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 Stream year to date 10.42
 Normal 12.11 Last year 17.85
 Forecast: Warm.

Yanks Gain Firm Foothold

JAPS TRAPPED BEHIND PORT APRA ON GUAM

Orote Peninsula Cut Off, Nips Jump In Ocean

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, PEARL HARBOR, July 26 (AP)—Yank invaders of Guam, so firmly established that their general said "There's nothing the Jap can do now to run us off," laid fiery siege today to Nipponese troops by a juncture of American forces behind Port Apra.

Some hapless Japs jumped into the ocean, reported Al Dopping, Associated Press war correspondent, as battleships, carrier planes and hill-based artillery blanketed the sealed off Orote peninsula.

This neck of land, embracing an airfield and Sumay naval base, forms the southern end of the prized harbor behind which marines and soldiers moved from north and south beachheads to the juncture.

Drive Possible
"A pall of smoke from bombs and shells hangs over the peninsula," (Continued on Page Two)

Commons Holds Secret Session On Robot Bombs

LONDON, July 26 (AP)—The house of commons went into an impromptu secret session today to discuss flying bombs.

Capt. Alec S. Cunningham-Reid, who had a tilt at the government last week with persistent questions about the robots, brought on today's secret session by raising the secret security of adequately dealing with looting from premises damaged by flying bombs.

When Prime Minister Churchill spoke on the robots July 6 he rejected all proposals for a secret discussion, but there have been insistent demands by members ever since for more information.

Colonial Police Reorganized

NEWELL—Reorganization of the community police at the Tulelake center was started Wednesday after the Japanese residents elected 80 men to replace the 72 members of community police who resigned in a body, July 20.

Many of those who resigned were chosen by their blocks to serve in the new organization.

The Japanese policemen will patrol their own residential areas. Overall enforcement of law and order in the center is carried out by the WRA internal security force of 46 trained administrative police officers.

Wright Strike Ends; Other Disputes Keep 8600 Idle

By The Associated Press
Settlement of a major labor dispute at the Wright Aeronautical corporation, Lockland, Ohio, was announced by union leaders today, but other controversies kept about 8600 idle in the eastern half of the nation.

F. L. Innis, assistant regional director of the CIO United Automobile Workers, asked the idle Wright workers estimated by the union at 2400, to return to work after all-night conferences produced an agreement for reinstating suspended union officials.

This was the second work stoppage at the Wright plant in six weeks.

An estimated 4800 employees in the three other plants in Ohio were involved in labor disputes. At Cleveland, 3000 CIO-UAW workers were idle in protest over discharge of two inspectors. Production of vital parts for B-29 Superfortresses engines was affected.

Also in Cleveland, 1100 AFL-UAW workers left their jobs last night at the National Malleable

Soviet Troops Capture Narva; Smash to Wisla

LONDON, July 26 (AP)—Marshal Leonid A. Govorov's assault troops broke open the road into Estonia today with the capture of the town and fortress of Narva, seven miles west of the Estonian border at the top of Russia's flaming 1000-mile battle line, it was announced tonight.

The victory was announced by Premier Marshal Stalin in an order of the day, which said the city was taken by storm. The announcement came after hard-riding Cossacks on the Polish front smashed to the east bank of the Wisla (Vistula) river.

And other red army troops, supported for the first time by U. S. planes in direct tactical operations, surrounded the mauled German garrison at Lwow, storming into that great rail city.

Narva not only is the first big Estonian town to fall to the surging red army, but the flanking and frontal assault which brought about its fall smashed through the German defenses covering the approaches to Estonia and sent another part of the reeling army back on the long march toward East Prussia.

Move Toward Capital
The Leningrad army now is pressing through a 20-mile corridor above Lake Peipus toward the Estonian capital of Tallinn.

The order, addressed to Marshal Leonid A. Govorov, said troops of the Leningrad front, "going over to the offensive in the Narva direction, broke through strongly fortified and deep enemy defenses and, as a result of skillful outflanking maneuvers and a frontal attack today captured by storm the town and fortress of Narva, important fortified zone of the Germans covering the road into Estonia."

Twenty salvos from 224 Moscow guns were ordered.

MOSCOW, July 26 (AP)—Hard-riding Cossack troops severely mauled Germans to the east bank of the Wisla river today in the Pulawy area, 66 miles southeast of threatened Warsaw.

