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Halsey and Far-Famed Third Fleet Again Ranging Waters Close to Japanese Homeland

Change in Command Leads to Belief Pacific War Soon to Enter New Phase; Navy Leader Says Yanks Rule Ocean From Pole to Pole

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Guam, June 2 (UP)—Admiral William F. "Bull" Halsey, who led the United States to its first great sea-air victories against Japan, has returned to the Pacific war and has already commanded fleet units in the Ryukyus campaign, it was disclosed today.

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced that Halsey and his famed third fleet once more was ranging these waters at the threshold of the Japanese homeland. Admiral Raymond A. Spruance, who has been in command of the fifth fleet during the Okinawa operations now will have temporary headquarters on Guam.

Marines' Camp Nearing Finish

Klamath Falls, June 2 (Special)

A summer recreation camp for marines recovering from tropical diseases contracted while serving in the south Pacific, is nearing completion at Crescent lake, and should be ready for occupancy by July 1, the Klamath Falls marine barracks administration announced today.

The camp is designed to accommodate 200 men, it was said. For two months marine carpenters, plumbers, electricians and other craftsmen have been engaged in erecting 23 log cabins, a central mess hall, a post exchange and recreation building.

In making the announcement, the marine barracks administration explained that it was desirous of taking advantage of Oregon's best recreation facilities during the summer months. In order to bring the camp into use as quickly as possible, it was held likely that the first contingent of marines would be housed in tents until the cabins are completed.

On Lake Shore The cabins are being erected on Cowhorn creek, and extend down to the shores of the lake. They are of vertical log construction, and are made of jack pine felled on the scene.

The camp will be available not only to single marines, but to married fighters and their families, it was announced. Swimming, boating, fishing, hunting and games are on the schedule for the marines' health-building fun.

To augment a fleet of canoes already on the lake, a shipment of 10 19-foot sailing boats have been ordered, it was reported.

Bend's precipitation for the past month, 3.75 inches, set an all-time record for May, it was announced today from the local weather station. Practically all of the 3.75 inches was measured in the last half of the month.

Bend's average May rainfall, over a period of 43 years, is only 1.13 inches. In 1919, records reveal, only .02 of an inch of rain was measured here. However, May is generally Bend's dampest spring month.

Rains that gave Bend an all-time May record were general over Interior Oregon, and all stations are reporting abnormally high precipitation for the 31 days. In Bend, much of the heavy rain accompanied electric storms.

Range Areas Green The abundant rains have revived rangelands which were brown and dry at the end of the arid month of April, when rainfall was far below the normal. Lush vegetation covers much of the high desert, and stock is reported in fine shape.

Observers in charge of the Bend weather station report that .01 or more precipitation fell on 14 different days in May, with .77 of an inch the heaviest reported in a 24-hour period.

Troops in Europe Due For Holiday London, June 2 (UP)—All Allied forces in the European theater will observe an informal holiday next Wednesday, June 6, the first anniversary of the Normandy invasion, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower announced in a special message to his troops today.

Eisenhower ruled out any formal celebration of the event, but ordered a general holiday for the troops "insofar as is consistent with the performing of essential duties."

Army Show Coming to Bend



Symbolic of the 7th war loan and the fighting weapons put into the hands of infantrymen by war bonds is this picture of seven flamethrowers blotting out the flag of Japan in a fiery holocaust. It was specially put on for "Here's Your Infantry," the ground forces action-filled demonstration coming to Bend on June 7, for a night show on the high school athletic field.

British Warships Move Into Levant Harbor; Troops Ready

Russia Backs Up Allied Demands for Quick Settlement of French-Levant Difficulties

London, June 2 (UP)—British troops confined French soldiers and possibly civilians to barracks throughout troubled Levant today and British warships steamed into Beyrouth harbor in a show of strength.

A Damascus dispatch said British troops, ready for action at the slightest provocation, took over all French-held points in Levant and surrounded French barracks to insure the troops would remain inside.

"Frenchmen throughout the country will be confined to barracks until some decision has been taken in London," the dispatch said. It did not make clear whether the "Frenchmen" included civilians as well as troops.

Other developments in the Levant situation included: 1. Vice Admiral William G. Tennant, British commander in the Levant and eastern Mediterranean, steamed into Beyrouth harbor with a number of British warships.

Russia Heard From 2. Russia backed up British and American demands for immediate and peaceful settlement of the French Levant dispute.

3. Premier Abdel Hamid Karameh of Lebanon and President Becharasi Khoury of Syria said no arrangement was possible with France and called for the immediate withdrawal of all Frenchmen.

4. A Beyrouth dispatch said Kuwaty had asked G. Sir Berhard C. T. Paget, British and allied commander in the middle east, to list Gen. Oliva Roget, French general who ordered the shelling of Damascus, as a war criminal to be tried by an international court.

5. British troops halted a new outbreak of violence, including looting and arson, in Damascus on their arrival yesterday and no new incidents were reported there or elsewhere in Levant last night.

