

Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with scattered showers tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature. Temp. Highest Yesterday 41. Lowest this Morning 39. Free To 5 a. m., today 52.

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JAPS RETREAT ON 3 MAIN FRONTS

ENEMY MOVES TO SOUTH FROM KEY OKINAWA BASTION

Shorten Lines Under Murd-erous Fire—Yank Control Island—Escape Blocked.

Pearl Harbor, May 28 — (U.P.)—The Japanese were retreating on all three main fronts in the Pacific war today.

On Okinawa, they appeared about to abandon Shuri, key-stone of their already ruptured southern defense line, for a new stand at least a mile and a half to the south.

In China, they pulled out of the inland Treaty Port of Nan-ning. Recapture of the port by Chinese troops cut the Japanese continental corridor into Indo-China.

In the Philippines, their scattered remnants continued to give ground on Mindanao and Luzon Islands. Gen. Douglas MacArthur estimated Japanese dead, wounded and missing for the Philip-pines' campaign at 378,427.

Still other Allied blows rocked the Japanese in their homeland and at sea.

Guam, Tuesday, May 29 — (U.P.)—Japanese troops have been sighted moving southward from Shuri in what may prove to be the beginning of a general with-drawal of enemy forces from the main bastion of their Okinawa defense line, it was disclosed to-day.

American naval gunfire broke up two or more columns of about 1500 troops each, when they pulled out of the besieged Shuri fortifications. Front dispatches said it appeared additional Jap-aneese have abandoned the city.

Virtually every escape route from Shuri has been cut off, Un-ited Press War Correspondent Ed-ward Thomas reported. The Seventh Division, through a series of adroit maneuvers, gained strategic control of practically all high ground paralleling the Kona river valley.

"For all practical purposes," Thomas said, "the part of Okinawa we came thousands of miles to get is already ours, al-though the slow battle of attri-tion on the southern tip against rain, mud and Japanese probably will go on for several weeks before the last vestige of organized resistance is broken."

Guns of U. S. Battleships and Cruisers were prepared to lay down a barrage against enemy units pulling out of Shuri for a stand south of the city.

An American column, slashing down the east coast against meager resistance, outflanked a po-tential new Japanese defense line in hilly terrain south of the Kokuba river valley.

VOTE MORE COIN FOR FOOD PROBE

Washington, May 28 — (U.P.)—The House voted an additional \$15,000 to its Food Investigating committee today after an im-promptu debate over the success of the administration's food pro-gram. The committee is headed by Rep. Clinton Anderson, D., N. M., who has been chosen to be secretary of agriculture.

In the House discussion, Rep. John L. Rankin, D., Miss., start-ed off by congratulating Pres-ident Truman for inviting former President Hoover to talk over food problems and by condemn-ing the Office of Price adminis-tration. Mr. Truman's invitation to Hoover, he said, was particu-larly timely "today when the OPA is making such a miserable mess out of things."

Plainfield, N. H., May 28 — (U.P.)—Mrs. Winston Churchill, 71 wife of the American novelist, died at her home Saturday after a long illness.

NO PAPER WEDNESDAY Following a long-established custom the Mail Tribune will not publish on Wednesday. Memorial day in order to per-mit employees to have a well-earned holiday.

Eisenhower and Senators



Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, flanked by Sen. A. W. Hawkes (R., N. J.), right, and Sen. Ernest W. McFarland (D., Ariz.), eats from mess kit in enlisted men's section at English camp which processes Yanks who were prisoners of war in Germany.

ARMY WILL TAKE CHARGE TEXTILE PLANTS IN SOUTH

President Orders Move — OPA Takes Over Chicago Packing Plant.

Washington, May 28 — (U.P.)—President Truman today directed the army to take over the textile plants of the Gaffney Manufacturing Co., Gaffney, S. C., because of a labor dispute which has interrupted plant operations.

The president gave the authority of seizure to the secretary of war in an executive order directing him to take over and operate the plants until productive efficiency prevailing prior to the order has been restored.

Chicago, May 28 — (U.P.)—The Chicago office of price adminis-tration ordered one of the city's largest packing houses to stop dealing in meat for the duration of rationing.

In one of the biggest victories over black market operations and ceiling price violations, the agency ordered the Marhoefer Packing Co. to stop selling or dealing in ration meats for the duration of rationing, either di-rectly or through persons under its supervision.

John H. Marhoefer, head of the firm, admitted that his com-pany had violated rationing reg-ulations from June through October, 1943. He said the com-pany had failed to collect points from customers and employes for the sale of meat and saus-ages.

