

U. S. TROOPS OPEN NEW ATTACK

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Weather News
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 Max. (July 2) 70 Min. 48
 Precipitation last 24 hours .00
 Stream year to date 9.89
 Normal 11.80 Last year 17.78
 Forecast: Fair.

FIRST ARMY STRIKES NAZI STRONGHOLD

10-Mile Wide Assault Jumps Off West Coast

By WES GALLAGHER
SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 3 (AP)—In a swift reversal down the Cherbourg peninsula, Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's American first army at dawn today opened a 10-mile wide attack toward the German stronghold of La Haye Du Puits. Doughboys fought forward on mud-bogged fields under a heavy artillery barrage.

Near Coast
 The assault jumped off near the west coast of the peninsula, from the line flung across it just two weeks ago that sealed off the upper half of the land neck.

A front dispatch said the drive pushed from the area below Barneville-Sur-Mer on the coast east to St. Sauveur le Vicomte. The doughboy line dip below and between these towns to St. Lo D'Ourville.

The assault opened after local advances which supreme headquarters said had won favorable "jump-off" positions south of St. Lo D'Ourville. The doughboys also had pressed toward La Haye Du Puits, six miles southeast of St. Lo D'Ourville.

The American infantrymen were supported by heavy artillery including some of the most powerful guns yet used in the French campaign, but rain and cloudy skies hampered allied aerial aid.

Even as this assault thrust

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7000 Visitors Inspect Marine Barracks Sunday

More than 7000 cars carried approximately 7000 visitors to the Klamath Falls Marine Barracks Sunday in a huge visitation arranged for war bond buyers of the county. The parade of automobiles to and from the barracks continued from early morning until dusk.

Feature of the day at the barracks was a review and presentation of decorations held in the central park area at 11 a. m. Colonel B. Dubel, commanding officer, pinned the bronze star on Sergeant George L. Lewis, who performed heroically at Bougainville; the purple heart on Corporal Eugene C. Harrington, Corporal Hug Oswald, PFC Elton S. Gamel, PFC Francis S. Billings, PFC Jack Shore, PFC Peter J. Mansfield, and Ensign A. L. Daly received a presidential unit citation.

A massive American flag fluttered lazily from the post flagpole as the newly-arrived marine band struck up the national anthem that opened the ceremonies. About 2500 local people were on hand for this event, and thousands of others arrived later to inspect the barracks. Visitors parked their cars and walked through the mess hall and other buildings. The band presented a noon concert in front of the mess hall.

Klamath Woman Drowns

SACRAMENTO, Calif., July 3 (AP)—Sheriff's deputies today searched the Sacramento river for the body of Mrs. Ruth Laveck, 17, of Klamath Falls, Ore., who was swept down the stream last night while wading. Mrs. Laveck and her husband, Corporal W. P. Laveck, stationed at Camp Beale near Marysville, Calif., had been visiting friends here over the holiday.

Military Orders Given Priority in Lumber Mills

WASHINGTON, July 3 (AP)—of expected monthly shipments on these species: Douglas fir, white fir, Noble fir, Sitka spruce (except aircraft grade) and west coast hemlock. About 89 per cent of all lumber produced in this region is made by mills affected by the directive.

Western Pine
 In the western pine area (Arizona, New Mexico, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, South Dakota, Wyoming, and those parts of Oregon and Washington east of the Cascades): mills averaging 10,000 board feet daily must give military orders preference up to 20 per cent of output of Ponderosa pine, sugar pine, lodgepole pine, Idaho white pine, white fir, Douglas fir, western white spruce, Engelmann spruce and larch. (This does not cover Douglas fir, Idaho white pine or white fir produced in the west coast region.)

