

Yanks Seize 'Back Door' In Drive For Final Okinawa Kill

GUSHICAN CAPTURE OUTFLANKS FOE IN PLATEAU BASTION

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Guam, Saturday, June 9.—(U.P.)—American troops, closing in for the final kill on southern Okinawa, captured the town of Gushikan in a swift drive down the east coast that outflanked the Japanese garrison's mountain death-trap, front dispatches reported today.

Maj. Gen. Archibald V. Arnold's seventh division seized Gushikan, one of the four anchors of the Yaeju-Dake escarpment where an estimated 10,000 to 15,000 doomed Japanese were dug in for a final battle of annihilation.

Herded Toward Sea
Gushikan may prove to be a valuable "back door" to the plateau fortress, which now was besieged by four American divisions. Marines and doughboys moved relentlessly forward, herding the enemy slowly toward the sea under a furious assault with tanks, flame-throwers, rockets and artillery.

The Okinawa campaign was nearing its end, but American commanders acknowledged there would be tough fighting ahead before the island can be called secure.

Japanese, falling back slowly in two shrinking pockets, converted every hillock and cave of the plateau into a defense position.

Yanks advancing uphill were swept by enemy machine gun fire from hill-top emplacements.

96th Hits Tomui
U. S. patrols probed last-ditch enemy defenses. Advance units of Maj. Gen. James L. Bradley's 96th division slashed into the outskirts of Tomui, a second anchor town at the base of the plateau. Tomui is 2,000 yards—slightly more than a mile—northwest of Gushikan.

Marines and soldiers already had slain 66,234 of the original Japanese garrison of perhaps 80,000 men.

CARRIER PLANES STRIKE KANOYA

Guam, June 8.—(U.P.)—Two hundred or more American carrier planes raided Kanoya and other suicide-plane bases on Kyushu in southern Japan shortly after noon today, radio Tokyo reported.

Tokyo said the planes attacked in waves of 30 to 40. They presumably came from fast carrier task forces attached to Admiral William F. Halsey's famed third fleet, but there was no immediate confirmation from Pacific fleet headquarters.

"The enemy apparently intended to forestall the activities of the special attack (suicide) corps based on these airfields," Tokyo said. "However, almost no damage was sustained by our ground installations."

Kanoya lies on the eastern shore of Kagoshima bay on southern Kyushu. Radio Tokyo also said American Superfortresses were "minutely reconnoitering" even medium and small cities in Japan preparatory to stepping up their aerial bombardment of the home islands.

NAVY RELEASES CANDY BARS FOR CIVILIANS

Washington, June 8.—(U.P.)—For your information: The navy is turning over for civilian consumption 11,250,000 surplus candy bars.

MEDFORD TRIBUNE

Weather
FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with showers tonight and Saturday. Little change in temperature.
Temp. Highest Yesterday 75
Lowest this Morning 48

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Three Men Executed by Japs on Guam



Three men are about to be executed by Japanese occupation forces on Guam kneeling before their open graves in this captured Jap photo, made shortly after seizure of Guam by enemy in 1941. The trio, of which nothing is known, were beheaded for some offense against Jap military. The picture was circulated among Nip troops for "moral purposes."

Stalin's Approval Of Discussion Freedom Ends Conference Deadlock, Speeds Windup

San Francisco, June 8.—(U.P.)—A reunited big five today defended their right to veto action by the proposed world security council but guaranteed freedom for the council to discuss any dispute before taking action.

The big five interpretation of the Yalta voting formula was presented to the United Nations conference and made public a few hours after Soviet Russia—on direction of Premier Josef Stalin—withdraw its demand for a big power veto over discussion of disputes in the council.

San Francisco, June 8.—(U.P.)—Premier Josef Stalin's approval of freedom of discussion in the proposed world security council broke a dangerous big five deadlock today and started a new drive for early adjournment of the United Nations conference.

Officials immediately stepped up the daily program and aimed at completion of the world charter within two weeks.

Ends Long Split
The big five were united again after nearly a week of a 4 to 1 split over whether a big power should have a veto over council discussion of a dispute. Russia's capitulation on that issue came after President Truman's special

representative in Moscow, Harry L. Hopkins, appealed personally to Stalin.

Big five experts worked late into the night to draft a paper for presentation to the conference today setting forth their unanimous interpretation of the Yalta voting formula. The paper—about three pages long and consisting of about a dozen paragraphs—is designed to answer the 22 questions about the Yalta formula submitted by the little nations nearly three weeks ago.

