

One of the minor victims of the war is the annual Family Picnic. It long had been a standard custom in this valley, where family trees with roots a century old thrived mightily. There being no "farther west" to migrate to, the descendants have continued their residence here-with some incidental desertions to sunny California. It was the family reunion on a midsummer Sunday that always drew the clan together to make note of the additions and subtractions of the preceding year, to have catalog of the ailments and achievements of its various members. The annual picnic was the one regular occasion which could be planned on months ahead, and so was more largely attended than such special events as weddings and funerals.

Before the wartime immigration the valley seemed to be composed very largely of family clans, descendants of the sturdy stock that crossed the plains in the migrations from the '40's to the '80's. Not all were as numerous and as widely diffused as the Irvines and the Powells and the Butlers and the Avery's, but still there were scores of families who traced their lines back to the Jedediahs and the city, which turned the setting sun Resigns 14th Sarahs, the Joshuas and the Re- scarlet. bekahs who made fires of buffalo chips and ate the dust of the Oregon trail on the great crossing of the high plains.

The war has caused most of the family reunions to be cancelled. Gasoline and tires are scarce; adults are very busy; youth are (Continued on editorial page)

Borneo Harbor **Of Balikpapan Open to Allies** 

Wilson **Fire Out Of Hand Big Crew Fights** To Stem Tide of **3000-Acre Blaze** 

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While 450 soldiers, 150 special Washington have come forecasts crewmen (largely high school of what gordian-knotted problems boys) and 150 loggers worked will be laid upon the Big Three with bulldozers and smaller conference table next week beequipment to stem the tide, the fore Russian and English speak-

Wilson river area fire was still ing statesmen. running out of control early this morning. Asia's still fiercely raging war-

help.

caused closure of a six-mile stretch of the Wilson river highway at 4 o'clock Saturday mom-ing, but traffic was resumed at Gen. Chennault 10 a.m. Salem saw the smoke scores of families who traced their from coast fires in a pall over the The Salmonberry river fire

was believed slowly burning out across 3000 acres of Tillamook-Clatsop county. However 500 loggers and soldiers were reported still patroling the zone.

High west winds, regular features of July afternoons in the ful leader of the famous "Flying Oregon coast country, rose early Tigers," said today that he was

Saturday. State Forester N. S. leaving China and would retire Rogers said that although such from the army after returning to winds scatter fire they also carry America. fog and sometimes rain to aid fire fighters.

Increases in both civilian and

lacking.

Chennault, 54-year-old genius and guiding light behind the stea-In Coos county the rising hu- dy growth of American air power midity was credited with part of in China, announced his resignathe success of smoke chasers who tion at a press conference here succeeded in establishing trails two days after the appointment around the most costly fire of the of Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer year. The \$41,000 estimated dam

'Big Three' Chiefs Converge Mitscher **On Potsdam for Victory Meet Will Take** 

JAPNO 2 STEEL CITY SHELLED

By Daniel De Luce stands toward Japan in many cation at Hendaye in France over POTSDAM, July 14 -(AP)- Here respects similar to the way the the weekend. Generalissimo Stalin in an idyllic woodland setting United States stood toward Ger- suspended his series of talks with still strewn with the wreckage of many in the months preceding Chinese Premier T. V. Soong at Pearl Harber. the German army are Versailles That is why the most import- the meeting. of 1919 and Teheran of 1943 rolled

FOUNDED

Salem, Oregon, Sunday Morning, July 15, 1945

into one, with agonized Europe ant news of all may not be known and Asia alike looking to it for about the Potsdam conference for popular with nazi stars of the considerable time to come. From Moscow, London and

the White House, the kremlin and eral miles deep.

With Europe's chaotic peace and

Moscow and prepared to leave for This summer resort area, once

stage and screen, has been almost All that remained was for the completely depopulated of Gerthree principals to take their mans to furnish the security es-

places in Germanic versions of sential for the Big Three. The American and British No. 10 Downing street, sheltered groups are housed in little terribehind lines of alled guards sev- todial islands well within the soviet zone in greater Berlin. Traffic

war against Japan. President Truman was sched- on the broad asphalt highway to uled to land at Antwerp tomorrow Potsdam is a cosmopolitan collecthe changes. from the cruiser Augusta and to tion of "high brass" from Moscow, Rear Admiral Frederick C. Covering more than 3000 acres fare inextricably linked, it is ob- proceed here by plane. Prime Min- London and Washington. (Addiof the old Tillamook burn, it vious that the soviet union now ister Churchill was to end his va- tional details on page 2.) Sherman, now commander of a

