

Bloody Struggle For Okinawa Is Just About Over

By Frank Tremaine (United Press War Correspondent)

Pearl Harbor, June 6 (AP)—The bloody battle of Okinawa was virtually over today, and Japan's invasion jitters were getting worse.

With the fighting in Okinawa in the mopping-up stage, a "victory" announcement from Admiral Chester W. Nimitz was expected any time now. He significantly omitted any mention of land fighting from his regular communique.

Japanese newspapers conceded the "isolation" of Okinawa, and warned the invasion of the Nipponese homeland itself was "rapidly approaching."

Other developments in the Pacific fighting included:

China—Chinese troops recaptured Luchow, former U. S. 14th air force base in central Kwangsi province. Luchow was lost to the Japanese last November.

Gain Six Miles

Philippines—The American 37th division gained six miles in its drive up Cagayan valley in pursuit of the remaining 20,000 to 30,000 Japanese in northern Luzon. Enemy opposition was very light.

Pacific Fleet—Carrier-based planes of the Pacific fleet sank seven Japanese ships and damaged at least six more in attacks ranging from the northern Kuriles to the southern Ryukyus.

Any detailed reports on the climactic fighting on Okinawa were lacking at the moment. However, the sixth marine division was believed to have completed the capture of Naha airfield, best on the island and last held by the Japanese.

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Salerno Veteran Is Bend Visitor

Experiences of a Bend sailor, Fredrick Baer, RM 1/c, while serving in the Mediterranean theater of war, were not confined to water, although he once spent seven hours in the water when his destroyer was torpedoed. It was learned here today. When not in action in the broad Mediterranean and its various seas and bays, Fred was serving on land, with rangers of the United States army.

Fred was a member of a navy unit attached to the rangers, and with the Rangers he saw action at both Anzio and Salerno, two of the "hot spots" in the Mediterranean area. Most soldiers appear to believe that the Anzio beachhead battle was the hardest for the Americans, but as a sailor fighting with the rangers, Fred will cast his vote for Salerno.

Covered Wide Area

Fred wears four campaign ribbons, with a fifth coming up. His action extended from North Africa to Sicily, Italy and France, and he was also in the Grecian area of war. His headquarters were at Palermo.

Fred is home on a 30 day leave, visiting his folks, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Baer, 1655 Awbury road. Before returning home, he visited the middle west, and did some fishing in the northern Minnesota country.

At the end of his leave, Fred will report to a Pacific port. He has been in the navy four years.

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Hoover said the president had taken a "wise step" in appointing Rep. Clinton P. Anderson, D., N. M., as secretary of agriculture. He commended Mr. Truman for his plan to consolidate the war food administration with the department of agriculture.

"But the most hopeful part is that we have a new regime tackling the problem," Hoover told a press conference. "Everybody wants the president to succeed."

Not To Take Post

Hoover denied rumors that he would accept a government post in connection with post-war food relief. In answer to a question, he said:

"Bear in mind that I am soon going to be 71 years old. I was 47 when I had the food job in the last war. My position in the world is that of an adviser."

The former president said he had just left Washington, where he had engaged in a discussion of our domestic food situation and the relief of the liberated countries of Europe.

Hoover said the principal battle was "local famines over the country due to maldistribution and black markets."

Trouble Explained

Hoover added:

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"You can control prices but control is far different from freezing prices. You can control water going into the city mains, but if you freeze the water, you will get nothing. That is one cause of the trouble."

Continuing his praise of Truman, the former president said his administration had taken action that "should have been adopted four years ago" in planning a sugar control system similar to the "sugar equalization" program established in world war I.

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Total interest, dividends and real estate income... \$4,907.27
Income from other sources... \$16.40
Total income... \$123,186.52

DISBURSEMENTS
Net amount paid policyholders for losses... \$128,247.97
Loss adjustment expenses... \$15,263.27
Agents commissions or brokerage... \$3,044.13
Salaries and fees—officers, directors, home office employees... \$15,259.99
Taxes, licenses and fees... \$2,099.70
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