The purpose of the clause was obvious: to stop OWI from shipping out its new deal and FDR general language, now becomes a tight noose strangling freedom of thought for soldiers and sailors. The government has been providing libraries, motion pictures, dra-

for the army camps and , for naval stations and ships. It thus is made necessary to sterilize every book, every play, every motion picture to see that it contains no matter that might be construed as "calculated to affect the result of any federal election."

That this amendment is being very narrowly construed is proven by names of books which have been put under the ban. Barred from military libraries are such books as Catherine Drinker Bowpus", a biography of the late Mr. Justice Holmes; E. B. White's book lic", a most interesting study of tories of Colombelles, three miles & the American constitution done northeast of Caen. Such wrecking after the dialogue style of Plato's usually precedes a German with-"Republic". The ban has been ex- drawal, but this dispatch said tended to three textbooks in use there were no other signs the Gerin training courses at the Univer- mans were pulling out. sity of California: "American Nation" by John Hicks; "Labor west coast of the Cherbourg pe-Problems in American Industry" ninsula probably would force a by Carroll Daugherty; and "Sco- German withdrawal of several nomics, Principles and Problems" by Gemill and Blodgett. (Continued on editorial page)

### Hubert Johns, Salem, Drowns In Willamette

motorboat in which he and his communications center of St. Lo. wife and a party of friends rode Allied airmen, despite the "worst on the Willamette capsized off the Salem boathouse dock at mid-Dragging and grappling equip-

ment manned by police and city firemen was in operation throughout wearly morning hours in search for the body which rivermen believe may not be found churning American front, is 20 for several days.

Johns may have been struck by the overturning boat, for members of the party of good swimmers said he never came to the surface of the dark river.

The group of eight or 10 young married couples in Jack Eyerly's boat had spent the evening on the through Congreville and Nay and river. Shocked by the plunge in- reached the Seves river. to the water, none were quite sure of the place where the boat headquarters said the Americans overturned, but Walter Hain, the attacking outside St. Lo under boathouse proprietor, said the big artillery barrage had gained call for help came from well to- 500 more yards in their fight ward the middle of the stream, across some of the toughest milia place where there is not only current but an eddy which might earry the body some distance.

### Poles Oppose Red Seizure

LONDON, July 15 -(A)- With the old Polish territory, the Pol- Saturday afternoon was reported nese were driven back from the ish government - in - exile called by an asserted witnes of the ac- newly - captured positions less legight for United Nations' supcorporation of those lands into from military authorities.

Polish telegraph agency, "expects plane snagged on a power line the United Nations to recognize and looped over on its back in the stand taken by the Polish na- a cherry tree, the pilot unhurt. Toute to China. tion and its sacrifices. They maintain their point of view — shared by other allied governments — Japs Hint Executions of recognized unless they take place with the free consent and good will of the parties concerned."

Fliers but Tale Doubted

By the Associated

### Oil Deposits Sought In Willamette Valley

forces in the southwest Pacific said yesterday that an unstated number of US airmen from superfortresses which raided Japan had "bailed out to meet with the suggested they might have been ALBANY, July 15 -(/P)- Oil de-posits are being sought in the to the raiders of Tokyo some two held for execution. years ago." vey in this area. Fifteen engineers and technicians have established

### Dean Anderson New Fruit, Vegetable Chief

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15-(P) The appointment of Dean Ander-son, Portland, as acting northwest representative in charge of fruit and vegetable programs for the office of distribution, war food administration, was announced teday. He succeeds Harold Brock, tors of the federal communications of the federal communications and australian forces, said monitory they make new threats.



Maximum temperature m 54; no rain; river 3.3 ft. Fair Sunday and Monday except low clouds on the coast and scattered thunderterms over and east of the Cascades Sunday. Slightly

# was being debated Sen, Robert A Tast appropried an amendment, which was adopted, forbidding any officer employed in the executive branch of the government, including the army and navy, "to deliver... to persons in the arms and officer any general communication of forces any general communication of the control of the co

### any kind designed or calculated to affect the result of any federal election." Relentless Yank ping out its new deal and FDR propaganda to men in the service. But the amendment, phrased in several language now becomes a Normandy Fort

Fall of Lessay, Coastal Anchor Town, Expected Soon

By GLADWIN HILL

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Sunday, July 16-(AP)-US troops rolling up the German western flank in an unspectacular but relentless advance yesterday smashed into the outskirts of Lessay and the fall of that en's recent "Yankee from Olym- axis coastal anchor town was expected soon.

German broadcasts said a big drive was imminent in the British-Canadian sector around Caen on the eastern end of the of essays, "One Man's Meat"; and Normandy front, and a field dispatch from that area said German Charles A. Beard's "The Repub- demolition crews had begun blowing up smokestacks in the fac-

### 750 Heavies **Blast Ploesti** The capture of Lessay on the Oil Refineries

weather" since D-day, bombed idle until late in the evening.

miles on a broad front.

