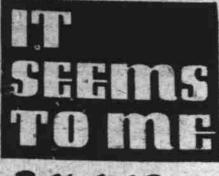
Japanese Planes Attack Okinawa Invasion Fleet (Story in Column 2)





Portland. These gems of errata appear in an article in the April Harper's magazine, "The Empire of the Northwest" by C. Hartley Grattan. They illustrate the danger from motor stage reporting over an area as vast as the northwest empire. The result is a blend of hurried eye and ear impressions. Grattan much the comment that long has been stock about the cities of the northwest. It is not that his comments and conclusions are unkind or unwelcome but that they are

We ought not to complain, however, that we are "discovered." National attention is what the northwest has been clamoring for. That Fortune magazine should recently devote an entire number to the Pacific coast, and now Harpers gives articles in two issues, one to planes belatedly attacked the Am-California and one to the north- erican invasion fleet in the Ryuwest, is gratifying from the standpoint of publicity at least.

superficial.

Grattan finds Portland "the spares us the conventional cliche continuing. of eastern journalists that it is "like some New England city." He finds that its growth has followed has never really (Continued on Editorial page)

Hong Kong Hit In the Okinawa ground fight-ing, marines on the north end of the American line scored advanc-For Third Day **By Liberators** MANILA, Saturday, April 7-(AP)

150 Jap records his visual images of towns and country, and echoes pretty Attackers Destroyed

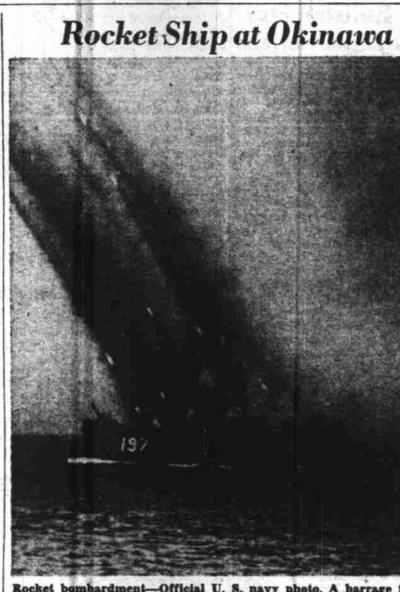
Some U.S. Ships **Receive Damage But Stay in Fight**

GUAM, April 7-(AP)- Japanese kyus in force for the first time yesterday and by late afternoon

an incomplete count showed 150 least spectacular city on the Pa- of the attackers shot down. There cific coast" though fortunately he was every indication the raid was

A fleet communique today said some U.S. ships received minor the Pacific coast average, that it damage, but "all remained fully operational." An invasion armada of 1400 ships was involved in the Okinawa island invasion last Sunday.

> In the Okinawa ground fightes up to 5000 yards, still finding only "small, scattered groups of the enemy," while infantrymen pressing upon the capital city of Naha at the south fought deeper into fixed defense positions, Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced today.



Rocket bombardment-Official U. S. navy photo. A barrage from an American rocket ship prepares the way for the invasion of Okinawa by army troops and marines. A constant stream of projectiles is "played" like a fire hose on the enemy's shoreside installations. (International)

Suburbs **Of Vienna** Captured **Reds Bear Down On Capital City**

From All Sides By Romney Wheeler LONDON, Saturday, April 7-(P)-Russian shock troops captur-

ed four suburbs of Vienna on the city line yesterday, cleared the south bank of the Danube east of the city in a 10-mile advance, and reached the Morava river barrier protecting Vienna's northeastern approaches on a 37-mile front.

Intensifying the blazing battle of tanks and infantrymen raging around the old capital, the Russians approached the southern and southeastern limits of the city on a five-mile front and battered through suburbs to within four miles of St. Stephan's church in mid-city.

Just before midnight last night, the Vienna radio reported that vi-olent street fighting had broken **Of Royal Fleet** out in the city proper and that Russian tommygunners had penetrated the railroad defense line along the municipal boundary. The roar of guns was heard in the

the Italian border.

