#### **Nazis Launch** Counterblows On Normandy

D (Continued from Page 1) D forces farther east. It was the first enemy attack in force in

that area. Elite · German parachute · troons were given the job but failed in Omar N. Bradley's doughboys.

Despite the loss of Montebourg, the Americans were declared by headquarters to be holding firmly onto positions on both sides of that Cherbourg peninsular town.

Montebourg, 14 miles southeast of Cherbourg and five miles inland, and Troarn, seven miles east of Caen, changed hands several times in the seesaw ground conflict, which still raged last night.

In the 20-mile cauldron between Troarn on the east and Tilly-sur-Seulles on the west the Germans poured four armored divisions twice as many as formerly against the British-Canadian forward line, but failed to gain ap-

In a supreme effort, these four armored divisions launched attack after attack across the smouldering ruins of those that had gone before, but allied 21st army group headquarters declared the allies still held the initiative on the ninth day of the invasion and pointed out that the enemy had been unable to offer the general masbeen expected earlier.

"The enemy is fighting our bat-tle instead of his ewn," the army ground headquarters announced. On the northwest of the bridgehead line, on the flank of the American Fourth division, German counterattacks pushed the Americans back slightly from positions they had taken up astride the road leading northeast from Montebourg towards St. Vaast, but the loss was counter-balanced by continuing American gains southwest

of Montebourg. **Equally strong German blows** failed to break the American 29th division's gains west of Carentan, road-rail hub at the base of the Cherbourg peninsula, where the German radio acknowledged that the Americans had advanced several miles and taken several villages. With With six divisions officially disclosed to be in action, the American army under Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley was the largest thrown into a single battle since 1918.

battlefront, from the Cerisy forest through the Illy woodlands reaching eastward, the allies held Of Changsha firm and were credited with some indeterminate gains toward St. Lo. but their advanced patrols gave ground north of Cavmunt and Villers-Bocage, 23 miles from the

The allies' deepest penetrations were slightly more than 20 miles inland in the hills east of St. Lo. The situation was too fluid to trace an exact line as rival patrols repeatedly. The Germans said St. Lo was in flames.

#### Ed Spa Killed By Log Boom

LYONS - Ed Spa, 41, was killed instantly when a boom struck him as he worked as head loader at the Mt. Jefferson Lumber company logging camp at the edge of Lyons shortly before noon Wed-Rolland Berry, injured in the

be in serious condition. He was strafed Japanese concentrations. operating a donkey engine when the boom fell on the cab. He is at Salem Deaconess hospital. Survivors of Spa are the widow

and two daughters, Jacqueline and Marilyn; his parents in Portland; sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Jubb and Mrs. Emma Ferguson of Portland, and one brother, Harry Spa, in the navy now serving in the South

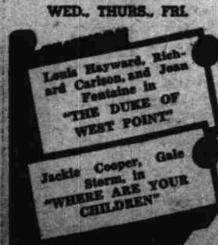
Funeral arrangements had no been completed Wednesday.

#### **Multnomah Votes** Still Not Filed

The state elections bureau here Wednesday was a waiting the Multnomah county canvass of votes at the primary election to complete the state canvass which has been in progress for three

Only close contest involves one or two candidates for delegates to the republican national conven-





#### House Group Criticizes Colonel, Pearl Harbor Contractor at Pearl Harbor

WASHINGTON, June 14-(AP)-The colonel in charge and the German born contractor on defenses at Pearl Harbor were criticized by the house military committee for delays which, the report said, left the installations incomplete and the way open for the Japanese.

While the work fell behind, the committee said, Col. Theodore

Wyman, jr., of the army engineers accepted lavish entertainment a headon collision with Lt. Gen. from the contractor, Mans Wil- Mightiest Air helm Rohl, in parties that in volved liquor "by the case" and Armada Slugs "cheap, commercial party girls." It said the colonel was at Rohl's some in Hawaii when the Japmese struck Pearl Harbor, and that he rushed to his office "in civilian clothes and in a drunken

"How did it so happen," the committee asked, "that after nearly 30 years without taking a citizen, although meantime encontracts, he (Rohl) suddenly began using every possible effort to become naturalized in order that he might be permitted to go to Hawaii just a little less than three months before the attack on Pearl Harbor?"

