

Pacific Strategy Being Discussed In Washington

To Defeat Nips, Isles Of Empire Must Be Hit; China Is Good Approach

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In the discussions of long-range Pacific strategy taking place in Washington, Burma is most likely the center of present attention. It has been agreed that to defeat Japan, the main assault must be made on the islands of the empire and not on the fringes of the spider web Japan has spun in the Pacific area.

China is the primary road of approach. Asiatic Russia is a secondary one, but only secondary, in present calculations because of Russia's uncertain position.

Burma Is Key
Burma is the key to China. As long as it stays in Japanese hands it bars effective military aid to that country, and hence to the establishment there of the necessary bases needed for the attack on Japan.

Unless Burma is cleared of Japanese and the overland supply route opened, there is the ever-present danger that China may be knocked out of the war, which would be close to a disastrous setback to allied plans.

The current Japanese drive in central China is a grave threat, made even more grave by the fact that the reconquest of Burma is not an immediate possibility, nor is it likely to be achieved even under the most favorable circumstances before next year. The Japanese meanwhile are whittling away at Chinese military strength and the vital sources of food in the unoccupied areas.

Problem Is Difficult
The Burmese problem is a difficult one. British military advisers and those of the British commonwealth whose leaders are consulting in Washington are convinced that it can be solved only by a massed land, aerial and naval assault which will overwhelm the Japanese as the axis was overwhelmed in Africa.

The necessary exploratory work has been done on land and in the air by the British, and has demonstrated the difficulties. The rainy season makes it improbable that any general offensive can be attempted before October, but that is not the only reason for delay.

Crushing air superiority will be necessary, plus a strong allied fleet in the Bay of Bengal which can cover landings in southern Burma to take Rangoon and drive up the Irrawaddy valley to Mandalay and the Burma road.

Fleet Is Needed
The necessary fleet may be available before Hitler is knocked out of the war, if the Mediterranean is cleared and the Italian navy either destroyed or forced to sur-

New Action on an Old Front



The Russian front has flared to life again as Red Army troops attack in the Kuban river area to push the Nazis out of their last foothold in the Caucasus. Map shows the Kerch Strait area where Germans may be forced to flee if Russians recapture Novorossiisk.

render. The bulk of British and American naval strength in the Mediterranean then could be diverted to Indian waters.

Massing of a proper air armada may depend on how long the great bulk of allied strength has to be concentrated against Hitler. The question of land troops has already been solved by the big army which has been built up in India.

Thus, even before Hitler is beaten, the allied assault on Japan may be launched through Burma.

CERTIFICATES ARRIVE
Certificates showing the completion of the standard first aid course for the following are on hand in the Red Cross office: Fern Boughton, John Boughton, Edward P. Dahlgren, Mrs. M. J. Hansen, G. C. James, Elizabeth McClain, Ruby Robert, and F. M. Spencer.

FATHER PLAYS CHIMES
Berkeley, Calif. (UP)—John M. Noyes, chime-master of the famous chimes in the campanile of the University of California, about told the whole world about it when he became a proud father. He played on the far-sounding chimes Brahms' famous "Cradle Song."

Veterans Plan Memorial Plaque

Members of Ponsosa Pine Post 1643, Veterans of Foreign Wars, have announced the arrangement for a suitable memorial plaque to be hung in a public building, honoring Deschutes county service men who have been killed in action or in the line of duty in this war. Wayne Entriken is post commander.

Kenneth Bennett, Frank Gates, and Elmer Whipple, the arrangement committee, have suggested that a temporary plaque on which names may be added as necessary be used until after the war. At that time, a permanent bronze plaque, tentatively shaft-shaped, will be erected.

