

# JAPANESE ADMIT DAMAGE TO TOKYO

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Weather News	
May 26, 1945	
Max. (May 25)	80 Min. .... 38
Precipitation last 24 hours	..... 2.1
Stream year to date	..... 11.20
Normal	10.92 Last year 7.70
Forecast: Cloudy, scattered showers.	

## City Battles Fires Started In B-29 Raids

By LEONARD MILLIMAN  
Associated Press War Editor

Tokyo has been almost burned off the face of the earth, Japanese broadcasts reported today as the city fought gale-fanned flames started by a midnight incendiary raid of 500 Superforts.

The 4000-ton raid centered on Tokyo's main business districts—the most "indestructible" part of the enemy capital—but engulfed two of the city's numerous palaces. The imperial family was reported unharmed, although fires came so close returning airman said they may have scorched the emperor's hair.

And this apparently is only the beginning. Revised American war production schedules called for more big bombs and big bombers to be turned against Japan.

The climactic blow to Tokyo announced by Washington yesterday, came on the heels of a strong and bizarre 18-hour Japanese air attack on U. S. forces around Okinawa which damaged 11 U. S. fleet units. An earlier attack, the navy announced last night, sank five U. S. vessels—the destroyer Little, minesweeper Swallow, landing ships medium 190 and 195, and the LST 447—bringing naval losses of all types since Pearl Harbor to 310.

Japanese succeeded in landing a handful of suicide troops on a U. S. Okinawa airfield, where they caused some damage before they were eliminated, but the Nipponese lost 150 aircraft in this attack and American sweeps reaching down from Okinawa to Tokyo, bringing losses to more than 4250 planes in a little more than two months.

## ARMS CONFAB MAY FOLLOW JAP DEFEAT

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER  
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SAN FRANCISCO, May 26 (AP)—The probability of a United Nations arms conference following close on the defeat of Japan emerged today from the plans of future world security now being put into final shape here.

These plans provided both for the maintenance of land, sea and air force large enough to safeguard peace and for the regulation of armaments to reduce the victorious nations of this war of the heavy burden they have carried for the past several years.

Agree on Issues  
Committee actions in the United Nations conference to date indicate substantial agreement among the 49 nations represented here on these twin objectives. In fact, about the only controversy remaining in the conference is that between the small and great nations over the authority to be exercised in the projected world security council by the big powers.

The Big Four are due to reach final agreement today on a statement upholding the veto-voting formula worked out early this year at Yalta, but declaring at the same time that it could not be used to prevent any nation from presenting to the council charges against any other nation.

The United States delegation was summoned to a pre-noon caucus on the statement with the (Continued on Page Two)

## Japan To Feel Twice As Many Bombs As Germany

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST  
Associated Press Staff Writer

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Before listening to Gen. Marshall, many members believed the army's fiscal year 1946 (Continued on Page Two)

## Marines To Give Show In Medford

Members of the Marine Barracks All-Star Band group will leave for Medford Monday, May 28, to boost the 7th War Loan drive in Jackson county.

The show, which features the Barracks orchestra and top-notch entertainers, all returned from combat duty in the South Pacific, has played 11 engagements thus far in western Oregon towns and is credited with selling a quarter of a million dollars worth of bonds.

On Wednesday, May 30, the group will present a similar show at the Pelican theatre, featuring as the guest speaker, Mrs. Esther Sevcik, who was interned by the Japanese at Santo Tomas prison in the Philippines for almost three years.

## Admiral Left Up In Air

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26 (AP)—Vice Admiral Howard L. Vickery's visit to Kaiser's Vancouver yard left officials still embarrassed today because Vickery's party was left suspended a half hour 30 feet above the Columbia river when power failed in a whirley crane.

The maritime commission vice chairman, who was viewing a C4 transport at the outfitting dock, laughed when he found the group suspended in the air. Yard bigwigs and crane operators grinned weakly, if at all.

## Jap Balloon Attacks Revealed

Announcement by U. S. war and navy departments that Japan has been sporadically attacking western United States with bomb-laden paper balloons lent fresh interest to this photo released some months ago. It shows officials examining balloons bearing Japanese inscriptions which was found in western U. S. Left to right: Maj. J. F. Boligiano, army air corps balloon expert; Capt. W. S. Standard, army intelligence officer; W. G. Bannister, FBI agent, and Ens. P. M. Jackson, navy intelligence.

## Infantry Show Set

An action-packed infantry demonstration will bring two hours of modern warfare to Klamath's Modoc field on the evening of June 5.

That is the date set for the colorful, realistic "Here's Your Infantry" show staged by the army ground forces as a contribution to the 7th War Loan.

Close To War  
Four thousand Klamath basin people are expected to jam Modoc field for the event. With the sounds of battle in their ears, the picture of attacking infantry in their eyes, and the smell of burnt powder in their nostrils, local civilians will be brought closer to real war conditions by the demonstration than they can get through any motion picture or written story.

A 39-man infantry team will attack a Jap pillbox with rifles, machine guns, mortars, bazookas and flamethrowers. The attack is the highlight of the thrilling program, which will include a display and explanation of infantry weapons and exhibition of equipment and rations.

