# FRENCH CEASE FIRING IN SYRIA

speare's Macbeth:

"When shall we three met again, In thunder, lightning or in rain? And Second Witch replies:

"When the hurly-burly's done,

When the battle's lost and won.' The dialogue comes to mind with the present agitation for another meeting of the Big Three: chiefs of state of Great Britain, Russia and the United States. President Truman would substitute for Roosevelt in a session with Churchill and Stalin. Churchill has urged such a meeting, Truman has endorsed it, the Sphinx of the Kremlin has made no comment. While there are many who say

that vexing questions demand a meeting of the Big Three, with the possible addition of representatives of France and China, there are others who question whether such a formal meeting would be fruitful. The Baker Democrat-Herald says it cannot "share the childlike faith . : . that the clouds that cover the diplomatic horizon could be scattered by another meeting of the "big three." The Wall Street Journal, after noting that Teheran left problems unsettled, and that in spite of the fact that Yalta was to bring a based on Iwo Jima, poured 3200 settlement the problems have grown, inquires: "What warrant Japan's second largest city, in a for believing another conference will have a different result?" What indeed? Add to that the

terrific letdown if the proposed meeting should end in a blank President Truman was well advised to have Harry Hopkins go (Continued on editorial page)

### Report Says Chinese Take Town of Ishan

nese troops were reported tonight this are shipyards, two large electo have captured the South China trical equipment plants, machinerail town of Ishan, 43 miles west of the former U. S. air base city eral power stations. of Liuchow, as they dug deeper into the narrowing corridor leading into French Indo-China where and freight yards, stands near the thousands of Japanese are iso- Shin Yodo river. Destruction there

The Chinese high command had not confirmed the capture of Ishan, but the Chinese troops yes- Osaka's harbor facilities-the custerday had fought into its outskirts toms house and municipal harbor in their converging drive on Liu- department, besides important chow, the enemy's most important docks and warehouses. road hub in Kwangsi province. Other Chinese columns were reother Chinese columns were reported 55 miles southwest and 40 Allies Lifted miles northwest of Liuchow, swept by fires apparently set off by English Fogs the retreating enemy. Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer,

U. S. army commander in China, declared the Japanese were with war secret that could not be told out question withdrawing from until now is how the jinx of Engthe trans-continental land corridor lish fogs was overcome-for the connecting enemy forces in China first time in history-so that Alwith perhaps 200,000 Japanese in lied planes were able to maintain Indo-China, Thailand, Malaya, and around-the-clock bombing of Ger-Burma. At a point near the Indo- many regardless of weather. China frontier the corridor is only about 100 miles wide.

#### Workers Needed At Camp Adair

workers at Camp Adair, the Corvallis naval hospital and naval 8th Air Force to Add air base was announced today by The federal service office here | WASHINGTON, May 31-(P)-

said men and women of all types Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, who of skill and common laborers struck the first air blow against would be needed.

ment regarding the increased ac- against the Japanese, it was antivity at Camp Adair.

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# 450 B-29s Pour Bombs on Osaka; **Jap Line Smashed**

## Mustangs **Escort Big Forts**

GUAM, Friday, June 1-(AP)-At least 450 Superfortresses, escorted by about 150 Mustang fighters tons of fire bombs on Osaka, daylight raid today. Osaka was hit once before by

B-29 incendiaries, on March 14, when 300 planes struck in the early morning darkness. More wall of disagreement, if not of than 2,000 tons of bombs on that rupture? In view of the risks raid destroyed or damaged 8.1 square miles of the city. Osaka, located centrally on

Japan's main island of Honshu, has a population of 3,252,340 and ranks among the three most densely populated cities in Japan,

with an average of 45,000 persons per square mile. Today's target area was a section bordering Osaka and south of the Shin Yodo river-probably

Important among the objectives today was the Dural sheet metal CHUNGKING, May 31-(AP)-Chi- and aircraft propeller plant. Near ry factories, textile mills and sev-

> The main Osaka railway station, with an extensive rail network would break the heart of the city's communications. The target area included

The fog simply was burned off

the airbases by means of ingenious oil burner devices strung along the runways like lights. The generated enough heat to

melt the fog like magic, turning wartime air offensives that used to be impossible into a matter of CORVALLIS, May 31. -(P)- A routine and offering great possilabor recruiting drive for 600 bilities for safer peacetime flying.