Rohl was naturalized in Sepember and the Japanese hit Pearl Harbor in December.

Referring to the award Rohl's company of some \$125 .-000,000 in contracts which included work in Hawaii and construction of a far eastern air route by way of Christmas island Canton, Nandi, New Cale-donia and Australia, the committee commented:

"It is exceedingly difficult . . . to comprehend how at so crucial a time and when the necessity for the utmost secrecy and highest efficiency was paramount . . . a man known to be a German alien was selected and actually put in charge of the planning, specifications and performance of the con-

"It is not simply a matter of conjecture . . . that had the permanent aircraft warning stations of Le Ham, two miles southwest (at Pearl Harbor) been operating on December 7, 1941, the approach of the Japanese planes would have been detected."

In Los Angeles, where he still is in business, Rohl issued a statement through his attorney saying that an official report May 17, 1944, by Lieut. Gen. Richardson, commanding at Pearl Harbor, 'completes exonerates me."

### **Japs Cross** Along the southern bulge of the River Defense

CHUNGKING, June 14 -(AP)-The Chinese command announced tonight that Japanese forces driving on Changsha had crossed one of the river defenses of the Hunan province stronghold, and a spokesman said the enemy had thrown 200,000 men into battle prodded forward and pulled back in an effort to take the city at any cost.

> One force east of the provincial capital on a second attempt threw a bridgehead across the Liuyang river, which forms part of the defenses north of Changsha, but was pinned there in severe fighting, the Chinese communique said. A crossing at another, point was frustrated. To the northwest, reinforced

enemy troops hammered against Kushan, only six miles from the -capital, but the communique said the enemy was held all along the arc of the front extending from northwest to southeast of Changsame accident, is believed not to sha. US planes bombed and

The spokesman, P. H. Chang, said Changsha was not encircled, but was being hemmed in on

INVEST IN INVASION!

**CARTOON - NEWS** 



# Nazi Europe

E (Continued from Page 1) E planes took off on an estimated 10,000 sorties that rained explosives and bullets on the enemy in the steps necessary to becoming France, Belgium, The Netherlands and Germany in both tactical and joying the fruits of government strategic support of the invasion ground forces.

Simultaneously another estimated 2000 sorties were flown from Italy and Mediterranean bases against a half dozen oil refineries in Hungary and Yugslavia,

In all, about 4500 tons of bombs were cast on enemy territory during the day.

The Italian-based heavy bomb ers encountered considerable aerial opposition, but the Britishbased forces reported little trouble from the luftwaffe,

Besides the great Britishbased mission of more than 1500 heavy bombers escorted by some 750 fighters, the skies reverberated from dawn until dusk with the constant coming and going of medium, light and fighterbombers closely supporting the cross - channel ground assault. On D-day, about 12,000 sorties were flown, but at least 2000 of these were at night.

The communique pointed out that the operations of the heavy bombers "exceeded even yesterday's figures" when Fortresses and Liberators slashed into France twice, once in the morning and again just before dark.

Escorting fighters found only meager action in this role, shooting down two German interceptors, and later swung over to strafing numerous road, rail and military targets in and behind the battle area.

Medium and fighter - bomber ranged far into the interior of France. Traffic points and moying targets in Chartres, southwest of Paris, rail trucks when of Laval and railway guns south of the battle lines were pounded.

Then late in the day they crossed the channel on a second mission and carried out a series of bombing and strafing attacks directly behind the enemy lines. One of their targets on this evening assault was a strategically located enemy gun position facing

American troops on the northwestern flank of the allied line in the Cherbourg peninsula. Approximately 400 Thunderbolts and Lightnings alone flew 15 missions between daybreak and

#### French Cheer Gen. De Gaull

B (Continued from Page 1) B Bayeux, the first city in France liberated by the allies, to help in the battle to free the country. Canadian Press Correspondent William Stewart said in a dispatch from the beachhead.

(The general said he had come to Normandy to salute the city of Bayeux and he announced the appointment of a local representative.