Bond Admission  
General admission price for this show will be one \$25 bond, and reserved seat admission will be a \$100 bond. Tickets are available at bond headquarters.

Eighty men, 15 of them from Oregon, will be in the unit. It will include a 29-piece band. The group will come here in an 11-vehicle convoy.

A special display of infantry weapons will be arranged on 4th street, between Klamath and Main, from 11 to 4 o'clock on both Monday and Tuesday, June 4 and 5.



A close-up view of close-up infantry fighting, as shown above, is typical of the action scenes that will thrill Klamath people at the big "Here's Your Infantry" show to appear on Modoc field the evening of June 5. There will be a two-hour demonstration by ground forces, climaxed with an action-filled attack on a pillbox in which all infantry weapons are used.

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## ELECTION NOT TO BLOCK BIG 3 MEET

By TOM OCHILTREE  
Associated Press Staff Writer

Prime Minister Churchill, opening his personal campaign for re-election to parliament, said today he had assured President Truman that Britain's coming general election must not block a new meeting of the Big Three at the earliest possible moment.

Both Churchill and Truman have expressed a desire to meet around a conference table with Premier-Marshall Stalin. The Polish governmental dispute and European occupation questions are among the topics such a conference would be expected to discuss.

Speaking to his own constituency in Woodford, Essex, Churchill said: "If I should be called away from this country during the actual election I shall rely upon you to see that my fortunes do not suffer."

Churchill has completed his task of forming a "caretaker" British government.

The new government—consisting mainly of conservatives to replace the labor and liberal ministers who withdrew with the breakup of the previous coalition administration—will serve until the results of the July 5 general election reveal which party was secured a majority in the house of commons.

## Kirkpatrick Now Holds Ace Rank

The rank of ace was won over Okinawa by Capt. Floyd C. Kirkpatrick, nephew of L. F. Kirkpatrick, 1900 Esplanade, when he recently shot down a Jap plane to bring his total to five.

Kirkpatrick flies with the United States 10th tactical air force in the South Pacific. In a delayed report by Vern Haugland of The Associated Press, folks back home learned how army and marine fighters garnered their greatest toll of the Okinawa campaign in shooting down 75 Jap planes in the wake of "last night's abortive attempt to land enemy troops in force on Yontan airfield."

## Soldier Held For Punching Prisoners To Be Released

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP)—The war department today cancelled out any further punishment for Pvt. Joseph McGee, who was sentenced to two years at hard labor for punching German war prisoners in France.

The 23-year-old Worcester, Mass., soldier, now confined in disciplinary barracks at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., was ordered restored to duty and his dishonorable discharge was revoked.

Acting Secretary of War Patterson personally reviewed the case at the request of House Democratic Leader McCormack of Massachusetts, who termed the court martial sentence "ridiculous."

McGee was court martialed at Le Mans, France, on October 17, 1944.

He was charged with "assaults and batteries" on nine German prisoners near a stockade somewhere in France. The prisoners testified that McGee struck them with his hands or kicked them and in one instance used his club. He pleaded innocent.

## PLANE OUTPUT PROGRAM CUT BY ARMY RULE

Production Of 17,000 Aircraft Ordered Stopped

By ELTON C. FAY  
WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP)—The army hewed off today a big chunk of its aircraft production program.

It announced a cutback order which will stop production of about 17,000 planes scheduled for the next 18 months.

Among other effects the retrenchment will:

1. Take perhaps 200,000 workers from aircraft plants in a dozen or so cities by the close of the year.
2. Release substantial quantities of steel and aluminum for civilian use.
3. End production of the new B-32 bomber, not yet reported in combat, while heavy emphasis is placed for the next few months on increased output of the B-29 (Superfortress).

Reasons  
The army air forces last night said the reasons for the new cutback are these:

Curtailed of lend-lease operations under which thousands of aircraft went to allies in the European war; different tactical and strategic requirements for the one-front war against Japan; with Germany's Luftwaffe knocked out, the United States lost less planes in the closing phases of the battle of Europe, planes which now may be used against Japan.

The AAF said production, on the basis of airframe weight (which means the weight of the plane, without engines etc.) during the second half of this year will be 70 per cent of the total produced in the first half. In (Continued on Page Two)

## DEMONS TURN BACK SOP TARIFF MOVE

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP)—Administration forces in the house today turned back a republican move to deny President Truman the tariff cutting power he has asked for.

By a vote of 197 to 174 the democrats quashed a motion designed to thus modify legislation to extend reciprocal trade agreements with other nations.

Roll Call Vote  
The action was made subject to a roll call vote later in the day. Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex.) read a letter from Mr. Truman, dated yesterday, in which the president said:

"I wish to repeat that I regard the pending measure for the renewal and strengthening of the trade agreements act as the first order of importance for the success of my administration."

The vote, by tellers, was almost solidly along party lines.

Beat Amendment  
The democrats also beat back 152 to 135, a republican amendment that would have prolonged the life of the reciprocal trade program for only two years instead of three years beyond the June 12 expiration of the present law.