B-29s for Nippon War

Tokyo, will have B-29 Superforts The Camp Adair public relations as well as smaller planes in his office said there was no announce 8th air force when he hurls it





Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, commander of the American First through. army which played a leading role in the victory over Germany, is back in the United leading his army against the sion,

## the city's most highly industrial-That Killed Six Was Jap Bomb

LAKEVIEW, Ore., May 31-(A) The only survivor of the Japanese attack on the United States main- hill positions to the south. Disclosure of the May 5 trag-

of War Robert P. Patterson to warn the public against touching strange objects in the forests. The survivor, Rev. Archie Mitchell, said he had taken his wife and five neighborhood children on a fishing trip. Later in the day, he related, they decided to eat lunch at a picnic site a short distance from the stream. Mitchell said his wife and the children were walking through the woods to the spot while he

drove the car there. As he stopped the car, he said he heard someone shout, "Look what we've found." The minister said he called, was what they'd found.

"As I ran through the woods," he said, "there was a terrific ex-

He found the six of them dead, all within a 10-yard radius of the Gilbert L. Sternes, senior observer Mitchell's body.

**Graduation Address Last Night** 

## General Assault Goes Well

By Lief Erickson GUAM, Friday, June 1 .- (AP)-U. S. 10th army divisions, killing more than 1000 Japanese daily, crumbled the last formidable core of enemy defenses across southern Okinawa yesterday in a general Sugar Racket assault which gained up to 1200 yards and virtually pinched off

The fall of Naha on the west coast and Yonabaru on the east had left only Shuri in the center and, for all practical purposes, the Japanese around Shuri are

First marine division patrols advancing yesterday through the wrecked city of Shuri were within sight of westbound forward ele-States for a short rest before ments of the 96th infantry divi-Thus one encirclement virtually

has been completed around any enemy troops within Shuri's boun-Lakeview Blast daries and another is forming more than a mile to the south. Today's fleet communique disclosing these successes, listed 61, 519 Japanese dead in the campaign up to May 30.

Maj. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buck ner, jr., 10th army commander, estimated the original enemy garrison on Okinawa at about 85,000. Whether the Japanese succeeded in withdrawing the about 25,000 they have left was not clear. It balloon bomb explosion that killed is likely the enemy is split up his wife and five youngsters near into a rearguard force holding in here told tonight how the first the northeast portion of Shuri victims of a World War II enemy and other forces have pulled into

The marines and soldiers also have taken 1,353 Nipponese as edy was made by Undersecretary prisoners. The enemy death toll, this pledge: announced in today's fleet communique, raised the total 13.416 in a 13 day period—for an average of 1000 killed a day.

#### Yes, It Was Wetter Than Usual in May

With 4.44 inches of rainfall, May had more than twice its average of 2.10 inches and almost five times as much as the .93 total for "Don't touch it," and started run- May of 1944. This was the fourth ning toward the group. He ex- succeeding month to exceed the plained he had heard of the Jap- normal amount, and the heavy anese balloons and was afraid that rainfall continued to keep farm work of all kinds from two to four weeks behind schedule. Highest amount of rain registered in one day was .86 iches on the .15th. Temperatures for the month

were slightly above normal, said, balloon fragments. A piece of at the weather bureau at McNary burning balloon lay on Mrs. field. Mean temperature for the month was 58 degrees compared Killed were Mrs. Mitchell; Joan with a normal of 56.2. Warmest Patske, 11; her brother Dick, 13; temperature recorded was 84 de-Eddie Engen, 13; Jay Gifford, 12, grees on the 29th, coolest was 40 Dr. Paul Wright Delivers SHS

#### Salem Guest



W. A. Patterson of Chicago, president of United Air Lines, who told interviewers in Salem that he anticipated a 500 per cent increase in airplane passenger traffic after the war.

# **OPA Will Stop Home Canning**

WASHINGTON, May 31-(AP)-The OPA tonight launched a drastic program designed to end what it termed a home canning sugar racket developing in some parts of the country.

