

YANK FLAG FLIES ABOVE SHURI

The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
While we are fighting Jap suicide tactics in the Ryukyus, great events appear to be taking place in China. Chiang resigns as PREMIER of the Chungking Chinese government—in order, presumably, to devote his full time to MILITARY affairs. There have been reports of late of a possibly reformed military China. Apparently better armed, better equipped Chinese troops have been sent up what looks at this time and through continuing of censorship and propaganda like MAYBE real trouble the Japs.

They appear to be threatening the Jap land corridor that runs through south China into French Indo-China, Thailand, Malaya and so on into Dutch East Indies. If these things grow and hold, the Japs will be cut off from ALL of their bases in the Philippines and elsewhere. They MIGHT be able to pull their main land forces northward into Manchuria and Korea as they are rumored to be doing.

A lot of important things are happening in the Chungking area. These things are such that they have been considered considerable respect by those who have seen them. The elevation to the premier may be quite significant, and seems to be the CHINESE COMMUNISTS and therefore gets us with Stalin better than Chungking Chinese.

It must be borne in mind always that there are TWO sides to the story. The one is the anti-Jap but have eyed each other like a couple of suspicious cats. There are vague hints that they MIGHT get together to fight the Jap. Soong's election to the premiership represents an effort to do that about.

It is writer's advice is to keep your fingers strictly crossed ALL news emanating from the ISLANDS. The real situation there is still obscured by a heavy censorship—China's and Japan's. Recent developments are hopeful, but this insignificant writer has a notion that still aren't being told the story.

What seems to be happening turns out to be true. It is good news for Japan, but all our FIRST job is to win the Jap. THE REMAKING of will come later.

There will be plenty of time to worry about it then.

The battle of the Ryukyus, of which Okinawa is the flanker, is still in the Jap suzerainty. Tokyo radio commentator, is referred to in the dispatches as "authoritative," says that since suicide attacks are the best weapon remaining in their hands they will be extended to branches of the navy (air, sea, submarine, etc.). Suicide attacks are already causing us considerable losses. In less than a week, dispatches reveal, they damaged 26 of our ships sunk one. Secretary Forrest calls for 20,000 more men in Pacific coast ships to repair the damage that EXPECTED as the enemy up these suicide attacks. British admiral in the Ryukyus comments today that the suicide planes "take much more hitting than dive bombers."

Just have to wait to see what the Japs are able to accomplish with their suicide. Common sense tells us this is a defense measure born continued on Page Four

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FRENCH ASKED TO WITHDRAW ARMY IN SYRIA

British Troops Given Order To Prevent Bloodshed

By ALEX H. SINGLETON
LONDON, May 31 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill called upon Gen. De Gaulle today to withdraw French troops in Syria to their barracks. Britain has instructed her armed forces in the Middle East to intervene in the fighting between French and Syrian forces to prevent further bloodshed, Churchill said.

De Gaulle called key ministers to session in Paris immediately after he received Churchill's demand. Paris dispatches said the French government was surprised at the London announcement.

SISTER PASCHALIS DIES IN TACOMA

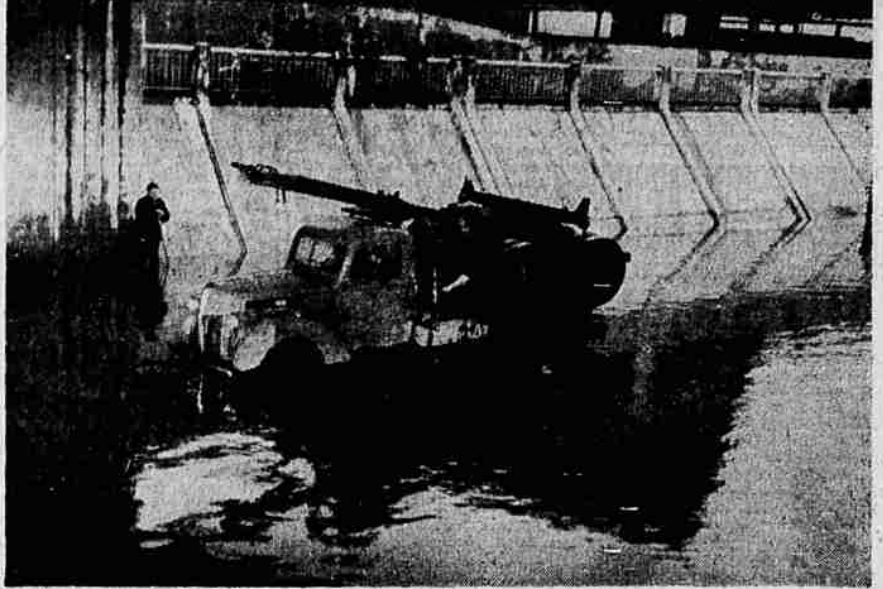
Sister Mary Paschalis, 53, beloved music and art instructor at Sacred Heart academy since 1924, died Thursday morning at St. Ann's home in Tacoma, Wash. Sister Paschalis had been ill for several years but continued as head of the music and art department of the school until last October when she sought medical care in San Francisco. In February she went to St. Ann's where she joined an old friend, Sister Mary Philomena, former superior at the academy here. Sister Mary Clarita, present superior of Sacred Heart, was with Sister Paschalis when she died.

