

# Americans Smash Okinawa Bastion

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### Yonabaru Defense Is Overrun; Enemy Stronghold Taken

GUAM, Thursday, May 24 (UP)—American seventh division troops were rolling up the east wing of the Japanese defenses on Okinawa today. They stormed and captured strategic Ozato Maru hill, more than half a mile southeast of overrun Yonabaru.

### Grange Endorses State Institution Building Proposal

The executive committee of the Oregon state grange announced today in Portland that grange units throughout the state have been advised of the committee's endorsement of the state building fund measure on the ballot at the special election June 22.

### June 1 Is Set As Tin Can Salvage Day In La Grande

L. A. Bohnenkamp, chairman of the Union county war salvage committee, today announced another city-wide collection of tin cans will be made June 1st, and urged housewives to save every can they open and have it ready for the collection.

### Eisenhower Pledges Quick Return To America For Former Nazi Prisoners

By CHARLES F. KILEY  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer  
ST. VALERY EN CAUS, France, May 23 (UP)—More than 40,000 repatriated American prisoners of war had direct assurance today from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower that he is making every effort to get them home as soon as possible.

## Truman Cabinet Members Resign Superforts Rain Fire on Tokyo

### Capital's Industries Are Hit

GUAM, Thursday, May 24 (UP)—More than 550 Superfortresses unleashed a great fire attack on Tokyo today, dropping more than 700,000 incendiary bombs on the capital in the early morning darkness.

### Doenitz Regime Ends, Leaders Are War Prisoners

PARIS, May 23 (UP)—Supreme headquarters announced today that all members of Admiral Karl Doenitz's acting German government and of the German high command in Flensburg had been taken into custody as prisoners of war.

### Nazi Anti-Semite Leader Captured

WITH U. S. 101st AIRBORNE DIVISION, May 23 (UP)—American troops today captured Julius Streicher, one of the most bitter anti-Semites in the Nazi regime of Adolf Hitler.

### Gen. Hodges First To Return to U. S.

NEW YORK, May 23 (UP)—Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, commander of the First Army, landed at La Guardia field at 3:40 p. m. today, the first of the victorious American four-star generals to return from Europe.

### U. S. Forces Near Mindanao Union

MANILA, May 23 (UP)—The thirty-first division swept northward today toward a junction with southbound troops to split Mindanao after capturing Malaybalay, capital of Bukidnon province.

### American Troops To Occupy Oslo

OSLO, May 23 (UP)—Oslo will be temporarily occupied by American troops, it was revealed today by Brigadier P. H. Hansen, head of SHAEF civil affairs unit.

### Chain Letter Ban Not Relaxed For War Stamp Sales

Postmaster Victor Eckley today announced that chain letters containing war stamps cannot legally be sent through the U. S. mails. This announcement came as the result of numerous inquiries phoned to the post office.

### U. S. Faces Defeat On Employment Issue at Parley

Other Nations Want Job Issue In Security Pact

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23 (UP)—The United States today headed for its first "major" defeat at the United Nations conference. The other nations apparently are going to overrule this country's objection to making "full employment" an objective of the new world organization.

### Party Lines Hold In Tariff Debate

WASHINGTON, May 23 (UP)—Party lines were holding firm on the administration's reciprocal trade legislation, underscoring the historic attitudes of the republican and democratic parties on the protective tariff.

### Truman Moves To Feed Hungry Allies

WASHINGTON, May 23 (UP)—The needs of liberated Europe for food, coal and transportation received a presidential priority today.

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PRESIDENT DECORATES WAR HERO—President Truman is shown above awarding the congressional medal of honor to Tech. Sgt. Jake Lindsey of Lucedale, Miss., before a joint session of congress. At the left is Col. Harry Vaughan, the president's military aide, and at the right is Gen. George C. Marshall. On the rostrum are Rep. John W. McCormack, left, and house speaker Sam Rayburn. It was the first time such an honor was bestowed by the president before both houses of congress.

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### Baseball Results

AMERICAN LEAGUE	
Chicago	3 7 1
New York	5 6 1
Haynes and Tresh; Bevans and Crompton.	
St. Louis	1 5 0
Boston	4 11 0
Jakucki and Mancuso; Ferriss and Garbark.	
Detroit	7 12 0
Philadelphia	1 7 0
Newhouse and Richards; Flores, Berry, Gassaway and Hayes.	

NATIONAL LEAGUE	
Philadelphia	3 7 0
Chicago	5 10 3
Schanz, Sproull and Mancuso; Pousseau and Livingston, Rice.	

### Weather

Data for 24 hours to 7 a. m.  
Temperature:  
Maximum ..... 67  
Minimum ..... 40  
Precipitation ..... 01  
Forecast: Cloudy and unsettled tonight and Thursday.