("You have seen the enemy flee from here and he will flee further," De Gaulle said. "We will fight to the end. We will fight by the side of our allies for the sovereignty of France so that our victory will be the victory of a free people.")



# By ISABEL CHILDS WASHINGTON, June 14 -(AP)

At the same time it reported that a magazine at the amm tion depot at Oahu island exploded last Sunday, killing three men. Seven others are missing as a result of this accident. The explosion among landing

**Blast Kills** 

At Least 27

craft in Pearl Harbor was reported previously by Adm. Chester W. in chief, who said that it occurred while ammunition was being

The casualties caused by explosion and subsequent fire were: Dead, army 8, Navy 9, marine corps to; missing, army 53, navy 21, coast guard 26; injured, army 56, navy 143, coast guard 3, marine corps 159, and civilians 19. In the explosion last Sunday,

transferred from a truck to a platform were detonated. Damage was caused in the general magazine Reds Fiercely area and minor damage was done to power lines and railroad tracks. Names of the three men killed and the seven missing are being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

the Pacific fleet headquarters said.

several torpedo warheads being

#### **Newton Takes** Halsey's Job

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planes and tens of thousands of his slippery minions whence they came, never again to attack our flag nor the flags of our allies. "You blasted the Japs in grim victory at Guadalcanal, you drove him back and hunted him out, you broke his offensive spirit in those smashing Bougainville-Rabaul blows at his ships and planes and troops in November, and you smeared him and rolled over him easily to occupy Emirau. Now carry on the smashing south Pacific traditions under your new commander, and may we join up Tokyo."

Vice Aimiral Newton came to the south Pacific command early this year after serving as deputy commander - in - chief of Pacific areas under Admiral Chester Nimitz at Pearl Harbor.

Newton formerly was deputy chief of naval operations under Admiral Ernest King, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, and figured prominently in planning and executing grand naval strategy in the Atlantic and Pacific, work for which he received the Legion of Merit.

#### **Allies Drive Japs Back** SOUTHEAST ASIA COM-

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triots are at it, they might save 27 men were killed, 100 are missing and 380 were wouunded in an figure after hearing E. C. Samexplosion that destroyed several mons tell about the style show he small land craft in Pearl Harbor and Mrs. Sammons put on recently in their lovely Portland home

One of the children insinuated-or actually came right out and said—that Poppa was getting fat. So Poppa boasted he could put on his sojer suit of World war -and did after much holding of breath. Which inspired Mrs. S. Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander to get out her high school graduntion frock. She got into it and they paraded around the house, unloaded from one of the small They and the children are still laughing, says State War Finance Committee Chairman Sammons.

> Mr. Sammons' company peacetime builds a furnace. We might suggest that laughing is also a good way to keep warm

# **Finns Resist**

H (Continued from Page 1) H The stout resistance of the Finns and the marshy nature of the terrain which made tanks almost useless in some sections apparently was giving the Sov-

let forces difficulty. The points they announced captured during yesterday's heavy fighting were too small to show on maps available here.

German commentators continued to regard the battle on the Finnish front as merely a prelude to bigger action yet to begin on the eastern front.

A Transocean broadcast from Berlin emphasized that "the German high command expects the main blow of the imminent Soviet offensive in the south' and added, "the Soviets will strike in the east only when fighting in western Europe is in full swing."

Moscow's only mention of other sectors of the front was an assertion that German resistance unagain farther along the road to its southeast of Stanislawow in old Poland had been refused.

At least eight more strongpoints were captured by the ued advances along the isthmus, the Soviet command announced in its communique last night, while the red air force in an-other spurt of heavy bombings attacked enemy airdromes at Brestlitovsk, Bialystok, Pinsk, Minsk, Bobruisk and Orsha, behind the German lines on the eastern front, destroying "many German planes" and setting fuel and ammunition dumps afire.

While the main Soviet forcesstill supported by strong airpower and naval bombardment of coastal fortifications - came to grips with hastily - summoned Finnish reserves, other red army units slashed hard at the enemy's flanks.