Traffic Choke

Points Blasted

By Murlin Spencer GUAM, Saturday, April 7-(AP)background and the broadcast asserted that Vienna had been under Some major units of the British Pacific fleet, including possibly hell-fire "for several hours."



Hamm, Wuerzburg Taken; Weser **River Line Ripped to Shreds;** Allies Drive Close to Hannover

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR

PARIS, Saturday, April 7-(AP)-A relentless tide of allied tanks and troops-sometimes sweeping ahead 40 to 60 miles-broke the Weser river line 18 miles from Hannover yesterday, all but sealed off Holland and her greatest cities, and engulfed Hamm and Wuerzburg.

A wholly unconfirmed German broadcast said U.S. Third army forces, coursing far in the van of the western advance, had suddenly spurted 40 miles east into Martin Lufall of the government of Gen. ther's birthplace of Eisleben, in Saxony 90 miles southwest of Berlin, striking with airborne tanks.

The Weser river line-only the Elbe now stands between the allies and Berlin-was ripped to shreds by multiple British Second and U. S. Ninth army crossings as the U.S. First **Superforts Hit** army jumped into the swelling

attack with a 22-mile push to the Weser 164 miles west of Berlin. One of the British Second army's flying columns, some of which traveled 60 miles in 24 hours since breaking out on to the north German plain through the mountain passes, turned up abruptly in Diepholz, less than 35 miles south of the big German river port of

Tokyo, Nagoya; **Mustangs Help** 21ST BOMBER COMMAND,

No. 10

Guam, Saturday, April 7-(AP)-A large force of Superfortresses, aided for the first time by long-range Mustang fighters from Iwo Jima, raided Tokyo and Nagoya today (April 7, Japan time.) The B-29's, as usual, flew from their bases in the Marianas Islands and were joined by the Mustangs near Iwo, the half-way point on the 1500-mile run to the enemy capital. Presumably about 150 bombers took part in the raid. Tokyo said there were about 100 B-29's and about 40 Mustangs. The enemy radio added that the Mustangs bombed and strafed the western part of the Tokyo-Yokohama area while the Superforts hit military objectives.

-Fifty Liberators heavily bombed 539 Japs Killed the Hong Kong waterfront for the planes, seized Lucena, capital of to the main invasion. Southern Luzon's Tayabas province, and its two airfields.

The escorted four-engined bombers set off tremendous waterfront fires and wrecked three merchant ships in the harbor with a shower of 164 tons of bombs.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today the heavy bombers scored direct hits on a 10,000-ton freighter and two smaller vessels. Oil storage tanks were set ablaze and fuel fires sent smoke up 6000 feet.

There was no interception.

Giant Nippon Mortars Kill Many Marines

BREMERTON, Wash., April 6-(AP)-The giant Japanese mortars encountered by the marines at Chinese Open Iwo Jima which caused the "awful mangling of so many" were described today by Cpl. Bill Faulkner, 21, one of the first casualties of that campaign to be Against Japs admitted to Bremerton naval hospital.

"They were the great-granddaddies of all the mortars in the world," he said. "I don't know just how big they were - some said they were 240 millimeters and others said they were over 300. But I do know you could drop your helmet right into one of them.

"It was these mortars that caused the awful mangling of so many of our marines—so long as I had to get hit, I'm sure glad it was just a bullet."

Faulkner was shot in the right elbow by a sniper.

Reaches \$115,000 Total

The 1945 Marion county Red Cross war fund now totals \$115,-000 or 141 per cent of the quota. Announcement was made by F. G. Leserer, 1945 campaign manager, at the Salem Credit association luncheon Friday noon. The Marion county quota was \$80,500.

Jerome L. Moshberger Loses Life in War

WOODBURN, April 6-Jerome L. Moshberger, water tender second class, US navy, previously re-

Nimitz reported 539 Japanese third straight day Wednesday were killed and 166 captured in while in the Philippines 11th air- seizing the Kerama islands off the borne paratroopers, landing in Cub | southwest coast of Okinawa prior

> The count of 150 enemy planes shot down attempting to attack the U.S. invasion fleet was still "preliminary and incomplete," the

communique said. The carrier task groups were commanded by Rear Adm. Frederick C. Sherman and Rear Adm.