Around Pulawy, the Russians were within 358 miles of Berlin. (Continued on Page Two)

Task Force Hits Sabang Harbor

LONDON, July 26 (AP)—A large allied task force of cruisers, destroyers and submarines yesterday bombed Sabang harbor at the western end of Sumatra, a Japanese imperial headquarters communique broadcast by the Tokyo radio said today.

The Japanese asserted that they had sunk two of the destroyers and one submarine as well as downing a number of carrier-based aircraft.

It was the second such strike on Sabang within a little more than four months, a British task force under Admiral Sir James Somerville having hit the port last April 19.

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The Lightnings and Mustangs were attached to the U. S. 15th air force, based in Italy. It was the first time American fighters had struck directly at the enemy in the battle zone of the eastern front, although they had conducted strategic bombings from Russian bases in shuttle operations.

About 800 members of eight AFL locals at the Toledo Shipbuilding company were idle in protest against what union leaders called "breakdown of negotiations" on a series of grievances.

A proposal for settlement of the union local today. The walkout yesterday had forced start of a shutdown at the Clayton Lambert Steel company, threatening to force 2400 employees out of work.

Two strikes in Detroit, however, ended. About 900 metal polishers at the Packard Motor plant and 600 employees of five Detroit dairies, voted last night to end their walkouts. Approximately 80,000 families have been without milk deliveries for the last two weeks.

Chamber Requests Storage Space
The Junior chamber of commerce desperately needs a warehouse suitable for storing wastepaper, Marvin Hixon, publicity director for the chamber said Wednesday.

The Jaycees plan to continue their drives and need a storing place for the paper that will be collected, as well as what they have on hand now.

The storehouse does not have to be large, but it should be moisture proof, Hixon stated. For further information, call the Junior chamber of commerce or Marvin Hixon.

STRIKE RULED VIOLATION OF PLEDGE BY WLB

Wire Orders Workers To Terminate Stoppage

WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP)—The war labor board disclosed today it had notified workers at the Kesterson Lumber company, Klamath Falls, Ore., that their work stoppage was in violation of the no-strike pledge and must be terminated immediately.

In a telegram addressed to Vernon Chase, president of the Klamath Basin District Council of the International Woodworkers union (CIO), the board said: "In keeping with the policy of the board, the board will take no action on this case which has been certified to it by the secretary of labor while a stoppage of work is in progress. This stoppage of work therefore must be terminated immediately. Please advise the board what steps you take in this regard."

Employees of the Kesterson Lumber corporation, which has been shut down by a work stoppage, (Continued on Page Two)

Polish Exile Government May Contact USSR

LONDON, July 26 (AP)—The Polish government-in-exile weighed today the advisability of attempting to reestablish direct contact with Moscow in its fight for survival as the red army crashed on within 50 miles of Warsaw.

Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk may attempt to visit Premier Stalin's capital for discussion of the situation brought on by soviet Russia's recognition of the Polish committee of liberation as the sole civil authority in Polish territory now being wrested from the Germans west of the Bug river. More than 9000 square miles which the Russians recognize as Poland have been captured.

Klamath Man Killed in Action

Friends of Pvt. William F. Murray, paratrooper with the glider infantry, and a former resident of Klamath Falls, were saddened to learn this week that he was killed in action in France on June 25.

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Hitler Looks At Bomb Damage



Caption for this German photo, supplied by Swedish picture agency Pressens Bild, says it shows Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini inspecting damage to the room in which the bomb aimed at Hitler exploded last week. White spot on Hitler's hand is described as a bandage. (AP wirephoto by radio from Stockholm.)

Hitler Prepares General Mobilization of Manpower For Last-Ditch Defenses

LONDON, July 26 (AP)—Adolf Hitler, having in effect placed the reich and occupied territories under an arch nazi "big four," was believed today to be preparing a general mobilization of all manpower in that part of Europe under German control for a last ditch defense of nazism.

A German news agency dispatch reaching Madrid quoted a German foreign office spokesman as saying that Germany herself was going to create new and important military reserves and that other countries "allied" with Germany would not be far behind in this program despite the cost.

Executer
In his new post Goebbels has become executor to Reichmarshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering, who was appointed by Hitler last night as chairman of the ministerial council for defense of the reich.

Thus Goering became a dictator over all private and public life in Germany.

