

### Aussies Mass For Blow at Borneo Japs

MANILA, Tuesday, July 17.—(AP)—The main Australian force in eastern Borneo appeared today to be massing for a strong blow that will drive the Japanese from positions blocking the last five miles into Sambodja and the first-mile military prize of its adjacent oil field.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique mentioned only that strong combat patrols were thrusting into enemy lines, striking opposition at some points.

Most of this opposition came from points inland from the coastal highway leading up to Sambodja, particularly along a road that winds up to a second rich oil field around Samarinda, 38 miles north of Sambodja.

In the drive on Sambodja, whose wells used to supply the now-ruined refineries of Balikpapan, Australians only yesterday had reported resistance was evaporating and capture of the oil center was expected at any time.

A spokesman said there was no new information on these forces, which already had penetrated into the salt marshes which form a natural obstacle to the oil fields.

However troops thrusting northward into the hill country back of the coast northeastward from Balikpapan were running into stiff Japanese resistance.

### Eye Alumina Plant



James O. Gallagher, of Seattle, president of Columbia Metals corporation, W. R. Seyfried, plant manager of Chemical Construction company, and Clarence D. Martin, former governor of Washington and a director in Columbia Metals, silently look at the \$5,000,000 alumina plant which Seyfried is completing. Gallagher will operate and in which Governor Martin is interested financially. They had just completed an inspection of the plant when this picture was made Monday morning. (Second picture and story on page 5).

### Army Would Charge City For Airport

The war department is ready to charge the city of Salem for a portion of the repairs and maintenance at McNary field, the municipal council was notified Monday night.

How heavy the charge might be was not indicated in a letter from the properties division of the army engineers which was referred to the airport committee.

But it was indicated that, since the city is collecting from United Air lines for the transportation company's use of the city airport, the war department is under the impression that the army does not have exclusive use of the field.

Nine and six-tenths minutes worth of specifications for an instrument landing system and approach lights which the civil aeronautics authority proposes to install—the city to pay for the electricity—were read to the council and then referred to the airport committee.

Treasurer Paul Hauser reported \$519,757.34 city funds on deposit July 10.

The council authorizes Dr. Fred W. Burger to have curbsing removed and the parking paved at the store he owns at the Miller and Commercial streets intersection.

W. H. Raynor was given a revocable permit to use Alder st. south of Rural and the alley which runs between Alder and Yew.

### Foliage at 'Blind' Corners To Be Trimmed by Order Of Salem City Council

Traffic hazards at 16 street intersections were ordered removed by the Salem city council Monday night. The removal order, handed jointly to the park board and the city engineer, does not mean that all the shrubs and trees now blinding motorists to approaching vehicles must be uprooted or even drastically trimmed in hot weather, the council indicated.

But it does mean that the city engineer may cut away offending branches and order greater changes when the season for transplanting arrives.

The hazards, listed by Engineer J. H. Davis, who credited the police department with assistance in the survey, are at 14th and State, 23rd and Breyman, Liberty and Gaines, Fourth and Pine, High and Division, Summer and Gaines, Shipping and Cottage, Union and Church, Columbia and Church, 18th and D, 20th and D, 17th and A, 19th and Ferry, 15th and Court, 25th and State and 17th and D.

Parkings are part of city streets and are responsibilities of the park board.

Plans of the Isaac Walton league to erect a \$15,000 clubhouse on a portion of the Pringle park property in the angles of Church, Bellevue and Cottage streets, offer "an opportunity to turn a liability into a very real asset," Milton L. Meyers, park board chairman, told the council. The request for the right to purchase the building site was turned over to the park board and the real property committee.

To the real property committee also went a recommendation from the water commission that block 25 in the Fairmount Park addition (old reservoir site) be held and for not less than \$10,000. Dan Fry has offered that amount, and other persons have queried concerning availability of lots for building purposes in the top-of-the-hill property. The water commission has also suggested that the council dispose of the north 50 feet of lots 3 and 4 in block 21 of the Nob Hill addition for not less than \$1100.

