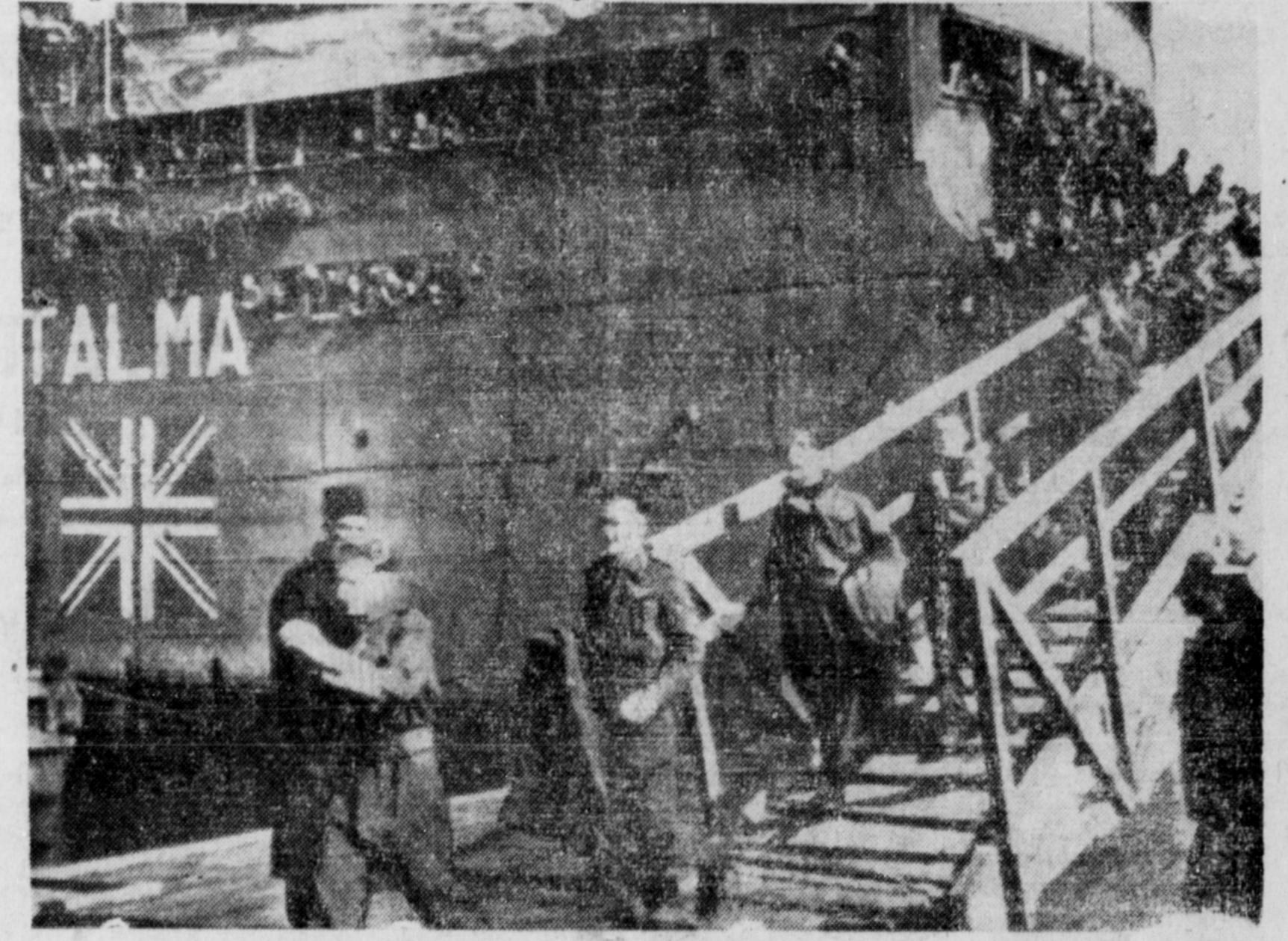
ed, and the end of that road is not The fighter strip, upon which a mere outpost. It is intended for hundreds of Nipponese have heavy loads which cannot be car- sweated for the past three and a ried on baggage rickshas which the half months, should be ready any

rickshas, with removable wheels, From a mile high over Kiska, the are Japanese jeeps. Fuel dumps buildings look like angleworm digalong the lesser roads are recog- gings. Actually coming in at low level the revetments look all of Excavation for the submarine their four-to-eight-foot thickness-

sunk deep into the ground so that servoirs—one for bombing, one for and 16 to 18.6 and 16. only three feet of heavy tundra- water-almost immediately upon landing.