Questions Listed
The big five paper sets forth for the first time a list of "procedural questions"—questions on which only a majority of any seven members of the 11-nation security council is needed for a decision.

The interpretation of the big five of the Yalta formula is divided into four main points as follows:

1. It states unequivocally that any question which might arise about discussion in the council is a procedural question and thus not subject to the rule of unanimity—veto—of the big five powers.

2. It argues that while the Yalta formula calls for unanimity of the big five on most decisions and action, its form is limited as compared with the old League of Nations where all members had to agree to a decision. It contends that the Yalta formula offers less obstruction to positive action by the new organization than the league's rule of unanimity.

3. It argues that in a strong organization the great powers must always concur in matters that are so serious as to affect the peace of the world.

4. It sets forth for the first time the following as procedural questions: Fixing the council's rules of procedure; method of selecting president of council; organization of the council so it can function continuously; the choice of times and places for

meeting; the creation of subordinate agencies of the council; invitation to states not on the council to join discussions.

To Gain Unanimity
Russia's decision to abandon her demand was said to have been done in the spirit of bowing to majority opinion and in the interest of maintaining big five unanimity.

"If a point on which we disagree with you is proved to us," a Russian delegate said, "and we seek and feel that it is based on good will and justified desires, we will agree to it. That has happened on this issue. You have convinced us and we have agreed. Our policy has never been inflexible."

Behind the Russian change, however, was the story of Hopkins-Stalin negotiations and the decision of Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., to have Hopkins lay the U. S. cards on the table with the Russian leader.

SOME B CARDS TO ENJOY MORE GAS

Washington, June 8.—(U.P.)—Only 3,000,000 out of 8,553,200 B-card holders will be eligible for more gasoline Monday when ceilings rise to 650 miles monthly. A ration goes up a gallon a week for everybody June 22.

The office of price administration said today that only B holders whose essential occupational driving needs exceed current B ceilings for their regions would be granted increases.

"Other B holders, such as hometo-work drivers," OPA said, "should not apply for any increases since their applications will have to be rejected only will add to the work of the local boards."

OPA asked that applications be mailed rather than taken to boards.

Japs To Abandon Liuchow, Kweilin

Chungking, June 8.—(U.P.)—Chinese military sources predicted today Japanese troops will abandon both Liuchow and Kweilin, former American air base towns in Kwangsi province, to escape threatened encirclement by Chinese ground forces.

It was disclosed the enemy already has withdrawn from areas north of embattled Liuchow to Kweilin, 100 miles distant. Chungking sources said the military value of both cities has been lost to the Japanese because of heavy daily bombings by the 14th air force and severance of the trans-China corridor.

OES DEATH DECREED

Washington, June 8.—(U.P.)—The house today voted 87 to 69 to kill the office of economic stabilization by striking funds for its operation out of the war agencies appropriation bill.

JAP ADMIRALS KILLED

San Francisco, June 8.—(U.P.)—The Japanese Domei News Agency reported today that two more Japanese admirals have been killed in action at the Sasebo naval base on western Kyushu. The dispatch, recorded by the FCC, identified them as Rear Admirals Rujima Sugi and Minoru Kariya.

SURVEYS PREDICT PEAR CROP TO BE LARGE THIS YEAR

Early Summer Check Estimates Yield to Be Two to Ten Per Cent Higher.

Early summer surveys of fruitgrowers and shippers of the valley indicate that the 1945 pear crop will probably be somewhat larger than last year, with the possible exception of the Bosc variety. D'Anjous and Comice, it is believed, will show a small increase and Bartlett growers estimate the increase in that crop anywhere from two to ten per cent.

Soft fruit crops may be below normal, according to C. B. Cordy, assistant county agent, who states that the peach crop is "pretty good" but that the apricot yield is generally light. Cherry trees for the most part set well, but some growers are now reporting a drop, Cordy declared, and added that he had not as yet had sufficient reports to know whether the drop was general or not.

No commercial pear damage from frost was suffered, fruitmen state. Smudging was necessary on but five nights and even unheated orchards suffered no damage, the surveys indicate. Scab infection is said to be light since the season has been favorable for control and adequate spraying programs were carried on throughout the valley.

More Dangerous
Estimates by leading growers and shippers place O'Anjou prospects at about 500,000 boxes, depending upon the growing season and size of the pears at packing time. A few orchardists report a poor D'Anjou crop because of an early drop, but many others report a normal yield. Last year 434,000 boxes of this variety were packed in Medford.