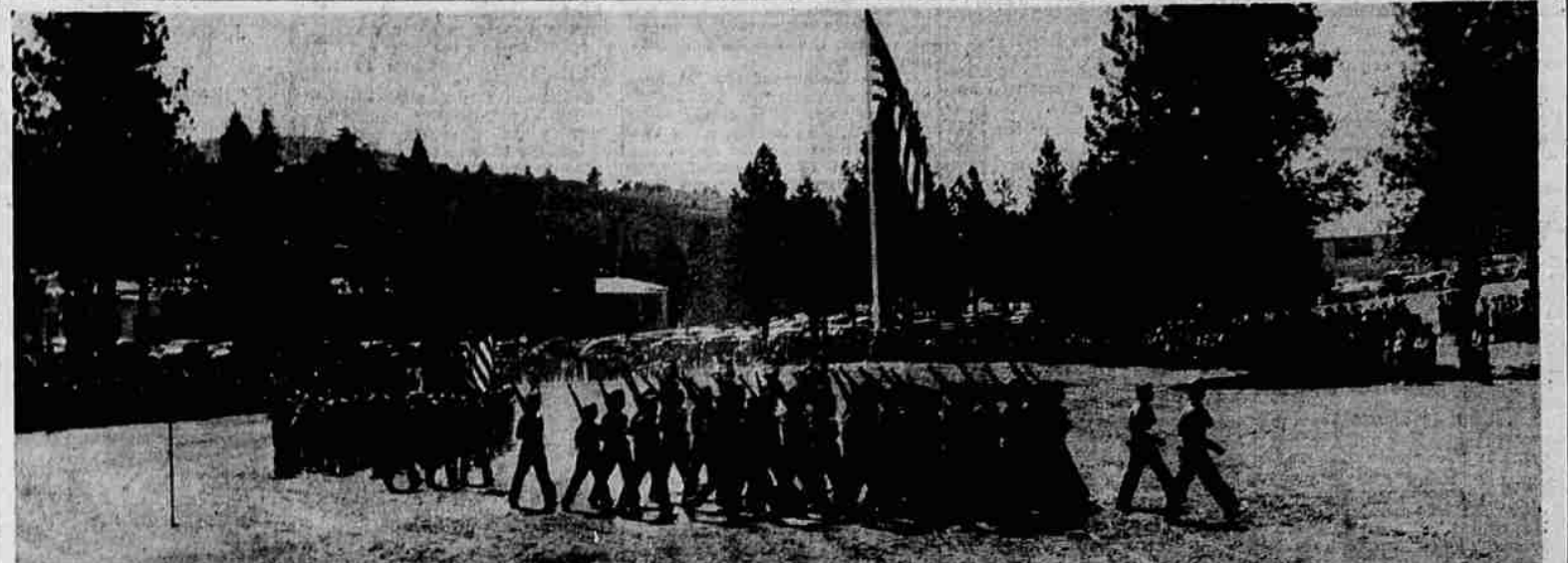
Jap Camp Store Manager Murdered

YAOZO HITOMI DIES OF STAB WOUND SUNDAY

Mystery Surrounds Death of Alien

A mysterious stabbing last night took the life of Yaozo Hitomi, 44, Japanese manager of the cooperative stores in the segregation center at Tulelake, Calif.

His throat cut, apparently by a long knife, the 44-year-old alien Japanese was found by his niece, Fumiko Hitomi, lying against the porch of a neighbor living in his residence block in the huge center. D. A. Notified She gave the alarm and Hitomi was rushed to the center hospital, where he was pronounced dead. The office of the (Continued on Page Five)



SUNDAY AT THE BARRACKS—Above, view of the central park at the Marine Barracks, showing marines marching past the reviewing stand after presentation of decorations and citations to eight men of the post. Below, left, Colonel B. Dubel, commanding officer of the post, pins the bronze star on Sergeant George L. Lewis for heroic achievement at Bougainville, standing beside Corporal Eugene C. Harrington, who received the purple heart. Below, right, Klamath bond-buyers filing into a barracks building on sight-seeing tour.

BULLETINS

A torpedo bomber from the Klamath naval air station crashed about 1 p. m. today on the shore of Draw's reservoir, in Lake county. Fate of the three men in the crew was not immediately ascertained, but it was feared all had perished. Ground parties started for the scene of the crash. The plane was flying in formation with others on a tactical bombing mission at the time of the mishap. Men in other planes immediately reported the crash to the station here.

ROME, July 3 (AP)—Secretary of War Stimson has arrived in Italy.

LONDON, July 3 (AP)—From 500 to 750 Flying Fortresses and Liberators, including eighth air force units which flew from England in a shuttle flight, bombed Nazi oil storage and refineries and transportation facilities in Romania, Hungary and Yugoslavia today.

Minsk Falls to Red Army, Opens Way to Warsaw

LONDON, July 3 (AP)—Minsk has been taken by storm, Moscow announced tonight. An order of the day by Marshal Stalin said the troops of the third white Russian front in cooperation with forces of the first white Russian army captured the city of 240,000 by flanking maneuver and assault.

Anniversary
 Minsk, one of the important Russian cities held by the Germans, fell almost to the day three years after the Germans had claimed its capture on July 1, 1941, in the initial stages of their invasion of the soviet union.

The collapse of German resistance in the bastion opens the gates to a red army drive toward Warsaw, capital of pre-war Poland, 300 miles to the west, Wilno in Lithuania, 100 miles to the northwest of Latvia, 220 miles to the northwest.