Headquarters communique No

80 issued at 11:30 o'clock last

night said the north bank of the

Ay river just outside Lessay had

Periers is six miles southeast of

The villages of St. Opportune

Pissot and St. Patrice de Claids

were taken in the enveloping

movement on Lessay, the com-

munique said. Farther east in

the thrust close to Periers the

Americans fought their way

At midnight reports reaching

**Plane Crashes** 

Near Eugene

EUGENE, Ore., July 15 -(AP)

ears ago."

In the 1942 raid, eight filers Brig. Gen. Kenneth B.

were believed to have been cap-

Crash of a plane in a cherry or-

chard three miles east of Eugene

tary terrain.

miles southeast of Lessay.

LONDON, Sunday, July 16-(A)-RAF bombers were active over enemy occupied Europe during the night, but their targets were not identified immediately.

been reached on a front of sev-By NED NORDNESS Front dispatches also reported LONDON, Sunday, July 16-(A)other Yank forces had penetrated Five oil refineries and a pumping to within two miles of the im- station at Ploesti, Romania, were portant road junction of Periers blasted by 750 US heavy bombers Hubert M. (Ike) Johns, Salem and to within 2000 yards of the yesterday as the worst flying painter, was drowned when the bitterly defended mid-Normandy weather ever encountered over western Europe kept the great allied air forces in Britain virtually

> The weather finally improved and strafed enemy troops and arsufficiently for eighth air force tillery positions around St. Lo fighter-bombers to strike at railway targets in Tours, Orleans, Nevers-Orleans and south of Paris. imperiled Lessay, and St. Lo. They claimed three locomotives hinge city at the other end of the destroyed and 250 cars destroyed or damaged.

One Enemy Fighter The eighth's forces sighted only one enemy fighter, which escaped into clouds. Four US planes failed to return. In addition to transpor-(Continued on Page 2)

### China Tightens Salween Siege

CHUNGKING, July 15 -(AP)-The Chinese have tightened their siege lines around the enemy's big Salween river base of Tengchung in southwest China and have seized dominating positions for full-scale attacks on the Burma road stronghold of Lungling, the Chinese high command said

The enemy was cleared from building outside the northwest corner of Tengchung's wall, a cident here tonight, although no than a half mile away on the confirmation could be obtained southwest when the Japanese sen

"The Polish government," said been one of a formation of six speed a junction of the Chinese statement issued through the flying low over the area. The cne

### Sorrow on Saipan



A perplexed US marine tries his hand at soothing the sorrow of this little nude Japanese girl in a civilian detention compound on Salpan in the Marianas. Two buddles stand by as the leather-neck ofers the girl a present, probably candy. (AP Wirephoto from

### Spruance's Warships Join Attack on Guam

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Fearl Harbor, killed in England July 7, his the private research agency said. town of Kaisiadorys and Alythus,

guarding one of the finest har-> bors in the Pacific, were blasted by shells and carrier plane bombs, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced tonight in a press release. Four enemy planes were destroyed on

the ground. The Orote peninsula forms the southern part of Port Apra on Guam's west coast, an area where a considerable weight of the attacks, continuous since July 4, has

Tokyo radio, in previously an-nouncing the attacks, specified that battleships and cruisers were

in the attacking group.

Spruance's fifth fleet helped in the invasion of Saipan, a task accomplished, thus releasing units night. of his group to augment Mitscher's task force 58.

Nimitz also announced that Japan's phosphate - producing base of Nauru, her by-passed strong-hold of Truk and the eastern Carolines base of Ponape were attacked Thursday. Army and navy planes his Nauru, army bombers the two Carolines targets. Tokyo radio, in reporting the war situation does not allow a

moment of optimism." Several hours later a Japanes broadcast from Singapore, picked up by the US federal communications commission, hinted that men, supposedly some of those who participated in the first B-29 super-bomber attack on Nippon proper June 15, were executed. This broadcast, directed to US ated previous Tokyo warnings that "any allied airman who falls or bails out over Japan will be executed. This is the order of the day.

### Japs Retreat | tions commission, who recorded it A Japanese propaganda broad- The office of war information In India Hills cast from Singapore to American first issued a story based on the

anese are in retreat from the ed at \$1,865,008.14. Manipur hills of India, it was announced today, and Adm. Lord Louis Mountbatten declared that Plane Crash Kills the strong allied stand had "con

Allied troops trailing the main body of the Japanese withdrawing from the area above Imphal made contact with the enemy year guard at Maoku.