Last year 760,000 boxes of Bartlett pears were packed here and about 919 tons were sold to canneries and both growers and packers generally agree that the crop will run considerably larger than last year.

Bosc Ideas Vary

There is a divergence of opinion on the Bosc, but estimates place the 1945 crop at about 500,000 boxes. Last year 582,000 boxes of this variety were packed.

Due to the fact that Comice pears are generally packed in small boxes and packages of varying size for the gift trade, the fruit industry finds it more difficult to make comparative estimates for this variety but generally appear to agree that the coming crop will be larger than last year.

SIXTY BOYS LEAVE FOR BLISTER CONTROL CAMP

Sixty boys, 16 to 18 years of age, from various parts of the United States, left Medford today for the blister rest control camp at Union Creek, according to a report from the U. S. forest service.

Approximately 40 more boys will arrive next week at the camp, which is under the supervision of Charles King.

Prayers Seek Jap Victory As Okinawa Collapse Nears

San Francisco, June 8.—(U.P.)—Premier Admiral Baron Kantaro Suzuki prayed "over and over" for a Japanese victory at the Meiji and Yasakuni shrines today, while the people of Japan were being prepared for defeat at Okinawa.

Tokyo radio recorded by United Press admitted Japanese positions were being flanked in bitter fighting.

Japanese reports said that the climactic stages of the ground fighting, American air and sea power both were being increased considerably. One enemy broadcast said more than 400 U. S. aircraft, including P-47, P-51 and P-38 fighters, were sighted on Okinawa air fields by Japanese reconnaissance pilots.

"Enemy naval forces," said one Japanese report, "are paving the way for the ground fighting by further intensifying the intense bombardment from vessels

25,000 GI Brides Anxious to Leave Britain For U. S.

London, June 8.—(U.P.)—Fifty thousand British brides of American GI's have applied for transportation to the United States since V-E Day. United Press learned today. But love has no prior transatlantic shipping. The army was able to passage room for only 80 thousands of clamorous brides.

There are now 25,000 wives awaiting transportation to their new homeland, and many of them have been waiting for 18 months.

There are no reliable statistics on the number of children of these war marriages, but one embassy official summed it up wearily:

"It seems as if almost all of them either have 'em or are expecting 'em."

REDS SAY BRITAIN BLOCKED PLAN TO FREE COLONIES

Moscow, June 8.—(U.P.)—Pravda, the organ of the communist party, asserted today that the British in 1943 blocked discussion at the Moscow conference of an American plan for early liberation of "the entire colonial world" along the lines of the Atlantic charter.

The assertion was made by A. Leontiev, in the first of a series of articles on colonial problems. Leontiev said the American plan was supported by the Soviet Union but was not discussed at Moscow because of British objections.

He cited the situation in Syria and Lebanon as the latest example of how rivalries over colonial resources disturb world peace.

"The events in Syria and Lebanon," he said, "according to the foreign press, definitely 'smells of oil.'"

"A prominent role in the solution of these international affairs," said the article, "is being played not only by the colonial powers but by the Soviet Union, which has always defended the right of peoples for self-determination and complete national independence and by the United States which has no considerable colonial possessions and therefore is not interested in preserving the existing colonial system."

More Transports Bring Returnees

New York, June 8.—(U.P.)—Three more troop transports docked at Stapleton, Staten Island, today, bringing 4,425 soldiers home from Europe.

The soldiers arrived on the troop ships Cristobal, Bienville and Exceller and included 2,410 for reassignment, 1,615 wounded and 13 liberated from German prison camps.

STORE BLAZE

Twin Falls, Ida, June 8.—(U.P.)—Fire gutted the C. C. Anderson company downtown department store here today, causing damage estimated at \$300,000. The loss was believed to be the highest in one fire in Twin Falls history.

EISENHOWER HAD 92 DIVISIONS TO THROW AT NAZIS

Sixty of Total Were American — Seven Additional Yankee Divisions in Italy.

Washington, June 8.—(U.P.)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower had 92 allied division under his command to defeat Germany and 60 of them were American, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson announced today.

Of the American divisions, three were airborne, 15 armored and 42 infantry. There were 14 British divisions, five Canadian, 11 French and one Polish.

These were in addition to the armies in Italy, which included seven American divisions.

Stimson also disclosed that 40,000 American soldiers liberated from German prison camps are already back in the United States and more than 40,000 will arrive this month.

The remainder, about 10,000, will be back in July, he said.