At first the enemy mounted At the opening to a building, the age. nearly a dozen anti-aircraft guns. Japanese wedges in a chevron-Today bombers draw fire from shaped revetment, about four feet thick and 14 feet long and eaves- Booth. The sub base is made to accomo- high. One side of the V ends en- | Visitor, 6,500, 17.4 and 15, Storshort-range "Sydney"-type side the wall, the other, outside. age. and the one-man variety Pilots who have dropped 1,000which first appeared at Pearl Har- pound bombs within 25 feet of the buildings did not see so much as lin. the front door open. They know Before long a ramp 50 feet wide that the purpose of the chevron is and 250 feet long appeared; made to keep out unwelcome blasts.

BRITISH PRISONERS FREED



Obviously delighted at regaining their liber , British soldiers are shown leaving the transport Talma, that brought them to a Middle East port from Mersin, Turkey, in the recent swap of able-bodied prisoners of war.

MANAGER

W. J. Davies To Succeed H. S. Meadows in Charge at Prince Rupert

William J. Davies, at present wire chief and dean of the telegraph service in Prince Rupert, has been appointed local manager of Canadian Telegraphs in succession to H. S. Meadows who is retiring on superannuation, it is announced. The change becomes effective a week

ton, will be arriving in Prince Rupert next Thursday night on a general inspection visit.

Active Service

To Be Done with Such Teachers

The matter of protecting superannuation privileges for members of teaching staffs on active service in the war is being considered by the local board of school trustees. Following an application of Walter Ferguson who is now on active service for the protection of his superannuation rights, the board has instructed the secretary to obtain information as to how many local teachers may be in a similar posi-

It is optional with boards as to whether they should keep up suprannuation payments for teachers on active service. In any event, the superannuation is only effective in such teachers return to the teaching service.

HALIBUT SALES

Summary

American — 101,500 pounds, 17 and 15 to 17.4 and 15. Canadian - 40,50 pounds, 18.3

North, 45,000, 17.1 and 15, Stor-

Pioneer, 25,000, 17 and 15, Royal. MacArthur, 25,000, 17 and 15,

Canadian P. Doiron, 7,990, 18.6 and 16, At-

Nornen, 12,500, 18.4 and 16, Whiz. Princeton I, 21,000, 18.3 and 16. Pacific.

VICTORY LOAN TORONTO-The Fourth Victory Loan up to last night had reached a total of \$707,850,000 as compared with \$554,352,000 in the corresponding period of last

ATLANTIC SINKINGS

mation of Berlin claims that 13 more ships have been sunk out of Allied convoy in the Atlantic in addition to 16 on Wednesday.

GIBRALTAR EXPLOSIONS

LISBON — Three violent explosions were heard at Gibraltar, according to report here, after which three vessels were beached by the British. Report of attack by Axis submarines was not immediately confirmed.

HITLER'S SPEECH

BERLIN - Making a brief speech today at the funeral of Victor Lutz, Adolf Hitler said that the Nazi were suffering a high loss of life in the war and that there was also a serious loss of leaders.

HOOP TITLE PLAY

VANCOUVER -- Vancouver women beat Winnipeg again 29 to Next games will be played to-

INVESTIGATE RADIO

OTTAWA - Parliament yesterday voted in favor of the setting up of a select committee of 23 members to investigate radio.

WINDSORS IN STATES

MIAMI-The Duke and Duchess of Windsor landed yesterday frem the Bahamas and proceeded today to New York.

ROOSEVELT TO STALIN

WASHINGTON-Joseph Davies is making a special trip to Moscow, bearing a secret message from President Roosevelt to Premier Stalin.

QUEBEC EDUCATION

QUEBEC-The Quebec Legislature yesterday passed a bill making education compulsory from six to 14 year. There will also be free text books.

BULLETINS TWO-THIRD LOANMARK

Frince Rupert's Subscriptions Total \$443,250 with Another Week To Go

useriptions amounted to \$19,850 selves. unging the cumulative total to sian air forces have destroyed 400 date up to \$443,250. Today marks the Black Sea. the end of the second week of the LONDON-There is no confir- nee weeks campaign in which Recent subscriptions to be ack-Prince Rupert's quota is \$750,000.

nowledged are as follows: ames Henry Moore Elizabeth Bartlet Larsen David Rubin

John Barrett Forbes Dr. John James Gibson Mrs. Clementina Collart Clarence Bracken Bertrand Dube George Leonard Sullivan Collart & McCaffery Jean Joseph Theophila Collart Robert Myrovitch

Considerable Money Is Saved

cates and Bonds by School Children Quite Substan-

Pupils of the public schools in 24 in Canadian championship Prince Rupert continue to save a basketball. Victoria men also re- goodly amount by purchasing war peated over Windsor 63 to 50. savings certificates and stamps. The savings per school in April pre-school age, being held weekly it paid a flat rate of 21/2c per kilowere as follows: Booth Memorial High

> School King Edward School Borden Street School Seal Cove

King Edward School has saved latter. \$1,359.25 and Borden Street School \$1,185.75.

