

Great Blazes Rage in Two B-29 Hit Cities

GUAM, June 20—(AP)—Great fires burned out of control for hours, radio Tokyo admitted today, in two of the three secondary industrial cities of Japan given their first fire treatment by B-29s in pre-dawn attacks.

Shizuoka and Toyohashi, on Honshu, apparently were hardest hit in the three-way mission

which cost two of the Superforts but Fukuoka, on Kyushu, also burned for two hours or more.

The 20th air force command in Washington reported results ranged from unobserved to excellent and disclosed two of the planes were missing. Air opposition was described as weak and anti-aircraft fire medium and inaccurate.

Returning pilots, reporting fires visible 75 miles from the target areas, said they would not have to return to Shizuoka. It was in that munitions center 85 miles southwest of the Nipponese capital that radio Tokyo said fires were only "generally" under control five hours after the raiders struck.

Kansas Awaits Eisenhower

KANSAS CITY, June 20—(AP)—Proud Kansans and neighboring Missourians were all set tonight to show their gratitude to Ike Eisenhower, the plains boy who led the allied armies to a glorious victory against nazism.

Their welcome for him tomorrow will be as heartfelt, if not as stupendous as his recent receptions in the east.

When Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower steps from his plane shortly after noon at the municipal air terminal he will step into the midst of a brief family reunion and then will parade through Kansas City's streets to the acclaim of his mid-western neighbors.

Eugene Man Speaks

Terming the current slump in E bond purchases "our home front battle of the Belgian bluge which citizen bond buyers might win if we are to cross our Rhine," John Snellstrom, Eugene, member of the Oregon house of representatives and Lane county war finance chairman, spoke briefly at Wednesday night's bond show in Salem.

Speaks Here Friday



Dr. Frederick E. Hunter, Portland physician and rose enthusiast, who will speak at an open meeting at the Salem YMCA on Friday night. Dr. Hunter is Oregon-Washington councillor for the American Rose society. He will be accompanied here by N. A. Bronson, president of the Portland Rose society. Both men will speak on roses and show colored slides to illustrate their talks. They will also discuss possibility of organizing a Salem Rose society. The meeting starts at 8 p. m.—Cut courtesy Oregon Journal.

Aussies Make New Landing At Brunei Bay

MANILA, Thursday, June 21—(AP)—In a shore to shore operation units of the Australian ninth division have landed at the northern head of Brunei bay, northwest Borneo, giving them control of both sides of the entrance to the waterway, General MacArthur announced today.

The landing was preceded by an artillery bombardment from Labuan island, seized by the Aussies early in their invasion of Borneo. The island is five miles west of the new beachhead.

"Our ground forces now control the shores bordering both entrances into the bay," the commander said. Medium bombers supported the ground operations. Heavy bombers and fighters made another of their daily strikes in the Balikpapan area, where the Tokyo radio says, without allied confirmation, that an allied naval force has been operating for several days.

The heavies dropped 150 tons of explosives on Balikpapan, Mangar and nearby airfields.

Guard Claims Hitler, Bride's Bodies Burned

MONTGOMERY'S HEAD-QUARTERS, Germany, June 20—(AP)—A guard in Adolf Hitler's Berlin reichschancellery claimed today that he saw the bodies of the German fuhrer and his supposed bride, Eva Braun, burning at the exit to Hitler's underground shelter May 1. Four empty gasoline cans were beside the couple, he asserted.

The guard, 32-year-old Hermann Karnau, said he recognized Hitler by his mustache and Eva Braun by her black suede, cork-soled shoes. He said he believed they had been previously poisoned.

This new account of Hitler's fate was described by Karnau at an allied press conference. Headquarters did not explain why this was released, since Soviet Marshal Georgi K. Zhukov said in Berlin June 9 that "we have found no corpse that could be Hitler's." Zhukov suggested then that Hitler and Eva Braun had a good opportunity to escape by air.

State's New Retirement Law Praised

"Oregon's retirement law and civil service act which becomes operative July 1 will assure permanency to state employees and give the state a continued, if not better personnel," Forrest Stewart, executive secretary of the State Employee's association, told members of the Salem Rotary club on Wednesday in Hotel Marion.

Prior to Stewart's address, President Roy C. Harland introduced W. A. (Bill) Chittick, member of the Manila Rotary club who was a prisoner of the Japanese from Jan. 6, 1942, until February 3, 1945, when, as Chittick told Rotarians, "Tanks crashed through the walls of Santa Tomas prison and with the shouting of Filipinos 'the Americans are coming' we knew our liberation was at hand."

"Many employees of the state have been in service 10, 25 and 35 years, attending to their loyalty," Stewart said, "and many employees in state jobs have worked until they died during their employment, some past the present 65 years retirement age. The new law will give employees a chance to retire gracefully and also will open up an opportunity for the employment of returning service men and women.

