

MAC'S CONQUEST OF NEW GUINEA NOW ACTUAL FACT

Brilliant Strategy Crushes
Japs—Ready To Strike
Philippines

Allied Headquarters, South-west Pacific, Aug. 28—(U.P.)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur's forces have achieved the practical reconquest of New Guinea, the second largest island in the world, with casualties little more than one-tenth of those inflicted on the Japanese who once were called the world's best jungle fighters.

This means that MacArthur's brilliant strategy has brought his forces to the point where they are poised to strike at the Philippines with fewer American losses than in any campaign of the war.

It means that three Japanese armies totalling some 300,000 men have been smashed with at least half their number killed for a loss of Americans and Australians far less than one-tenth of that figure.

It means a land area more than six times as great as the United Kingdom has been reclaimed from the Japanese. American air and sea domination has been brought to within 1,500 miles of the Japanese homeland.

In the opinion of informed observers at MacArthur's headquarters, the results attained are more important in future possibilities than in what already has been accomplished, impressive as that has been.

These men foresee the possibility that a further extension of MacArthur's strategy may achieve a similar result on a

scale perhaps five times as great—the reduction to military impotence of hundreds of thousands of Japanese in the Dutch East Indies and the Philippines with American losses proportionately as light as those of New Guinea.

FANCY HEREFORD OF NION TUCKER RESTS UNIQUELY

When Peerless Domino 32, alias Brownie, feels a little weary or in a contemplative mood, he sits down. Now, if Brownie happened to be a Spaniel, such a thing would be quite in order, but Brownie is a four-year-old Hereford bull weighing a few hundred pounds. Visitors coming unexpectedly upon Brownie are apt to break out laughing or else wonder if maybe they hadn't better take to wearing glasses, or something.

Brownie is one of several Domino strain Herefords of Nion Tucker's Flounce Rock ranch herd. Workers at the Tucker ranch, situated between Trail and Prospect, declare that Brownie never lies down, like ordinary bulls, but always sits, much as a dog would. He is quite tame and can be petted.

A "sitting" bull is a rare creature, but must have been known in times past as is evidenced by the historically famous plains Sioux Indian medicine man, Sitting Bull, of which every American has read and heard.

Mr. Tucker, part-owner of the San Francisco Chronicle, left for California this morning after spending a few days at the ranch lodge, Rogue's Roost.



Olive
Barber's
Observations

Mail-bag: Of course I like a letter telling something so interesting I see at a glance there's column material in it. But the part of me which isn't columnist enjoys as much as the funniest or the most thrilling story, such letters as deal in the inconsequentialities of everyday living. Like the letter I just now read which the writer had had to interrupt because, "a neighbor came in with some new crochet patterns." Oh I know what little chance a columnist would have in competition with a neighbor with crochet patterns in hand! And that's the way it should be, which is why such a letter touches a special place in my heart.

And then one letter of so intimate a nature, I cannot quote from it; a tender loving lecture it was and though it was from a woman I've never seen, she seemed very near to me and her gentle admonitions closed with "May the Lord guide you into all truth," and was signed, "A loving Friend and Sister."

A young wife writes me she has been canning cherries and, ambition begetting, still more ambition as it does with all women, she then baked bread, though the day was one of the hottest we've had. I know how that goes, for on wash day, invariably I bake pies, give the lamps an extra cleaning and sure as I get to the overalls, I think of a good column idea. (I never washed today, so 'scuse please!)

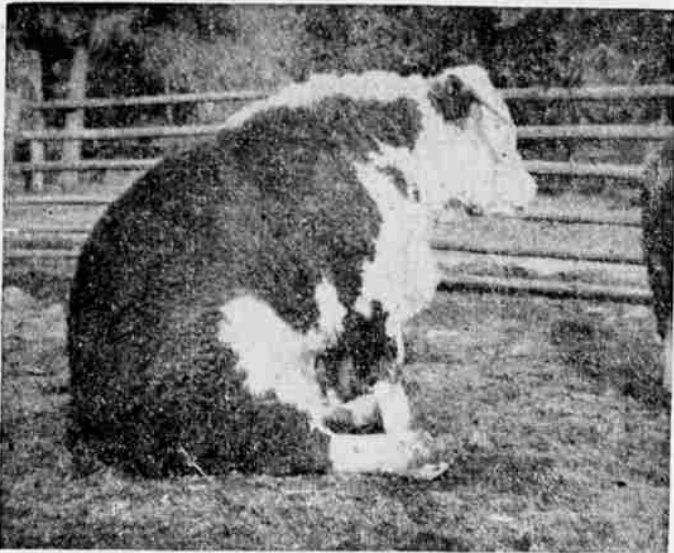
And then another letter from a woman telling me she and her husband had just joined the church; joined it together. She said, "It was such a sacred moment, it was like getting married again." And surely it would be, for where both husband and wife become practising Christians, then indeed are they truly united. When they jointly say, "I know in Whom I have believed," their feet are set on the one and only path which can keep them one to the end of the way. There must be many couples who have this all important decision together; I wish they were more frequently told about it. It would help, learning of them, to offset the depressed feeling one gets on hearing of the steady grind of the divorce courts.

