

THE BEND BULLETIN

CENTRAL OREGON'S DAILY NEWSPAPER

Weather Forecast

Partly cloudy western portion, scattered showers and partly cloudy eastern portion with scattered afternoon showers today, tonight and Friday.

Save Your Fats

Our boys get sulfa drugs and ammunition when you save used kitchen fats.

Patrols Probe Into Rubbish Of Jap Cities

Final Battle for U. S. Control of Okinawa Believed to Be Near

Guam, May 17 (UP)—American doughboys and marines, massed along the Naha-Yonabaru line on Okinawa, sent patrols in both key towns today preparatory to what may be the final lunge for control of the big island.

The Japanese were resisting furiously from well-established defense positions.

The army's 382nd regiment was within 200 yards of Shuri in the center of the line, which appeared to be the chief obstacle to a swing down the island on both the western and eastern flanks.

Tanks pushed out 800 yards toward Yonabaru and 6th marine division patrols probed the body and debris-strewn streets of the capital city of Naha. Ahead of the marines on the west side of the island lay Naha airstrip, a mile southwest of the capital and biggest single prize of the 48-day campaign.

Japs Tenacious

Only the tenacity of an estimated 30,000 or more fanatical enemy troops—who were being killed at the rate of one a minute—stood in the way of American forces anxious for a quick cleanup of the island.

A recapitulation of Monday's Japanese counterattack against the 1st marine division north of Takamotji showed 585 counted enemy dead and an estimated 446 additional dead—a ratio of 20 to 1 to U. S. losses. One flamethrowing tank crew claimed they burned to death 75 enemy soldiers in less than a minute.

LT. Col. Robert Post of Miami, Fla., estimates these tanks have already accounted for more than 1,000 Japanese, apart from those they have flushed from hidden positions for finishing off.

Grenade Is Tossed

Marine Sgt. Harold Foreman, formerly of the United Press bureau at Atlanta, Ga., reported that a patrol which entered Naha stayed for almost five hours in daylight without seeing a living person until a Japanese soldier threw a hand grenade as they departed.

Foreman quoted combat photographer Pfc. John T. Smith, Jr., Charleston, S. C., as saying: "The bombings of Naha must have caught a lot of people by surprise for their grotesque, charred bodies lay sprawled on the ground or in doorways as though they'd been killed in mad flight. Street and sidewalks had been torn wide open. The streets were pocked with bomb craters and we had to crawl around mounds of debris and past stinking corpses of people and animals. It must have been a beautiful, up-to-date city once, but now it looks like a trash dump."

Light Earthquake Felt in Bay Area

San Francisco, May 17 (UP)—A light earthquake shook San Francisco at 8:06 a. m. PWT today. There were no reports of damage.

The Santa Clara University seismograph registered the tremor and reported the epicenter as 50 miles north or south of Santa Clara.

Occupants of downtown buildings felt the jar.

FIRE IS REPORTED

A flue fire at the home of A. Ridenbush, 1985 West First street, late yesterday did no damage, according to city firemen today who answered the call.

Britain to Grant Full Self Rule to Burma After War

San Francisco, May 17 (UP)—Britain will grant full self-government to Burma after the war, it was announced today in a statement distributed by the British information service.

The announcement said that when it becomes possible to hold elections in post-war Burma, a new legislature will take over.

"The Burmese people will then be in a position to decide on the most suitable form of full self-government within the British commonwealth of nations."

"It will be for the Burmese people to agree among themselves on the form of self-government and the kind of constitution they desire," the statement reads.

After the war, BIS said, steps will be taken to deal with "the very extensive destruction and disorganization" in Burma, and when conditions are restored, elections will be called.

Under the government of Burma act adopted in 1935 Burma

Soldiers Look for Graves of Buddies



Troops of 27th Division return from Okinawa front lines to this cross-studded cemetery in a rear area to look for graves of buddies who were killed in action. (NEA Telephoto)

Flight of Germans to Japan In U-Boats Thought Possible

Washington Speculates That Hitler May Have Attempted Escape to Orient By Deep Sea Lane

Washington, May 17 (UP)—Surrender of a German submarine heading for Japan with three luftwaffe generals and two Japanese aboard led to speculation today that Adolf Hitler, Heinrich Himmler or other high nazis might be trying to escape under the sea to Japan.