J. J. (Jock) Clark, Some American ships received minor damage. but all remained fully operational. Loses 1212 Planes The enemy air force already had

lost 1212 planes destroyed or damaged by American naval fliers since the start of the Okinawa

operations March 17. The communique did not specify the location of surface ships under prolonged assault in this hottest air attack yet reported from Okinawa, but it evidently was off the Okinawa invasion beaches, for Yanks ashore were being hit also.



CHUNGKING, April 6-(AP)-Chinese troops in southwestern Honan province launched a major couneroffensive yesterday against Japanese troops battling toward Shensi province, northern gateway to China's war-time capital, the high command disclosed today.

An army spokesman said Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's forces wiped out an enemy battalion

and encircled a number of strongpoints west of Neisiang on the Honan-Shensi highway, but lost contact with a garrison defending Nanyang, one of the primary Jap-

anese objectives. China's three - pronged drive, mounted against a double enemy Shensi border.

New Cabinet With Tojo, Other Former Premiers along a 350-mile gront in south-

vious Japanese announcement that

former premiers of Japan met

Thursday and recommended Su-

This account said Suzuki, who

often had stood against army and

navy extremists, has selected a

cabinet studded with former pre-

If the report was correct, then

The lineup, none of whom was

member of the cabinet of former

Prince Fumitaka Konoye, pre-

Admiral Keisuke Okada, pre-

was reported assassinated by the

extremists who found him too con-

Gen. Koki Hirota, former pre-

mier and foreign minister at the

time the Japanese began their cur-

Gen. Baron-Kiichiro Hiranuma.

Gen. Baron Waratsuhe and Mar-

quiss Hiro, the latter former lord

long an advocate of a strong and

mier just before Tojo took over

it was a strong mingling of politi-

zuki to form a new cabinet.)

LONDON, Saturday, April 7-(AP)-The German agency DNB, quoting the Singapore radio, said today Premier Kantaro Suzuki active front, 16,340 enemy troops had formed a new Japanese cabinet which included Gen. Hideki were taken prisoner. Tojo, premier at the time of Pearl Harbor.

Nazis Report Suzuki Forms

(The office of war information, which recorded the same dispatch in the United States, said it was possible the DNB report was a garbled version of a pre-

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rent war on China.

militant Japan.

DSM Awarded To Gen. Rilea

At Vancouver VANCOUVER, Wash., April 6-

(AP) - The Distinguished Service medal was awarded today to Brig. Gen. Thomas E. Rilea, USA, who cal opinion in Japan, because it inas adjutant general of the Oregon cluded moderates as well as sabre National Guard went overseas with the famed 41st division. Brig. Gen. Rilea's citation, rec-

ommended by Gen. Douglas Mac- Premier Kuniaki Koiso, includes: Arthur, was for service in Australia as commanding general of the army service and supply base for the surprise blow at Pearl Har-

early in the southwest Pacific bor. campaigns. The medal was presented by mier at the time of the bloody ar-Col. Charles Berle, commanding my revolt in 1936 in which he first officer of Barnes General hospital, where Rilea is recovering from a tropical illness.

5th Outflanks 3000 Ft. Peak

ROME, April 6-(AP)-The American Fifth army, outflanking 3000ft. Monte Folgorito, has gained privy seal. nearly two miles since yesterday in a surprise attack southeast of Massa on heights dominating the

Ligurian coastal highway in western Italy, Allied headquarters an-Successor to Lumsden nounced.

The smouldering Italian front flared into activity at both ends. In the west the Americans, attacking from Azzano, six miles in-

land, passed Monte Folgorito, which overlooks the coastal shelf. Marion Red Cross Fund attack, came after the Chinese an- An accompanying push from nihilated more than 1000 Japanese Strettoia, two miles from the sea, troops and destroyed nine enemy made initial gains also, but coltanks about 31 miles from the lided later with a German counterthrust from Porta, a mile be-

Dies When Truck Upsets MT. ANGEL, April 6 - Lt. Comdr. Elwyn L. Christman, 29, was killed March 31 in the south

Pacific when a truck upset following a plane crash. His mother,

Capt. Mason W. Harris

At the same time, Red army the battleship HMS King George forces battered out new gains V, were damaged slightly by a conalong a 850-mile front in southcerted attack of Japanese aircraft as the British force struck the up enemy remnants on the Vistula Sakishima islands March 31 delta east of Danzig. Along the throught April 2.