"Inside Germany our military authorities are facilitating the return of Germans to food production," Stimson continued.

Gen. Omar N. Bradley, commander of the 12th army group under Eisenhower and soon to become veterans' administrator, was present at Stimson's news conference.

Bulge Shortened War

Bradley said the net result of the German offensive into the Ardennes last December was to shorten the war—materially.

He said the fortunate capture of the Remegen bridgehead also speeded Germany's final defeat, perhaps as much as several weeks.

The general said he had hoped the Germans would counter attack in the Ardennes. They did, but in greater strength than he had expected.

"When the Germans attacked on Dec. 16, we didn't know how large it was," he said. "Gen. Smith (Lt. Gen. Walter B. Smith, Eisenhower's chief of staff) said: 'Bradley, you wanted to be counter-attacked. There it is.'"

"Yes, I said, 'but I didn't want it to be that big.'"

"We knew the Germans had two panzer armies in there and we wanted them to counter-attack piecemeal."

"We had been planning to attack across the Roer river on Jan. 10, in an offensive to the Rhine. We knew we would suffer heavy losses if we had to meet those two panzer armies."

Enemy Weakened

"The German offensive upset our plans, and we launched the offensive Feb. 10 after one month's delay, but the enemy was much weaker as a result."

"Along the Roer river we had to wait from Feb. 10 to 23 for the river to go down. It was almost a mile wide and very swift as a result of heavy rains and early thaws and dams blown by the Germans. It was the worst 13 days I ever spent."

Bradley said that in the battle for Germany, "time was always a keynote." There were many times, he said, when "if we had given the Germans 24 hours' rest, they would have been able to reform and stop us."

"We had the best trained and the best equipped army ever put in the field by any nation," Bradley said. "There were squads that took half a dozen pillboxes and never got hurt. It was all teamwork. The people in the occupied countries were amazed at our equipment, which far exceeded that of the Germans in the blitz."

ROOSEVELTS EXPECT

Beverly Hills, Cal., June 8.—(U.P.)—Mrs. James Roosevelt today confirmed reports she and her husband, eldest son of the late president, expect their first child in November. Col. Roosevelt, 37, and the former Romelle Schneider, 29, who nursed him when he underwent an operation in 1939 at the Mayo brothers hospital, Rochester, Minn., were married here in April, 1941.

COUNTY SIXTH IN WAR BOND DRIVE

Jackson county stands in sixth place among the "big ten" counties of the state in "E" bond sales during the war loan drive now underway, a report from Portland shows. The county has sold 37.1 per cent of its quota of \$1,067,000, the count having been made June 5.

Winner of the contest will have the honor of sending representatives from the county to launch a ship from one of the Portland yards. Washington county now leads with 56.2 per cent of its "E" quota, while Clackamas is second and Multnomah third.

Sales up to Thursday night were \$391,247 for the "E" series, the daily report of the drive committee shows.

COUNTY BUDGET GETS APPROVAL AT HEARING

The Jackson county budget for the 1945-1946 tax year starting July 1, calling for raising of \$366,841.05, by tax levy, was approved without a protest or comment this morning at a public hearing in the courthouse auditorium. Only half a dozen citizens were present. County Clerk George R. Carter said the order on levy, would be signed today by the county court and budget committee and turned over to the county assessor.

K. F. POLICE CHIEF HELD IN ARKANSAS

Portland, Ore., June 8.—(U.P.)—The FBI today announced the arrest at Kensett, Ark., of Thomas Lester Van Den Heuvel, former Klamath Falls police chief sought since February.

The former officer was indicted on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor on January 26 at Klamath Falls. He was indicted again on February 19 by state authorities on a rape charge. He left Klamath Falls on February 20.

He was sought by federal authorities on a charge of unlawful flight to avoid prosecution, said Joseph E. Thornton, special agent in charge of the Portland FBI office.

BASEBALL

National
Cincinnati 3 7 0
Chicago 7 14 2
Lisenbee, Bosser, Fox and Unser; Derringer and Livingston.

WAR BOND SALES REACH 67 PER CENT OF QUOTA

Washington, June 8.—(U.P.)—Individuals today were making encouraging progress toward their \$7,000,000,000 seventh war loan goal with sales totaling \$4,662,000,000 or 67 per cent of quota. The total included E bond sales of \$2,150,000,000 or 54 per cent of the \$4,000,000,000 E bond goal.

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T E R D E W N L S Y S S P
HERE is a pleasant little game that will give you a message every day. It is a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner of the rectangle and check every one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.