List Is Started
A partial list of men from this county who have given their lives in the VFW records at present, and parents or relatives of heroes are asked to notify the VFW as soon as possible so that the list may be completed. All correspondence should be addressed to Ponsosa Pine post 1643, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U. S. B. Bend. At present the post has a service flag bearing stars for 32 members in active service. Since armed forces regulations do not permit the wearing of any emblem or button on uniforms, the post is mailing each of the men a VFW ribbon bar, the only decoration authorized by congress for wear on the uniforms, along with campaign medals and bars.

Legion Poppy Sale Date Set

Men who served in the first world war were urged to be first to put on a poppy on Poppy day, next Saturday, in a message issued today by Robert Burleigh, commander of Peacy A. Stevens post of the American Legion.

Recalling the service and sacrifices of the men who fought for America 25 years ago, Commander Burleigh said:

"Men are again being called upon to give their lives for America, as did our comrades in 1917 and 1918. Our own boys and our neighbors' boys are among them. Our hearts are heavy at the thought that these young men must meet the same fate as those other young men we left beneath the poppies of France 25 years ago."

"To show that we honor and remember the dead of both wars we have our memorial poppy. By wearing this little flower on Poppy day, we express feelings we cannot put into words. We signify that we are carrying on in their spirit for the final triumph of the cause for which they laid down their lives."

Poppies, made by disabled war veterans, will be offered on the streets all day Saturday by the women of the American Legion auxiliary.

Arm Bands Ready For Fire Aides

Membership cards and arm bands for students and adults who have completed training in the forest fire fighters service are now available at the forest service office on the second floor of the post office building.

Training courses for students were given at the high school this spring and evening classes were held for adults.

The FFFS is a division of the office of civilian defense, with training being handled by the forest service.

All local people who completed the training are asked to call at the forest service office as soon as possible for their cards and arm bands.

HONOR LT. ROWAN
Los Angeles, Calif. (UP)—A Liberty freighter has just been launched named the "Message to Garcia." It was named in honor of Lt. Andrew Rowan, who died recently at San Francisco, and who was the man that carried the message from President McKinley to General Calixto Garcia, rebel leader, in the jungles of Cuba during the Spanish-American war. The incident was later converted into an essay by Elbert Hubbard which sold by the millions in every country in the world. In the absence of a surviving relative who might sponsor the launching, the wife of Senator Chandler of Kentucky did the honors.

PERRY IN OKLAHOMA
Eugene Perry, seaman second class, was referred to in a recent issue of the Bull Horn, publication of the naval air technical training center in Norman, Okla., as "... Seaman 2c Perry led his class of 'Tinbenders' to school in fine ship this morning. This is class 35 of the AM school and they really presented a fine appearance. Keep it up, men."

A Bend high graduate in 1941, Eugene is the son of Mrs. Charles Lamerding of Bend.

CHAMPS' GLOVES MOUNTED
East Lansing, Mich. (UP)—Boxing gloves worn by Bill Zurawski and Charles Davey in winning N.C.A.A. boxing titles have been mounted on plaques and installed in the Michigan State college athletic trophy cases.

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Block Warden Naming Asked

George Simerville, coordinator of civilian defense, has asked that all senior and junior air raid wardens check their precincts to see that each block has a block warden. Where there are none, they should be appointed by Tuesday, May 25.

That evening at 7:30 in the city hall, a one-night school of instruction will be held for these new wardens. The school, to be taught by Lester McKenzie, will also serve as a refresher course for present block wardens and will be held again if necessary.

"We are not going to ask a lot of time or work from these new people," Simerville said, "but we must keep the air raid warden organization intact. Without them in an air raid, blackout, or disaster of any sort we would be hard put."

Camp Abbot Mail Handled in Bend

Mail to Camp Abbot is handled through the Bend postoffice, being picked up at the postoffice twice a day, once in mid-morning and again in mid-afternoon.

Distribution is handled by the postal officer at camp. Later a postoffice, operating as a branch of the Bend office, will be established at the camp.

Postage rates to camp are the same as local rates. First class letters require two cents.