So goes the mail and it doesn't have to tell some breath taking incident to be mighty well worth the reading.

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Sitting Bull On Haunches



Here, taking life easy at Nion Tucker's Flounce Rock Ranch between Trail and Prospect, is Peerless Domino 32, otherwise known as Brownie and a real "sitting" bull. Just to prove his stories, Paul Force, herdsman on the ranch, took this picture of Brownie who never lies down, like ordinary bulls, but just sits.

TRUMAN TO OPEN NEW DEAL DRIVE IN 22 MIN. TALK

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 28.—(U.P.)—U. S. Sen. Harry S. Truman, who "kicks off" the Democratic party's campaign for a fourth term when he receives notification Thursday night at Lamar, Mo., of his nomination for vice president, said he'd "stick to facts with plenty of reasons why the Democrats should be reelected" in his speech.

The Missouri senator said he hoped to have the 22-minute address completed by Tuesday morning. He has been working on it the last two or three days.

As for the contents of the speech, to be broadcast by the four networks, Truman said: "I always try to stick just to facts and that's what I'm doing this time."

Truman said he would go to Joplin, Mo., 37 miles south of Lamar, Wednesday night and would be host to a group of senators at a breakfast Thursday morning. He said he would go to Lamar about 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Informed that Lamar citizens were upset because they thought Joplin was trying "to steal our show," Truman said he was sure that the show was Lamar's and would continue to be.

"Lamar is a fine town and its citizens will be satisfied," he said.

The senator was born in Lamar. His family moved away when he was a child. The house in which he lived, four blocks east of the square, will be open to the public Thursday.

JOKE ON A CORPORAL
Chicago, Aug. 28.—(U.P.)—Cpl. William R. Lay, of the U. S. Engineers, will have some explaining to do when he gets home from France. A photo of Lay being ardently kissed by a grateful mademoiselle was carried on the front page of a Chicago newspaper yesterday and friends immediately began bombarding his wife with telephone calls.

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Telling Time By The Big Dipper

By J. Hugh Pruett
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Estimating the approximate hour of night by the starry time-piece is possible for the one who is familiar with the face of this clock and the direction of movement of its single hand. The end of the hand is none other than the pointers of the Big Dipper, those two stars on the outer side of the bowl which direct us to the North Star, Polaris.

Because the pole of the earth points to a place among the inconceivably faraway stars which seem to be very near Polaris, we use this as our north star. To the unaided eye it appears to have practically no motion, while all the other prominent stars in the northern sky seem daily to encircle it. If we draw an imaginary line out from Polaris through the pointers of the Big Dipper, we have a moving hour hand of three stars by which time to the nearest hour may be determined by one who knows the peculiarities of this celestial clock.

This hour hand turns in a direction opposite that common to

artificial timepieces, or counter-clockwise. It happens that at midnight, war-time, on the day spring begins, March 21, the pointers are almost overhead and straight above the North Star in the 12 o'clock position. This coincidence will be spoiled when we again return to civil time.

Since this star-befjeweled hand makes a complete circuit in 24 hours, we shall have to figure accordingly. Six hours after midnight of March 21, the hand will be pointing due west from Polaris. One can estimate the time fairly easily to the nearest hour throughout the interval between midnight and 6 a. m. At noon it will point straight down to the north point of the horizon.

Everything would be simple did the earth not revolve around the sun. This action brings all stars to any certain position almost four minutes earlier each succeeding night, or one hour earlier each half-month. We must revise the face of our clock frequently. On April 21, the straight-up position of this hand indicates 10 p. m. instead of midnight, and on May 21, 8 p. m.

LT. RAYMOND ROSS DISCOVERS 'CHOKA' JUNGLE DELICACY

With the Americal Infantry Division. Somewhere in the Southwest Pacific, Aug. 28.—(U.P.) A new "jungle delicacy" that is gaining much favor with men of the Americal, especially those who go on patrols in search of the elusive Nips, is the choka, native vegetable, that is described as something between a cucumber and a summer squash.

First Lieut. Raymond Ross of Medford, Ore., and one of the Americal's ace patrol leaders, is credited with "discovering" the new dish. The choka vine gets its name from the fact that it spreads to the highest banyan tree or covers large areas of the jungle, choking everything it envelops.

