

SUPERFORTS BOMB, BURN OSAKA

Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
HERE are predictions today from men on the ground that the end of the Okinawa campaign will come in a week or two. The 15,000-odd Japs left there are said to be heavily engaged with narcotics to raise morale to the final pitch of fanaticism.

Osaka's war industries are hit by another fleet of 450 B-29. We seem to have tried new wrinkles on the Japs, dropping high explosive bombs to drive the enemy's fire into their dugouts and in showering the city with incendiaries.

An idea like that is worth a SUICIDE scheme.

INCIDENTALLY, the Japs admit sadly that we seem to be in the range on their kamikaze suicide planes, after sweeps to smack the air from which they come, and air patrols around our ships and rocket ship barrages appear to be turning the trick.

HERE is a hint of big news to come in the dispatches today. General Stilwell's commander, our 5th army ground forces, our No. 1 Chinese expert, has CONFERRING WITH MACARTHUR at Manila.

MacArthur has the Philippines about cleaned up and so nearly ready for something. Truman told us the other day that he will have more than a million American troops to throw into the Pacific.

In a casual sort of way, the news announce that they now are 100 miles of the China coast near Foochow CLEARED OF JAPS.

HERE of course not telling the Japs what we're going to do. We're letting them worry about it—as we let the Germans worry about where we'd land on the coast of western Europe.

OPINION is rather general that Okinawa will end our island hopping on a big scale. With us in our possession, we'll have enough to do the job.

As a fair guess that we'll smash Japan's big cities first, our program is coming along much more rapidly than expected. Our 21st bomber command's B-29s have "erased ALL targets in Tokyo they set out to erase" and adds that the principal portion of Yokohama has been destroyed.

BLACK cloud of suspicion still hangs over Europe and the work of reconstruction there. Hints slip through censorship of a quarrel between us and the British on one side and the Russians on the other over demarkation of the boundaries of German occupation.

It is so in the case of France. The Revolution, established nation in Europe was suspicious of revolutionary France.

It was more or less true in the case of our young and revolutionary American republic, which seemed to loom as a positive threat to the established nations of the world.

It is true NOW of Russia, among the most liberal of Americans, who have hopes of the future of the people, there are secret of what Russia may do (Continued on Page Two)

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JACKSON ASKS QUICK ACTION ON WAR GUILTY

Sure Punishment For Criminals Urged By Prosecutor

WASHINGTON, June 7 (AP)—The chief American prosecutor of axis war criminals today urged sure punishment for the guilty, and declared against any dilatory tactics in trial procedure.

The trials, said Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson, must not be regarded in the same light as trials under the American system, where defense is a matter of constitutional right.

"Fair hearings for the accused are, of course, required to make sure we punish only the right men and for the right reasons," he said. "But the procedure of these hearings may properly bar obstructive and dilatory tactics resorted to by defendants in our ordinary criminal trials."

"Mock the Dead"

Failure to try those accused, he stated, "would mock the dead and make cynics of the living."

Justice Jackson told President Truman in a 5000-word report that he had assurances from the war department that those likely to be accused as war criminals.

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POTATO CROP MAY BE CUT BY RAINS

The potato crop picture is slightly dimmed as growers are beginning to estimate damage by May rains, and reports are coming in to the county agent's office.

The past four weeks of wet weather at first seriously interfered with potato seed planting, and there is still considerable acreage in the district unseeded, County Agent C. A. Henderson stated.

Cut Seen

According to many estimates that have been made, this year's potato crop may not exceed 75 or 80 per cent of that expected 30 days ago.

In a few cases growers have been forced to replant on account of loss of first plantings caused by rain. Some fields are showing considerable percentage of rotten seed pieces, in some instances as high as 20 or 40 per cent of the seed. This percentage however is exceptional, and average fields show only occasional rot.

Rhizoctonia flourishes in damp, cold weather, and recent conditions have been favorable for it. A considerable number of fields show damage on sprouts of seed potatoes. In some fields a high percentage (Continued on Page Two)

HOUSE APPROVES MONETARY PLANS

WASHINGTON, June 7 (AP)—The Bretton Woods world monetary agreements were approved overwhelmingly by the house today.