"Veterans will have a five-point credit in examinations for posts. If they have as much as 10 per cent disability they will be given a 10-point advantage. This will give them the edge in securing state work.

"Under the retirement act employees contribute a portion of their salary which goes directly into their account. The state matches this contribution. If an employee decides to leave the state service, before he has been subject to provisions of the law for 10 years he may draw out all of his contributions, plus interest, but he will not get what the state contributed. That remains in the fund. However, if an employee works past 10 years, or say 11 years, then he cannot draw any of his contribution. Instead, it is set up for him as a retirement fund at the age of 65 and the state's contribution in this case also remains to the credit of the employee."

Bank Officers Elected Here

Claire Powell of the First National Bank of Monmouth was elected president of the Marion-Polk county bankers' association at the organization's meeting here this week. Glenn Eisdewell of Coalgate-McClain bank in Silverton is new vice president; Rex Gibson of Ladd & Bush, Salem branch of the U. S. National Bank of Portland, secretary.

Ralph Tom of the Bank of California's Portland branch led a discussion of banking problems connected with returning veterans and other postwar adjustments. Other visitors at the meeting included Mitchell Tillotson, president of the Oregon Bankers' association and manager of the Klamath Falls branch of the First National Bank of Portland; Lynn McCready, Eugene, vice president of the association and vice president of the First National Bank of Eugene, and Elwayne Greenwood, Portland, secretary of the association.

Silverton Man Draws Fines on Two Charges

SILVERTON — Frederick Bolz of Silverton was arrested here today on a charge of failure to observe a stop sign, for the fourth time in a year; and also on a charge of reckless driving, for the fifth time in the past year. He was fined \$25 on the failure to stop charge and given a 10-day suspended sentence and \$250 fine for the reckless driving charge and a 60-day suspended sentence. His driver's license was also revoked for one year. Bolz paid both fines and costs.

Thumbnail of War!

Okinawa — Remnants of enemy troops pocketed in three groups as marine clean up campaign; war department reveals death in action of Brig. Gen. Claudius M. Easley.

Philippines — American troops sweep Cagayan valley, seize airstrip and provincial capital with little opposition; Yanks wipe out 200 Japanese in sense bamboo just east of Manila.

Borneo — Australians invade north shore of Brunel bay, now control both sides of entrance.

Auxiliary to SUV Elects New Officers

Hazel Davenport of Eugene was elected president and the Lane county city carried off the bulk of the smaller officers for the state auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans at the annual election meeting held here Wednesday. Edna Waterman of Salem was named vice president.

The auxiliary meeting is held in conjunction with the 23rd annual convention of Oregon Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, which opened Wednesday at the Salem Woman's clubhouse. Sons elect their officers today.

'Ike' Favors Unification Of Services

WEST POINT, N. Y., June 20. (AP)—General of the army Dwight D. Eisenhower, returning today to the memory-filled halls of the United States military academy, where he began his great career in the army, declared:

"The army, the navy and the air force must be a unit, and if I had my way, they'd all be in the same uniform."

"Of course," he added, "I don't suppose congress and the big brass hats would ever agree to that." Grinning over a "real return to my cadet days," the general completed a tour of the academy which included a visit to the quarters he occupied as an undergraduate and a review of more than 1000 enlisted men who are a part of the academy's instruction staff.

The general, after a day crowded with festivities, led his entourage into the academy's stone barracks and, wending his way through the hallways, stopped at room 3022 in the north barracks. To West Point cadets, 3022 always will be "Eisenhower room," which the United Nations military commander occupied in his last year at the school. It was the center of some surprising high jinks when the youthful Eisenhower occupied it, academy officials say.

Alfred Clark Dies at Home

Alfred D. Clark, 73, farmer in the Salem community for the past 10 years, died at his home Wednesday following a brief illness. Born in Michigan in 1862, he later went to Montana for about 15 years, coming to Oregon in 1932. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Letitia Clark of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Lois E. Marr of route one, Salem; three sons, Clyde A. Clark of route two, Salem, and Sanford H. Clark, with the U. S. army in Honolulu, and Fred Harold Clark, with the U. S. army at Walla Walla, Wash. Funeral arrangements will be made later by the Howell-Edwards chapel.

Power to Keep Commitments Held Needed

American foreign policy has failed "tragically" in the past through "expanding our commitments but contracting our power to enforce them," Supreme Court Justice James T. Brand told the Salem Kiwanis club Tuesday.

Judge Brand, speaking at the Marion hotel, declared the nation had three alternatives—(1) confine our interest and commerce to continental territory; (2) establish a defense imperialism; and (3) cooperate with other peace-loving nations. The first alternative he regarded as entirely impracticable, and world peace was declared an impossibility "until nations get over the bogey-man fear of surrendering some of their sovereignty" and until there is established a "regime of law" among all countries.