Last Strongpoint
 Stalin's order described Minsk as the last major German stronghold in Russia and "a most important strategic center of German defenses in the western direction."

A big salute of 24 salvos from 324 guns was ordered to (Continued on Page Five)

Danes Continue General Strike

STOCKHOLM, July 3 (AP)—Danish patriots continued their general strike in Copenhagen this morning despite an appeal by the German-controlled Danish radio for a return to work, the Free Danish Press service said today.

Reports received by the news agency through underground channels said the Germans had closed in last night on a Danish student house near the University of Copenhagen and arrested several score students. The Danish liberty council was said to be spreading word to the patriots to continue the strike until the Danish Nazi "Schalburg corps" is removed from the country. German orders lifting a state of siege in Copenhagen and restoring utilities was said to have had no effect on the situation.

Funeral Services Set for Davis

ALEXANDRIA, Va., July 3 (AP)—Funeral services will be held Wednesday for Norman H. Davis, chairman of the American Red Cross.

TROOPS HOLD NEW POSTS ON SAIPAN

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, July 3 (AP)—Grim Americans held strategic new ridge positions today above the town of Garapan and nearby Tanapag harbor, on the northwestern coastal stretch of Saipan which may center a now imminent showdown battle.

Gains of from 500 yards to a mile were made along the entire front Saturday, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced, bringing about 60 per cent of Saipan under American control. Garapan was surrounded on three sides. Yank units on the east coast were (Continued on Page Five)

Jap Troops Wiped Out in Burma

CHUNGKING, July 3 (AP)—Japanese troops making a "suicidal attempt" to penetrate the allied-held main airport at Myitkyina in northern Burma, have been surrounded and wiped out by American forces, the Chinese high command announced today.

In Yunnan province, meanwhile the Chinese held their positions in the Lungling area against repeated attacks, the announcement said. More than 170 Japanese, however, broke out of a month-old encirclement of Pingka, 25 miles southeast of Lungling, the communiqué disclosed.

Flying Bombs Kill General

LONDON, July 3 (AP)—Flying bombs have killed Maj. Gen. Sir Arthur Scott, retired, his wife, Aimee Byng, a novelist, and Sir Percy Alden, for years prominent in the campaign against slums, it was disclosed today as the Germans resumed rocket bomb attacks on southern England after a brief post-midnight lull.

Riding, Roping, Falls Keep Rodeo Fans Tense

Plain and fancy calf roping, Brahma bull riding, bulldogging and other breath-taking events, exhibited by an array of expert professional and amateur cowboys, kept thousands of rodeo fans on the edge of their seats Sunday as the first day of the ninth annual Buckaroo Days roundup got underway.

The show drew contestants all the way from New Mexico, Wyoming, and Nevada, as well as cowboys from local and nearby communities. Mac Barbour's bronc and Brahmans were in perfect bucking form and it took a real rider to make the grade for even a few seconds.

Suffer Injuries
 Nine contestants suffered injuries, including Trick Rider Jerry Getz of Bremerton, Wash., who fell from his horse as he was attempting a "head stand ride. He was believed to have suffered a broken shoulder. Carried off the field by members of the Oregon Women's Ambulance corps, who were right on the scene following each mishap, was Rolpen Hedges of Jackson, Wyo., who received a bad fall in the bareback riding contest. A shoulder injury was suffered by Pete Gale. Basil Brown and Art Russell received minor injuries in bulldogging and bronc riding, respectively. Injuries in none of the cases were believed serious, although X-ray reports were not available Monday morning.

Day Winners
 Final contest winners are not (Continued on Page Five)

Roy Givens Dies From Injuries

Roy David Givens, 40, died early Sunday morning at Hillside hospital from injuries received Friday afternoon when a horse fell on him at the Sunset riding stables.

According to witnesses, the horse threw Givens and then fell on him, fracturing the man's skull.

Givens is survived by his wife, four sons, and one daughter. Wards funeral home has charge of funeral arrangements and notice of the funeral will be announced later.

Abandoned Baby Identified

PORTLAND, July 3 (AP)—An 11-month-old boy, apparently abandoned by a young woman and handed from one person to another at the Union bus station here yesterday for four hours before being turned over to the police, was tentatively identified today.

Frederick Luchterhand, Medford, telephoned police from Medford and said the baby's clothing indicated the child was his son. Police placed the child in a baby home pending arrival of Luchterhand from Medford.

He Bit Dust



Here is Fred Tappe of Alturas just before he bit the dust in one of the two bronc riding events at Sunday's rodeo at the fairgrounds. Doing the fancy bucking above is Black Jack, one of Mac Barbour's broncs.