

Giant Raiders Drop Bombs On Nip Capital

Sunday Blow at Tokyo Believed to Have Left More Blocks in Ruins

Washington, March 5 (UP)—Ten Superfortresses bombed Tokyo today, Japanese broadcasts said, in a follow-up to yesterday's destructive raid by nearly 200 B-29s.

The giant raiders thundered across the coast of Honshu, Japan's main home island, near Hamamatsu one at a time and dropped demolition and fire bombs on the capital between 12:30 and 2:30 a. m. (Tokyo time), radio Tokyo said.

"There was practically no damage," the broadcast, recorded by the FCC, said.

Tokyo Has Version Tokyo also reported that a single B-29 flew over southern Kyushu, south of Honshu, about 11 o'clock last night. It dropped its bombs in the sea and fled, Tokyo said.

The nearly 200 B-29s which blasted Tokyo in daylight yesterday were believed to have reduced another huge segment of the enemy capital to flaming ruins. A force only slightly larger burned out 240 square blocks—29,000,000 square feet—in the center of Tokyo Feb. 25.

Striking in a snowstorm, the big force of Superfortresses bombed through a five-mile layer of clouds with the aid of precision instruments. The bomb load was expected to equal that of the Feb. 25 raid—approximately 1,000 tons.

Fighters Not Faced "We couldn't have helped but raise hell down there," returning crewmen told United Press War Correspondent Lloyd Tupling at a Superfortress base on Saipan.

No fighter opposition and only meager anti-aircraft fire were encountered. One plane crash-landed in the sea between Japan and Saipan, but the surviving crewmen were rescued within an hour by a navy amphibian.

Another plane, running low on fuel, made a forced landing on one of the captured airstrips on embattled Iwo, took on additional gasoline, and returned to the Marianas.

Tokyo broadcasts disclosed that a special students fire corps had been formed in the enemy capital to insure the presence at all times of a regular corps of students at each fire station. Three shifts a day will be operated.

15,000 Strikers Still Off Jobs

Detroit, March 5 (UP)—Leaders of 15,000 striking Briggs Manufacturing Co. employees voted today against returning to work until 15 men discharged by the company are back on the payroll.

The action by United Auto Workers (CIO) union local 211's executive board ended hopes for an early return to full-schedule armament production in Detroit. It was taken as approximately 25,000 Chrysler Corporation employees returned to their jobs after a 10-day strike.

Changes Made The Briggs Manufacturing previously has refused to rehire the workers, who were discharged on the ground that they organized previous walkouts and the present strike. There was little indication that its position would change.

Local 212's decision was announced by John Murphy, president. The Chrysler strike began 10 days ago over production rates and discharges. Last night members of United Auto Workers union (CIO) local 3 voted to end the walkout. The action was taken on recommendation of Mike Novak, local president, who received a war labor board ultimatum Saturday.

Gosh Sakes! Free Cigaretts in Bend Downtown Cafe

There's at least one place in Bend you are assured of just one smoke!

It's a cafe on Wall street, where the proprietor has installed a bowl containing loose cigarettes. Over the bowl is a sign which reads:

"I cigaret with meal only—not for the help."

The manager explained that he was unable to get enough cigarettes to sell to his trade, so he thought he would at least furnish them a cigaret while they ate—and on the house!

Stargard, Big Anchor Base On Oder, Captured By Reds

Soviet Army Push Reported Grinding Up German Defenses in Pomerania; New Drive Looming

London, March 5 (UP)—Berlin reported today that Russian siege forces had captured Stargard, key Pomeranian rail hub 20 miles southeast of Stettin, opening the way to that big Baltic port which already was within soviet artillery range.

The nazis also said the Russians opened a new attack on a large scale near the lower Vistula river in the area of Grosswollenthal, 40 miles south of Danzig city, and in the first few hours "achieved a few penetrations."

The red army's biggest push since its sweep to the approaches of Berlin was grinding up the defenses of Pomerania and the lower Oder valley. The right flank of the army poised before Berlin was being secured rapidly. Some sources predicted an early frontal onslaught against the nazi capital.

Charles W. Bryan Dies in Nebraska

Lincoln, Neb., March 5 (UP)—Former Gov. Charles W. Bryan, brother of the late William Jennings Bryan and democratic candidate for vice-president in 1924, died Sunday at his home. He was 78 years old.

Bryan had been ill for several months. Funeral services will be held here tomorrow. He was schooled in politics by "the great commoner," who was seven years his senior. Bryan's political career stretched across a half a century. He started as secretary to his brother when the latter won the democratic nomination with his "cross of gold" speech in 1896. He climbed rapidly and managed the two subsequent presidential campaigns for his brother.

Bryan was known as "Brother Charlie" because of his illustrious brother, during the early days of his career, but he subsequently became a political power in his own right and was elected governor of Nebraska three times.

