

### Yank Positions On Palau Isles Grow Stronger

US PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Sept. 30—(AP)—The US military position in the strategic Palau islands, vital air, sea and supply base for an invasion of the Philippines, was expanded and improved this week as American forces took three additional islets in the group and added another important airfield to their holdings.

Marines of the first division and soldiers of the 81st (Wildcat) division, now control nine islands on the southern wing of the Palau.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz reported Friday night that the marines landed on the three islets Wednesday, west longitude time. One of the three, Ngesebus, was under control the same day. By Thursday the leathernecks had Kongauru and a nearby unnamed island safe in their hands.

On Ngesebus is a 4800-foot air strip for fighter planes. The Americans also hold the main southern Palau airdrome on Peleliu. Wednesday's move by the Yanks hushed Japanese artillery out of range of the Peleliu drome which has been used by American bombers since shortly after their landing on that island.

Isolated pockets of Japanese continue to fight to the death on Peleliu. Of the original garrison there—estimated at 10,000 by American officers—8717 have been killed. On Angaur, taken by soldiers of the Wildcat division, 1055 have been wiped out. Some 150 Japanese soldiers were made prisoners.

### Ickes Board to Study Dams to Save Fisheries

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30—(AP)—Interior Secretary Ickes announced today the appointment of a board of consultants to assist in developing a program to protect fisheries of the Columbia river from harmful effects of proposed dams in the river basin.

The consultants, recommended by the governors of Washington, Oregon and Idaho, represent the fishing industry, sport fishermen and fishery administrators. Dr. Willis H. Rich of the Fish and Wildlife service will be chairman.

Other members of the group are: Hugh C. Mitchell, Oregon State Fish Commission; William Puustinen (CQ), Svensen, Ore.; T. F. Sandoz, Astoria, Ore.; E. W. Wilson, chairman Oregon Game Commission; A. L. Gile, Chinook Packing company, Washington; Joe Jurich, president International Fishermen and Allied Workers of America, Seattle; Claude C. Snyder, chairman Washington Game Commission; Fred J. Foster, director Washington Department of Fisheries; C. J. Westcott, Idaho State Fish and Game Commission; and Theo. H. Wegener, president Idaho Wildlife association.

### Pacific War Traffic Eyed

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Sept. 30—(AP)—Utilization of traffic facilities for Pacific warfare after defeat of Germany will be one of the principal items discussed by traffic and transportation officers of the army air forces at a three-day conference opening tomorrow.

Col. Charles F. Nielsen, chief of the AAF traffic organization in Washington, will preside.

Speakers will include Colonel Nielsen, Maj. Gen. U. G. Ent of the second air force, Col. E. C. R. Lasher, deputy traffic chief, Arthur H. Case, Washington, DC, and Ambrose J. Seltz of Omaha. Traffic and transportation officers are coming from installations in New York, Florida, California, Ohio, the District of Columbia, Indiana, Texas, New Jersey, Georgia, Illinois, Mississippi and Washington.

### Teaching Staffs in Most Schools Complete

Employment of more than 1000 teachers holding emergency certificates authorized by the 1943 legislature and the return of many retired teachers to class rooms has enabled the state to staff most schools, according to a report by the state education department. Nearly all schools will be opened next week.

### After Luftwaffe Raid on Eindhoven



Residents of Eindhoven, Holland, survey the damage caused by a Luftwaffe raid in which the German airmen attempted to close the roads to allied traffic during the battle for the town. This is a British official photo. (AP wirephoto)

### Germans Assure Destruction Of Own Nation by Stalling

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30—(AP)—If the Germans force the European war into a winter stalemate and a spring clean-up campaign, they will subject their country to the most ruthless devastation yet planned by the allied high commands.

The belief of military authorities here is that Nazi scorched earth threats promise considerably less destruction to Germany's cities, industries and communications than do allied plans for conquering the country piecemeal if the allies have to do it that way.

There are no reports here of any group capable of bringing about a revolution and surrender. And the Nazi leadership, it is emphasized, has nothing to gain by surrender.

**Gestapo Powerful**  
Responsible allied military authorities believe that the Reich is being held together by Heinrich Himmler's Gestapo, which has exercised enormously increased power since the failure of the army generals' attempt on Hitler's life last summer.

Among diplomats as well as military leaders here it is considered a significant indication of allied determination to stamp out German militarism completely—by forcing the war home to the German people through unconditional surrender or fighting on German soil—that there has not been, and according to present plans will not be, any definition of unconditional surrender for Germany.