So concerned were administration leaders over the tariff battle that they arranged for two democrats—Reps. Sabath of Illinois and Cochran of Missouri—to come from the navy hospital, where they have been ill, to vote.

## Nearly One-Third Quota Reached

The "E" bond quota of the "Mighty 7th" was being reduced by almost one-third the amount set, \$1,538,000, with the total number of bonds purchased up to noon today adding up to approximately \$500,000.

Other series purchased ran close to that figure and Rose Poole, chairman of the 7th War Loan, said that she hoped the over-all figure would pass the halfway mark by June 1. The campaign ends June 30.

Morning purchases, chalked up Saturday, totaled \$4550. This amount was expected to be doubled as afternoon shoppers crowded downtown streets.

## William Haney Dies On Okinawa

Mrs. Bessie Haney, 2958 Hope, received word from the war department Friday, informing her that her husband, Pvt. William Haney, USMC, lost his life in action on Okinawa Island, May 2.

Haney worked for Ewauna Box company while here, entering the service in May, 1944. He was overseas for seven months.

Pvt. Haney went to school in Malin, and was also employed by Stone and Alderman there. His wife, a three-year-old son, Robert Lee, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Haney of Gaston, survive.

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## Cabinet Nominees



Tom C. Clark (top), Rep. Clinton P. Anderson (center) and Federal Judge Lewis B. Swellensbach (bottom) were nominated by President Truman for cabinet posts. Clark, now assistant attorney general, will succeed Francis Biddle as attorney general. Rep. Anderson will become secretary of agriculture succeeding Claude A. Wickard and Judge Swellensbach will be the new secretary of labor, replacing Madame Frances Perkins. The appointments are subject to senate confirmation. (AP wirephoto.)

## BLAST KILLS 12, INJURES OTHERS

EDGEWOOD, Md., May 26 (AP)—Twelve persons killed and 51 injured, four critically, was the toll today of an explosion and fire at historic Edgewood arsenal, the first major accident there since the start of the war.

A special army board of inquiry is investigating the blast which rocked the station, headquarters of the army's chemical warfare service shortly after 3 p. m. yesterday. It occurred in a building filled with civilian workers assembling and loading two-pound igniter hand grenades.

Building  
This and an adjacent building were devastated by the explosion and subsequent flames which burned for several hours before firemen and volunteers extinguished it.

Eight of the dead, badly burned by phosphorus, were identified. Eighteen of the injured were hospitalized.

## Enrich Himmler's Body Gets Unceremonious Burial

CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN BERG, Germany, May 26 (AP)—The body of Heinrich Himmler, wrapped in a gray army blanket, was carried into a wooded area today and buried in a grave spaded by three British Tommies.

The body of the former German leader was found on the floor of a villa where the general ended his life with a bullet. He was found while undergoing examination by British soldiers.

Unceremonious  
The body had not been embalmed and was clad only in a British army shirt and the army (Continued on Page Two)

## Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
CORDING to the Jap radio, yesterday's B-29 fire raid on metropolitan Tokyo "literally scorched to the ground" the district adds that what was the world's third largest has been practically laid

PART at least of the imperial palace establishment was destroyed by the flames started by big bombers and fanned by gale winds.

Part and how much are being reported by the Japs themselves. Premier Suzuki, according to Domei (Jap news agency, AP, UP, etc.), reported he started and saw the imperial palace itself destroyed. A radio commentator adds that the "imperial palace, focal point of the Japanese people's most affection and undying loyalty, was destroyed for the first time."

Another commentator, however, says "the imperial sanctuary, symbol of the nation's spiritual traditions, escaped destruction."

... your choice.

crewmembers returning from the raid said the Jap army navy department and the (stogie parliament) buildings as well as the palaces, were badly damaged, although a specific target (you turn on and off, like a gas burner, a mighty conflagration that is fanned by a 70-wind).

The returning pilot says he'll be surprised if the flames started by the raid didn't "scorch the emperor's hair a little."

... seem agreed, however, the emperor, the empress and empress dowager escaped uninjured.

LOWING the weird Jap al, Suzuki calls an emergency cabinet meeting and pretends to apologize to the emperor for what happened.

... radio is extremely huffy about it all and lets us in no uncertain terms that it put our foot in it this

... enemy's inhuman atrocities, "have injured our people's feeling of loyalty and they are (now) determined to fight to the last Japanese."

... WITH? Is apparently to our answer.

... representative Buell Snyder, away from a closed-door committee of the house military affairs committee at which Gen. Marshall was present, tells porters:

... can say that in the coming months more than TWO TONS OF BOMBS will be dropped on Japan as the (Continued on Page Two)

## Red Funds For Road

... Guy Cordon wired Herald and News today that \$150,000 has been secured by an interior department committee for the River road.

... senator appeared before congressional appropriations committee to urge the appropriation.

... to this action, the government had set aside \$150,000 for the road. The state had that amount, including bridges in its part of the road.

... news from Washington, the road now has a cost of \$450,000. This road from the Lakeview near Beatty to Chiloquin both sides of the river. It has been in poor condition for many years.

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