July 15-(AP) Adm. Raymond A. Spruance's warships joined Vice mother, Mrs. A. F. Boytana, 388 "Rains helped in Missouri, 32 miles south of Kaunas. The Adm. Marc A. Mitscher's carrier groups in shelling and bombing Union street, has been notified. showers were beneficial to Ohio, Germans said three days previ-Guam Friday-extending assaults on that former US outpost through the 11th straight day.

> Crack German **Divisions Now** In Normandy

ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 15-(P)-Twenty to 25 German divisions, most of them crack guards and armored units, are now ranged against the allies in Normandy, compared with only seven who met the first shock of the invasion, it was disclosed to-

Eleven to 12 of these division it was estimated, are confronting Inside Hengyang

Although two of the original divisions have disappeared entirely-wiped out in the fighting- strategic Hunan province rail city German Field Marshal Gen. of Hengyang broke into the Guenther Von Kluge was report- streets of a southern suburb last ed now to have under his com-mand 60 to 65 divisions for the fighting and the lost position was defense of western Europe, up to Friday Guam assaults, said "the five more than were allotted his mand said tonight. predecessor, Field Marshal Gen.

> on June 6, they found the Normandy coast defended by about one German division to each 20

visions, and were faced by equal number of Germans.

### southwest Pacific forces, reiter- Silverton Bank **Makes Record**

SILVERTON, July 15 - Glenn L. Briedwell, vice president of the Coolidge - McClaine bank at Silverton, has issued the quarterly call statement of the local bank showing total assets at \$3,-SOUTHEAST ASIA COM- 113,978.06, the highest ever MAND HEADQUARTERS, Kan-reached by any bank institution dy, Ceylon, July 15-(P)-The Japhere. Demand deposits were list-

tured, of which "some" were exscuted and "some" were given
commutations, according to an
announcement by President Rooseveit a year after the raid.

May Be Propagands

Commanding officer of the 20th the 20th the strong shied stand had confeats the Japanese army has suffered in its history."

As the ill-fated Japanese expedition broke up into bands of
bombers were lost, had been exestragglers, more and more artil-Today's broadcast, which was cuted. No bombers were lost on a lery which had been hauled up medal for action in the south Panot paralleled by any other Japanese second superfortress raid July 7. from the Chindwin valley of Burcific, was killed in an airplane "The platform the democrats of the bind of second superfortress raid July 7. accident in California yesterday, his mother, Mrs. Anna Trua, was informed here today by the war department. He formerly attended the University of Oregon, will adopt will ring so crystal clear for winning the peace after officers tomorrow. But a much - advertised expression of White House attitude on second place still had not made its appearance.

Less than four hours after the swore allegiance to the nation, the enlisted in the Wac. She leaves place still had not made its appearance.

## This Area

Three Reported Killed and One Listed Missing

Three more service men of the Salem area have been reported killed in action, and another one is missing, today's reports showed. Killed

Tech. Sgt. Jack Collin Staff Sgt. Alex M. Schmidt Cpl. Harold Cooper Sgt. Otto Bowman

Sgt. Otto Bowman, prominent young Salem attorney and outdoorsman, has been reported missing in action in Burma, his mother, Mrs. Mary Bowman, has written friends here.

A resident of 633 North Winter street, Mrs. Bowman is visiting in Indiana, where she received the war department notification. Bowman, a former president of the Chemeketans, was a mountain climber, and was a member of the republican county central committee and active in the United Brethren church when he entered the army more than two

Recently he had written of may someday walk into camp. in the air corps of which had had try has been subjected to the heat miles from Kaunas, reporting the been a member for 11 years, was wave for the past two weeks," seizure of the ratiway lunction

schooling here and had been stationed two years in the Hawaiian islands, four years in the Philipislands, four years in the Philippines and had been in England Nod Replaces since February of this year.

Survivors include the widow, Reva, and son, Jack, jr., six months old, living in Missouri, Mute Wedding and his stepfather and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Boytana, Salem.

LEBANON, July 15-(AP)-Cpl. Harold Cooper was killed in action in the Pacific, his father, (Continued on Page 2)

### Japs Turned Back

CHUNGKING, July 15-(P) Japanese forces encircling the

All the intruders were annihilated, a communique declared, When the allies stormed ashore and the situation was restored to normal.

ton-Hankow railway with a sur- here today. of Pailuchi, where 27 grounded planes were destroyed and ten others probably destroyed, it was

Enemy forces trying to drive

### Casualties Nazis Warned New Red On Executions Mount In Of Frenchmen

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 15 -(AP)- Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower warned the Germans today that the French forces of the interior were a regular part of his allied forces and that steps already were being taken to justice the nazis who have been illegally executing members of this patriot army.

The FFI, Frenchmen fighting behind the German lines for the liberation of their homeland, are a regularly constituted military force, Eisenhower pointed out, and are entitled to the protection of international law and usage governing combatants.