As the result of the order, the official said he would sell the packing house, one of the largest in the middle west, to a "well known company." He said the purchaser's name would be an-nounced next week.

CAN WEAR KHAKI IN IRELAND NOW

London, May 28 — (U.P.)—It won't be against the law for an American soldier to wear his uniform in the Irish Free State after Wednesday.

It was announced here that the Eire government has mod-ified its regulations prohibiting foreign uniforms in the streets of the Free State by excluding Americans from the ban. The action will enable Yanks who want to visit relatives in Eire during their stay in the British Isles to do so.

LOCAL STORES WILL CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY All Medford stores will be closed Wednesday, Decoration Day, according to an announce-ment by Noble Vincent, chair-man of the Medford Retailers' association.

BOSC PROMOTION POLL PLANNED BY VALLEY GROWERS

Plan Nickel Box Fee to De-velop Market — Commit-tee Named.

Rogue River Valley fruitgrow-ers have started work on a plan for promotion of the post-war Bosc pear market if a poll being conducted by the Traffic associa-tion and the directors of the Fruit Growers league is approved by Bosc pear growers. The orchardists are asked to contrib-ute five cents per box to be used by a special committee for market development and market-ing of Medford Bosc pears under a committee appointed jointly by the presidents of the Fruit Growers league and the Traffic association. The members are: Geo. B. Dean, S. M. Tuttle, Harry Holmes, A. S. V. Carpenter, M. S. Spatz, Earl T. Newbry, H. B. Murphy, Martin Luther and R. R. Reter.

That the Bosc variety has failed to gain and hold the popu-larity that this fine long necked russet winter pear deserves, is evidenced by the fact that this variety has returned only very mediocre returns to valley men despite a strong demand for other fruit. During the period of anticipated falling prices these returns could easily fall under the continuing high cost of production resulting in loss to the Bosc pear owners.

Since Medford produced more Bosc than all the rest of the United States combined, it is up to this district to put the popu-larity of this variety up with the best of the other pears where it belongs. Unfortunately pressure of war-time shortages has interfered with getting this fruit to market in prime condition. This has built up a prejudice that is un-deserved but which the Bosc com-mittee must overcome.

It is the work of this com-mittee to see that Bosc pears ar-rive in best condition to the consumer. Therefore the growers are also being asked to delegate authority to the committee to set dates for the opening and closing of the Bosc marketing season.

This program is to be carried on in addition to the regular ac-tivities of the Winter Pear bureau that the growers are now sup-porting. It is planned, however, that the two agencies will work in cooperation on the program.

According to A. S. V. Car-penter, president of the Fruit Growers league, the growers will be kept informed as closely as possible with developments of the committee.

It is felt that the endorsement of this Bosc pear marketing pro-gram is of real value to the Rogue River Valley as well as the individual growers as the success of this widely produced variety is closely tied to the general prosperity of nearly all the people in the community.

YANK SUBS SINK MANY JAP SHIPS

Guam, May 28 — (U.P.)—Amer-ican submarines have sunk 4,500,000 tons of shipping on the ocean that is "anything but a Pacific one for the Japanese Navy and the Japanese merchant fleet."

"You have met the enemy, and he is yours," Admiral Ches-ter W. Nimitz said yesterday to 14 submarine men whom he de-corated after revealing the latest figures on enemy losses.

Nimitz said that from Dec. 7, 1941, to May 5, 1944, American submarines have sunk 126 Jap-aneese warships, including four carriers, 17 cruisers, and 53 de-structors. All told, submarines have accounted for 1,119 enemy ships of all kinds.

PLANES HIT, 3 DEAD Fort Lauderdale, Fla., May 28 — (U.P.)—Three officers were killed and a fourth parachuted to safety when two navy planes collided near Pompano Satur-day, it was announced today.

AMERICA OKAYS WORLD SECURITY; WAIT ON OTHERS

Big Five Interpretation of Yalta Formula Awaits More Approval.

San Francisco, May 28 — (U.P.)—Publication of the Big Five's interpretation of the Yalta for-mula for the New World Organi-zation will be delayed until Lon-don, Moscow, Chungking and Paris have approved it, it was re-vealed today.

The delay appeared to make highly impossible earlier hopes that the United Nations confer-ence would be able to adjourn on June 6—the anniversary of the Allied landings on the Normandy beaches of France.

The Big Five Committee of technical experts reached full agreement on a final draft over the weekend—a draft which has been the unanimous approval of the U. S. delegation. It has been cabled to the home governments of the big powers and publica-tion awaits replies.