Five enemy aircraft made a concerted attack on the King George, In Czechoslovakia, Soviet forces a British naval observer, just reswept to a point 38 miles southturned from the battle, related toeast of the big industrial city of day after U.S. Fleet Adm. Chester Bruenn (Brno), while in Yugosla-W. Nimitz reported in a press revia, Soviet - cavalrymen slashed ease that "some major units" of through enemy lines within 41 the British force were damaged miles northeast of the Croat capislightly. The King George is a tal of Zagreb and 104 miles from 35,000 ton battleship.

Named

Adm. Baron Kantaro Suzuki

(above), president of the Japa-

nese privy council, was asked

to form a new cabinet following

Kuniaki Koiso, Tokyo radio an-

nounced. (AP wirephoto)

Japs Slightly

That particular group of planes were driven off, the British spokesman said as he related his eye-**Germany's Rail** witness account. British fighters and ships' anti-aircraft gunners' destroyed 22 enemy planes and damaged nine more in the threeday engagement, which constituted the Japanese's first attack on the allied force since it went into action against Sakishima, south-

LONDON, April 6-(AP)-More ernmost of the Ryukyu islands. than 1250 U.S. eighth air force

trol for last ditch resistance and

guerrilla warfare.

quarters.

rounded."

planes attacked rail traffic choke points today at Leipzig and near-German Army by Halle and Gera as hundreds other allied craft likewise **Being Split Up** smashed at targets ahead of onrushing American armored spearheads in southern Germany. As Guerrillas At the same time it was disclosed that at least 21 warships

and freighters, including the 6000-LONDON, April 6-(AP)-The Germans were reported today to be ton cruiser Koeln and 11 submarines, were sunk in last month's splitting up the Wehrmacht into massive port-busting raids on practically autonomous a r m y Bremen, Wilhelmshaven and groups under SS (elite guard) con-

Jaycees Issue Call For More Blood

Hamburg.

A call for more blood donors for next Tuesday was issued Friday by Salem Junior Chamber of

Commerce members. There has rilla warfare could be expected in been no decrease in the call for Germany because of recent westplasma from battle fronts, they explained, and Salem's weekly guota will not be met unless other persons who believe they are eli-

gible to contribute register. Would-be donors should call ter and receive instructions.

Claims First Casualty

PITTSBURGH, April 6-(AP)-The acute housing shortage in the Pittsburgh area claimed its first casualty today.

house for five weeks, dropped into a real estate office. When an agent told him he'd found a house for

Hamm, Germany's biggest railway center, fell with astonishing swiftness to the U.S. Ninth army, which with the powerful First army began a broad scale attack on 125,000 or more Germans trap-ped in the Ruhr.

Wuersburg Captured

Bremen.

Wuerzburg, 55 miles northwest of Nuernberg, where the nazis in their heyday held their party rallies, was captured by the U.S. Seventh army which had one column within 39 miles of that nazi shrine and had hurdled a bend in the river Main in the southeastward push. Wuerzburg had a normal population of 108,000.

The Canadian First army kept up the dazzling pace set by the U. S. First and Ninth and British Second armies, sending one steelfreighted column north to within 35 miles of the North sea and broke into the center of the stronghold of Zutphen, barring the last 20 miles to the Zuider

Zee, in twin strokes designed to trap the enemy in Holland. Bridgeheads Deepened The British Second and U. S.

Ninth armies deepened their bridgeheads over the Weser river to five miles but had not yet begun the assault on Hannover. (The British radio said without any other confirmation that the allies were less than two miles from Hannover.) The U.S. First army in joining

the assault fought through the Hessian gap, historic military gateway to inner Germany, in its drive to the Weser.