The justice said the crisis was "in the immediate future," and that it was "time to put the pressure on the U. S. senate to accept whatever we can get" in the way of a world peace program, and not allow any plans to be "talked or hoodwinked to death."

In regard to commitments without power of enforcement, Judge Brand cited the pact guaranteeing the open door policy in China and the converse agreement to limit our navy and refrain from fortifying island bases.

Peace, Judge Brand declared, is not an all-inclusive term, in that America wants peace but only with the conditions of security, liberty, justice and opportunity. He declared that isolation now was "as dead as a mackerel," and that "no nation on earth can secure peace alone."

Jerry Saylor To Head New Pension Fund

Jerry Saylor, Portland insurance man, is slated to become executive director for the new public officials' retirement fund, authorized by the last legislature. While formal organization of the recently-appointed board will not be held until July 1, his appointment is expected to be announced promptly thereafter.

Saylor was formerly identified with fraternal insurance organizations in the state, and more recently has maintained his own insurance office in Portland. He has been active in politics and served as manager of Earl Snell's two campaigns for secretary of state and of his campaign for governor in 1942.

Grass Fire Reported

City firemen received several frantic calls from residents that there was a big brush fire in east Salem Wednesday night, but when they arrived at the scene, the blaze had been put out with no damage resulting. They said the fire, on the cutoff between east State street and the airport road apparently had started when a passerby tossed a lighted cigarette in the dry grass.

Library Has Reading Club For Children

Summer has brought a new interest to the younger readers in Salem. The public library is sponsoring a "Bookerman club" for all those from the first grade to high school who enjoy a little organization of their reading plans.

Children may join the club at any time, and read at their own rate and pleasure. The reading club is a regular part of the library's program for children, replacing for the summer months the story hours which are held during the winter.

Each child who wishes to join does so by reading and reporting on one book. This brings him his own personal "sea" on which he places a fish bearing the name of the book. Then he reads five more books, of various kinds, and for each report receives the appropriate fish.

When he has completed the project, he has the record of his reading; a larger fish labeled with his name is put in the great red fishnet which two mermaids hold against the wall; and at the end of the summer he will be given a certificate of achievement and be a guest at a party held for the successful readers.

Legion Slates Party Tonight

Veterans of America's two World wars will gather at the headquarters of Capital post no. 9 tonight for a party being staged by the returned men of this war with members of the first war and non-members of both wars as guests. Only requisite for admission to the party is service in either of the two wars.

The party will open with a program of entertainment which will include some acts brought to Salem from Portland. Special refreshments and food will be served at the conclusion of the program. Because the veterans of the first war turned over the party to the veterans of the second war the old timers, Commander B. E. (Kelly) Owens said, are going to be out in full force to see whether they can do a job like we did when we got back from the first war.

CUT LIP TREATED

Norman Farrel of Hubbard was treated by Deaconess hospital attendants for a cut lip Wednesday night, which he said he received while skating at a Salem ice rink.

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Accident Body Sets Meeting

This year's annual conference of the international association of accident boards and commissions will be held at Raleigh, N.C., probably in September or October, with one member in attendance from each state and Canada. L. O. Arens, vice chairman of the association's executive board, reported upon his return here Wednesday from Washington, D. C. Arens said the outstanding topic of the conference would relate to medical problems, particularly more understandable and efficient methods of determining physical disability. Restricting the conference attendance to 50 persons was ordered by federal transportation agencies because of heavy wartime travel. Arens is a member of the state industrial accident commission.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION PORTLAND, OREGON June 19, 1945 Mr. Harry B. Read, Manager Salem, Electric Salem, Oregon Dear Mr. Read: I am pleased to report that arrangements for a second point of delivery to the Salem Electric are progressing satisfactorily. A new contract providing for this second point of delivery and an increase in your contract demand will be ready for your approval within a few days. In view of these developments it seems appropriate to extend our congratulations on the progressive operation of the Salem Electric. Expansion of your system undoubtedly will result in increased savings in power costs to your customers and indirectly to all consumers in the Salem area. It is interesting to note that the Portland General Electric Company has reduced its rates in the city of Salem to about 13% below PGE's Portland rates. I assume that this was done to meet the competition of the low rates charged by Salem Electric. As a result Salem residents have realized a saving of more than \$300,000.00 in the last four years, as compared with Portland rates, an annual savings now averaging approximately \$84,000.00. Salem Electric deserves a great deal of credit for the important part it has played in lowering Salem power rates. Sincerely yours, BARCLAY J. SICKLER, Chief Power Sales and Service Division VOTE 502 TO KEEP YOUR RATES LOW This Adv. paid for by Ex-P. G. E. Customers who know, Salem Elec.

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