Price Administrator Chester Bowles announced a four point plan which he said was aimed at "Some chiselers (who) are stoop-

PORTLAND, May 31-(A)-Applications for canning sugar in Oregon and southwest Washington are normal and demand does not warrant a halt in allotments, the district OPA said The statement followed an-

nouncement that national OPA headquarters had instructed districts where demand exceeds supply to halt sales. ing to falsifying their applications

in an effort to get sugar they know they won't use in canning." The tightening of sugar distribution followed a boost in the ration point value of canned tomatoes and spinach, and a lowering of the point price of tomato juice and vegetable juice combinations. This is the new sugar program:

1. Everyone applying for home canning sugar must hereafter sign "I agree that I will use the flown. sugar applied for here for home

canning purposes only. "If, for any reason, I should not

my local war price and rationing

"I further agree that I will amount of sugar actually used in

canning this food. "I understand that my report will become a part of my record and will be considered in further issuances of home canning and other sugar rations to me."

2. OPA local boards in areas where fruit and vegetable crops are not now available for home canning will suspend issuance of ration stamps for this purpose unthese areas. This will apply par-

of the country. 3. Issuance also will be suspended in many other areas to rive local boards a breathing spell will follow the present standard so they can process more carefully culate monthly quotas for home

vestigators will undertake a "vigorous campaign" against the diversion of home canning sugar to

#### WFA Says Civilians to WASHINGTON, May 31.-(P)

The war food administration announced today that the order under which all soluble coffee has Summer Fuel Delivery been set aside for the armed forces will be terminated effective June The order will permit soluble

coffee to go back into civilian

Weather

# **UAL Gets** Big Gains

#### **President Visits** Salem on Tour Of West States

By Wendell Webb (Managing Editor, The Statesman)

from Salem south and is preparing to handle around 400 to 500 passengers daily between Portland and San Francisco. This statement of plans came

from W. A. Patterson, president arrived in Salem yesterday afternoon and will leave for Eugene, with his party, at 11 a.m. today. The genial chief of the air lines, in an interview at his hotel room in the Marion, said his line anticipated a 500 per cent increase

Valley to Share Salem's share will depend enhe believed it would be consid-

The three contemplated routes south include the Salem-Medford flight now in use and two others for which approval now is sought - Salem - Bend - Klamath Falls -Chico - Sacramento and Salem-Coos Bay - Eureka - Santa Rosa.

The Portland - San Francisco flights will utilize both the DC3 and the projected DC6, the latter carries 52 Patterson said it was not known how many of what type of ship not interfering with army or would be required, but cited as an example that if the DC3 was used exclusively it would take 30 trips a day each way to handle the anticipated volume - more than one an hour.

If the DC6 was used exclusively, about 10 trips daily would appear Space to Be Provided

also said that peace times probably would find airlines carrying about 75 per cent capacity-thereby leaving plenty of room for landing of United Air Lines last-minute reservations—instead of the 98 plus per cent now being ed out that these lights are also He said the DC6 planes could

traverse the Portland-San Francisco run in two hours and 13 use it for canning I will return minutes. Their speed is around the equivalent in sugar stamps to 300 miles an hour. Cabins will be pressurized for flying at higher altitudes.

furnish a report to my local board entering the freight business on a of the number of quarts of food "mass scale," Patterson said. canned with this sugar and the Planes can carry but around 30 per cent of their own gross weight, and for that reason freight costs must remain high. But passenger rates, recently scaled 10 per cent, probably will drop from the present 41/2-cents-a-mile to 31/2-cents-

a-mile within a few years, he said.

The plane companies plan to carry on extensive trade in perishable foods, and at the present time in some areas of the east fresh food - particularly asparatil the canning season starts in gus — is being grabbed up rapidly even at 50 per cent more cost ticularly to the northern sections than the product shipped through land channels, he said. New Ideas Studied

Airplanes for the time probably

type, Patterson said. He declared the applications on file. This move jet-propulsion probably was 10 is intended also to give district years away, so far as commercial officers an opportunity to recal- plane traffic was concerned, but that air lines were constantly studying developments made by 4. A special staff of OPA in- the military and planning "re-The UAL president also said his

company recently had acquired an bootleg liquor or illicit bottling air line in Mexico and contemplated direct Canada-to-Mexico the Seventh War Loan campaign 133. and declared his firm had received "perfect cooperation" in its operations here. (Additional details page 3.)

## Only Way to Be Sure

only summer deliveries can provide any sort of guarantee that given to purchasers. homes and business buildings will be heated next winter, Salem service club representatives and fuel dealers were told Thursday afternoon when they met with fuel rationing representatives of the charge.