The scheme is called "decentral-V-12 Program Will ized resistance," according to Swiss Last Until Nov. 1 reports which said it was adopted

at a recent emergency military conference at Adolf Hitler's head-Willamette university's navy V-12 program will be continued until These reports followed Gen. Ei-

November 1, and, as a result, the senhower's statement that Gueruniversity will continue to operate on a three semester basis for another year, President G. Herbert ern front experiences that "even Smith announced Friday. when formations as small as divi-The university catalogue, held sions are disrupted their fragup pending receipt of the notificaments continue to fight until surtion as to navy training plans, will now be sent to the printers.

Army Concerned Over Morale Acute Housing Shortage During Shift to Pacific War

WASHINGTON, April 6-(AP) - | get home to his wife, family or Army concern over the attitude of girl friend. The soldier who learns the soldier and his home folk dur- that he is eligible for demobilizaing the redeployment of forces tion, but finds there is no room on from Europe to the Pacific was ships going home, may become in-Reed M. Krotzer, 52, of Wilkins-burg, who had been seeking a Marshall. George C. tolerant "even to the smirching of a fine and soldierly fighting rec-The chief of staff told an army ord." Mail from home will be o day audience the transfer of no help because "protests will be troops and equipment to the east more articul te on this side of the him, Krotzer became excited and will be one of the greatest prob-dropped dead. Atlantic from the wives and the lems in administration and supply in history, although he is con-fident that it will be carried out in a "thoroughly workmanlike manner." The army, Marshall said, will not be able to meet these "very human desires" without the risk of higher casualties in the orient

Negotiations **On Soft Coal** Wage Collapse

WASHINGTON, April 6 -(AP)-Soft coal wage negotiations virtually broke down today and John L. Lewis summoned his 25-man policy committee to determine the United Mine Workers' future course.

While the mine leader did not say for what specific purpose the committee was called in, it was understood that the various offers of the operators and the proposed contract advanced last week by Secretary of Labor Perkins will be placed before the group. Lewis had accepted the Perkins proposal but operators turned it down.

The committee, scheduled to meet Monday at 12:30 PWT, would have to pass upon any new contract, as it did the original 18 demands of Lewis on February 26.

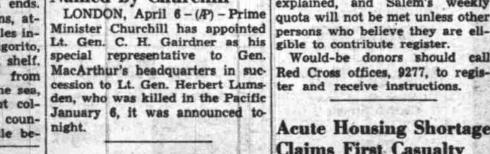
GOING TO THE BEACH?

lt's a rare pleasure these days, of course, but the fishing season opens soon and carefully saved "A" gas will be brought into use. And many beach cottages will open.

With these factors in mind, The Oregon Statesman has arranged to obtain tide tables, computed for Tail, from the U.S. Coast and Geodetic survey. The tables, to include computations for several days in advance, will be published daily as a new service for readers.

Starting tomorrow in

14. Oregon 20 Blatesman



Lt. Comdr. Christman

Salem Police Officer Wins **Furious Rassle With Cow**

lem police force demonstrated the ficer still maintaining his hold. versatility of members of that de- Then the cow decided it was partment Friday afternoon when time to heave, and made for a Mrs. J. R. Christman, route 1, Mt. he answered a call from irate res- picket fence. The officer stuck out Angel, was notified this morning idents on North 20th srteet who a foot to meet the fence in order by the navy department. (Addi-"wanted a cow corralled." to lessen the shock, but his foot tional details on page 8.)

Arriving on the scene, the offi-cer applied all his knowledge of bovines to the occasion, and when when the cow wheeled, the offi-Cer applied all his knowledge of the the cow wheeled, the offi-Cer applied all his knowledge of the the cow wheeled, the offi-Cer applied all his knowledge of the the cow wheeled, the offi-

Officer Harold See of the Sa- | came up on her feet with the of-

Named by Churchill

The broadcast did not say to what portfolios these men had been assigned.

ond class, US navy, previously re-ported missing in action, is now presumed to have lost his life in enemy action. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Moshberger, have been notified by the navy department. (Additional details on service men's page 3.) 'The World at Your Door Each Morning'