

# CHERBOURG FALLS TO AMERICANS

## Herald and News

In The Shasta-Cascade Wonderland

### Weather News

June 27, 1944  
 Max. (June 26).....70 Min. ....38  
 Precipitation last 24 hours.....00  
 Stream year to date .....9.89  
 Normal .....11.78 Last year .....17.78  
 Forecast: Fair.

## British Open Major Attack

By RICHARD MUMRAY  
 Associated Press War Editor  
 Cherbourg surrendered before dawn today at the end of three weeks of French invasion which Gen. Eisenhower estimated had cost the Germans 70,000 casualties.

While three American divisions herded thousands of Germans into prison cages and sorted enormous stores of booty, the British in a "major attack" on a six to seven-mile front south of Tilly moved within three miles of Caen, in "very fierce fighting in torrential rain."

Prisoners since D-Day totaled more than 32,000. Another 38,000 or more Germans lay dead or wounded and headquarters said the enemy's casualties were "not less than 70,000." The seventh American corps which captured Cherbourg was composed of the 78th division from Pennsylvania, the 4th and the 9th.

The British attack on the allied left in Normandy was against four tank and three German infantry divisions, some of the best enemy troops in France. The Tommies slogged over muddy, shell-ripped poppy fields behind curtains of artillery and naval fire. One report said they had cut the main Villers-Bocage-Caen highway; another placed them two miles from the Odon river. Lifting weather permitted swarms of allied warplanes to support the new offensive.

Nazi Collapse  
 Moscow reported the entire 100-mile German forward salient in White Russia around Orsha, Mogilev and Bobruisk appeared to be collapsing under tremendous pressure of four red armies and Russian air fleets massed from four fronts. Vitebsk and Zhlobin fell yesterday and the Soviets beat within 85 miles of Minsk. The Russian momentum may well carry to the Bug river flowing through Brest-Litovsk.

Berlin said the new eighth American army corps had landed on the Cherbourg peninsula and taken positions in the southern sector, perhaps for a drive south to cut off the British peninsula and secure such fine ports as Brest, Lorient and St. Malo. A CBS broadcast from Normandy said the Americans captured 9400 prisoners yesterday, pushing the invasion total beyond 30,000.

Threaten Caen  
 Before the smoke of battle had cleared, a convoy of salvage and demolition experts sailed into Cherbourg to restore the great port. The British drive immediately threatened Caen by thrusting a wedge several miles deep into German defenses.

The enemy was under air attack from Russia, Italy and Britain by American and British planes bombing in Poland, Hungary, Yugoslavia, France and Germany.

Captured  
 Thousands more Germans trudge from Cherbourg hutsches to U. S. prison cages as triumphant G. I.'s sorted enormous stores of booty. One captured German hospital bulged with 1000 captured and wounded Nazi prisoners.

A few hours before General Eisenhower announced the fall of Cherbourg after five violent days of fighting, Marshal Stalin of Russia victoriously winced at Vitebsk and Zhlobin in White Russia. Wide advances along a flaming 250-mile front carried within 85 miles of Minsk, capital of White Russia and the largest Russian city (239,000) still held by the Nazis. The Russian lines were pushed within less than an hour's flight of East Prussia, 235 miles from Cherbourg, well southwest of Vitebsk.

Another considerable allied victory was scored in Italy (Continued on Page Two)

## Jap Defenses Stiffen

### GOP Completes Party Platform

### KUHS DISTRICT LEVY APPROVED IN BALLOT

An overwhelming majority of the handful of voters who went to the polls here yesterday approved the Klamath Union high school district's \$60,000 annual levy for pre-financing property improvements.

The vote on the five-year levy was: Yes 50, No 6.

Voters approved the increase in the budget above the 6 per cent limitation by 46 to 8, and adopted the budget, 48 to 5.

Mrs. B. C. Johnston, George Hagelstein and A. R. Dixon were re-elected to the high school board with 55 votes each. None was opposed.

### 70,000 Nazis Thought Lost Since D-Day

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, June 27 (AP)—Germans have lost "not less than 70,000" men in killed, wounded, and captured since D-Day, headquarters estimated unofficially today.

The 79th division from Pennsylvania, commanded by Major-General Ira Wyche, the fourth division and the ninth division comprised the seventh corps which captured Cherbourg.