**Fear Propaganda**  
The decision against any direct appeal based on limiting unconditional surrender was made by the allied high command in the belief that the German general staff would use it to keep the German people in the war for a maximum time and then at the eleventh hour save themselves from destruction by falling back upon allied promises. That is said to be substantially what happened in 1918.

Actually the future of Germany is not considered by either military men or diplomats here to be hopeless from the point of view of the German people. Under policies now reported predominant in American planning it will have opportunity to grow again as an industrial nation with a relatively high standard of living—after Nazism and militarism have been uprooted and the devastation of other European countries has been restored.

### Lack of Funds Ends Council

PORTLAND, Sept. 30—(AP)—A council established by Rockefeller institute seven years ago to study economic and industrial potentialities of the Pacific northwest was disbanded today for lack of funds. Dr. A. L. Strand, Oregon State college president and chairman of the group, said contributions from business groups—expected to continue research after the first \$132,000 Rockefeller grants were used—had not been forthcoming.

The council, entitled Northwest Regional Council of Education, planning and public administration, has published texts on Northwest resources, industry, and methods of expanding peacetime industry.

### Moscow Poles Launch Attack On Gen. Bor

LONDON, Sept. 30—(AP)—Sharply worded attacks on Gen. Tadeusz (Bor) Komorowski, newly named commander in chief of the Polish armed forces by leaders of the Polish committee of national liberation in Moscow tonight appeared to have again widened the breach between the Moscow group and the London government-in-exile. President Wladyslaw Raczewicz personally had relieved Gen. Kazimierz Sosnkowski in favor of Gen. Bor leader of the Warsaw uprising, as reports were heard in London that Moscow may demand removal of Raczewicz himself.

Gen. Bor was denounced as a "criminal" by Oubka Morawski, president of the Polish committee of national liberation, at a press conference in Moscow. The Moscow committee's commander in chief, Col. Gen. Mihal Rola Zymierski, charged Bor had never been in Warsaw during the fighting and had stayed at a secret spot about 18 miles from the capital.

Morawski said Bor was the "author of the premature uprising" in Warsaw and declared "if he falls into our hands he will be arrested and given over to trial. Everything is as it was before the London government."

### ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

No tornadoes in Oregon? No cyclones?

The brown-eyed lass with the auburn pigtail—and the busy hands—has gone home.

Most of the paper clips are back in the desk and the china and cloisonne knick-knacks are in place. To be sure, the celluloid tape which fitted around the base of the globe and served to measure miles if one really wanted to know distances so vast as those represented there will never be the same again. We found the three pieces well under cover, (nor did we mourn the loss) and know now how the patent pencil happened to be in the kitchen where it had never been before.

But we haven't yet tossed away the pieces of copy paper on which she practiced drawing the alphabet. She's on her way to being a secretary and has heard some of her elders speak of young women in such positions as "whirlwinds," no doubt.

As we straightened the rugs and pulled the chairs out from under tables we were remembering that less than two years ago plain lead pencils held little appeal for the auburn-haired young tyran—she must have crayons. The tiny bean pots from the kitchen cupboard were her pride and joy—yes, that's why there are now only three of them—because who could play house without cooking utensils?

Next year, we must put a special patent catch on the door to the cosmetic shelves, and only two years from now even if the war is over it won't be smart to have nylon stockings in any drawer her young hands can open when our own particular Oregon tornado blows in for an evening!

### Thumbnail Of War!

By the Associated Press

Western Europe—Allies fight forward on long front against increasing German resistance; advance 3 miles toward Belfort gap; wipe out German armored division in Metz-Nancy area.

Russia—Russians forge ahead in Hungary, which reported seeking peace; establish bridgehead on Yugoslav side of Danube in attempt to trap Nazis in lower Balkans.

Italy—Slight allied advances. Pacific—Peleliu still holds out, but Americans boast airbases—valuable to Philippine invasion—on other Palau islands; top enemy freighters sunk off Borneo.

**THE ROAD TO BERLIN**  
1—Western front; 305 miles (from west of Kiev).  
2—Russian front; 310 miles (from Warsaw).  
3—Italian front; 570 miles (from south of Bologna).

### Rooney Weds Second Time

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 30—(AP)—Mickey Rooney, the motion picture actor now a private in the army, and Miss Betty Jane Rase, the Miss Birmingham of 1944, were married here this afternoon after a whirlwind courtship of less than a week.