Forming of the "big four" of nazism to direct Germany's death battle are Hitler, Goering, Goebbels and Heinrich Himmler, the gestapo chief appointed last week to be an all-powerful commander-in-chief of the army at home.

NEW YORK, July 26 (AP)—Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels appeared before the German people tonight in his role as reich plenipotentiary for war, asserted that Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler (Continued on Page Two)

Chinese Break Into Leiyang

CHUNGKING, July 26 (AP)—Chinese troops have broken into the railway city of Leiyang, taken by the enemy in a drive several weeks ago which bypassed encircled Hengyang, and street fighting is in progress, the Chinese high command said tonight.

Bitter fighting raged within Hengyang itself, 34 miles to the north, and the high command said the positions were unchanged since yesterday, with the defenders repelling incessant enemy attacks.

The Japanese evidently hold a portion of the city, but the Chinese said for the most part it still was in their hands.

Body of Youth Taken to Medford

The body of Lloyd Gale Balderston, 17, was removed to Medford Tuesday where burial services will be held. He was killed in a motorcycle accident on Bly mountain Monday evening.

Balderston was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Balderston of 330 Stewart in Medford and had been visiting with friends in Lakeview. He was on his way back to Medford when the accident occurred.

Two Additions Made in Contest

Two more local girls entered the Miss Klamath contest Wednesday. They are Patricia Brown and Virginia Benoit.

The two entries today made a total of seven contestants registered in the race. Pictures of the first two girls to enter, Doreen Williams and Virginia Howard, will appear in Thursday's paper.

Baseball Scores
NATIONAL LEAGUE
R. H. E.
Cincinnati 2 9 2
Boston 9 14 2
Walters, Delacruz (6) and Mueller; Barrett, Just (7) and Hofferth.

ARMOR PUNCH CAPTURES TWO NORMAN TOWNS

German Anchor Posts Outflanked In Drives

By GLADWIN HILL
SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 26 (AP)—Tanks and infantrymen tore a gap four to five miles deep in German lines today in the Americans' first major armored punch in Normandy. They captured two key highway towns west of St. Lo as well as a dozen other villages.

Doughboy infantrymen riding atop the tanks won firm control of Marigny and St. Gilles, seven and four miles from St. Lo. St. Gilles is on the road running southwest to Coutances. Marigny lies just above the highway.

Menace Defenders
The penetration outflanked nazi anchor positions farther west near the coast, and menaced thousands of Germans still holding the line to the northwest.

The steel-plated American drive badly mauled the 353rd German infantry division, and two regiments of the third parachute division suffered severe casualties in a futile counter-attack, dispatches from the front said.

Limited Gains
Other doughboys toward the west made limited advances below Carentan and Lessay. The Germans counterattacked in those sectors.

Relays of hundreds of bombers paced the attack, striking four to five miles beyond the enemy's St. Lo-Periers road line. The ground forces crashed through despite nazi armor including 52-ton Mark VI tanks which mount 88-millimeter guns.

Prisoners Taken
The tank breakthrough was scored on a front several miles wide. Many prisoners were seized.

To the northeast, other American infantrymen hitting on a five-mile front advanced a mile and a half, capturing the town of La Chapelle-en-Juger. Fighting was fierce in this sector, with casualties on both sides.

Suicidal Battle
German troops on the east flank meanwhile fought with (Continued on Page Two)

Henderson Held On Murder Charge

OREGON CITY, Ore., July 26 (AP)—Winfield L. Henderson, 48, accused of slaying his 17-year-old daughter, Donna, was ordered held without bail after his arraignment yesterday on a first degree murder charge.

The Sherwood district farmer and ex-school teacher, refused to enter a plea in justice court and was granted time to obtain an attorney. He was returned to the Clackamas county jail here.

The daughter was found dead in the driveway of her home, a bullet wound in her neck and another in her right shoulder. Arresting officers said they found the father riding up and down in front of the house brandishing a pistol. Sheriff Fred Reakes said Henderson told him he shot his daughter in self-defense.

Vienna Bomed By Heavy Planes

ROME, July 26 (AP)—Flying Fortresses and Liberators bombed Vienna military installations today in bad weather which obscured results.

Between 25 and 500 American heavy bombers were convoyed by Mustang and Lightning fighters which shot down a number of interceptors. The armada encountered heavy flak.

Provisional Peace With Italy Considered by U. S.