The Germans have been treating them as "Francs-Tireurs," civilian irregulars who may be shot when caught.

### Crops Hurt by Heat, Drought In East State

NEW YORK, July 15-(AP)-Blazing heat in some states and a Lithuania, the Russians angeneral drought in most of the nounced extension of their outplane trips between India and territory east of the Rockies flanking maneuver against Dau-Burma. Friends here, believing probably has ended chances for gavpils with capture of Onikhis plane may have been lost on bumper crops this year, the shty and Pichany, railway such a journey, hold hope that he American institute of food distri- 60 miles west of Daugavpils. bution said today.

Collin was a resident of Salem Maryland and Virginia, and scat- ously that the Russians had taken for 19 years, graduating from Sa- tered relief came to the upper Alythus, but the soviets remained Gun emplacements and the airfield at Orote, on a peninsula lem high school with the class Mississippi valley. But what is silent until their broadcast comof 1933. He enlisted in the air needed is at least one and one-corps shortly after completing his half days of good hard rain..." River Barrier Cro

## 'I Do' in Deaf

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, July 15groom said "I do" but the preacher tied the knot anyway.

Henry Mattson, Seattle flour mill employe, and Helen Mae Arrington were married today at the fire station. Both are deaf mutes. The Rev. Mar 4 C. Cronenberger handed the couple a Bible and In P-T Attack they read the married passages to themselves. A nod while each looked at the other sufficed for

### **Battleship Oregon** In Action Again

PORTLAND, July 15 -(A)- The closed today. Battleship Oregon, queen of the US fleet in the Spanish-American Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault's war, has been converted into a edium bombers struck a blow in barge and now is in action against defense of this city on the Can- the axis, navy officials announced

Decommissioned after World war I, the battleship was turned over to Oregon and served as a historic shrine in the Willamette river here. The vessel was reup from above Canton to join the possessed by the navy December forces in southern Hunan prov- 7, 1942, and her superstructure ince were checked, according to and interior fittings removed for scrap at Kalama, Wash.

### Josephus Daniels Calls for Condemnation of Isolationism

CHICAGO, July 15 -(P)-Jo-sephus Daniels, who as secretary of navy in world war 1 was Pre-Prince of Peace." sident Roosevelt's labor boss, to-

New contingents marched

to the democratic convention democratic platform that will condemn isolationism and "straddlers", and cause "all lovers of
peace to rejoice."

Arriving in Chicago as a member of the convention resolutions

The democratic convention
scene today ready for what their
leaders said would be a "wide
open" battle for the vice presidential nomination before a decision is reached next Friday.

Fresh arrivials included democratic Chairman Robert E. Han-

## Offensive Launched

### **Sweeping Gains** Reach 8 Miles Of East Prussia

By TOM YARBROUGH LONDON, July 15 -(AP)- The Russians tonight announced sweeping blows on the north central Niemen river front, outflanking the German fortress of Grodno and reaching within eight miles of the Suwalki border of East Prussia, and the German command announced that a tremendous new Soviet offensive had begun in the south of old Poland. The Russian midnight communique announced successes all down the Baltic - White Russian front, beginning with the capture of Opochka, 24 miles east of the Lat-

vian border. The Russians announced Friday night they had taken the railway station and were fighting in the streets. Moscow was silent on the southern Polish front. Outflanking Move

Westward in the big bulge that reaches along the lower Latvian border and deep in eastern

"About two-thirds of the countries army moved less than 19

In possibly the most significant development of the day announced by Moscow, the communique said soviet troops had reached the Niemen river line on a 75-mile front north and south of Alytus, and had crossed that historic water barrier at many points.

This put them less than eight miles from the Suwalki triangle that was annexed to East Prussia in September, 1939, and placed (Continued on Page 2)

### General Clark **Escapes Death**

ROME, July 15 -(A)- Accidental fire from a US minesweeper killed one officer and one man and wounded three others aboard a P-T boat carrying Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark and other army officers to the Anzio beachhead January 28, the US navy dis-

The official announcement said an inquiry had established that the P-T boat and its escort "entered the area while a 'red' alert was on" on anticipation of a nazi raid, and that the craft had not been identified as friendly.

"The captain of the minesweeper," the announcement added, was exonerated of any blame.

### 'Neighbor' Sought For Tax Evasion

SALT LAKE CITY, July 15-(A) "Why," a telephone caller asked William J. Korth, "do I have to buy an auto stamp when my neighbor next door hasn't bought one and says he isn't buying one?" "Who is your neighbor?" Korth

"That's for you to find out," was

Korth said checkers eventually would locate the "neighbor.

### She Said She'd Bear Arms and She Meant It

LOS ANGELES, Calif., July 15