# To Intervene

By Alex H. Singleton

LONDON, Friday, June 1 .- (AP)-The Morocco radio uoted a Beyrouth dispatch today which indicated that French troops in Syria had ceased firing, after receiving in-Ready For structions from the French government to comply with the British wishes.

> There was no official confirmation from any official source of this report. A Paris radio report on the situation today made no mention of any "cease fire" order.

Britain earlier had ordered her troops in the Middle East to intervene in the explosive situation after sternly de-

### Army Proposes Joint Operation The Morocco radio report, quoting the Beyrouth dispatch, said: United Air Lines contemplates operating three peace-time routes Of Salem Field

McNary field, rather than army with the commander-in-chief of exclusive management, was tentatively held out to the city of ing him to give orders for "cease of the growing UAL system, who Salem yesterday and tentatively fire. The French government had

A. D. Stanley of the Pacific divisional real estate offices of with the British wish." U. S. engineers, here from San Francisco to discuss the project, was told by Aldermen Tom Armstrong and David O'Hara, chairin business soon after the war, man and member, respectively, of and was making plans accordingly, the city's airport and aviation committee, that the offer should be made in writing for consideratirely on the volume of traffic it tion by the entire committee and provides, but Patterson indicated presentation to the council. But they indicated that unless some greater advantages were shown to them than seemed apparent Thursday they would oppose any change in the lease until entire manage-

> Under a lease providing "concurrent-joint" operation, the city would be expected to share maintenance and lighting costs, but would be able to offer private fliers any use permitted by the western defense command and United Air Lines lease. The army is not at all likely to give up its entire hold on the field until the war in the Pacific is over, Stanley declared. Cost of runway resurfacing now

contemplated at the field may run as high as \$100,000, Stanley said. The city would not consider such expenditures for airport upkeep at present, O'Hara, who is chairman The stocky, graying president of ways and means, declared.

At least a portion of the army feels that army money is paying for lights on the field needed for planes, Stanley said. It was pointmaintained for emergency landings of army planes over this area. Maj. C. H. Westover, commanding officer at the field, with his accountant, participated in the

#### Air lines do not contemplate Greyhound to Build \$70,000 **Station Here**

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31-(AP) Plans to spend \$10,000,000 in improvements in western states were outlined before the California railroad commission today by Fred W. Ackerman, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Greyhound lines. Ackerman disclosed a program for modernizing and building stations and shops in California,

Oregon projects included Salem. new terminal, \$70,000; Albany Senator Ellender (D-La) recently and Oregon City, improvements, brought to the White House as a

and New. Mexico.

manding that the French discontinue firing on the Syrians. A Damascus dispatch said British tanks had been deployed on roads leading to the Syrian capital. The Morocco radio report, quo-

"French troops have brought to conclusion the establishment of order in the greater part of Syria yesterday (Thursday). The British commander - in - chief in the "Concurrent-joint" operation of Middle East has communicated French forces of the Levant, askinstructed the French commander-in-chief beforehand to comply No Confirmation

London morning papers quoted the French-controlled Levant radio at Beyrouth as saying that the French government had ordered General Humboldt, its commander - in - chief in Syria and Lebanon, to cease firing. There was no confirmation of this from any official source. Associated Press Correspondent

Frank O'Brien, in a dispatch from Damascus last night, said the Syrian capital was tensely quiet aftment could be taken over by the er an almost continuous barrage from French 75's and mortars lasting through Wednesday night and until 4 p. m. Thursday.

This hull began, however, two hours before the British ultimatum was broadcast. O'Brien, who made the 75-mile

trip from Damascus to Beyrouth to file his dispatch, said the highway between the Syrian and Lebanese capital was busy with British motor transport and that he saw British tanks with alert crews alongside villages on the way. 400 Reported Dead

He said the Syrian public health officer, Dr. Ahmet Kadry, told him ambulances had picked up 400 dead and 500 wounded in the narrow streets of the old section of the town where French fire had prevented rescue efforts.