By FLORA LEWIS
WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP)—A British suggestion that the allies write a provisional peace with Italy, which now has the combined standing of defeated enemy and co-belligerent, is before American authorities.

It was learned today, also, that the plan awaits discussion with Russia and other countries interested in the Italian settlement.

Later Decisions
As now contemplated, the peace treaty would leave aside all territorial questions, and probably other final claims such as reparations, for later decision.

Primarily, it would serve to regularize Italy's relations with the United Nations, clarify the position of Italian war prisoners, and enable Italian soldiers to reform and get into the front lines of the battle in their homeland.

Also, such a treaty would solve the question of the Italian armistice and give considerable prestige to the Italian government, which has complained its position is too weak.

The government of Premier Ivanoe Bonomi has asked that the allied armistice with Italy be published, presumably with the idea that public reaction to its terms would force revision.

Oppose Publication
Allied military authorities have opposed publication now on the grounds that it might prejudice actual operations.

The provisions of the treaty with Italy and the eventual settlement with Germany are likely to be quite different, since they may be written years apart.

Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
The internal situation in Germany is clearing slowly (possibly only temporarily.)

THERE is a quarrel between the military (army, perhaps) and the political (nazi) branches of the German government.

At this moment, at least, (as early as our eyes can discern through the fogs of censorship and propaganda) the nazis are on top.

THERE may have been an attempt on Hitler's life. May be not. The alleged bombing may have been merely an excuse for the nazis to START KILLING (FIRST).

THE dispatches tell us that all Germany is ruled by the BIG FOUR—Hitler, Goering, Goebbels, Himmler. These four ride Germany as relentlessly as the four horsemen rode the harried fourth part of the earth.

As in Revelation, "power has been given unto them . . . to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the plagues of the earth."

READING the dispatches, one repeats instinctively today the words of Revelation: "And I looked, and behold a pale horse; and his name that sat on him was DEATH, and he followed with him."

The German name of this rider of the pale horse is HIMMLER, and into Butcher Himmler's hands have been given the power of life and death over EVERY GERMAN and every resident of the conquered and the satellite countries.

"THIS much we can be sure of: FEAR stalks Germany. No one can trust ANYONE. No one knows who is a gestapo agent and who is not.

Death hovers everywhere, READY TO STRIKE.

WE shall see how long a people ruled by the grisly fear of death can hold out against MANY PEOPLES fired by the knowledge of a just cause and the desire for a better world.

MEANWHILE War Secretary A. Simson, freshly back from the war fronts, (who talks little but invariably means what he says), tells us what we must do: "Germany's armies and her people," he says, "are shaken and shot through with doubts, but in no sense are they yet broken."

He continues: "Only the sure strategy to finish this war with finality and SPEED: that is for us and our allies to gear every resource we have in men and equipment in a final, unremitting assault on land, sea and in the air."

He concludes: "Only when Germany and Japan see that they are about to be completely overpowered—when that fact is physically and unmistakably carried to their doorstep—then and then only will they collapse."

WHEN enough Germans have been killed, Germany will quit. Not before. It will be useful if Hitler, Goering, Goebbels and Himmler HELP US KILL GERMANS.

IN the west and in the east of Europe, this bloody business of German-killing goes on apace.

Our Americans in Normandy into action again this morning. U. S. tanks, with sharpshooters, American infantrymen riding German break four miles into the German rear beyond St. Lo on a front 2 1/2 miles wide. They are supported by waves of bombers.

The Germans fight with suicidal fury.

AT the other end of the Normandy line, the British and Canadians, who took the offensive yesterday, are fighting off German counter-attacks and consolidating their positions.

Montgomery is using the old two-punch—British and Canadians one day, Americans the next.

IN the east, the Russians, attacking frontally west of Belzice, are only 40 to 50 miles from Warsaw. Farther south, they are driving the Germans back against the east bank of the Vistula. Beyond the Vistula lie rolling plains ideal for tanks and cavalry.

U. S. planes, operating from Russian bases, are giving TACTICAL SUPPORT to the red armies.

Moscow says today that decisions appear NEAR in the red (Continued on Page Two)

Lumber Worker Breaks Leg
John McGaughey, an employe of the Pelican Bay Lumber company received a broken leg Tuesday afternoon when a load of lumber in the yard slipped and fell on his leg.

He was taken to Hillside hospital where he is receiving treatment. McGaughey is a "skinner" employed in the yard. His home is at 2316 Avalon.