Miss Rase, a tall 17-year-old blond, was introduced to Pvt. Rooney, who is stationed at Camp Sibert, Ala., last Sunday at a movie pre-view here, by Lily May Caldwell, Birmingham news reporter who accompanied Miss Rase to the recent Atlantic City beauty pageant, where she was fifth in the Miss America contest. Rumors of the wedding had been current here for two days. Miss Rase wore a diamond engagement ring when she returned from a visit to Gadsden, Ala., near Camp Sibert, in midweek.

### Standards Division Becomes Part of OPA

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30—(AP)—The office of price administration today liquidated its standards division as a separate unit "to secure closer contact" with the agency's other divisions.

The division had been without a director since Harry D. Robinson resigned several weeks ago in a policy dispute.

### Wallace Campaigns for FDR While Candidates Get Wind

By D. Harold Oliver  
Associated Press Staff Writer

While the presidential candidates were getting their wind yesterday for another week of political outpouring, Vice President Wallace again played on the theme that President Roosevelt will be the better postwar job provider.

The Republican National committee meanwhile asserted in its weekly clip-sheet "On the Home Front," sent to more than 8000 weekly newspapers and GOP county chairmen, that the president in his Sept. 23 speech to the Teamsters' union was "forced to abandon his role as commander-in-chief."

**Wallace Speaks**  
Wallace, in a speech prepared for delivery in Carnegie music hall in Pittsburgh, emphasized a point he dwelt on earlier in the week in eastern Pennsylvania.

"I don't say Roosevelt will give you full employment," said Wallace, "but he will come a lot closer to it than the other candidate. He will not depend, like the other candidate, on giving the green light to Wall Street. The common folks will not vote for the man who puts Wall Street first and the people second."

In its clip-sheet, the republican national committee asserted with reference to Mr. Roosevelt's Sept. 23 speech:

**Abandons Role**  
"Forced to abandon his role as commander in chief, the fourth term candidate made no reference to his famed 'FDR-win-the-war' slogan. By his reference to the new deal—after publicly pronouncing it dead a few months ago—Washington political observers say Roosevelt lost stature, that he has been forced into his rightful role as an ambitious man seeking to retain himself in office."

Meanwhile Rep. Clare Booth Luce (R-Conn) made the news conference comment that "the American people should have been led into the war—not lied into it."

"The facts leading up to Pearl Harbor and our almost certain involvement were never presented to the American congress or the American people," he said.

The decision of Senator Ball (R-Minn) not to campaign for Dewey at this time was called "most unfortunate" by Senator Wherry of Nebraska, the republican whip.

Ball had said that he was not

### Flour Subsidy Made Uniform

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30—(AP) Effective October 11, a uniform flour subsidy rate will be paid flour millers for all types of wheat in all areas, Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones announced today.

The rate for October 11 to October 31, inclusive, will be 17 cents a bushel; the rate for November will be 18 cents, and for December 19 cents.

Rates which will remain in effect from October 1 through October 10:

### Finn Troops Smash German Rearguards

LONDON, Sept. 30—(AP)—Finnish troops have smashed German rearguards south of Radasjaervi on the II river in central Finland and locked in battle with their former allies at Kiminge, forcing the Nazis to retire leaving their dead and wounded behind, Helsinki dispatches said today.

### Rationed Motorists Now Get Extra Gasoline Mileage

All over the country, thousands of rationed car owners, truck fleets, taxicabs, motorcycles and tractor owners report gasoline savings up to 30%. These people have been enjoying extra gasoline mileage by installing a Vacu-matic to their carburetor. This new device is entirely automatic. Nothing to regulate or adjust and can be installed in 10 minutes. The Vacu-matic Co., 7617-980-F State St., Wauwatosa (13), Wisconsin, are offering a Vacu-matic to anybody who will install it on their car and help introduce it to others. Write them today for particulars as to how you can get your Vacu-matic or just send your name and address on a penny post card.

### Nippon Force Only 30 Miles From Kweilin

CHUNGKING, Sept. 30—(AP) Japanese forces storming down from the northeast have fought their way to positions approximately 30 miles northeast of the big American-Chinese base of Kweilin and have reached the American advance air base of Tanchuk 150 miles south of Kweilin, the Chinese command announced tonight.

In their powerful drive on Kweilin, which has changed the strategic picture of the entire Asiatic mainland war, the Japanese are now fighting east of the Hunan-Kwangsi railway at places four miles and 12 miles southeast of Hingan, the daily Chinese communique said. Hingan is on the railway 31 miles northeast of Kweilin.

The exact locality from which the invaders were striking was not stated, but it was believed they had come from a highway northeast of Hingan. The bulletin said simply that they "advanced southward" to these areas.

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