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Beheading of Sixteen Americans By Japanese Related by Witness

Bayonets Add Three Boys to Macabre Toll

Victims Include Eleven Baptist Missionaries, Six of Them Women

ILOILO, Panay, June 5.—(Delayed)—(AP)—Mrs. Charma Covell, her hands tied behind her, pleaded with the Japanese captain, Kunoy Watanabe, as he prepared to wield his samurai sword.

"Why will you kill us all?" she asked. "We are Christian missionaries."

The impetuous officer, surrounded by Japanese soldiers, said nothing.

Eleven times that day at that spot Watanabe's sword fell. Eleven Americans were beheaded. In another house, the same fate befell five others.

Three small American boys were killed by Japanese bayonets.

Then five were set in an effort to blot out the crime.

Six of the victims were women. Eleven of those killed were Baptist missionaries.

The story of the tragedy, which occurred at Hopeville—"The Valley of Hope"—Dec. 20, 1943, just has been released. It was placed together from accounts including that of Paterno H. Enano, 23, who witnessed the executions and later became a Filipino guerrilla.

Enano, a former student of the Central Philippine college, heard Mrs. Covell make her fruitless plea. Then he turned his head as Watanabe's sword fell. Enano could not bear to look upon the death of Mrs. Covell, who was his teacher at the college.

Enano said Captain Watanabe

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE end draws nearer on Okinawa.

Sloshing through mud that long since bogged down our mechanized equipment, our foot soldiers make gains in places up to two miles. As death steadily thins the ranks of the Jap garrison, the enemy lines can't be held so strongly.

Tokyo radio says we're bringing in heavy reinforcements—presumably to finish off the job with as little further delay as possible.

THE Japs are reported to have brought out a new fighter plane, faster and more maneuverable than our carrier planes and manned by first-string pilots considerably better than the average we have been encountering.

They stage a new "strong" at

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Douglas Products Freight On 2,433 Cars May 1 to June 2

Douglas county car loadings for the period from May 1 to June 2, both dates inclusive, totaled 2433, according to a compilation of the weekly reports furnished by the Southern Pacific company's district freight office, through J. E. Clark, agent at Roseburg.

Forest products furnished 2324 carloads, which included 1679 cars of lumber, 515 cars of logs and 130 cars of piling.

Miscellaneous car loadings, totalling 109, included gravel, wool, prunes, canned goods, sawdust and machinery.

Loadings by stations were as follows:

	Lumber	Logs	Piling	Misc.	Total
Glendale	224		2		226
Riddle	15			9	24
Myrtle Creek	108	48			156
Dillard	36				36
Green	33	101	41		175
Roseburg	348		37	18	403
Deady	2				2
Sutherlin	278	104	18		400
Oakland	35				35
Yoncalla	33		7	2	42
Drain	68	20	25	6	119
Isadora	2				119
Krewson	26			9	35
Leona	35				35
Reedsport	434			65	499
Ada	2				2
Kroll		242			242
Totals	1679	515	130	109	2433



GERMANS HELP CLEAR UP BERLIN RUINS—German civilians working under direction of Russian soldiers help clean up the rubble that chokes the famed Unter der Linden in Berlin, damaged by repeated aerial bombing and shelling. Pedestrian and motor traffic have been resumed as debris was cleared away. Signal corps photo.

Hitler's Body Identified in Group of Four Found in Berlin; Death by Poisoning Indicated

BERLIN, June 6.—(AP)—A high Russian military source said today a body found in Berlin had been identified with fair certainty as that of Adolf Hitler.

The body, smoke-blackened and charred, was one of four discovered in the ruins of the great underground fortress beneath the new reichschancellery after the fall of Berlin. These four bodies, any one of which answered pretty well to Hitler's description, were removed and carefully examined by Russian army physicians.

Governor Snell Finds House After Long Hunt

SALEM, Ore., June 6.—(AP)—Governor and Mrs. Snell, who have been house hunting for two months, finally found a house today.

It is a much smaller huse than the one in which they now live, but it is in the same Fairmont hill district as their present home.

Their present home had been sold by the owner, and they had until July 1 to vacate. They also will rent their new home.

Fir Plywood Restricted Until Japan Defeated

TACOMA, June 6.—(AP)—Owners and officials of the plywood industry, meeting for the annual session of the Douglas Fir Plywood association here yesterday, were told that though new supplementary products have been developed in the industry, fir plywood probably will not be available to civilians until after the defeat of Japan.