Teacher Changes Are Announced

J. Alton Thompson, Deschutes county superintendent of schools, announces the following changes thus far in the rural schools: Mrs. Marguerite Boyd, who has been teaching at Hoeh school, will teach in the Young school next term; Miss Lottie Montgomery, Richardson school, has been hired for the Alfalfa teacher next year, and Mrs. Crystal Henderson, Tetherow Butte, will transfer to Terrebonne.

CAVE-IN KILLS MAN
Mexico, Ky., May 21 (UP)—One man was killed and four others were trapped 190 feet below the surface of the ground today in a mine cave-in at the U. S. Coal and Coke company's fluorospar mine.

WILL ENTERTAIN AT USO
"Palm reading" for the entertainment of visiting service men will be featured at the Bend USO club beginning tonight. Mrs. H. H. Sheldon, who as "Gene Henry" writes for national magazines, will act as "Madame Palmist."

MORE ABOUT Abbot Officers

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Course of training an engineer replacement was described by citing the hypothetical case of Johnny Zilch, whom Col. Hall said might be a cat-skinner from one of the Bend logging camps. After going through induction and reception centers, Zilch would be assigned to the engineers because of his experience. In the engineers he might be sent to Camp Abbot, where he would receive five weeks of basic training, then seven weeks of engineering training. If his I. Q. were over 110 he might be selected for officers' school.

Sergeant Faces Life in Prison

Medford, Ore., May 21 (UP)—Sgt. Bernard Lotka, 23, stationed at Camp White, near here, was convicted last night of second degree murder for smothering to death his infant son by his common-law wife.

The jury of five women and seven men deliberated four and one-half hours before bringing in the verdict which carries a mandatory life imprisonment sentence. Lotka and the baby's mother, Tillie Michalski, 22, also of Cleveland, were indicted jointly on a charge of first degree murder.

In two alleged confessions Lotka reportedly told officers he had smothered the baby April 1 and left the body in a Medford auto court cabin because the child, as the son of unmarried parents, "wouldn't stand a chance in life."

Judge H. K. Hanna will sentence Lotka Tuesday. Defense attorney said they would appeal the case to the state supreme court.

Miss Michalski goes to trial Monday.

Household waste fats collected during February reached a new high of almost seven million pounds. But WPB reminds housewives that this is less than 50 per cent of the quota. Save more fats.

Round the World

(With United Press)

Hot Springs, Va.—Tremendous shortages of food will prevail throughout the world after the war and rationing that has been instituted as a war measure must continue into the peace, in the opinion of many delegates to the international food conference.

Seranton, Pa.—Pvt. John Pehanic captured his first cousin, Andrew Petach of the German army, in North Africa, he revealed in a letter to his mother, Mrs. Mary Pehanic. In another letter received today, he requested his mother to send him a list of all his cousins "still on the other side." He wrote "I want to catch them all."

Denver—Arthur G. Billings, 31-year-old former Texas university professor who has been held at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., pending a hearing on military charges of insubordination, today had failed in his second attempt to obtain a writ of habeas corpus which would free him from military supervision.

Washington—Army brass hats have finally and fully acknowledged that the women's army auxiliary corps has made good and is destined to play an important role in the war. This was the interpretation placed today on the provision in the new war department appropriation bill for the 1944 fiscal year for the support of an organization of WAACs.

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Camp Deserter Gets Jail Term

Portland, May 21 (UP)—Robert Sampson McGinnis, 25, knew today what would happen if he deserted the conscientious objector camp at Camino, Calif. It was three years in federal prison.

McGinnis, member of Jehovah's Witnesses sect, was sent to the camp after his arrest here for failure to report for induction into the army.

He reportedly told the camp superintendent he planned to leave because the camp was "no place" for him, but the officer warned him, "you know what will happen to you if you leave."

"I didn't know, though," McGinnis told Federal Judge Claude McCollough.

"You're about to find out," McCollough said, and passed sentence.

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