6. More than 10,000 Lebanese marched through Beyrouth today and received assurances from President Kuwaty that he would never "sign any treaty under duress or give up one millimeter of our rights."

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Bend Boy Aboard Fighting Vessel

Aboard the Destroyer Dorch in the Western Pacific — Lyle O. Bowman, fire controlman, first class, USN, son of Oliver L. Bowman 1036 Harmon blvd., Bend Ore., is serving aboard this gallant destroyer which has been in every major battle of the Pacific since the Marshall Islands invasion, and which took part in the first and second carrier strikes at Tokyo.

Her guns have knocked down five Jap pilots and her crewmen have rescued 27 downed American airmen. It other destroyers in her squadron, she has accounted for 45 Jap fighters and bombers, a destroyer, a merchant ship and six picket boats. In addition, they picked up 29 Jap airmen and seamen.

After the Marshalls campaign, the Dorch participated in attacks on Truk, Saipan, Tinian and the landing on Guam. She was in two battles in the Philippine sea. She bombarded Iwo Jima during landings there.

90,000 WORKERS AFFECTED Detroit, June 2 (UP)—Factory employment layoffs since Jan. 1 totaled 90,000 workers in the Detroit metropolitan area, the board of commerce said today.

Resistance on Okinawa Breaking Jap Suicide Bases Under Attack

Pictures Show Heart of Osaka Is Burned Out

Many Fires Started By Airmen in Blows Aimed At Big War Industries

Guam, June 2 (UP)—Tokyo said 200 American carrier planes bombed and strafed Japanese suicide-plane bases on southern Kyushu for two hours today.

The formation of Grumman and Vought-Sikorsky bombers hit targets in Kagoshima, Miyazaki and Kumamoto prefectures on Kyushu, southernmost of the Japanese home islands, from 8 to 10 a.m., a Tokyo broadcast said.

Some planes also strafed trains, the broadcast said. It said damage to Japanese installations was slight.

Reconnaissance photographs and reports from participating airmen indicated that Superfortresses burned out the heart of Osaka, Japan's biggest war production center, in yesterday's 3,200-ton fire raid.

Smoke Covers Area Dense smoke that swirled as high as six miles still covered a major portion of the target area. But photographs taken while fire bombs still were falling showed waterfront and dock areas wrapped in flames.

St. Leon Goldfarb, a veteran of 26 missions, said he had never seen so many fires in a single raid.

"The heart of Osaka seemed to be burning out," he said. "Our bombardier had a difficult time in finding a place to drop his bombs because the city was so covered with smoke and fires."

Capt. George Bertagoli of Phoenix, Ariz., said he didn't think the Japanese could stand many more raids on the scale of the Osaka one.

"I think we did a helluva good job," he said.

Results Are Good A Washington communique reported "excellent results." Ten of the 450 participating Superfortresses were lost, the communique said, most of them to anti-aircraft fire.

1st Lt. James M. Pearson of Manchester, Tenn., said Japanese fighters tried a new weapon against the B-29s—eight or nine feet of chain attached to two cylinders about the size of paint buckets, presumably filled with explosives.

The Japanese pilot dropped the missile from a height of 700 feet above the B-29, but missed it by several hundred feet, Pearson said.

State Apportions Money To Assist County Fairs

It has been announced from Salem that the state department has apportioned \$52,436 to counties for use for fairs this year. Amounts apportioned include: Deschutes county, \$732; Crook county, \$344; Jefferson county, \$281.

\$3,000 In Bad Checks Issued Here By Woman

Bend police and state officers throughout Oregon today were seeking a nattily dressed brunette, who in five days in this city issued approximately \$3,000 in spurious checks, obtained an expensive automobile, a fur coat and other articles of wearing apparel. And in addition to that, left several merchants and realtors who had otherwise been in high spirits, in a state of keen disappointment.

As state police here obtained a warrant for the arrest of Carol June Adams, alias Ruth June Warren, described variously as between 40 and 50 years of age, word came from Portland that she left a wave of bad paper and disillusionment there after departing from Bend.

According to state police, Mrs. Adams, alias Warren arrived in Bend on May 17. She left May 22.

Seeking to establish "undisputed credit" in a hurry, the woman first went to a local realty office and dickered for two homes—"one for myself and the other for my son." The "Lucky Raffles" represented herself as being from New York, and displayed a check book on the Corn Exchange Bank and Trust Company of that city. But the bank soon sent back word that the sizeable checks were worthless because she had no account there.

Implying introduction from the enthusiastic realtor, Mrs. Adams, alias Warren, went to a leading furniture store for "fixtures and furniture for my new home." She gave a \$580 check there on an \$800 purchase, and asked the dealer to hold the check pending the transfer of "my New York account" to a Bend bank.

Although she had already negotiated for two homes from the realty agent, the woman then went to a Georgia avenue address and "bought" that home, leaving two checks, one for \$1,000 and another for \$200. Again she asked that the checks be held until her "funds" came from the east.