In a firmly-worded note Prime Minister Churchill notified Gen. Charles De Gaulle that the British commander-in-chief in the mideast had been ordered to "intervene" to prevent further bloodshed and to protect allied communication lines for the Japanese

He called upon the French eader "immediately" to order French troops in Syria to cease fire and withdraw to their barracks "in order to avoid a collision between British and French "Once the firing has ceased and order has been restored, we shall

#### discussions here in London," Churchill said, leaving the obvious implication that Britain's intervention would be extended beyond the shooting period."

Truman Hails Summer-

Wears New Cotton Suit

be prepared to begin tripartite

WASHINGTON, May 31.-(AP)-President Truman took official cognizance of the arrival of hot weather by appearing in a summer Oregon, Nevada, Arizona, Texas suit today. The garment, light blue and

> made of cotton, was one of three gift from southern cotton interests.

#### Plans Being Worked Out for Selecting Bond Prize-Winners Complete plans for the selection bonds, Chairman Dent Reed said,

of prize-winners at the end of of which E bonds totalled \$120, At leas 100 prizes valued at to see a war moving picture, listen

City service, via Salem. He added were being worked out yesterday Employes of Miller Mercantile that Salem had "a good airport," by the Marion county committee. company met Thursday morning

\$4591.58 will be awarded to E bond to talks by Dr. Ed Boring, Jim purchasers, Chairman Douglas Beard and Sgt. Herman Doney, and to buy war bonds, Retail The winners will be picked at Chairman Sid Stevens reported. 11 a. m., 3 p. m., and 7 p. m. at Another meeting will be held this the Marion square partriotic cele- morning at the Woolworth store. bration on the Fourth of July, it | Three copies of Rosenthal's Iwo was decided. Already the huge Jima flag-raising photo will be

glass container at bond headquar-ters is almost half full of tickets at the Grand theatre in connection with the bond premiere of "God Other attractions at the wind-up Is My Co-pilot." Signatures of two celebration include the Browning survivors of the flag incident will Brothers carnival, a parade, kids' go with the pictures. A few tickets races and patriotic services. Amerior the premiere still are obtainican Legion committees will be in able by E bond purchasers issuing

#### From his subject, "A Handful of tained. "Happiness," he said, Nelson cup to Dorothy Cooney; scholarship, Alden Sundlie; OSC Life," Dr. Paul S. Wright, pastor "consists in knowing where we're senior band and orchestra cup to home economics scholarship, Nelof Portland First Presbyterian going and the rations necessary to Dean Allport and Frank Combs; da Carter; National Athletic Honchurch drew reasons and methods reach that goal. Girls Letter club plaque to Wilma or society, Thomas Boardman, Ar-Earnest; "\$" club plaque to Thom- thur Gottfried, Loren Helmhout, Youth has great need of courage, courageously, loyally and loving- for it makes life's greatest decias Boardman; DAR Good Citizen- Eugene Lowe and Jack Slater; ly as he addressed Salem high sions; though activities be limited, ship award to Helen Paulson, Com- Snikpoh dramatics award. Addyse school's 367 graduating students loyalties should be spread over the mercial club award to Arlene Lane; Pacific college scholarship, and more than 1400 guests who face of the earth, he said. Quoting Fromm; Albert prize, Robert B. Glen Armstrong. filled to capacity the high school from the 13th chapter of First Bennett; J. C. Nelson Memorial

Names of 46 other graduates are ed that living lovingly is possible ert Robins; Bausch and Lomb sci- the invocation. Vocal solos by inscribed on the nation's service for those who live awarely, selec- ence award to Robert Gilbert. rolls, one of them followed by a tively, courageously and loyally senior home economics award, an instrumental trio, Philip Blank-gold star.

Senior home economics award, an instrumental trio, Philip Blank-enship, Bonnie Daugherty and Awareness of the future is as im- foundation to which all other ward, Robert Weber; Crescendo Jean Fidler and music by the Saportant as knowledge of current things are attached, providing the club award, Edith Fairham; Amer-lem high school orchestra were on

events; energies must be expended power to grasp success in life. ican Legion auxiliary American the program. Jewell Gueffroy acon a limited list of activities if excellence in anyone is sought, Dr. Wright pointed out. "It is when we learn to live me learn to live me must learn to live me must learn to live pose that we must learn to live an and Robert Gilbert; the son and Edith Fairham; U of O

Corinthians, Dr. Wright maintain- award to Edith Fairham and Rob- Chemawa campus church made

The Rev. Allen C. Wilcox of the

Edith Fairham; two numbers by