The natives of this Southwest

Pacific Island had called Lt. Ross' attention to the choka. It resembles a large cucumber and Lt. Ross isn't certain whether it is fruit or vegetable. However, it was left for the lieutenant to concoct a recipe for preparing them which he passes on to civilians who might be visiting this desert island in later years when the war is over.

First boil the chokas in salt water until a knife or fork can be inserted and withdrawn easily. Pour off water, remove chokas, slice in half and remove seed. Then place generous chunks of butter in the center and allow to melt. Add salt and pepper to taste. In the jungle, Lt. Ross explained, it is permissible to allow butter to run down the chin and to smack the lips noisily.

"It tastes something like a summer squash and is delicious—if you like summer squash," he explained.

Two Chokas will make a full meal for one good Scotchman.

The aircraft manufacturing industry is today more than five times as large as the automobile industry was in its year of greatest peacetime production.

UNEMPLOYMENT WILL HIT FEDERAL EMPLOYEES FIRST

Sen. George Urges Social
Security For Group—De-
bate Stated

Washington, Aug. 28.—(U.P.)—Sen. Walter F. George, D. Ga., renewed his fight to bring federal workers under social security today with a prediction that 40 per cent of all persons on the federal payroll will be thrown out of work when the war in Europe ends.

He made his new appeal as the house prepared to begin debate tomorrow on the entire question of unemployment compensation for war workers, with prospects of a bitter floor fight between administration Democrats and Republicans over the extent of such aid.

Debate will center around George's senate-approved bill which the house ways and means committee amended to remove sections for extending social security to federal workers, providing up to \$200 to return war workers to their home areas and authorizing retraining of war workers at government expense.

Declaring that the government "won't remain a big employer" when the war enters its concluding stages, George said that 3,500,000 federal employees would be one of the first large groups to feel the axe of unemployment. He said the deleted provisions of his bill should be reinstated in the house or when the measure goes to conference between the house and senate.

ORDER PAY BONUS
Washington, Aug. 28.—(U.P.)—The War Labor Board today directed the payment of four, six and eight cents per hour premiums to 20,000 non-ferrous metals workers in seven western states but only if approved by Economic Stabilizer Fred M. Vinson.

Monday, August 28, 1944 MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

DEWEY WITHHOLDS SPECIFIC IDEAS ON PEACE PLANS

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 28.—(U.P.)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, in a move to keep post-war peace plans out of politics, has withheld specific and detailed ideas for preventing future wars, it was reported today.

The Republican presidential nominee, it was said, wants first to bring about a non-partisan agreement on general objectives before starting discussions of definite plans. Such a procedure, his advisers said, would prevent controversy from clouding general objectives.

When Dewey outlined his international policies two weeks ago, he spoke in general terms although it was said he had more specific proposals in back of the statement. He spoke of policing Germany and Japan and internationalization of the Ruhr as a step toward maintaining world peace.

According to sources close to Dewey, the GOP standard-bearer may go deeper into the international peace plans early in the campaign. But his strategy is to keep the main peace objectives out of politics and confine debate to specific plans.

MADAME SHEK ILL
Washington, Aug. 28.—(U.P.)—Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, wife of the Chinese generalissimo, is seriously ill and will come to the United States in a few weeks for urgently needed medical treatment, her brother-in-law, Chinese Finance Minister Dr. H. H. Kung, disclosed today.

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The captain said he had to know what was up at the head of that gully. So the sergeant took a couple of volunteers and crawled up there. They knocked the whey out of two machine guns and killed eight Germans. Then they crawled back with the information.

This actual happening shows what's winning this war—American willingness to do the necessary job and do it plus. If the captain asked you to reconnoiter a bullet-buzzing gully, you'd try.

On the home front, you can do an important job, too. You can put in some good licks for your War Chest.

For their War Chest campaigns, many western communities are now organizing. Today, these War Chests seem to be doing things for everybody—from the unfortunates of war-stricken countries to, possibly, that sergeant's kid brother. Their drives mustn't fail.

You've heard lots about manpower shortages. Well, the War Chests really have one. Only think of how many people in your community have moved, and you'll realize the fix most War Chest organizations are in. The captain now fighting used to do his part as a volunteer worker. This year someone must do it for him—and for thousands like him.

Since the Japanese have been shoved back on their own doormats, perhaps you've been relieved of your civilian war duties. That gives you an opportunity to do something more. Give your local War Chest a hand! Call the Chest today, and volunteer to work your street, your block, your office, your plant, or anything else you can do. If you don't know how to get in touch with the Chest, call us. We know!

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