Decision to get final approval from the home governments will also delay conference progress on that and several related issues. The committee considering the voting formula cannot proceed until the Big Five answer to the 22 questions of the little nations has been received.

There also was prospect of even further delay on this issue. The big power delegates are dis-cussing the possibility of includ-ing in the charter language which will define procedural matters — questions on which only a simple majority vote are needed. This is only in the dis-cussion stage but there is strong argument for doing it here to avoid future arguments on this point.

Reference of the Big Five in-terpretation of the Yalta formula to the home capitals prevented the calling of the heads of those delegations today for their final approval of it.

KRUG STATEMENT PEPS STOCK MART

New York, May 28 — (U.P.)—The stock market rose to new highs since 1937 today with vol-ume increasing on the advance.

The favorable statement by J. A. Krug, head of the war pro-duction board, that employment will remain high during the transition period and that gov-ernment controls will be relaxed aided the rise.

Confirmation of the rise in the rails by the industrial shares also was a factor. The industrial average reached a new high since Sept. 14, 1937; railroad, since May 24, 1937; utility, since April 16, 1937, and 65 stocks—the shares in the fore-going averages, since Aug. 18, 1937.

Movie Of Victory In West Due Soon

Washington, May 28 — (U.P.)—The War Department an-nounced today that a motion picture of the Allied campaign in western Europe from the planning of D-Day to Germany's unconditional surrender is now nearing completion for world-wide distribution.

The sequences are being cho-sen from millions of feet of film taken by American and British army cameramen. It is called "The True Glory" distributed by the U. S., and British govern-ments.

The picture is being produced overseas by an Anglo-American unit under the joint direction of Producer Carol Reed for Great Britain and Garson Kanin, Holly-wood director now a U. S. army captain. Announcement of the American premiere and distribu-tion plans will be made shortly.

Paris, May 28 — (U.P.)—A senate committee, investi-gating army communications in Europe, will leave tomorrow for Italy following a tour of Germany.

Finish of Hangman Himmler



The body of Nazi Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler, partly covered by a blanket, lies on the bare floor of a German villa where he committed suicide with poison. His body was later carted by truck into a woods, dumped into an unmarked grave.

TRUMAN CONFERS WITH HOOVER ON EUROPE'S RELIEF

Gov. Dewey and Alf Landon Invited to Call—No State-ment on Talks.

Washington, May 28 — (U.P.)—President Truman conferred for 45 minutes with former Republi-can President Herbert Hoover to-day, and it was announced that two former GOP presidential candidates, Alf M. Landon and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, also have been invited to the White House.

Mr. Hoover, returning to the White House for the first time since he turned it over to the late President Roosevelt on March 4, 1933, discussed with Mr. Truman the United Nations' gigantic problem of feeding the liberated peoples of Europe.

The White House said Landon and Dewey had been invited to call on the president, but no spe-cific topics for discussion were mentioned.

A White House announcement said today's conference "was a very pleasant meeting" and that "Mr. Hoover had some very con-structive ideas which the pres-ident was happy to receive."

White House Secretary Ross did not know whether the two men would confer again or whether Mr. Truman planned to offer Mr. Hoover a post in connection with food and European relief.

The former president, who won acclaim for his handling of food problems during and after World War I, came here on Mr. Truman's suggestion to discuss European food conditions. He favors immediate initiation of an emergency army program for seeing to it that some 100,000,000 persons in western Europe do not go hungry.

Mr. Hoover had nothing to say as he walked out of the White House through a throng of reporters and photographers. He told questioners that it is the prerogative of the president to make any statement about his conferences.

RAF BOMBS COST 1,000 NAZI DEAD

London, May 28 — (U.P.)—The air ministry announced tonight that a royal air force mission had investigated the sunken German battleship at Tromso Fjord in northern Norway.

Interviews with German crew men indicated that about 1,000 sailors were lost when the ship was sunk by the RAF's six-ton bombs. Details will not be known until divers examine the hull.

REVIEW DENIED Washington, May 28 — (U.P.)—The supreme court today refused to review the question of whether a Japanese-American detained in a relocation center is subject to army induction.

TOKYO AIRFIELDS HIT AGAIN TODAY BY YANK RAIDS

Seek Pictures of Saturday's Ruin—City Still Burns—Bay Mined.

Guam, May 28 — (U.P.)—Three B-29 superfortresses and 30 Mustang fighters bombed and strafed airfields near smouldering Tokyo for 40 minutes at mid-day today, Japanese broadcasts said.