Adm. Jonas H. Ingram, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, revealed the surrender to newsmen yesterday at a press conference in which he reviewed the entire course of the battle of the Atlantic.

Himmler's Wife, Daughter Located

London, May 17 (UP)—Army authorities in Rome confirmed today that Heinrich Himmler's wife and 15-year-old daughter had been found in a mountain chalet in northern Italy and said they would be treated merely as refugees, not political prisoners.

A Rome dispatch said Frau Margaret Himmler, 51, and her daughter told questioners that they assumed Himmler, Nazi war criminal No. 1 and Gestapo chief, had been killed in Berlin with Adolf Hitler.

"They are all better off dead," Frau Himmler said.

Authorities in Rome treated the two women as "displaced persons" and said they would be sent to a refugee camp. They were picked up at a chalet 15 miles northeast of Bolzano and 10 miles from the prison camp where former Austrian Chancellor Kurt von Schuschnigg was found.

Other sources reported Himmler still was hiding out in the vicinity of Flensburg, near the Danish border and seat of the Donets government.

LeRoy Schafer Is Listed as Killed

Sisters, May 17 (Special)—LeRoy Schafer, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cole, has been listed as killed in action, in the Philippines, on February 2. Originally he was listed as missing.

His wife and a small daughter survive.

Drive Progress Pleases Leader

The seventh war loan drive has been launched in Deschutes county with an enthusiastic response, according to A. L. O. Schuler, chairman, who reported that up to last night, 15.5% of the \$1,141,000 quota had been reached, and 23% of the \$654,000 E-bond goal was already subscribed.

"E" demobilization bonds accounted for the bulk of the purchases, \$151,320.75, with "G" bonds totaling \$21,100. "C" bonds, 2 1/2% certificates and "F" bonds trailed in the order listed, bringing the total to \$177,494.75.

The bond booth in the Penney building was staffed by the VFW auxiliary today, with Mrs. Freda Potter and Mrs. W. C. Quigley in charge. Yesterday Mrs. Hazel Strom and Mrs. Vina Hartwig of the Eagles' auxiliary were on hand.

Work Resumed on Span Approaches

With the thawing of the frost in the ground, work was resumed today by the forest service on the approaches to the new Pringle Falls bridge, with the prospects that they soon would be widened and leveled to accommodate two-way traffic. Cold weather halted work on the bridge shortly after the concrete abutments had been poured and the top structure installed.

The bridge has been open to one-way travel for about two months.

Nip Much Surprised: Entire Army Missing

Okinawa, May 17 (UP)—A Japanese officer appeared suddenly over the top of a hill on the southwestern Okinawa front. With drawn sword and an ear-splitting "banzai!" He charged down toward American troops. Halfway down he skidded to a stop, looked around and then quickly sheathed his sword and disappeared. There wasn't a Jap following him.

Tokyo and Inland Seas Targets of Superforts

Cut in Bend's New Budget Is Possibility

Preliminary Study of City Finances Is Made At Evening Conference

Preliminary discussion last night of the proposed 1945-46 Bend municipal budget by members of the city commission and budget committee, indicated the possibility that it will be reduced by several thousands of dollars from the 1944-45 one. The only items discussed last night were funds to be earmarked for post-war development, with plans being made for a debate on the general budget at an early meeting.

Tentative proposals for peace-time work included Shevlin park, a fire alarm system, \$2,000; recreation, or improvement of O'Donnell field, \$2,000; swimming pool, \$20,000; veterans' Memorial building, \$5,000; and a police garage, \$1,000, or a total of \$32,000. This is less than the present budget's post-war total of \$34,000 by \$2,000, it was pointed out.

Sewer Survey Planned

The budget committee tentatively agreed to re-budget \$3,000 for a sewer survey, and the \$10,000 set aside in the present budget as an industrial fund. Likewise, the budget planners indicated they would approve \$2,000 as the nucleus of a fire equipment fund, and the \$7,214 asked by the library.

In connection with the Veterans Memorial fund the planners proposed a \$5,000 annual levy over a period of 10 years. But they were undecided whether this should be a budget item or whether the total of \$50,000 should be raised by a bond issue.