# Resigns

WASHINGTON, July 14 .- (AP)-The OPA tonight ordered a cut of 8 points a pound in the ration value for butter, effective at 12:01

24 red points a pound to 16 applies to creamery butter. Farm or country butter will remain at 12 points. come deputy veterans affairs ad-Stating that the increase in the civilian supply resulting from a cut in military requirements will amount to about 10,000,000 pounds during August, OPA added:

"It is believed that with the

## **Big New Super Battleships in Raiding Force**

#### By Leif Erickson

GUAM, Sunday, July 15-(AP)-The newest, most powerful battleships of the U.S. navy today shelled Japan's second-ranking steel-producing city of Muroran on the coast of Hokkaido more than 250 miles north of the scene of the fleet bombardment on Honshu yesterday.

Simultaneously more than 1000 carrier planes of the fleet were striking northern Japan for the second day at as yet undisclosed locations.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, announcing this spectacular extension of the air and sea bombardment of the Japanese main islands, said the great battleships Iowa, Missouri and Wisconsin were participating and that the action which be-

## Premier

CHUNGKING, July 14. -(AP)-

Chinese high command acknowl

Chinese regulars, however, have

thrown all their available strength

have mowed down 3000 enemy

these cars since early in the war.

troops, a communique said.

edged tonight.

gan at 9:35 a.m., Japanese time (8:35 p.m., Saturday, Eastern War Time), was continuing.

Late radio flashes direct from the fleet, however, said the bombardment had been concluded successfully, with the target thoroughly plastered. This did not necessarily mean, however, that the fleet's offensive operations were concluded.

Nimitz, issuing a special communique after receiving a brief flash from Adm. William F. Halsey in command of the Third fleet, named the destroyers Mc-Gowan, Norman Scott and Remey as participating. Reports from the scene said cruisers also shelled the vicinity, although Nimitz named none.

#### **Gunfire** Accurate

Accuracy of the gunfire was notable, with the Iowa's first 16inch ranging round striking only 100 yards off her chosen target, even though it was over a hill, out of sight of observers in the ship.

Spotting planes overhead called repeatedly "no change" as the broadsides of high explosive shells, 10 tons at a time from each ship's nine main guns, crashed into the mills of the war-boomed enemy city of more than 100,000 population.

Naming the three 45,000-ton Joseph Benedict Chifley, who has been named prime minister of battleships indicated that at least Australia in caucus balloting for two strong task forces of the Third a successor to the late John fleet were roaming practically at will up and down the Japanese Curtin. (AP Wirephote.)



a. m., Sunday.

idential authority.

carrier division, was named to succeed Vice-Admiral Marc A. Mitcher as commander of the First carrier task force. Vice Admiral John H. Towers, now deputy commander in chief of the Pacific fleet, was named to succeed Vice Admiral John S. McCain, commander of the second carried task force. Mitscher, who with Adm. Wil-

liam F. Halsey developed the present fast carriers task force which wields a flexible fleet of 1500 planes, returns to Washington as deputy chief of naval operations for air. No announcement was made of

The reduction from the current

MANILA, Sunday, July 15-(AP) age there was caused when cold U.S. air force in China. Balikpapan harbor, greatest oil decks of logs were destroyed. Elseport of Borneo, was open to al- where, fires are in logged-over that Chennault would retain his lied shipping today while Aus-tralian amphibious forces pushed ready tinder.

14 miles up the east coast of Bal- Lightning caused 62 small fires ikpapan bay and seized a former over the state, all reported under Japanese seaplane base.

The enemy did not resist the At Dallas, District Fire Warnew landing. Some naval supplies den R. C. Howell asked that per- "Flying Tigers"-has wiped virwere captured by the Australians, sons not on essential trips stay but the base itself had been de- out of forested areas of Polk counmolished by the retiring Japanese. ty, closed, he said, because of Another Australian seventh di- hazardous fire conditions.

vision force advanced a mile miles of the big East Borneo oil field district of Sambodja on Thursday.