The final roll call showed 345 for ratification and 18 against. All the opposition votes were cast by Republicans.

The ratification legislation now goes to the senate, where the opposition predicted a vigorous battle.

Two presidents have described (Continued on Page Two)

American Held 30 Days As Wounded German Prisoner

FRAMINGHAM, Mass., June 7 (AP)—A 27-year-old American soldier hospitalized here told a story of spending the "30 most harrowing days" of his life when he was captured by his own troops and held as a wounded "German" prisoner of war.

Cpl. Gilbert J. Beamesderfer of Ephrata, Pa., a Cushing General hospital patient recently granted a 90-day furlough, was a squad leader in the 35th division of the third army before events became too confused for comfort.

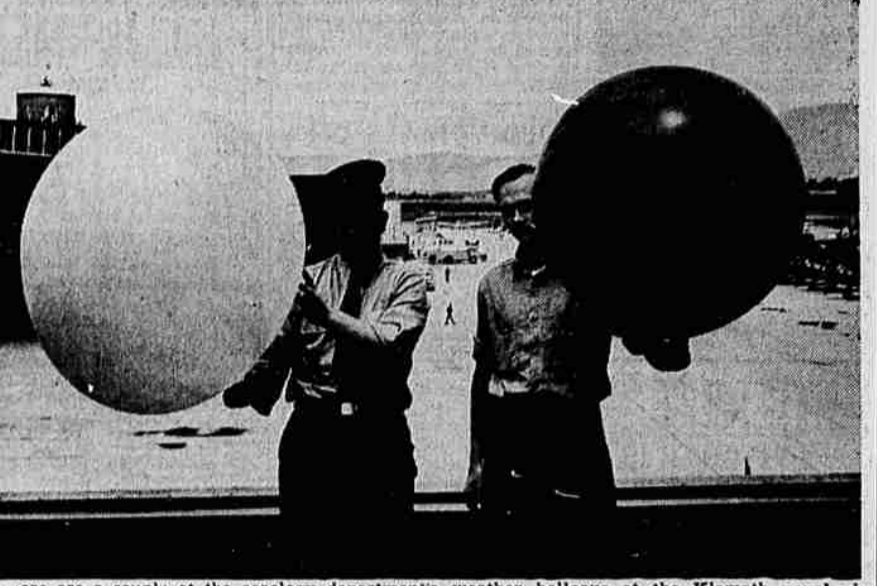
Hit in Arm

He remembered leading his men against a German machine gun nest in France and being hit in the left arm.

Beamesderfer's story was officially recorded by a public relations officer here. The soldier said he was treated at a first aid station as an American but that later he found himself placed with some German wounded in the evacuation hospital after he talked German with a German medical corpsman who cleaned his wound. He received an inkling of his plight that night when he asked a nurse, in English when he was to be operated on and she gasped, "Wherever did you learn to speak such good English?"

Just before they gave him ether, a surgeon spoke to him reassuringly—in German. Beamesderfer, who speaks German,

These Are Friendly Balloons



These are a couple of the aerology department's weather balloons at the Klamath naval air station. They are released to fly into the heavens to disclose direction and velocity of the upper air. Weather balloons such as these, and larger, more intricate ones, have been mistaken for the still bigger bomb-carrying balloons which the Japs are trying to send over the west coast. (USN photo).

Balloons, But Not Of Jap Variety, Give Rise To Widely-Circulated Stories Here

Many of the widely circulated balloon stories heard here recently were really started by balloons—but not the Jap variety.

Weather balloons, released by official aerology stations, have given rise to several scares since the Jap balloon campaign became known to the public and the Bly incident dramatized the danger in this area.

Two balloon reports from the area last weekend turned out to be the result of weather balloon landings. One balloon came down in the southeast district northeast of Merrill, and another near Dorris. Both were picked up by army men from Tulelake, but enough people saw or heard about the landings to start widespread reports of Jap balloon finds.

Klamath naval air station has received several balloon reports recently which, upon investigation, were found to have been started by weather balloons. A Sprague River report to the sheriff's office likewise originated from a weather balloon.