Stalin Reply On Veto Issue Waited

SAN FRANCISCO, June 6.—(AP)—Urgent talks seeking to avoid a permanent Big Five split over the veto-vote issue are reported underway today in both Moscow and San Francisco. Premier Stalin is said to be reviewing Soviet insistence on the right to veto even discussion in a world security council.

American officials hope for an answer, which must come initially from Stalin, by this weekend, at the very latest. They consider the issue of such importance that they are declining to fix any deadline. Their expressed view is that if the present split aligning Russia against the United States, France, China and Britain continues, small nations will demand that opposing views be put to the test of a conference vote.

In that event the odds are about 100 to 1 that the Russian view would be batted down hard and the position of the other four powers upheld. Virtually all the small nations except those directly in Russia's sphere of influence favor limiting the veto power.

River Yields Body of Missing City Employee

PORTLAND, June 6.—(AP)—Body of a man identified as Ernest B. Baker, 76, Portland, was found in the Sandy river two miles above Troutdale last night.

Japanese Balloon Comes Down in Michigan

DETROIT, June 6.—(AP)—The army disclosed today that a Japanese balloon has fallen in Michigan within the past few months. The information was restricted to that statement only.



HITLER'S SISTER—Paula Hitler Wolf, sister of Adolf Hitler, pictured after her arrest near Berchtesgaden by U. S. forces. She claimed Hitler made her change her name so the world wouldn't know he had any relatives alive.

Chinese Regain Liuchow, Former U. S. Air Base

CHUNGKING, June 6.—(AP)—Reports from American sources said Chinese troops today occupied Liuchow, Kwangsi province, rail junction and site of a former U. S. air base.

Unconfirmed reports said Chinese spearheads were only 10 miles from the west river inland port of Wuchow, 120 miles west of Canton, through which the Japanese funneled into Kwangsi province from Kwangtung last year. This report also said the Japanese were preparing to evacuate Wuchow.

Plane With 3 Wacs, Crew Of 3 Missing in Africa

WASHINGTON, June 6.—(AP)—An army transport plane carrying 18 Wacs and a crew of three has been missing for a week on a 766-mile flight in Africa, the War department announced today.

The plane left Accra, British West Africa, on a flight to Roberts field in Liberia on May 30 and was last reported over Takoradi, British West Africa, about 150 miles west of Accra.

Slugging of Woman in Holdup Attempt Charged

PORTLAND, June 6.—(AP)—Francis E. McKenna, 18, Seattle, was held in city jail today on charges of slugging a woman clothing store proprietor during and unsuccessful armed holdup.

Vets Facility Expansion is Urge of C. of C.

Expansion of the Veterans facility at Roseburg was urged in a resolution adopted by the directors of the Roseburg chamber of commerce at a regular meeting last night. The resolution will be sent the Veterans administration, with copies to members of the Oregon congressional delegation.

It is pointed out that expansion of the present facility can be accomplished more economically than constructing new facilities elsewhere and that anticipated needs for hospitalization of veterans of the current war justify immediate construction.

Plans also were laid for organization of a permanent Community Chest board. President Earl Wiley was instructed to appoint a three-man committee to develop detailed plans, after which officers will be elected by the chamber of commerce membership.

A permanent organization would be set up to control solicitations and expenditures of funds on behalf of local charities. It is planned to complete work in time to include the Community Chest with the War Chest campaign in October.

CVA Plan Opposed

A resolution opposing proposals for a Columbia Valley authority was unanimously adopted and copies were ordered forwarded to the state's congressional delegation and to all chambers of commerce throughout the state.

Plans were made for a membership campaign with the purpose of enlisting cooperation of approximately 100 firms in Roseburg and vicinity not now holding chamber of commerce membership.

The directors agreed to sponsor

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Discrimination in Lumber Rule Seen

A protest against alleged discrimination toward small lumber operators in OPA rulings on stock for remanufacture has been made by the Douglas County Lumber company, Roseburg, in letters to U. S. Senators Guy Cordon and Wayne Morse and to Representative Harris Ellsworth.

The ruling, it is claimed, prohibits remanufacturers from charging for fractional sizes, while large sawmills, which maintain their own planing facilities, are privileged to charge extra for fractional sizes produced. It is contended that the ruling is unfair to small operators and restricts competition.

It is also claimed the same condition prevails with regard to special sections permitting extra prices to be charged for close and dense grain lumber, found only in old growth timber, which constitutes the greater part of the Douglas county product. As handling of this type of timber involves greater expense, machinery and equipment breakage, etc. it is claimed that the small operator should receive the same consideration as the larger mill.

Flag Week Cited

SALEM, Ore., June 6.—(AP)—Governor Snell today urged that the flag fly on public buildings, places of business and private homes during national Flag week, from June 10 to 17.