**Felt in Salem** A Dutch colonial and Australian force enveloping the Japanese strong point on "Smashed-Stone Ridge" six miles north of Balikpapan from the north and east had the support of heavy artillery. Oregon coast fishing vessels have

## **Gates Veteran Drowns in U.S.**

GATES, July 14-Sgt. Darrell (Dutch) Hayward, veteran of the North African invasion, Salerno and Anzio was accidentally drowned while wading near Ft. postmistress, has been notified by Ft. Lawton officers. Sergeant Hayward had been an instructor at Lawton recently.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday from the Mill City Presbyterian church and burial will be made in the Fairview cemetery at dicated they would add more fish Gates. Sergeant Hayward was 34 and poultry entrees to their menyears old and his wife died before us. he enlisted. Survivors are his mother, Mrs. Winters of Gates; a sister, Mrs. Lois Brosiz, Prairie

near Portland.



"Either swallow that thing or close your mouth-1 hate alarm clocks!"

It previously had been stated command of the "fighting four-

teenth." Chennault's 14th air force, which took the place of the gencontrol today, Rogers said. eral's brainchild-the spectacular

tually every Japanese plane from China skies. "The Japanese now are beaten

in the air in China," Chennault

**Air Force Job** 

KUNMING, China, July 14-(AP)

Maj. Gen. Claire Lee Chennault,

commander of the U.S. 14th air

force in China and former color-

as commander of an augmente

said in his resignation statement.

## Work-Weary Congressmen

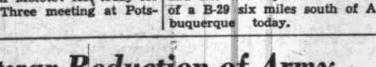
**Start Vacation** government purchases combined with the fact that a number of WASHINGTON, July 14-(AP)-Work - weary congressmen scatturned to the more lucrative catchtered four ways from Washington ing of tuna and shark have brought tonight for the longest house rea definite shortage in the fresh cess of the war. fish market here, dealers said last

Although the vacation will not A light run of salmon and the closure of a number of streams to of next week many members took commercial fishing added to the a running start and began checkproblem, although the Friday de- ing out of the capital last night. Barring emergencies the house mand was met. Dealers found will be in adjournment until Octhat telephone calls rather than tober 1, the longest period for telegrams were required to asmother, Mrs. Ruby Winters, Gates sure filled or even partially-filled either branch of congress since orders, they said, but quality was the war began.

There are a few legislative tag high, Salmon and halibut, sea perch, stripped bass and red snap- ends left over, but house leaders ure but that the ultimate blame per were snapped up. Crab was admitted frankly that they rested with the British. wouldn't be able to get a quorum

together for any floor business. Meantime, resturants, faced with an influx of servicemen, in- The house end of the capitol and the corridors of the house office building were virtually deserted today.

STALIN BOUND FOR POTSDAM 13 Killed, One Injured ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., July MOSCOW, Sunday, July 15-(AP) City; two brothers, Ansel Hay- Generalissimo Stalin and Foreign 14.-(AP)-Thirteen men were killed ward, U.S. army, Portland; and Commissar Molotov left today for and one was injured in a crash Orville Hayward, in defense work the Big Three meeting at Pots- of a B-29 six miles south of Albuquerque today.



**Animal Crackers Postwar Reduction of Army To Half Million Men Forecast** 

> WASHINGTON, July 14-(AP)- quipment the nation shall assign Postwar reduction of the army's for peace-keeping operations unstrength to a half million men der the proposed world security was forecast today by Senator council. Gurney (R-SD) in view of the Chairman Connally (D-Tex) of

> senate's expected ratification of the foreign relations committee the United Nations charter. has said that the issue should be the United Nations charter. settled in separate legislation and The South Dakota senator, a

> member of the military affairs has asked the state department to committee, told a reporter he be- assist in preparing a measure of lieves a regular force of that size this kind. He has opposed any will be ample to supply the men charter reservation of this nature needed for this country's share of and there was doubt any would police work under the new inter- be offered formally, although Sen-

national organization and to gar-rison the far-flung outposts the ing to draft some.