If true, the planes also may have been attempting to get de-tailed photographs of the de-struction spread through the capital by 4,000 tons of fire bombs in last Saturday's B-29 raid.

Two other groups of B-29s to-day mined Hakata bay off north-ern Kyushu and Kanmon Strait, between Honshu and Kyushu, radio Tokyo said. Tokyo claimed that Japanese fighters shot down four of the big bombers and damaged eight others.

The enemy broadcasts also re-ported that the Japanese foreign ministry, Greater East Asia Min-istry and possibly 40 to 50 per cent of Tokyo's public utilities were destroyed in Saturday's disastrous air raid.

Tokyo newspapers were refer-ring to the smouldering city as a "new battlefield," the broad-casts said.

Radio Tokyo conceded that future American raids may be even more terrific.

"The enemy raids will in-crease in ferocity in the future," Tokyo said. "He, with his naked ambition, will certainly attempt to destroy and burn down every inch of the capital city."

Officers of the 21st bomber command said preliminary re-ports indicated the attack was ing "very successful," but were awaiting reconnaissance photo-graphs to determine the exact extent of destruction.

Fires still were burning in Tokyo yesterday, more than 36 hours after the raid, but heavy weather prevented fliers from taking reconnaissance photo-graphs.

Tokyo broadcasts earlier said most of Emperor Hirohito's pal-ace was destroyed and the re-mainder of the capital "laid waste" in the attack. The cen-tral business section was only a ruin, they said.

The Japanese cabinet held an extraordinary session yesterday to discuss emergency measures "against air raid disasters," Tokyo added.

NEW CABINET OF BRITISH STARTS

London, May 28 — (U.P.)—Prime Minister Churchill's new "care-taker" government was sworn in tonight by King George at Buck-ingham palace.

Churchill attended a session at which the new members of the cabinet were handed their seals of office. This afternoon he was host at No. 10 Downing street to both old and new mem-bers of the government.

Dionne Quints, 11, Observe Birthday

Callander, Ont., May 28 — (U.P.)—The Dionne quintuplets cele-brated their 11th birthday today at a family party.

Yvonne, Cecile, Marie, Emille and Annette got no advance hints of their birthday surprises, but a birthday cake was on the program and Papa Oliva Dionne said he hoped they wouldn't have to go to school.

BASEBALL

National New York 5 13 1 Pittsburgh 11 15 3 Mungo and Lombardi; Strincevich and Lopez.

American Chicago 3 15 2 Boston 6 11 1 Grove and Tresh; Cecil, Ryda, V. Johnson, Barrett and Gar-bark, Walters.

NO QUICK END OF JAP WAR SEEN BY GEN. VANDEGRIFT

New York, May 28 — (U.P.)—Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, commandant of the United States Marine Corps, warned today that quick end to the war against Japan is not in sight.

"Japan is ruled by its army and navy, and in all our battle experience with those forces to this moment, we have never found them ready to surrender when a situation became obviously hopeless," Vandegrift said. "They have fought on fanatically to the end."

The general, who led the cam-paigns on Guadalcanal and Bougainville before becoming com-mandant of the corps, spoke be-fore the annual membership meeting of the Brooklyn Cham-ber of Commerce.

"The biggest amphibious opera-tions of the war are yet to come," he said. "Whenever we undertake them, in whatever di-rection we go, we can expect the bitterest of opposition."

Japanese illusions about the greatness of their fleet and the paralyzing power of their fort-ified islands have been shattered, Vandegrift said, "but the Jap-aneese were, and are, hard to con-vince."

MORE MEN NEEDED IN TAX ROUND-UP

Washington, May 28 — (U.P.)—Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., announced to-day internal revenue bureau personnel will be increased by 10,000 to combat what he called "shocking violations" of the in-ternal revenue laws.

Last week Morgenthau said he was asking for an additional 5,000 men to work in the treas-ury's drive against war-rich in-come tax evaders. Today, how-ever, he said there was a need for even more men to run down tax violators.

Morgenthau said he will ask the house appropriations com-mittee this week for an addi-tional \$50,000,000 to finance the campaign against tax evaders.

ACCUSED NISEI ATTACK Fresno, Cal., May 28 — (U.P.)—Police today arrested Levi Mul-tanen, 33, of Parlier, on a mis-de-moanor charge growing out of the terrorist shooting when charges from a double-barreled shotgun tore through the home of Charles Iwasaki, a relocated Nisei.

Seventh War Loan Drive "E" Sales to Date \$238,515 Quota \$1,067,000 Total Sales to Date \$625,467 Quota \$2,087,000