He first was elected governor in 1923 and the following year was nominated for vice-president on the ticket with John W. Davis. The ticket was badly defeated.

Four Girls Die In Seaside Fire

Seaside, Ore., March 5 (UP)—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Riley today mourned the loss of four daughters, burned to death yesterday in a fire that destroyed the Riley home.

Dead were Donna Jean, 13; Edith Ceita, 12; Mary Louise, 10, and Frances Ellen, 8. In addition to the parents an older sister, Shirley, 14, who were not at home when the fire broke out, and two sons were safe today. Edward, Jr., 11, and John, 7, escaped through a bedroom window.

A neighbor, Henry Sigurdson, turned in the alarm, but the four girls were beyond rescue when the firemen arrived.

The blaze was said to have been caused by a defective chimney in the kitchen.

Hold That Tiger! Door Proves Aid

Milwaukee, Wis., March 5 (UP)—Ray Barber slammed a door in a tiger's face last night at the Milwaukee stadium.

Barber is a building guard, and when he opened a basement door during a Shrine circus performance he found himself face to face with an escaped tiger—but not for long.

He almost had the door closed when the tiger reared up and leaped with forepaws against the door. They were regarding each other and their conflicting efforts through a plate glass window of the door when the animal's handlers came to the rescue.

Alert Marines on Iwo Prepare for Banzai Attacks; 400 Nippons Are Killed on Sunday

By Marc R. Johnson (United Press War Correspondent) Aboard Adm. Turner's Flagship Off Iwo Jima, March 5 (Via Navy Radio)—More than 400 Japanese soldiers who tried to organize counterattacks or infiltrate marine lines were killed in fighting yesterday.

Alert marines now are geared to smash any frenzied banzai charge or planned counterattack the Japanese defenders of Iwo Jima may devise. Yesterday's slaughter indicates that our forces are set.

The Third marine division broke up the first infiltration attempt east of the Motoyama airfield No. 3, killing about 160 of an enemy force of 200 early yesterday morning.

Shortly afterwards, the Fourth marine division located 25 Japs who had infiltrated east of the ruins of Motoyama village and wiped out the Jap force.

In the afternoon, more than 200 Japs organized for a counter-attack in front of the 28th regi-

Acquisition of College Approved

Salem, Ore., March 5 (UP)—With only one dissent, the senate today gave final passage to acquisition of the North Pacific Dental college in Portland as a part of the University of Oregon medical school.

The dental school is being donated to the state and Sen. Coe A. McKenna, who handled the bill in the upper house, said it was the only dental school west of Minneapolis and north of San Francisco.

At the same time the 25th division tightened the southern half of the vice by capturing Digdig, a junction point on the roads leading to the Cagayan valley.

The thrust carried the 25th division to within 22 miles of a junction with the 32nd forces at Santa Rosa and their combined drives were rapidly clearing the Villa Verde trail and Baleta pass road.

Attacks Futile Fierce fighting still continued in the mountains east of Manila, with the Japanese reportedly attempting heavy counter-attacks in so far futile attempts to push the Americans from high ground east of Montaban.

Coincident with the guerrilla offensive in the north, Mitchell medium bombers attacked Basco airfield on Bataan island, just north of Luzon.

Bataan, principal island of a group of the same name, is only 125 miles from the northeastern tip of Ilicos Norte province, where the guerrillas waged perhaps their greatest single campaign yet.

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ment of the Fifth marine division. This attack was broken up and totally repulsed. The Japs lost nearly their entire force. In this action, no accurate count of bodies is available.

Meanwhile, the marines were making limited local advances as enemy strongpoints were eliminated. The marines fought through a fantastic jagged and cratered terrain in the northern part of Iwo Jima where stinking sulphur fumes steamed up from the surface vent.

Meanwhile with twin-engined transports operating between Iwo and the Marianas, two medical officers and 18 corpsmen reported and began screening casualties. Wounded marines started moving by air to rear area hospitals.

Officers are selecting casualties which can be flown from the battleground.

Although the American flag long has flown from Mt. Suribachi, marines still are cleaning out enemy pockets. Reconnaissance of one cave revealed 150 to

Yank Army Reaches Cologne, Races for Heart of Nazi City

Guerillas Aid Yank Troopers In Isle Battle

Huge Pincers Clamped On Japs in Northern Luzon; Fight Is Grim

Manila, March 5 (UP)—American troops and Filipino guerillas clamped a huge pincer on Japanese forces in northern Luzon today and seized bases within 225 miles of Formosa.

The squeeze on the Japanese in the northern mountains was paced by American-led guerilla forces who cleared the 2,000-square mile Ilicos Norte province in the northwestern center of Luzon.

Thousands of Japanese were killed by the guerillas as they drove the last of the invaders from the province, commanding the South China sea, the China coast and the enemy's Formosa stronghold.

