

JAP COUNTERATTACK ON OKINAWA REPULSED

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Squire

Grazing is one of the oldest of human occupations. From it men obtained their meat, their milk, their fiber for clothing. Tending sheep in the middle east, where our language and literature and religion originated, men had plenty of opportunity to study the skies, which in that area are unusually clear. Thus astronomy became one of the earliest of the natural sciences to be explained by man. Viewing the wonders and the mysteries of the skies the shepherd psalmist was inspired to write: "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth his handiwork."

It took a long time for people to realize that the handiwork of the Creator also is revealed in the earth under their feet. Geology as a science is far younger than astronomy. Interest in the subject is growing, however, and I observed that a crowded room greeted Dr. Edwin T. Hodge when he spoke on the geology of the John Day country before the Salem Geological society last Tuesday night at Collins hall.

Oddly enough, it was a preacher who discovered the geological riches of the John Day valley which ever since have attracted scientists of great distinction. That was Thomas Condon, who, after serving pulpits in St. Helens and Albany, went in the early 1880's to become pastor of the First Congregational church of The Dalles. In his walks about the countryside he noted unique features in the rocks, discovered fossil leaves and soon became as absorbed in the mysteries of the earth as the Hebrew shepherds and Babylonian scholars had been in the movements of the planets. As Condon's biographer writes: "The teacher of the Sacred Book would look kindly upon this buried treasure, as a leaf from God's other book that so few Christian men were then studying." Condon went on to become professor of geology at the University of Oregon.

Starting with the "two islands" so designated by Dr. Condon, the Siskiyou and the Blue mountains and the sea which washed their flanks, Dr. Hodge built up the geology of the north central Oregon country. The washing (Continued on editorial page)

Weather Saves Tokyo as B-29s Change Plans

GUAM, Sunday, May 20 (AP) More than 300 Superfortresses, balked by adverse weather from attacking Tokyo in force, unloaded 2000 tons of demolition bombs yesterday on the Hamamatsu industrial area of Honshu, 60 miles southeast of war-battered Nagoya.

One New York Market Has Plenty of Meat

NEW YORK, May 19 (AP) While most New Yorkers added bread crumbs to the meat loaf and day dreamed about real red cheddar meat, customers of the George W. Loft supermarket took their pick today of steaks and chops totaling \$2,000 pounds.

Burmese Guerrillas Fall Upon Japanese

BURMESE CALCUTTA, May 19 (AP) - Burmese guerrillas from the southern Shan states have fallen upon Japanese forces withdrawing from eastern central Burma for a stand on the Thailand frontier and inflicted heavy casualties, allied headquarters announced today.

Marion Bond Campaign Will Shift to Outside Communities

Marion county's campaign for the Seventh War Loan quota of \$4,320,000 will shift to outside communities this week in an effort to boost the low totals chalked up at headquarters Saturday night at conclusion of the first week of united effort.

American Casualties At 30,526

48,103 Japs Die; Fight Rages for Sugar Loaf Hill

By Leif Erickson
GUAM, Sunday, May 20 (AP) - Marines of the Sixth division beat back a strong Japanese counter-attack yesterday east of Takamotoji village in the battle for vital Sugar Loaf hill, fiercest single action in the Okinawa campaign in which 48,103 Japanese have been killed through Thursday.

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced casualties for the Okinawa campaign, including fleet losses since it began carrier attacks on the enemy's inland sea March 18, total 30,526. Of these, 8,310 were killed or missing and 22,216 were wounded. Many wounded have returned to combat. Hill Guards Naha.

Maj. Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, jr's Sixth division leathernecks were thrown off Sugar Loaf hill a fourth time Thursday night but occupied it again Friday morning. This strategic promontory guards Naha, which cannot be occupied safely by American troops until it is totally occupied and all Japanese artillery entrenched in its southern slopes silenced.

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Schuschnigg Interviewed



Kurt von Schuschnigg (seated), former Austrian chancellor who refused Hitler's Anschluss demand, talks to reporters after his release from an Alpine concentration camp. (AP Wirephoto from OWI radio)

Reds Submit Proposal for Combining Regional Groups With World Peace System

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL
SAN FRANCISCO, May 19 (AP) - Russia submitted to the big five foreign ministers today the draft of a proposal accepting the principle of self defense action in coordinating regional groups of nations under a world peace-keeping organization.

Differing from an American-sponsored amendment in language, the Soviet proposal was reported to recognize the principle that individual countries or a group of nations have the inherent right to act immediately in self defense if the security council of a world league fails to preserve peace.

Allies Capture Dr. Rosenberg, Nazi Leader

LONDON, May 19 (AP) - Dr. Alfred Rosenberg, dandy, scented arch-philosopher of nazism and leader of Germany's anti-Russian "crusade," has been caught in the allied dragnet of fugitive nazi leaders, a dispatch from the British Second army front said tonight.

4 Valley Men Die in Action

The names of PFC Clyde McMillin, Donald; Sgt. Alva Anderson, Lebanon; Maj. William Kenneth Horner, Sweet Home, and Sgt. Jack D. Smith, son of W. J. Smith of Salem, are today added to the list of World War II dead.