Jap Balloons Larger

Jap balloons as described officially recently are much larger than weather balloons, being something like 30 feet in diameter and made of paper.

There are four different sizes of weather balloons, according to the aerology office at the naval air station. These gadgets are designed to show direction and velocity of the upper air.

The smallest one is 24 inches in diameter and is a simple rubber sphere. A larger balloon, about 30 inches in diameter, is generally in use in this immediate vicinity, and a couple are released daily from the Klamath station.

Another, still larger balloon (about 31 to 4 feet in diameter) carries a target to show wind direction.

But the balloon that is most likely to be mistaken for a Jap balloon is a rubber ball from 6 to 8 feet in diameter, equipped with a radio transmitter which is in a box about a foot long and which, when the balloon bursts, drops to earth in a parachute.

Not Released Here

The latter balloons are not released from the Klamath station, but may float into this area from distant stations. Many of the radio transmitter boxes have been picked up by people in this area and returned to weather stations.

The public has been warned to refrain from touching any strange object found in the woods, and it is best to call the sheriff's office or a military installation, even if the object is believed to be a weather balloon box.

Cloth airplane markers designed to guide photographers over the Marine Barracks area have also given rise to balloon reports. Several local boys climbed to the top of Squaw's butte, in that district, to look at (Continued on Page Two)

Lack Of Agreement Holds Up Control Council Meets

LONDON, June 7 (AP)—Further meetings of the allied control council for Germany were being held up today by a lack of agreement on the French zone of occupation and a Moscow commentator blamed the western allies for the "muddle" in getting the administrative machinery in operation.

A responsible informant close to the British foreign office said there had been no definition as yet of the zone which will be under French control and that failure to reach such an agreement was the reason why the British and United States zones of occupation had not been defined. The French zone will have to be subtracted from their territory.

Ask Withdrawal

Correspondents representing the combined press who covered the meeting of the control council Tuesday said the Russians were unwilling to hold further meetings, which are necessary before the council can begin operating, until the Americans and British have withdrawn from the Russian zone.

The Americans and British, on the other hand, wished to know their exact zones before beginning troop movements.

Comment Declined

A foreign office spokesman declined to comment on the accuracy of a map published in Moscow yesterday purporting to outline the Russian zone, on the grounds that no copy of the map had been received by the government here.

The London Times said the Moscow announcement had been received "with some surprise."

"Though it is not questioned that the Russian zone is substantially as shown, it is felt that the statement should have been a joint one and that it would have come more fittingly from the control council in Berlin."

Joseph Myers Killed In Reich

MALIN—In a telegram from the war department received Wednesday, Mrs. Aletha Myers learned that her husband, Pvt. Joseph Harlan Myers, 26, serving with the U. S. infantry had been killed in Germany on April 8. A previous telegram received April 25, stated he was missing in action.

Prior to induction Myers was a farm laborer, coming to the Malin community from South Dakota four years ago. He visited his family here last July and was sent overseas early in September. He had been in the service 16 months. The family lives in the Kallina court.

Surviving besides his wife, are a son and daughter, Leslie, 6 and Dolores, 7, his mother, Mrs. Angeline Myers, Lebanon and six brothers, Dennis and Virgil Myers, both of Malin, Private Hugh Myers, U. S. army serving in Germany and Private Leslie Myers training in Mississippi.



Pvt. Joseph H. Myers

Weather News

June 7, 1945

Max. (June 6)	80	Min.	39
Precipitation last 24 hours	13.06		
Stream year to date	13.06		
Normal	11.24	Last year	8.69

Forecast: Warmer tonight and Friday.

Six Charged With Prying Into War Data

WASHINGTON, June 7 (AP)—The government today accused a navy officer, two state department officials and three New Yorkers of prying into wartime secrets.

Taken into custody by FBI agents in New York and Washington late yesterday, the six were charged with conspiracy to violate a section of the espionage statute covering unauthorized possession or transmittal of national defense data.

The FBI said documents, ranging from "restricted" to "top secret" were stolen from the state, war and navy departments, the highly secret office of strategic services, the office of war information and the federal communications commission. Part of FCC's wartime work has been recording enemy broadcasts.