### Fighting Rages For Hengyang

CHUNGKING, June 27 (AP)—Severe fighting is raging for the Canton-Hankow rail line city of Hengyang, with severe casualties on both sides, the Chinese high command announced today. It also said that several Japanese columns were preparing for a concerted attack upon the beleaguered stronghold.

It said that "Hengyang, although the center of hostilities, remains calm," but it was feared here generally that unless the Chinese were able to muster much stronger opposition the Japanese will take the city and move on down the rail line to cut off all of eastern China.

### Balkan Oil Plants, Rails Attacked by Heavy Planes

LONDON, June 27 (AP)—Up to 500 American heavy bombers attacked Budapest and Yugoslav railroads at Brod today and U. S. strategic air forces in Russia announced the bombardment of a synthetic oil plant Monday at Deoboyez in Poland.

From yet a third direction, British Halifax bombers from England attacked a military installation in northern France. Dense clouds and near gales over the channel, however, limited air blows from Britain although Mosquitos by night bombed Gottingen in northwest Germany and Nazi troops encamped south of Caen in Normandy.

Destroyer Fighters  
 The American heavies from Italy fought through screens of Nazi fighters and destroyed an unspecified number in reaching the overcast Hungarian capital.

### Typical Cornett Diplomacy Saves Day at Convention

CHICAGO, June 27 (AP)—Oregon's delegates to the republican national convention decided today to support Gov. Earl Warren of California for the vice-presidential nomination.

Meeting at a breakfast caucus—with orange juice, eggs and coffee \$1.50 per plate—the Oregonians agreed upon Gov. John W. Bricker of Ohio as second choice for vice-president.

Marshall Cornett, Klamath Falls man who is acting as sergeant-at-arms, drew commendation for diplomatic handling of national committee members who disliked pausing under Kilg lights and a 95-degree temperature to dredge credentials out of their bags.

"Well," snapped one woman yesterday, "I should think you had seen us often enough to recognize us by this time."

Marshall bowed from the waist. "Madam, you all dazzle me so I can see nothing but your credentials."

She dug them up.

CHICAGO STADIUM, June 27 (AP)—A party platform which ignored proposals of Wendell L. Willkie, the 1940 presidential nominee, was completed for presentation to the republican national convention today amid speculation that Willkie might bolt and possibilities of a battle on the floor.

Convention approval of the platform was sought late in the day amid:

1. Reports that Gov. Earl Warren of California might announce within hours whether he would accept the vice-presidential nomination if offered it.
2. Word from Albany that Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, assured the presidential nomination, stood ready to come here on short notice—possibly tomorrow—to accept.
3. Pledge by Rep. Joseph W. Martin of Massachusetts, that the republican party, "when it comes to power in 1945," will "restore congress to its responsibility and function," introduce "a new economy," and a "simple" tax system, retain the "essential rights and just privileges labor has gained," encourage business and agriculture and provide for war veterans.

In the face of criticism for Willkie, voiced in a statement last night, the platform committee endorsed a foreign policy plank which opposed a "world state" and proposed to maintain security by "peace forces."

"Ambiguous"  
 Willkie and 15 republican governors contended the reference to "a world state" was ambiguous, and that "peace forces" was meaningless.

The complete platform draft was slow in preparation. In New York, Willkie said he would await a look at the full text before commenting.

Heavy pressure was being brought to bear on Gov. Warren of California to announce that he would take second place on the ticket, running with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, if the nomination is offered. (Continued on Page Two)

### Mothers of Five Or More In Service Asked to Call

The special events committee of the local war bond campaign today asked that any Klamath mothers of five or more service men or women get in touch with the committee immediately.

The mothers are asked to telephone 3325, or to see K. A. Moore at 114 North 7th.

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### No Losses The British daylight attack was without loss.

The only other activity reported overnight for Britain-based allied air units was a foray by a half dozen RAF Beaufighters (Continued on Page Two)

### Japs Give Up Burmese Town

SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, KANDY, Ceylon, June 27 (AP)—British and Chinese troops have occupied the Japanese stronghold of Mogaung in northern Burma after a bitter three-day battle, allied communique announced today.

The final assault, in which the allied forces drove into the town from three sides yesterday, was preceded by a deadly aerial bombardment, the bulletin said.

## BIG INFANTRY FIGHT LOOMS IN MARIANAS

### Yanks Hammer Garapan; Control Part Of City

By J. P. KRUEGER  
 Japanese troops defending Saipan island sharply increased their resistance along a prepared line roughly dissecting the strategic stepping stone to Tokyo, reports from the scene said today.