Have Modern Weapons The guerillas, armed with modern American weapons and aided by U. S. planes, were led by Col. R. W. Volekman, South Clinton, Ia. He was a member of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's forces before the war and went over to the guerillas after the fall of Bataan.

By clearing Ilicos Norte, which is 68 miles long and 28 miles wide, the guerillas were only 44 miles from the north coastal air base of Aparri, 490 miles from Hong Kong and 225 miles from the southern tip of Formosa.

The offensive by Volekman's forces also carried to within 100 miles of American lines on Lingayen gulf and within 160 miles of U. S. troops pushing up the center of Luzon.

Santa Rosa Seized A communique disclosed that troops of the 32nd division, advancing up the Ambayabang river, entered Nueva Viscaya province and seized Santa Rosa, 17 miles southeast of the Japanese stronghold of Baguio.

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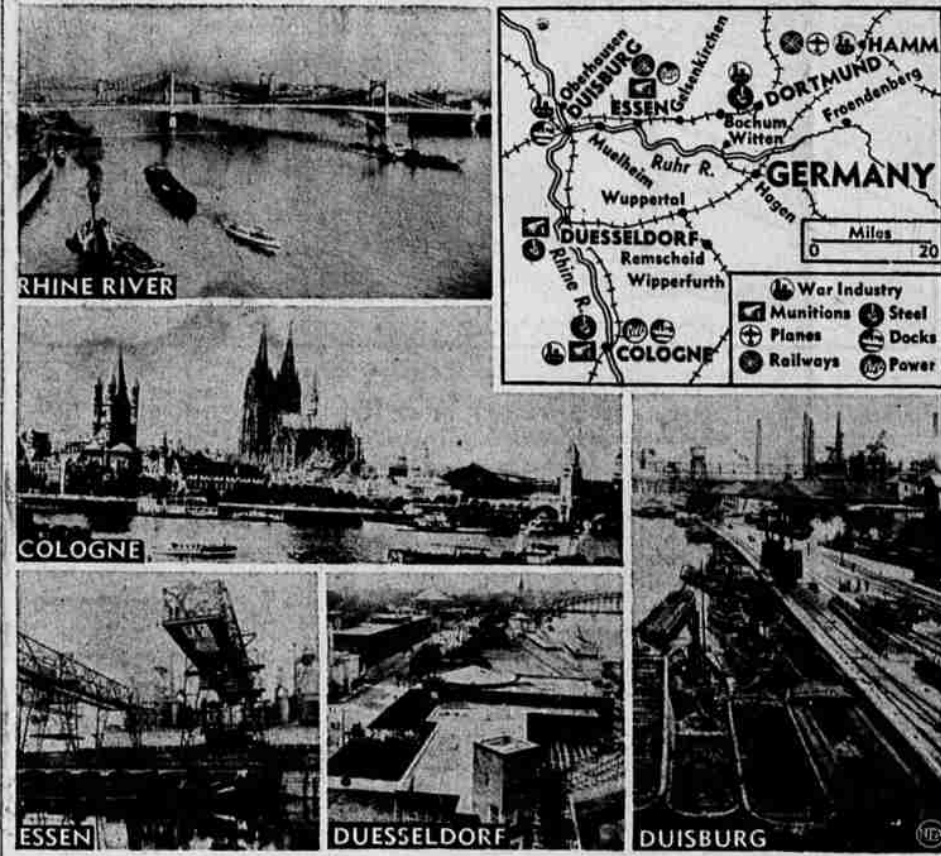
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E. T. Gerrish and Glen Kriger are the other board members.

Over the Rhine to the Ruhr



American troops today opened the battle for the Rhine, with armored forces battling in the streets of Cologne. Once across the Rhine, the allies will be able to hit the heart of the Ruhr river war production area, with its great complex of industrial cities, such as Duisberg, Duesseldorf, Essen, Dortmund and Hamm.

Fred M. Vinson Choice of FDR

Washington, March 5 (UP)—President Roosevelt today nominated economic stabilization director Fred M. Vinson to be federal loan administrator.

The former Kentucky congressman and federal judge thus will get the other half of the job left vacant when Roosevelt summarily fired Jesse H. Jones as secretary of commerce. Before confirming former Vice President Henry A. Wallace for the cabinet post, congress passed legislation divorcing the multi-billion loan agency from the commerce department.

White House secretary Johnathan Daniels said the president had decided on Vinson's successor in the office of economic stabilization. He said that would be announced after the senate acts on Vinson.

Cologne Area Is Entered By Yankee Tanks

By Ann Stringer (United Press War Correspondent) Cologne, March 5 (UP)—The first tanks of Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose's Third armored division clattered into the Bockelmuende suburb of Cologne at 6 a. m. today.