He also suggested patriotic exercises in all communities during the week.

Niemoeller Vainly Tried to Fight for Germany in Spite Of His Prosecution by Hitler

NAPLES, June 6.—(AP)—The Rev. Martin Niemoeller, Protestant clergyman who was imprisoned by Hitler because of his anti-nazi attacks, says that despite his prosecution by the nazis he vainly attempted to enlist in the German navy at the outbreak of the war.

Niemoeller, who served as a German U-boat commander in the first World War, said in an interview yesterday concerning his reason for attempting to reenter the submarine service:

"You must take me for what I am. My sons were out fighting and dying for me and I think a father should die for his sons."

One of the Lutheran pastor's sons was killed on the eastern front, another was wounded and a third is reported missing.

Niemoeller said he could not believe that Hitler—who personally ordered him arrested and placed in a concentration camp—was dead and expressed the opinion the fuhrer might have attempted to escape to Japan by U-boat.

Liberated by American soldiers and now classed as a "displaced person" after spending eight years in prison camps for attacking nazism from his Berlin pulpit, Niemoeller said yesterday: "I read recently that a U-boat had been reported taken by German officers aboard, who

Eastern Montana Zone Elects First Republican To Congress in 13 Years

HELENA, Mont., June 5.—(AP)—Republican Wesley A. D'Ewart, state senator and rancher of Wilsall, defeated Democratic State Rep. Leo C. Graybill of Great Falls in Montana's second (eastern) district congressional race yesterday in an election which both major parties viewed as significant as a possible clue to the 1946 elections.

The special election, first since President Truman assumed office, was to fill the vacancy left by the death in Washington last January 14 of Rep. James P. O'Connor, Livingston democrat.

Two other candidates, Robert Yellowtail of Lodge Grass, folk-blooded Crow Indian, independent, and Socialist E. Springs of Wvola, were far outdistanced.

It was the first time since the late President Roosevelt's 1932 landslide that eastern Montana voters sent a G. O. P. congressman to congress. The victory increased to 190 the republicans in the house.

D'Ewart campaigned against what he termed "concentration of power in federal hands, as opposed to government of the people and by the people." Graybill asserted his election "would be a vote of confidence to President Truman in these critical times."

Set Prices to Assure Ample Crops Sought

WASHINGTON, June 6.—(AP)—Clinton P. Anderson, food boss-designate, may call on the army and foreign food claimants to join in guaranteeing farm profits.

A departure from the present program, the objective would be to remove future price fears as a barrier to all-out food production. The New Mexico congressman, who becomes Secretary of Agriculture and War Food administrator for July 1, strongly indicated at a house food investigating committee hearing yesterday that he has such a plan in mind.

At present WFA is the only agency with funds directly available to carry out farm price guarantees, and its funds now are not sufficient to prevent a severe break in farm prices should demands drop abruptly.

Army Estimates Needed

Anderson's hint came during the committee's inquiry into ways of encouraging greater production of eggs and poultry. Chairman of the group, he observed that it would help to have the army offer a contract for its 1946 requirements at the same time it submitted estimates of needs.

Under such an arrangement the army would be under written

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Hoover Praises Truman's Moves in Food "Muddle"

CHICAGO, June 6.—(AP)—Herbert Hoover, former republican president, said today that President Truman's democratic administration is "moving in the right direction" toward untangling what he called the "terrible muddle" in the food situation.

Hoover said Truman appointed "a very able man" in Rep. Clinton P. Anderson (D-N. M.) as secretary of agriculture and he commended as "a wise step" the consolidation of the War Food administration with the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Nippons Going Underground To Dodge Raids

GUAM, June 6.—(AP)—Anti-Japanese news agency claimed "fierce fighting" raged between the U. S. Tenth army and Japanese "firmly entrenched in new positions."

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Admiral Nimitz, in his daily communique, failed even to mention ground action on the island, reporting only United States air strikes into Japanese home waters.

Such new blackouts in the past often have preceded announcements of developments of major importance, such as conclusions of campaigns or the launching of new invasions.

Japan's invasion consciousness was sharpened further by a plea for its citizens to emulate the children of Aka Jima, who died in hand grenade "banzai" charges against American troops, and by radio Tokyo's claim the Japanese mainland has been converted into "an impenetrable fortress."

A "new kind of underground

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Threat of Lumber Strike Faced By Northwest States

SEATTLE, June 6.—(AP)—A strike involving 65,000 members of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers' union (AFL) was threatened in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and northern California yesterday as requests were made of employers for wage increases. John S. Christensen, union president, said:

A lawful strike vote will be taken on thirty-day notice, Christensen said, and "unless the answer is favorable there will be a strike."