Gen. Claire Chennault

India's Unity American volunteer group of Meeting Ends With Failure

SIMLA, India, July 14 -(AP)-Vicerey Lord Wavell's conference Cordon Views to establish a more representative government for India adjourned in failure today and Wavell said he did not intend to try again soon to solve the Indian

problem. Wavell said in a closing address to the 21 Indian conferees that his principal tasks were prosecution of the Japanese war and laying the administrative groundwork for postwar developments and that both efforts required a stable government. Stability, he

said, could not be preserved if begin officially till the latter part continuing political discus- received a wrenched back when sions produced a feeling of insecurity among government serv-

Maulana Abud Kalan Azad, president of the congress party, said later at a press conference that the party's principal political rival, the Moslem league, was immediately responsible for the fail-

**U.S. Bombers Continue Raids** 

### **On Formosa**

MANILA, Sunday, July 15 .- (AP)-American Liberator bombers, continuing their series of strong neutralization raids on Formosa, set fire to oil storage facilities at Toshien while attack bombers destroyed many rail repair installations on the east coast and fighters beat up airfields, Gen. Douglis MacArthur announced today.

Weather forced cancellation of far east air force operations against Japan from Okinawa, a communique said, but MacArthur's planes continued to range far and wide along the Asiatic coast and

over the southwest Pacific. A Canton supply depot was deanese troops and artillery was cilities were hit again, and two days at least. small enemy vessels were sunk in the south China sea.

**Nisei Produce Refused** 

enough butter to permit the point reduction, at the same time maintaining the good distribution that had enabled consumers to find butter in most stores throughout the country in the last several months.'

The agency cautioned, however, that if butter moves too rapidly at 16 points, the point value will be increased to keep consumption in line with the allocation.

**Glider Crash** 

WASHINGTON, July 14-(AP)-A glider, being demonstrated at Hyde field, Clinton, Md., crashed today in view of three senators, injuring one of their party, Betty

Krause, secretary to Senate Secretary Leslie L. Biffle. Senators McCarran (D-Nev) Cordon (R-Ore) and Taylor (D-Idaho) had permitted Miss Krause the courtesy of the first ride. She

the glider was caught in a downdraft as it came in for a landing. Observers said one wing hit the ground, spinning the plane on the

runway. The pilot, William Sampson, was not injured. The glider was being demonstrated by the Laister-Kauffmann Aircraft corporation of St. Louis.

**Yank Recognizes Picture**, Makes **Caption Accurate** 

BUSHNELL GENERAL HOS-PITAL, Utah, July 14-(AP)-A soldier recently returned from Okinawa stopped before a picture

hung in a hospital corridor. The caption read: "Soldier the Emperor."

Squinting at the face, the wounded American said to a companion "This guy looks familiar."

and changed the caption to: "Ex-

Heat Wave Broken, **Cooler Weather Due** 

With Saturday's maximum temperature down to 81 degrees, obstroyed and a column of 1000 Jap- servers at the U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, termed the strafed in the Amoy area. Indo- heaf wave broken and predicted China transport and railway fa- cooler weather for the next five

Maximum temperatures reached 90 degrees and above every day. from July to July 13, highest being 100 degrees on July 7.

These changes led a list of 29 major shifts among flag rank officers which Forrestal said would **Nippons Break** become effective at varying dates within 30 days. The changes were not a "shakeup," Forrestal said, but were normal shifts which occur periodically and by coincidence **Defense** Area had occurred simultaneously. He said no changes were in contem-

plation for the higher combat commands. However, he added, any such change in the future might Japanese troops have broken 35 be dictated by the "physical limitations" of the men involved.

**Non-Mingling Rule Relaxed** 

Price Sc

New Job

**Navy Shifts Top** 

Air Commands;

**Many Changes** 

WASHINGTON, July 14-(AP)-

The navy today shifted commands

in its carrier-borne air arm in the

Pacific in apparent preparation

for the showdown phases of the

Secretary Forrestal disclosed

Vice Adm. McCain's new assign-

ment. Secretary Forrestal was

asked about reports he would be-

ministrator under Gen. Omar

Bradley, but the secretary declin-

ed comment, noting that such an

appointment would be under pres-

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With Germans LONDON, July 14-(AP)-The nonfraternization policy was relaxed today to allow American, British and Canadian occupation troops in Germany and Austria to talk with grownups in the streets and in public places.

er to the lost American air base Up to now, they could speak only to children. The penalty for and continued street fighting in violation was a \$65 fine.

the former airdrome city of Kan-Kong. Marshal Montgomery disclosed the policy change, which had been debated on the highest levels in **:42 Cars May** the past month by American and