A few hours later the vanguard of the Third armored had knocked out defending 88's, self-propelled guns and streetcars which had been converted into pillboxes, and speared through a railroad underpass into Cologne proper.

Up to this evening resistance inside Cologne has been very light, but an officer said he expected it to increase as the Americans move in on the center of the city. As we entered the city down a three-laned highway, I could see smoke spiraling up from the bursting bombs and shells. Overhead a Cub observation plane wheeled lazily, keeping a watchful eye on Cologne.

Raise Is Sought In Pay of Judges

Salem, Ore., March 5 (UP)—Six circuit court judges will have their salaries raised to \$6000 under a bill set for action in the senate tomorrow (SB 186, Cornett, Niskanen).

The measure has the approval of the ways and means committee and is expected to pass as part of the limited salary raising program favored by the committee. Existing standards call for salaries of \$5,000 where the population is under \$15,000, \$5,500 above that figure.

The only courts still under \$6,000 and affected by the bill are the 7th Hood River-Wasco, Fred W. Wilson, The Dalles, \$5,500; 8th, Baker, Forrest L. Hubbard, Baker, \$5,500; 10th, Union-Wallowa, R. J. Green, La Grande, \$5,500; 11th, Gilliam-Sherman-Wheeler, George G. Updegraff, Moro, \$5,000; 14th, Lake, Charles H. Combs, Lakeview, \$5,000 and 18th, Deschutes-Crook-Jefferson, Ralph S. Hamilton, Bend, \$5,500.

Fascist Leader Makes Escape

Rome, March 5 (UP)—Gen. Mario Roatta, on trial as one of Fascism's leading war criminals, escaped from Regina Coeli jail last night.

The interior ministry offered a 1,000,000-lire (\$10,000) reward for information leading to his rearrest.

Roatta, former army chief of staff under Mussolini, was permitted to leave his cell under guard about 10 p. m. last night to visit a friend, Maj. Engenio Rossi, at the nearby military infirmary. Roatta's wife joined him in Rossi's private room.

Salient Compressed

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Yalta Voting Procedure Gives Single Nation Powers of Veto

Washington, March 5 (UP)—The Yalta agreement on voting power in the international security organization would permit any one of the "big five" permanent members to veto any direct action proposed to enforce peace, it was announced today.

However, any nation—big or little—involved in a dispute would be barred from taking part in council deliberations on such preliminary steps as whether to brand a country as an aggressor or whether further investigations should be conducted into an international dispute.

President Roosevelt said at the conclusion of the "Big Three" Crimea meeting that the agreement represented a compromise between the Anglo-American and Russian views on voting procedure as expressed last year at Dumbarton Oaks.

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Purple Heart Awarded

Redmond, March 5—Cpl. Harold Newhouse, grandson of Mrs. Cliff Marquis of Redmond, has been awarded the purple heart, according to word received here.

The corporal was wounded early in February in Germany, it was reported.

Rhine Struggle Nears Climax; Spans Blasted

Rumble of Explosions Shake Region; Big Guns Pound German Columns

Paris, March 5 (UP)—American tanks and armored cars shot their way through weak German rear guards in the streets of Cologne today after a slashing breakthrough from the north that brought the battle of the Rhineland into its final hours.

The rumble of heavy explosions shook the historic Rhineland fortress as the U. S. First army's third armored division sent two columns racing in from the north in a bid to reach the center of the city and cut off the German formations on its western outskirts.

One terrific explosion aroused speculation that the nazis had blown up the great Hohenzollern bridge in a desperate attempt to forestall an American crossing of the Rhine.

Bridges Blasted Forty-odd miles to the north, tons of nazi dynamite sent two other Rhine bridges crashing into the river between Homberg and the Ruhr valley arsenal of Duisberg, leaving thousands of German troops stranded on the west bank.

The Homberg bridges were blown up just as units of the American Ninth army had fought up to their western approaches. The Yanks immediately raced northward along the river bank to Orsoy, five miles downstream, entering the city just in time to fire a few raking shots at a troop-packed German ferry pushing out into the river.

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Fliers Pound Bridges

American medium bombers pounded the Wesel bridges through the day in an attempt to choke off the German retreat.

The battle for Cologne entered its final phase shortly after daybreak this morning when the Third armored division's tank spearheads rode down weak nazi opposition inside the northern limits of Germany's fourth city.

The terms of the voting procedure agreement were made public by the state department. The department also revealed that France had rejected an invitation to join the United States, Britain, Russia, and China in inviting the 39 other United Nations to participate in the San Francisco conference starting April 25.

France Declines Invitation

France declined last week to accept the invitation. Later it reversed that position and decided to attend the conference but not to join in sponsoring it.

France, however, will be a member of the proposed permanent council of the world organization, along with the U. S., Britain, Russia, and China.

The department also revealed that Poland has not been invited to send representatives to the conference.