Howard Handelman, representing the American press, reported a big-scale infantry battle was shaping up. The firm outline of the enemy defenses was emerging as American marines and infantrymen hammered at Garapan, the island's capital city.

The line from Garapan runs southeast to Mt. Tapochau, thence to Kagman peninsula or the east coast.

Terrain Bad  
 The enemy's "brutally strong defenses" are set in the worst terrain encountered so far in the Pacific war, Handelman said.

He added there was every evidence the enemy was ready to engage in a large-scale infantry battle, something missing up to now.

Garapan, first Japanese capital city to feel the shattering weight of U. S. land artillery, is partly in American hands.

Reprisal Attack  
 Tokyo radio, jumping two days ahead of the latest accounting from Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, reported a 170-plane raid against Guam, southernmost of the Marianas, on Monday. This fairly large fleet inflicted no damage, Tokyo said in its bland way, but 16 allied planes were downed. No allied report confirmed these claims.

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### An Honest Gal Is Rewarded



Jean Bolin, who found and returned a wallet containing \$380 to a Klamath Barracks marine, is shown receiving a war bond given her as a reward by the grateful service man, PFC George T. Salmon. Presenting the bond in the picture is WO Edward Kron, post provost marshal.

### STAGE SHOW SLATED FOR BOND BUYERS

As a special Fifth War Loan feature, it was announced today that a stage show had been scheduled for the Pelican theatre for Wednesday, July 5.

Northwest Theatres notified the campaign committee today it could have the theatre for this purpose, and Chairman John Houston of the special events committee said that an elaborate, diversified program is being worked out.

Camp White band will play a dramatic group from the Rogue military camp will put on a three-act play, an effort is being made to get a movie star, and several local features are being arranged, including talent from the Marine Barracks and the naval air station.

Admission to this show will be by the purchase of an extra \$100 war bond, or payroll savings employees who have been signed up for 10 per cent deduction, and meet their quota during the drive, will be given tickets.

### Finns Expected To Continue War

STOCKHOLM, June 27 (AP)—A reliable source said today that the Finnish government is expected to declare tonight that it is continuing the war against Russia.

Other reports from usually reliable sources said one German infantry division and one mechanized brigade have arrived in southern Finland from Estonia.

### Rockets Cause Eye Injuries

NEW YORK, June 27 (AP)—The British information services' office here released a dispatch received from London last night which said the proportion of eye injuries among rocket-bomb casualties is so great that the British ministry of health has warned people to stay away from windows during an attack.

The report said nearly all of the eye injuries had been caused by flying glass.

### Two-Year-Old Drowns in River

KALAMA, Wash., June 27 (AP)—Jean La Roy, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross La Roy of Kalama, drowned in the Columbia river late Monday afternoon after falling off the porch at the family's float-house home here. The body was recovered within a few minutes.

### Bridges Loses Legal Round

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27 (AP)—Harry Bridges, west coast CIO labor leader, has lost another round in his sustained legal fight against deportation to his native Australia.

The U. S. ninth circuit court of appeals yesterday upheld by a 3 to 2 decision Federal Judge Martin I. Welsh's denial to Bridges of a writ of habeas corpus. The longshoremen's executive, whose attorneys said they would appeal to the U. S. supreme court, seeks the writ to block U. S. Attorney General Francis Biddle's deportation order.

### Do It Now

INVITE a service man to be your guest for the rodeo and for lunch or dinner in your home on one of the Fourth of July holidays.

HERE'S something YOU can do to make Klamath's hospitality warm and real. It's a little act of kindness with a big reward for you in pleasure and satisfaction.

DO it now! Call 9103 any afternoon this week and the arrangements can be quickly made by telephone.

### Honesty Pays Off In War Bond

Honesty is the best policy—and it's profitable too. Or so Jean Bolin of Klamath Falls thinks.

She found a wallet containing \$380 Sunday and she turned it in to the police station. The police returned it to Marine PFC George T. Salmon who was stationed at the Marine Barracks.

Private Salmon had just come in from the South Pacific and the money was to pay for his trip home to Texas. He was naturally overjoyed to receive the money.

He was so happy, in fact, that he gave enough money to MP Edward Kron to buy Miss Bolin a \$25 war bond as a reward for her honesty.