BASEBALL SCORES

National League Philadelphia 13, New York 3. Brooklyn 9, Boston 7. Cincinnati 5, Chicago 4. St. Louis-Pittsburgh (postponed) American League

New York 6, Philadelphia 2. Chicago 1, Detroit 0. Boston 3, Washington 2. Cleveland-St. Louis (postponed).

Roads of North Africa Blocked With Axis Army

Greatest Guns in Country Left Unmanned for British and Americans to Take Over-Heavy Air Pounding

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, May 8 (CP)—American and British armies are mopping up following the capture yesterday afternoon of both Bizerte and Tunis. French troops today captured Pont du Fahs. North Tunisian roads are blocked with remnants of the Axis forces in flight toward Cape Bon where

REDS KEEP OFFENSIVE

Assault on Approaches to Novorossisk Continues — German Battalion Wiped Out

LONDON, May 8 (P) - The Red Army continued its assault on the appreaches to Novorossisk, Black Sea port, today, wiping out a battalion of German infantry and 87 gun positions in Friday night's fighting northeast of Novorossisk, a Soviet noon communique said.

As the Red Army continues to crush all German resistance on the ground in the Caucasus, the Russian air forces has destroyed 400 Axis planes in the last few days, Yesterday's Fourth Victory Loan losing only a mere handful them-

Flanes Down

50 * into action soon after the alert * 138 percent of objective. 50 . sounded. The all-clear signal s 1000 was given a little more than + 500 * an hour after the original * Light Bills For & been brought down in Eng- * • land in the last 24 hours.

Infant Clinics Purchases of War Savings Certifi- Prove Popular

Many Mothers Availing Themselves Of Service for Babies and Pre-School Age Children

on Tuesdays at King Edward watt hour and the total bill for School and on Wednesdays at St. 14 schools in January was \$285. \$409.50 Peter's Church Hall, Seal Cove, are In Victoria the schools paid 4c 210.15 proving very popular with mothers and 3c for light and 5c and 2c 110.00 who have been turning out forty for power. Eighteen school paid 21.86 strong at the former place with \$680.09 for electricity in January. Since the commencing of the their children for consultation and Three schools with 40 rooms year beginning last September advice with some thirty-five at the

> The clinics are conducted under the auspices of the local public health unit with Dr. R. J. Mac-Donald in charge, Miss Elizabeth Ochs, one of the public health nurses, assisting at King Edward School and Miss Eleanor Graham, the other, at Seal Cove.

USES OF CORN

Corn is used in the manufacture of alcohol, sugar, starch and many other war supplies.

The Isle of Wight, off England's ness' rate. Married women civil servants in south coast, has been renamed Britain with husbands in the "The Isle of Plenty" by a news- To meet the problem created by forces now have extra leave like paper writer who found the place many children growing out of women in industry who are grant- abounded in the little luxuries that their shoes before the shoes are ed time off during their husband's have disappeared from the main- worn out barter centres have been land.

Fleeing to Mountains

- Many Ships Sunk-DeGaullist Governor

they may put up a last ditch stand in the rocky, hilly country.

Bizerte was captured at 4:15 yesterday afternoon by the Americans and five minutes later Tunis fell to the British. So hasty and disorganized was

the Axis retreat that great guns, the strongest in North Africa, were left unmanned. The Allies, being in complete control of the air, are subjecting the retreating forces to merciless

pounding. Twenty-five enemy ships have been sunk since yesterday in the Mediterranean.

General Henri Giraud has appointed General Charles Masse, a strong DeGaullist, as resident governor of Tunisia.

Lending Money to Government For Which They Fight

Army subscriptions in Prince Rupert area to the Fourth Victory Loan have so far totalled some 150 4 LONDON, May 8 (P)—An air + \$30,000. The Pacific Command has 500 + raid alert was sounded in + reached its quota of \$750,000 while 250 * in London early Saturday and * the total for the army across Can-50 * anti-aircraft batteries went * ada two days ago was \$7,250,850 or

* Schools Lower

Costs Prince Rupert More for Electricity Than Other Cities

The board of school trustees had replies at Wednesday night's meeting from the boards of New Westminster, Kelowna and Victoria in inquiries which had been made by the local board as to scales of charges for electric light and energy to the schools in those cities. Clinics for babies and children of New Westminster reported that

> paid \$623.34 last year for electricity with \$76.54 this January, the rate

there for the schools being 1c per The rate in Vancouver was 3c for light and 2c for power. One

school paid \$26.50 in January and another \$26.16. In Prince Rupert the schools are charged 8c per kilowatt hour. Owing to the shorter days in winter here, Trustee Langridge suggested that the Prince Rupert

schools used more electricity. Mrs. George Hill wondered why schools could not come under a "domestic" rather than a "busi-

set up in many parts of England.