Meanwhile representatives of the International Woodworkers of America (CIO) planned to meet in Portland Thursday to consider similar action. Approximately 55,000 lumber workers in the five states would be affected in the CIO union, which has asked a 25-cent an hour raise for all its workers.

Another source of dissatisfaction for AFL workers, Christensen said, was that many mills now operate only 40 hours a week making it impossible for the workers to get overtime.

"When WLB considers our wages," he said, "they always think of us as working a 48-hour week. Actually most of our men are getting only 40 hours a week and that means a 20 per cent pay cut to them. Meantime prices are going up all the time."

Government officials have assured him, the union president said, that there is enough lumber stored up "to fight another war" and he is convinced a strike would not impede the war effort.

Lumber workers make a minimum wage of 90 cents an hour with the average wage at \$1.10 per hour—"less than the shipyard workers get," Christensen said.

Russia to Control Part Of Air in Allied Hands

LONDON, June 6.—(AP)—The Moscow radio broadcast a Tass agency report today disclosing that the Russian zone of occupation in Germany would include a large area now in American or British hands.

The boundary as outlined would leave Hamburg in the allied zones but would follow the Elbe from a point about Hamburg to a point just about west of Berlin where it would swing west across the river and take in Leipzig, Gotha, Erfurt and all the Thuringian cities now occupied by the Americans.

County School Heads Back Two Ballot Measures

SALEM, Ore., June 6.—(AP)—County school superintendents, opening their state convention here yesterday, went on record in favor of the two measures to be considered at the June 22 special state election.

One measure would levy a two-cent cigarette tax to raise \$2,000,000 a year for schools, and the other would levy a property tax, which would be cancelled by surplus income taxes, to raise \$10,000,000 for new buildings for state institutions, colleges and the university.

Okinawa Now Isolated Isle, Nation is Told

Silence of Adm. Nimitz on Ground Action Indicates Campaign Nearing Close

GUAM, June 6.—(AP)—Japanese admitted today American invaders have reduced Okinawa to an "isolated island" and warned an invasion of Japan was "imminent."

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School Budget is Slated for Study

Roseburg school district's 1945-46 budget will be considered tonight by the budget committee, consisting of L. G. Pickens, O. J. Felkamp, A. G. Henninger, K. C. Finley and W. J. Adair. This committee, with the members of the school board—chairman, A. J. Ellison, Leon McClintock, Harrie W. Booth, C. J. Grimm, J. P. Motchenbacher and Clark A. J. Geddes—will jointly consider the problems of the schools and attempt to forecast the future expansion of the system for the coming year. The meeting will be in Superintendent Paul S. Elliott's office in the Junior High school at 8 p. m.

Interior Dept. Bill for Funds Okayed by Senate

WASHINGTON, June 6.—(AP)—The senate today passed the \$140,000,000 interior department appropriation bill for the next fiscal year, including funds for construction of power transmission facilities in Central Valley, Calif. The bill goes back to the house for action on senate amendments adding \$39,106,304.

Portland Legion Post Backs Training Plan

PORTLAND, June 6.—(AP)—Portland Post No. 1, American Legion, largest post in Oregon, will ask the state's congressional delegation to support universal compulsory military service legislation now before congress.

Edward J. Elvers was nominated commander for the 1945-46 term at last night's meeting.

Ex-Nazi Governor of Czechs to Face Trial

(By the Associated Press) The Prague radio has announced that Karl Herman Frank, former nazi governor of the German protectorate of Bohemia-Moravia, will be tried in Prague on war crimes charges. The broadcast said he was accused of having caused the deaths of "many thousands of Czech men and women."

Purchases of E Bonds At Nearly Half of Quota

WASHINGTON, June 6.—(AP)—Purchases of E bonds in the 7th war loan today totalled \$1,992,000,000 or 49.8 per cent of the \$4,000,000,000 quota.

Total individual purchases were \$4,139,000,000 or 39 per cent of the overall quota of \$7,000,000,000.

Truman Orders Seizure Of Oil Plants in Texas

WASHINGTON, June 6.—(AP)—President Truman today directed Secretary Takes to seize and operate the Humble Oil & Refining company plants at Ingleside, Texas, as a result of a dispute over enforcement of a WLB directive ordering the company to maintain union membership.

Levity Fast Rant

By L. F. Raimond

The rationing fever appears to have seized the weather gods. From the amount of summer they're allotting, one might as well tear the summer months' leaves from the calendar and toss them into the waste paper salvage.