But the real victim of the woman's activities was a local garage, which holds a bad check for \$966, and is minus a 1939 convertible Chrysler coupe. Incidentally, state officers in notifying other police of the possession of a warrant for obtaining property under false pretenses, mentioned that the car (Continued on Page 8)

Adair To House Pacific Troops

Camp Adair, Ore., June 2 (UP)—Camp Adair officials are anticipating housing a number of troops, awaiting redeployment to the Pacific theater of war, according to Capt. Douglas McKay, camp public relations officer.

The complete program, and the number of men expected, have not been made public, although extensive construction and repairs have been made at the camp.

An increase in the staff of the camp, both military and civilian, is planned to accommodate additional troops, McKay said. Three hundred men will be needed shortly, and about 300 more will be sought for the naval air station and hospital here.

Punishment Asked

The Pope called for the punishment of Nazi war criminals and said the "sudden, tragic end" of Adolf Hitler had ended the persecution of the Catholic church by nazism.

"If the German rulers had in mind the destruction of the Catholic church," he said, "Providence decided otherwise."

"We trust the German people will be able to rise again to a new dignity of life after renouncing the satanical shadow of national socialism and after those guilty will have paid for the crimes committed."

He deplored the killing of priests and mass executions of civilians without trial. Reports received from Slovenia and Croatia were "very sad," he said.

Bend Sailor Has Part in Landings

Nelson Hakanson, seaman first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Hakanson, Bend, is a member of a U. S. warship crew cited for action in the Okinawa landings, according to information from the navy department.

The citation reads that from April 26 to April 30, the Bend sailor participated in landing operations at Okinawa and that "during this period his boat underwent severe enemy suicide plane attacks, marking the birthday of the Mikado."

Nelson recently reached a Pacific port, but did not get a leave. A graduate from the Bend high school with the class of 1944, he enlisted last June.

7th Division Within Sight Of Isle Beach

Officials Hint Battle Nearing Mop-Up Stage; Patrol Crosses Stream

Guam, June 2 (UP)—The seventh division fought through diminishing Japanese resistance to within sight of the southern beaches of Okinawa today in a drive to split the decimated enemy garrison of 20,000.

Two other American divisions also hammered deep wedges into the enemy's last defenses on Okinawa. Vanguarders were within six miles of the southern tip of the island.

The collapse of all organized Japanese resistance appeared at hand. Dispatches predicted the campaign, now in its 63rd day, might reach the mopping-up stage within two weeks.

Heights Captured

Veteran Pacific infantrymen of the seventh division captured heights overlooking the south coast in advances of 400 to 1,000 yards across the southern Ozato Mura hills.

The Japanese put up their stubbornest resistance of the whole front in the hills just inland from the east coast, but fell back under the seventh's overwhelming pressure.

Some 5,000 yards to the south the Americans could see the Pacific ocean lapping the beaches. Vanguarders were 4,500 yards south of the east coast port of Yonabaru.

At the opposite end of the front, marines of the sixth division seized control of 1,000 yards of the north bank of the Kokuba river southeast of Naha.

Patrols Cross River

Patrols crossed the river and rolled on to the south while main elements of the division battled stiff enemy resistance around Kokuba village, one mile southwest of Naha.

The first marine division, holding down the sixth's flank, captured the Schichina hill masses overlooking the Naha-Yonabaru highway after a 2,000-yard advance.

Other elements of the first marine division joined the 77th and 96th army divisions in mopping up the last enemy remnants in and around Shuri, former center and anchor of the Japanese line.

Shuri Captured

The capture of Shuri has been completed, a Pacific fleet communique reported.

The Japanese attempted several small-scale raids on American forces on and off the coast of Okinawa Thursday. Three enemy planes were shot down.

(A Japanese Domei dispatch claimed that 566 allied ships had been sunk or damaged, mostly by Japanese suicide units, in the Okinawa area since March 23.)

Disorderly Count Brings \$500 Fine

Thomas Spear Beasley, tried yesterday in justice court on charges of disorderly conduct and intoxication, is held at the county jail in lieu of payment of \$500 fine and \$4.50 costs. Sheriff Claude L. McCauley revealed today. Beasley pleaded guilty to the charges.

The arrest was on the complaint of Pete Boggs, about 35, who was taken to the St. Charles hospital for treatment. About 10 p.m. Sunday, May 27, Beasley allegedly struck Boggs, near the corner of Bond street and Minnesota, inflicting injuries which included a broken nose. Boggs was released yesterday from the hospital.

5 Pound Cut Due In Canning Sugar

San Francisco, June 2 (UP)—The OPA regional office for six western states today issued an order limiting issuance of home canning sugar to 10 pounds per person, effective immediately.

The order, making a five pound cut per person, was designed to prevent the possibility of complete suspension of home canning rations, Regional Administrator Charles R. Baird said. The order applies in California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and northern Idaho.

Pilot Kills Self

Oakland, Cal., June 2 (UP)—A few hours after he told his wife he "felt like killing someone," Ian Walker, 24, Royal Canadian air force pilot home on leave, shot and killed himself in the closet of his apartment, police reported today.