British leaders. **Be Released** The action came as General Eisenhower's headquarters announced that 50,000 persons had been WASHINGTON, July 14 .- (AP)arrested in two months in Ger-

All remaining new 1942 passenger many in a de-nazification program automobiles-around 6000-will be by United States army security removed from rationing to clear forces operating in the American the way for new models. occupation zone. The announcement said the arrests were conplans to eliminate in a few days tinuing at the rate of 700 daily. rationing restrictions in effect for

NO TRANSPORTS LOST

PEARL HARBOR, July 14 .- (AP)-Not one loaded American transport traveling in convoy in the Pacific has been lost to enemy ginning to produce. Rationing of now a resident of Seattle, has been action, Read Adm. Walden L. Ainsthese is expected to last from the notified. worth, retiring commander of Pa- time they first appear on the cific cruisers and destroyers, re- market probably late this summer until at least early in 1946. Milk Shortage, Not

## **Perennial Parking Meter Bill** To Be in Hopper Monday Night the Salem milk market, since re-activation of Camp Adair, mer-

The perennial parking meter | comes in for first reading Monday ordinance will be in the hopper night and a request for zone residential areas has not been when the Salem city council meets changes to permit establishment checked, although some stores are Monday night, it was said Satur- of a new playground in the north- sold out before closing time. day in official circles of the mu- east portion of the city will be nicipality. presented

Definitely voted down not The zone change would be from strictly residential to zone 3 which nany months ago, the meter system of regulating parking periods permits establishment of schools and netting some extra income for and playgrounds and would affect the city was given a bit of en-couragement in the debates which additions. At the same time, rerison the far-flung outposts the United States may retain in the Pacific. Subsequently, Connally told a news conference he did not be-Bacific. Gurney's estimate came in the midst of discussion by charter sup-porters of when a decision shall be made on the number of men, planes, tanks, guns and other e-

oasts. There was no report of Japanese resistance.

Yesterday Nimitz announced Through China the bombardment of Kamaishi on Honshu island by the battleships Massachusetts, Indiana and South Dakota, two heavy cruisers and four destroyers.

Score Heavy Damage

Those ships and the carrier planes of the fleet set Kamaishi afire, destroyed or damaged 87 and 50 miles through Chinese Japanese planes and destroyed or coastal defenses below Amoy and damaged 39 enemy ships plus dewest of Hong Kong in twin drives struction of 27 locomotives and possibly designated to throw up railway facilities in yesterday's an anti-invasion wall along China's strikes. Nimitz said, despite unvulnerable southeast coast, the favorable weather.

Locations of today's air strikes were not yet disclosed.

Nimitz in an earlier communique, however, had said that both against Japanese marine landing the surface forces and the planes parties southwest of Amoy and were hitting the enemy again.

Actually, he announced the shore bombardment hours before While the Japanese beat out it was confirmed by reports from gains along the coast, Chinese the fleet-boldly telling the Japaforces of the interior battled near- nese that the U.S. fleet was going to strike again-an unprecedented

of Kweilin in Kwangsi province action. Starts This Morning

The bombardment then began General Eisenhower and Field hsien, 200 miles north of Hong at 9:35 a.m. (Japanese time)-(8:35 p.m., Saturday, EWT).

The new bombardment force is commanded by Rear Ad. O. C. Badger.

The target, Muroran, is at the entrance to Uchiura bay on southern Hokkaido, in confined waters which the fleet showed amazing temerity in entering.

Results of the shelling were not mmediately available.

**Jack Quentin Hall Dies** The OPA, it was learned tonight, On Board Prison Ship

Jack Quentin Hall, former resident of Albany who was widely known in Salem, died on board a Similar restrictions are now be- prison ship en route to Japan ing drawn up, however, for new from the Philippines on Oct. 24, models manufacturers are just be- 1944, his mother, Mrs. C. C. Hall,

(See also story on page 3.)

Famine, Marks Salem

Shortage but not famine marks chants and distributors agreed Saturday. Normal distribution to

Adair is buying in the market and likelihood of its commandeering milk seemed improbable, it

was said.

Weather Rain trace .00 .00 San Francisco Seattle Villamette river -3.3 ft. FORECAST (from U. 5. weather bu-reau, McNary field, Salem): Cloudy this morning but clearing before noon, Temperature about same, Maximum



Suddenly he produced a pencil ported today. soldier of the Emperor."