Oregon Man Killed in Car-Bus Crash

PALO ALTO, Calif., May 19 (AP) - Harry A. Stevens, 54, Ashland, Ore., was killed tonight and his son-in-law, William J. Barclay, was injured seriously when Barclay's automobile and a Greyhound bus collided.

13th Child Born to Proud Albany Family

ALBANY, Ore., May 19 (AP) - A 13th child was born today to Mr. and Mrs. Luis Gutierrez.

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FORECAST: (By U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem) Partly cloudy with warmer temperatures. Maximum today near 71 degrees.

Nazi Air General On U-Boat

Big Sub Carried Air Plans, Man Without Uniform

BOSTON, May 19 (AP) - A Luftwaffe general and a mysterious civilian were aboard the huge Nazi U-234 which came into the Portsmouth, N. H., submarine base today shortly after a U-Boat commander who surrendered earlier this week committed suicide in a Boston jail.

Luftwaffe Lieutenant General Ulrich Kessler was the most noted of the Nazi U-234's nine passengers who included minor air and navy officers and a drab, dumpy man in civilian clothes, whose identity was not made known.

However, the general belief of observers was that the civilian was a technician who accompanied the Nazi U-234's nine passengers who included minor air and navy officers and a drab, dumpy man in civilian clothes, whose identity was not made known.

The destination of the crew members—six officers and 51 men—was not known but the nine passengers were believed to have been taken to Washington. Their whereabouts, however, was not officially commented upon.

Raid Shelter Built Under White House

WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP) - All of the blitz experience of the British went into the construction of an air raid shelter under the White House to protect the late President Roosevelt and his family.

Relaxation of censorship restrictions permitted disclosure today of the shelter and a tunnel from the White House to the treasury. The tunnel was constructed as an emergency exit for the president pending completion of the bomb proof shelter.

Both the shelter, said by its designer to be capable of resisting a direct hit from a 500-pound bomb and perhaps a 1000 pounder, and the tunnel are entered by way of the basement from the east wing of the White House. They are not connected, directly.

The White House architect who built the shelter, Lorenzo Winslow, and White House officials described the elaborate precautions taken to safeguard the president in the early stages of the war.

Chinese Beat Back Japanese Blow in Hunan

CHUNGKING, May 19 (AP) - Chinese forces beat back a Japanese offensive 400 miles northeast of Chungking in Hunan province today at other assault forces reoccupied the great east coast city of Foochow, the Chinese high command announced tonight.

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Tito Rejects Allied Request To Move Men

By the Associated Press
Yugoslav troops remained in disputed Trieste last night as Field Marshal Sir Harold Alexander declared that Marshal Tito apparently intended to back his territorial claims with force—a course which he said was "all too reminiscent of Hitler, Mussolini and Japan."



Shading indicates approximate area claimed by Tito's Yugoslav regime in a dispute with Allied occupation forces. Presence of Yugoslav partisan forces in Trieste has been disapproved by American and British and has been the subject of an Italian protest. (AP Wirephoto)

Tito, expressing "resentment" at Alexander's statement, again rejected an American-British request that his forces withdraw from the port city and all of northeastern Italy and southern Austria, saying Yugoslavs had the right to occupy territory they had liberated.

Developments included: 1. Alexander, as Allied commander in the Mediterranean, told his troops he had been unable to come to an agreement with Tito and that "we cannot throw away the principles for which we have fought."

2. Tito, replying in an interview with the Yugoslav telegraph agency, said he felt "resentment and surprise" and asserted that "an accusation" such as Alexander's "can only be thrown into the face of an enemy." He reiterated that Yugoslavia was prepared to cooperate but "cannot allow herself to be humiliated or... tricked out of her rights."

3. The Belgrade radio broadcast that the Yugoslav leader in a formal reply to American and British notes on Trieste said the presence of his troops in the disputed zone would not "prejudice decisions of the peace conference as to whom these territories belong."

4. Acting Secretary of State Grew said in Washington that a Yugoslav note had been received and could not be reconciled with the American position. It reiterated Yugoslavia's territorial claims, Grew added, and proposed a method for solution. The acting secretary said the United States was consulting with other governments concerned, presumably Britain and Russia.

5. In Trieste Yugoslav authorities issued decrees banning Fascist societies, confiscating property owned by Germans, and dividing the area into three districts for governmental purposes. There was no evidence of a Yugoslav withdrawal. Yugoslav and Allied troops in the city remained on friendly terms. Two British destroyers, with guns pointing to the hills behind the city, were in the harbor with a number of other vessels.

6. An Associated Press dispatch from Belgrade said Tito's note caused disappointment at the U.S. embassy but a feeling persisted that a settlement could be reached. Reliable sources in London said the note necessitated a further exchange of views.

Alexander's statement to his troops was made public with a statement saying Tito had agreed in July, 1944, and again in February of this year that Alexander's forces, for military purposes, might occupy Venezia Giulia province, which embraces Trieste. Yugoslavia agreed to occupy territory to the east to a line running north of Trieste. This line approximates the 1939 Yugoslav-Italian border.