People Commented

Most of the evening was devoted to the budget discussion in the city hall, but before the commission adjourned they listened to a talk by Fire Chief LeRoy Fox in which he praised the cooperation of Bend residents in the cleanup of the city. They also learned that a warning had been

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State Board Says Buildings Needed

Portland, Ore., May 17 (UP)—Return of some two million veterans with many expected soon in Oregon, increases the urgency for passage of the state building bill, state board of higher education members said today.

Voters will act on the bill June 22 at the special election. At that time, they may make provisions for a four-million-dollar fund to improve Oregon's higher educational institutions, plus a six-million-dollar fund to expand institutions under the state board of control.

The building committee pointed out that present indications are for return of veterans to colleges more rapidly than ever foreseen, with the added classrooms and laboratories to be provided if the fund bill passes June 22, "urgently needed."

Tillamook Blast Kills Portlander

Portland, Ore., May 17 (UP)—An explosion at the Matson Asphalt plant in the Tillamook naval air station area late Wednesday took the life of Herbert Matson of Portland.

Injured in the asphalt plant blast were Austin Crowl of Tillamook, O. K. Ghilds of White Salmon, Wash., and L. S. Bustin and L. B. Erkenbeck, both of Portland. The Parker-Schram company of Portland holds a federal contract to operate the plant at the naval air station.

Stassen Presents Proposal on Trusteeships; Conference Now Awaiting Action By Russia

By R. H. Shackford (United Press Staff Correspondent)

San Francisco, May 17 (UP)—United Nations conference action on two remaining major issues—trusteeships and regional arrangements—was blocked today as the soviet delegation waited for instructions from Moscow.

Delegates were weary after more than three weeks of deliberations and many were openly annoyed at the new delays. Hopes of adjourning this conference by June 1 again were fading.

The conference committee on trusteeship will proceed with discussions of a "working paper" which merges most of the United States and British ideas on the subject. But formal action will have to await word from Moscow on how the soviet delegation should vote on several controversial issues.

The conference committee on regional arrangements was completely bogged down because of the inability of the soviet delegation to state its position. The committee hasn't even formally been presented with the U. S. compromise proposal which was announced Tuesday night.

The Big Four agreed to consult before submitting any major amendments to the Dumbarton Oaks plan. Those consultations now are going on but in this case it means waiting for a reply from Moscow since all the other big powers are in agreement.

Authoritative sources said the United States was prepared to give the Soviet Union until tonight. If Moscow's reply is not here then, the United States will present the regional compromise formula as its own suggestion rather than as that of the "Big Four."

Many chief delegates had feared that the early departure of Soviet Foreign Minister V. M.

Nippons' Totalitarian Party Disbanded, Says Tokyo Radio

Members Asked to Join With Peoples' Corps, Premier Reveals; Group Instigated U. S. Blow

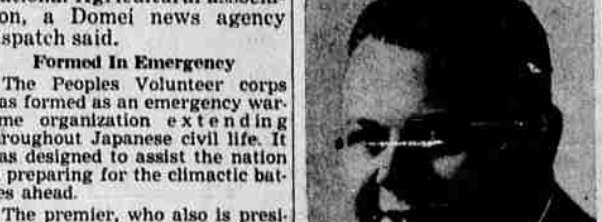
(By United Press)

The Imperial Rule Assistance association, Japan's totalitarian party, will be disbanded and its member organizations absorbed into the new "peoples volunteer corps," Tokyo reported Thursday in a broadcast recorded by United Press, San Francisco.

Imminent dissolution of the fascist-like association, or "Yokosankai," was expected to be completed by June 10.

Subsidiary organizations which will be merged into the Peoples Volunteer corps are the Yokusan Men's corps, Dai Nippon Women's association, Dai Nippon Young Men and Boys association, National Service association, and the National Agricultural association, a Domei news agency dispatch said.

To Speak Here



Art Kirkham, vice-president of radio station KOIN in Portland, an ardent supporter of tourist travel for Oregon, who speaks tomorrow at an open meeting of the Bend chamber of commerce.

Kirkham has served the Portland chamber on both the recreation, resources and tourists and the convention committees for the past six years, is past chairman of the Portland Chamber member's forum, and past president of the Portland Kiwanis club. He is a member of board of Oregon Roadside council, the Oregon Museum foundation, Oregon council, and the American Pioneer Trails association.