Moscow reported that Russian dy, Ceylon, June 14-(A)-The Ja- forces were plunging through the panese have been driven from a Viipuri highway sector were ridge 18 miles northeast of the al- knocking out an intricate netlied East India base of Imphal work of steel and granite gun emand RAF fighters have attacked placements and many anti-tank enemy dumps and motor trans- traps. This tricky defense area is port on the road south to Tiddim, served by a recently-built railan allied communique announced way running south from the old Mannerheim line.

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#### **Bond Sales** In County ON the HOME FRONT At \$275,000

F (Continued from Page 1) F ing Supply Co., bond workers will set up a small bank, cashing paychecks and writing the bond orders which will put the plant mployes' group over the top ahead of every other industrial concern in the county and among the leaders in the state and na-

The 340 persons on the payroll there will have averaged individual purchases of \$100 each before the "bank" closes its doors. Industrial Division Chairman Harry Collins figures. County Payroll Chairman George Riches, Fred McKinney from the First National bank and Lawrence Fisher of the US National bank will operate the payroll cashing enterprise, central feature of the bond

Mrs. E. B. Henningsen, Talbo community chairman, and Mrs William Wiedekehr, Sidney chairman, are completing arrangements House Defeats for an over-the-top rally at Friday night's meeting of the Sidney - Talbot Farmers Union. They credit their committees with the rapid success in reaching quotas. On the Talbot committee are David Turnridge, Delmar Davidson, Mrs. Ernest Truman and Keith Allen, while Ray Abney, Mrs. Clifford Johnston, Jake Gilmour, Mrs. George Marlath and John Finlay comprise the Sidney com-

Douglas Yeater, county war finance committee chairman, with Art Smither, chairman of special solicitation, Rex Gibson, secretary - treasurer of the Marion county committee, and Gene Vandeneynde, cities chairman, will represent bond headquarters at the meeting.

Wednesday night's successful baseball season opener, concerning which details appear on today's sports page, was only the first of a series of special events for the Fifth War Loan drive here. Yeater declared Wednesday night as he prepared for weekend reports of heavy purchases.





#### Miss Bayliss **Elected Girls**' State Head

SUBLIMITY - Margaret Bayliss of Albany was elected governor of Girls' State for the year 1944 as the annual self-governing camp for approximately 100 Wiltte valley girls opened here this week. Miss Bayliss graduated from Albany high school this year.

Gloria Fahlgren was elected secretary of state and Norma Lou Kroeger of Hillsboro, state treas-

Dan McDade, department commander of the American Legion and Fritz Niessen, department adjutant of the Legion, were visitors at the camp Tuesday.

Miss Eleanor Stephens and two members of her state library staff presented the fireside program Wednesday night as they reviewed books of interest to the girls. Dorothy McCullough Lee, former state senator from Multnomah county who now is a Portland city commissioner, arrived supremate the camp Wednesday to serve today.

as a member of the staff.

Textile Plan

federal district courts to tests of OPA rules. With the house changes, Majority Leader McCormack (D-Mass) said there was an "excel-

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ference a bill which President Roosevelt would approve. Without the legislation, price controls expire June 30.

lent chance" of perfecting in con-

McCormack's statement wa based on an expectation that senate and house conferees, correlating the separate measures, will throw out the Bankhead - born The parity amendment which

the house approved overwhelmingly by voice vote provides that

any predecessor of an agricultural commodity who fails to pay a parity price may charge no more than 80 per cent of the OPA ceiling price for the finished article.

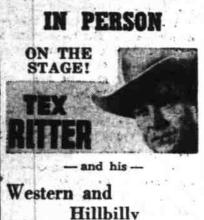
(Parity is the price which the agriculture department figures will give a farm commodity the same purchasing power, in terms of things farmers buy, that it had in a past base period, usually 1909-14.)

Rep. Pace (D-Ga), author of the provision said it would affect cotton, wheat, rye and several other commodities now selling below parity and that it would mean "hundreds of millions of dollars to the nation's farmers."

#### **Allied Ships** Sink 3 Nazis

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Thursday, June 15 -(A) Two allied destroyers intercepted seven German mine sweepers off the coast of France early yesterday and sank three of them and seriously damaged the other four, supreme headquarters announced

In another naval engagement yesterday northeast of Cap de la Hague, the communique said, light allied coastal forces attacked three nemy patrol boats.



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