The E. L. Crockett sign company has agreed to remove the double billboard on the Traglio property at 827 South Commercial st. within the next 60 days, the council was informed. However, the company has sought a permit to re-erect it nearby on the same lot. The billboard, its erection approved by the council, drew objections from at least one business establishment and several residents of the neighborhood. The new location sought would place the board so that it would not obstruct the view from a nearby service station, Crockett said.

Sewer connections for the Kelley-Farquhar cannery the Keith Brown company is building on the Keith Brown company property at the north edge of Salem were approved by the council. A Southern Pacific set of drawings for rearrangement of tracks across Smith and along an unnamed street to serve the Willamette Cherry Growers association and for a new spur track in the same area to serve the Keith Brown Building Supply company were referred to committee.

Permission to Oregon Stages,

### Thumbnail of War!

**Aerial**—Fleets of Superforts numbering 450 to 500 hammer four Japanese industrial centers. Navy silent on further activity of surface fleet bombardment of northern Japan.

**Borneo**—Australians mass troops to drive Japanese from path to new oil fields.

**Burma**—British capture villages north of Rangoon.

**Philippines**—Fifteen air force dive bombers wreck Jap vehicles in northern Luzon.

**China**—Chinese mop up Japanese troops near Kanchien, sixth former American air base recaptured.

**Pendleton Hotels Threaten to Close**

PENDLETON, July 16.—(AP)—Hotels here threatened to close today after appealing to Senator Gordon (R-Ore) over closure of all the city's laundries.

Laundrymen said they needed OPA wage ceilings and WLB price ceilings, and that relief promised by OPA not later than this morning did not materialize. Auto courts also planned to turn away guests.

**Boy May Have Fainted**

ROSEBURG, July 16.—(AP)—Twelve-year-old Johnny C. Jones may have fainted while swimming in the South Umpqua river.

### Airmen Wreck Jap Vehicles On Luzon Isle

MANILA, Tuesday, July 17.—(AP)—Fifth air force dive-bombers killed more than 300 Japanese and wrecked 400 vehicles near Kianggan in northern Luzon while a single Liberator search plane destroyed or damaged 37 enemy two-master cargo-carrying junks near Hongkong, it was announced here today.

Both outstanding air actions occurred Saturday.

The Fifth fighter command, which reported the Luzon action, said it was in the Kianggan area, where the Mustangs bombed pillboxes and other strongpoints held by enemy remnants.

Scene of the lone Liberator's strike was 35 miles southeast of Hongkong.

American blockade planes meanwhile continued their incessant assaults on Formosa and the Asiatic coast.

Navy Liberators ranging around Saigon, Indo-China, on Saturday sank a 4000-ton enemy freighter, a loaded 300-ton cargo ship and a motor launch and forced a river steamer aground.

Indo-China port facilities were hit at Quinhon.

Mustangs and A-26 attack bombers destroyed a station and other railway facilities on Formosa's west coast and hit the Taihara sugar refinery which makes alcohol for Japanese military fuel.

### Cowboy Actor Jack Randall Dies in Fall

HOLLYWOOD, July 16.—(AP)—Cowboy Actor Addison (Jack) Randall, 38, husband of Actress Barbara Bennett, was killed today when he fell off his horse while making a western celluloid thriller.

The accident occurred at nearby Canoga park where a movie company had started work on the picture only this morning.

Randall's studio reported that while he was riding a horse at break-neck speed past the cameras, the actor's hat blew off and, in attempting to grab it, he lost his balance and fell, striking a tree. He died shortly afterwards.

The actor's body was taken to a Canoga park mortuary, which sought to notify Miss Bennett of the famous Bennett theatrical family, who is the former wife of Singer Morton Downey.

### Taft Says Treasury Used Propaganda to Sell Bretton Woods Bank Plan to Nation

WASHINGTON, July 16.—(AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) asserted today that the treasury promoted a "propaganda campaign at great expense" to sell the nation on the Bretton Woods world bank fund.

Opposing legislation to put the United States into the world finance set-up, the Ohioan told the senate he had heard these reports:

"That Secretary Morgenthau directed columnists and radio commentators and a flood of Bretton Woods 'propaganda' resulted.