The visiting speaker, who contends that Oregon is getting only about 25 per cent of the tourist business it should, has for years been active in tourist promotion work, and in the preservation of the state's natural recreation facilities. Among his recent activities was the establishing of the "Myrtle Lane" on the Oregon Coast highway.

Official of KOIN To Speak in Bend

With the topic, "Tourists Unlimited," Art Kirkham, vice-president of radio station KOIN in Portland, and a staunch supporter of greater tourist trade for Oregon, will be principal speaker tomorrow noon when the Bend chamber of commerce holds a town meeting in the Pine Tavern. According to members of the forum committee of the chamber, Kirkham is expected to advance several ideas how Central Oregon might attract more tourist travel.

Grange Calls Off 1945 Convention

Portland, Ore., May 17 (UP)—The 1945 annual state grange convention has been cancelled, grange master Morton Tompkins of Dayton announced today.

It was scheduled in Baker from June 18 to 22. The cancellation was in keeping with ODT regulations, Tompkins said. He indicated a gathering may be held in the fall if there is a change in travel restrictions.

Mines Planted Near Big Jap Navy Station

Raid on Capital Comes After Huge Planes Drop Fire Bombs on Nagoya

Washington, May 17 (UP)—Japan's biggest aircraft factory, the Mitsubishi Aircraft works, and the entire southern third of the city of Nagoya were left in flames by yesterday's 500-plane Superfortress attack, the 20th air force reported today.

Not a single plane was lost to enemy action out of the very large task force of attackers, although the big bombers went in at low levels.

Guam, May 17 (UP)—The enemy reported today that mine-laying Superfortresses and two-based Mustang fighters attacked Tokyo and its inland sea lanes several hours after 500 B-29's touched off huge fires, visible 150 miles, in industrial Nagoya.

Tokyo said Superfortresses dropped mines in waters near Cape Kamon at the outlet to Tokyo bay. Cape Kamon juts into Uruga strait south of Tokusuka, site of Japan's largest naval base.

The Japanese reported the Mustangs, accompanied by two B-29's, flew over Tokyo area for half an hour today and strated the Fujisawa district, just outside the capital's metropolitan area.

The huge American air armada which attacked Nagoya crashed 575,000 fire bombs weighing 3,540 tons into the southern factory area in 90 minutes before dawn.

"Fire was all over the place," said Sgt. William Foran of Chicago, whose B-29 was over Nagoya at the half-way mark in the attack. "It seemed one big mass of fire."

Other fliers suggested the assault may have been the death blow to Nagoya's sprawling factories.

The raid was the fourth large-scale blow in a campaign to wipe Nagoya, the enemy's largest aircraft manufacturing center, off the map of Japan. One half or more of Nagoya will be in ruins now.

Loads Increased

In each of the last two raids, the Giant B-29's have dropped a greater weight of fire bombs on Nagoya than ever was unloaded

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Juvenile Officer To Be Employed

Decision to employ a full-time juvenile officer for work in Bend and Deschutes county was reached today at a meeting of interested officials who at noon met in the Pine Tavern to discuss a growing juvenile delinquency problem. After a number of persons spoke, in which they placed the burden for delinquency upon the home, it was agreed that such an officer would be employed at the joint expense of the city and county.

The meeting had been called by County Judge C. L. Allen and Mayor A. T. Niebergall, who had been aroused by a developing campaign of vandalism and rowdiness in the city. Both announced following today's meeting that immediate efforts would be put forth to employ a suitable and trained man for the position.

Parents Targets

And at the same time, at the suggestion of City Recorder George Smerville, it was decided to amend present city ordinances to put teeth in them so that parents may be prosecuted for allowing their children to frequent questionable resorts and be out of school of be away from home at late hours.

The group showed surprise when Chief of Police Ken C. Kulick produced a list of 33 boys ranging in ages from 10 to 17 years, which his men had investigated for various infractions thus far in May. It was shown that the majority of offenders were boys 16 and 17 years of age.

All speakers agreed that parents should be cited into juvenile court at the same time as their offspring, and to be equally punished. Commissioner Melvin Munkers argued for wide publicity.

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