Presents Campaign Ribbon



Mrs. Esther Sevcik is presented with the Asiatic-Pacific campaign ribbon by Col. George Van Orden in a ceremony at the All-Star Marine bond show. (USMC photo).

Knee High To A Tall Indian!



This is water in the Main street underpass, accumulated during Tuesday afternoon's storm which swept the Klamath basin for more than one hour. The logging truck pictured wasn't the only machine stalled in the underpass. Two buses and several cars failed to negotiate the dip due to high water.

COMMISSION FAVORS ROAD 99 FOR ROUTE

PORTLAND, May 31 (AP)—Pacific highway 99, passing through Roseburg, Grants Pass and Medford, is recommended by the Oregon state highway commission as the main inter-regional route to California. The commission's recommendation ended a long controversy between sites on two possible routes through southern Oregon.

The alternate route, particularly urged by Klamath Falls residents, would have left highway 99 near Eugene, cutting southward through the Cascades, and going down highway 87 through Klamath Falls to Weed, Calif.

Klamath Woman Presented Ribbon In Climax Of Show

Climaxing the All-Star Marine bond show performance Wednesday night was the presentation of the Asiatic-Pacific campaign ribbon to Mrs. Esther Sevcik by Col. George Van Orden, Marine Barracks commanding officer.

John W. Bowen Freed From Camp

In a telegram received May 29, the war department advised Mrs. Clara Bowen of 2141 S. 6th, that her son, T/Sgt. John W. Bowen, United States army, was returned to military control on May 10, after having been reported as missing in action in Germany since March 27. The telegram went on to state that he is hospitalized somewhere in the European theater.

Point Value Changes Made

WASHINGTON, May 31 (AP)—Point values on canned tomatoes and spinach will be higher beginning Sunday. However, the ration cost of tomato juice and vegetable juice combinations will be trimmed.

Balloon Bomb Caused Death Of 6 Near Bly

Government censorship was lifted today to disclose what was already widely known here—that the blast which killed six Bly people May 5 was caused by a Japanese balloon-carried bomb. Thus it was officially revealed that the Klamath county woman and five children who perished on that day were the first recorded deaths of World War II in continental United States caused by enemy action.

It was a chance discovery on a fishing trip into the area near Bly on the Bly-Dairy Creek road that led to the tragedy, which until today had been officially announced as the result of a blast of "unannounced cause."

The bodies of Mrs. Mitchell and four of the children were badly mangled from the explosion in the head, indicating he may have been leaning over the object when it exploded.

Crawford Slated For Trial Soon

Merl M. Crawford, Klamath Indian held in lieu of bail in the Klamath county jail, will go to trial in circuit court before Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg at 10 a. m. Monday.

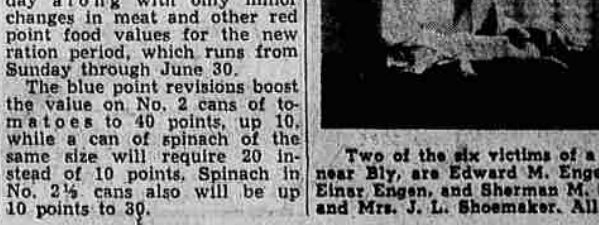
Yank Casualties Top Million Mark

WASHINGTON, May 31 (AP)—American combat casualties in World War 2 passed the million mark today.

Gillette Hands In Resignation

WASHINGTON, May 31 (AP)—Guy M. Gillette, former Iowa senator, tendered his resignation as chairman of the surplus property board during a call on President Truman today.

Jap Bomb Victims



Two of the six victims of a Jap bomb which exploded May 5 near Bly, are Edward M. Engen, 13; (left), son of Mr. and Mrs. Einar Engen, and Sherman M. Shoemaker, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Shoemaker. All are Bly residents.

NIPS THREATEN ADDED SUICIDE NAVY ATTACKS

Chiang Relinquishes Premiership For Army Duties

By LEONARD MILLMAN
Associated Press War Editor
Japan threatened today to extend kamikaze suicide tactics to all branches of the imperial navy in an effort to halt the allied advance on Nippon as the American flag flew over the shattered remnants of Shuri Castle, four centuries symbol of rule on Okinawa island.

In China, where Japanese armies have been reported withdrawing to meet a promised full-scale Chinese counteroffensive, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek relinquished the premiership to devote his full energies to military affairs. Two of Chiang's southern columns tightened a squeeze on enemy Liu Chow, remaining in a strong hold on the broken Indo-China corridor.

Allied soldiers were reported tightening pockets on isolated groups of Japanese in jungle grown hills of the Philippines, New Guinea and Burma.

74 Violent Deaths Reported

By The Associated Press
The nation celebrated Memorial Day yesterday (Wednesday) in comparative safety, only 74 persons meeting accidental death over the mid-week holiday.

Beef, Pork Taken From Lockers

A lot of red points went by the board either Tuesday night or Wednesday morning at Mallin when creamery lockers there were robbed of 100 pounds of beef and 150 pounds of pork.

Tulelake Worker Injured In Fall

Severe injuries to the back and leg were suffered late Tuesday afternoon by William McCollum, 36, Tulelake, when he fell from a tractor he was operating on the Henzel place.