Church groups were brought to Washington by the treasury for Bretton Woods conferences and thereafter endorsed it.

Senator Wherry (R-Neb) cut in angrily with the declaration that the banking committee assistant who 'sat on the left' of Chairman Wagner (D-NY) 'is on the floor of this senate simply to lobby this thing through,' and that he also traveled widely and made speeches in its behalf. Wagner is leading the proponents of the world monetary plan.

A clash broke out on the republican side when Senator Tobey (R-NH), a supporter of the bill, asserted that a republican meeting invited only speakers who were against the bill.

"When I took Umbridge," he said, "they invited proponents but only then."

Taft said that wasn't so, that proponents were to be invited to a second meeting. Those against it got first call because "we all

### 2 Troopships Dock in U. S.

NEW YORK, July 16.—(AP)—Two ships, the U. S. army transport *Torrens* and the freighter *Thaddeus Kosciuszko*, arrived today, from Europe with 2373 troops for reassignment.

The *Torrens*, a former Norwegian ship making its first Atlantic crossing since the beginning of the war, carried 2001 men, members of the 214th field artillery group, 209th field artillery, 425th field artillery, Ninth air force, First tactical air force, 4288th railroad company, 474th ordnance evacuation company and the Eighth infantry division.

Aboard the freighter which carried 374 men were members of the 3052nd quartermaster salvage collecting company, the 6637th, 6838th, 6839th, 6840th, 6841st, 6842nd and 6843rd quartermaster detachments.

### 70 Carpenters, More Laborers Asked at Adair

A call for 70 journeymen carpenters as well as additional laborers for new army installation work at Camp Adair came Monday to W. H. Baillie, Salem manager for the United States employment service.

The message from Col. Ralph A. Tudor, U.S. army engineer, relayed by State Manpower Director Lee C. Stoll, emphasized urgency of recruiting carpenters and laborers to build additional mess halls, barracks and recreational facilities at Adair to accommodate troops in process of redeployment from Europe to the Pacific theatre.

"Buildings at Camp Adair are presently being used as a rehabilitation center for navy personnel, which means additional facilities must be built for the army at once," Tudor said.

Baillie quoted wages of \$1.37 1/2 an hour for journeymen and 85 cents for laborers plus overtime pay, with free living quarters in the barracks and good meals at a mess hall for only a nominal charge. The work will go on nine hours a day, seven days a week, he said.

Carpenters available for work on the Adair project should apply at the Salem office of the employment service, 710 Ferry st.

### Finn Military Officers Under Arrest for Plot

HELSINKI, July 16.—(AP)—An undisclosed number of military officers were arrested today in connection with a plot against the Finnish government, government sources said.

The plot was revealed in parliament July 4 by Yrjoe Leino, communist minister of the interior, who said a group within the army had planned an armed reactionary uprising and secret stores of weapons and goods had been found.

### 21st's Losses of Superforts Average Little More Than One Airplane Per Mission

WASHINGTON, July 16.—(AP)—Losses of Superfortresses have averaged only slightly more than one airplane per mission since the 21st bomber command began operations last fall.

An army air forces summary issued today reported that a total of 261 missions had been flown by the 21st command since it went into action from that between then and last July 9 losses numbered 291 Superfortresses.

These figures do not cover the 20th command, which started operations from southeast Asia bases on June 6, 1944, striking targets on Kyushu, southernmost of the enemy's home islands, and on the mainland. Records for the 20th command were not immediately available, but they were expected to lift the total loss of B-29s well above the 300 mark.

The heavily-armed bombers of the 21st command knocked 760 Japanese planes out of the air and destroyed 159 more on the ground, incidental to their primary mission of putting bombs on the target.

The largest number of Superfortresses lost in a single operation is 19, which failed to return after a raid on Tokyo in May.

From November, 1944, when the 21st bomber command began operations against the enemy home islands from bases in the Marianas, to last June 15, a total of 61,055 tons of bombs was dropped on strategic targets. Of this, 46,

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