### SP Worker Loses Leg in Accident At Local Yards

Mabel Bennett, 19, car-helper at the Southern Pacific yards, suffered the loss of one leg in an accident at the yards yesterday afternoon.

The girl, in a condition of bad shock, was unable to tell physicians how the accident occurred, but it is believed she was crawling between two freight cars when the train started to move.

An ambulance and two physicians rushed to the scene and she was removed to Hillside hospital, where the mangled lower leg was amputated. Physicians said Miss Bennett will be moved to the San Francisco General hospital Tuesday night if her condition permits.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Bennett, 1724 Johnson street, and a KUHS graduate.

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### WOMAN CONFESSES TO FATAL STABBING

A charge of first degree murder was filed Tuesday morning against Imogene Fisher, after authorities said, the 36-year-old Indian woman had confessed to the fatal stabbing of Watkins Davis, 42, Saturday night.

Mrs. Fisher, according to Sheriff Lloyd Low, signed a full confession Monday afternoon in the district attorney's office following questioning by Special Indian Officer Charles Hoskins of Pendleton, District Attorney L. Orth Sissmore and Low.

In her confession the Indian woman stated that at a drinking party which included five other Indians, near the Economy Wrecking yards last Saturday night, she stabbed Davis several times with her pocket knife. She said she was fighting with Zetta Williams, one of the other women in the party. Zetta called for aid, Mrs. Fisher stated, and she had gone to help her.

Imogene Fisher, who is from Beatty, is the wife of Floyd Fisher, who is serving 20 years in the Oregon state penitentiary for the shooting three years ago of Indian Officer Bud Wilson at Beatty, according to the district attorney's office.

Ralph McKinnley George, Jackie Rollo Brown, Zetta Williams and Armen Brown, the other four Indians in the party on the night of the stabbing, (Continued on Page Two)

### WAR BULLETINS

STOCKHOLM, June 27 (AP)—The Finnish government announced officially tonight that Germany had promised all the armed help needed by the Finns for them to continue the war against Russia.

A communique announced to Helsinki that "perfect understanding concerning the views of the Finnish and German governments" had been reached in discussions last week.

NEW YORK, June 27 (AP)—A Berlin broadcast heard by CBS said today that "a second American army corps, the eighth, has landed on Cotentin (Cherbourg) peninsula and taken over the southern sector."

NEW YORK, June 27 (AP)—British troops striking forward west of Caen have reached the banks of the Odon river, thus cutting the highway leading from Caen across the base of the Normandy peninsula, an American correspondent said today in a broadcast recorded by the Blue network.

NEW YORK, June 27 (AP)—The Tokyo radio said today that 170 "small-sized enemy planes" had raided Guam, southernmost island in the Marianas group, on Monday (Japan time).

The domestic broadcast recorded by U. S. government monitors, said the Japanese had "suffered no damages." It asserted that 16 of the raiders had been downed.

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, June 27 (AP)—A pistol packin' mama shot Deputy Sheriff Harry Spain smack between the eyes.

Spain had rushed to a tavern in answer to a report that a woman had pulled a .45 automatic on a soldier. Military police stood by as he approached the woman and asked her to surrender the gun.

She yanked the weapon from her purse and fired. It was a water pistol.

### 'Farming Out' of Dorris High Students Considered

The high school board last night considered a request presented by William Hagelstein of Dorris and Dr. J. E. Hurley of Yreka to "farm out" for one term and possibly for a full year some 60 students who attended Dorris high school before it burned down last year.

When the Dorris school burned an attempt was made to hold school one half day for grade school pupils and one half day for high school students in the grade school building. It did not work out satisfactorily, the local board was told last night.

The necessary permission and release to just be received from the war production board so that it will be some time before the new Dorris building is completed.

Superintendent of Schools Arnold Gralapp and KUHS Principal Stanley Woodruff left Tuesday afternoon for Dorris to determine just how many pupils in each grade might want to come to Klamath high. The possibility of acquiring some of the teachers from Dorris high was also to be investigated.

The matter of transportation of students from Dorris to Klamath Falls and return would be handled by the Dorris bus thoroughies who thought bus would be available.

Gralapp and Woodruff expected to be able to furnish a detailed report of their findings at the next board meeting and to make recommendations on the advisability of taking on this not too simple project.

It was the expressed feeling of all the board members and high school authorities that everything possible should be done to help out the Dorris people in this emergency.