Under arrest here are:

Lt. Andrew Roth, 26, of Arlington, Va., former Columbia university honor student, who served for a time in the office of naval intelligence. A reserve officer, he is not presently on active duty.

Emmanuel Sigurd Larsen, 47, of Washington, specialist in the China division of the state department's office of Far Eastern affairs.

John Stewart Service, 35, of Washington, a foreign service officer of the state department who until recently had an assignment with American military forces in China.

Held

Held in New York are:

Philip Jacobs Jaffe, 48, Russian-born editor of the magazine "Amerasia," president of a printing firm and active in organizations interested in Far Eastern affairs. The magazine is a fortnightly review of America and Asiatic affairs. Jaffe was naturalized in 1923.

Kate Louise Mitchell, 36, a graduate of Bryn Mawr college, a co-editor of "Amerasia" and the author of a number of books, including "Industrialization" (Continued on Page Two)

SOVIETS ASK FOR SECOND BIG 5 MEET

SAN FRANCISCO, June 7 (AP)—Russia called today for the second big five huddle in as many days. But there was no official intimation of any soviet-sponsored break in the deadlocked veto issue.

Soviet forces have said flatly they expect no further word from Moscow on the dispute between Russia and the other Big Four on interpretation of the Yalta voting agreement. The Russians insist the Yalta formula gives each of the Big Five powers the right to veto discussions of an international security council.

May Broach Issue

But there was some inclination among American delegates to the United Nations conference to bring the controversial question before the Big Five even if the Russians do not broach it.

In view of the fact the all-important veto question was not mentioned at yesterday's Big Five meeting, the Russian request for another conference today came as a surprise to the other delegations.

United States delegates said there is nothing of importance left for the Big Five to discuss unless it is the Yalta voting procedure or some other question which has not yet assumed major proportions.

Red Defeat Looms

If Moscow continues silent on the veto controversy, the whole disagreement may turn toward an open fight in the United Nations conference, with the prospect Russia would be defeated. Also, formal statements outlining the situation may be issued.

That would have the effect of speeding up conference work. The veto issue has jammed important progress for almost two (Continued on Page Two)

INVESTIGATION OF UNRRA DEMANDED

WASHINGTON, June 7 (AP)—Rep. Thomas (R-N.J.) today called for a congressional investigation of UNRRA. He termed the United Nations relief and rehabilitation administration "the focal point for the communist party in the United States."

Thomas said in an interview he would ask the house committee on un-American activities, of which he is ranking minority member, to make the investigation.

The law-maker disclosed at the same time that the committee, set up as the permanent successor to the old Dies committee, will begin hearings June 20 to investigate what he termed "the dissemination of communistic propaganda" by an employe of the New York OPA office.

Other committee members revealed that investigators have been checking on the price administration's New York office since last month and said Chester Bowles, OPA head, would be the first witness when the hearings start.

Thomas said a transcript of radio broadcasts made by one New York OPA employe indicated that he "has been smearing business, trying to bring about racial and class hatred, and following the communist line."

\$207,750 Sold In Bonds At Show

Lloyd Lamb, manager of the Northwestern Theatres company, has announced that the total amount of bonds purchased by those attending the all-star marine war bond show at the Pelican theatre on May 30, totalled \$207,750.

The show, featuring talent from the Marine Barracks and Mrs. Esther Sevick, liberated prisoner at Santo Tomas, was presented in connection with the 7th War Loan drive, and has been reported to be the most successful of its type to be seen in Klamath Falls.

Gordon Morisset Dies At Sea

Mrs. Gordon D. Morisset left Klamath Falls Thursday for Lewiston, Idaho, where funeral services are to be conducted for her husband, the late Lt. Col. Gordon D. Morisset of the finance division of the United States army. Col. Morisset died at sea while being brought to this country from the Philippines after an extended illness. He had been overseas for over three years.

In addition to his wife, Morisset is survived by his five-year-old son, Mason, who resides with his mother at 1101 Mitchell in Klamath Falls.

20,000 Voters Registered Here

A total of 20,837 eligible voters are registered in Klamath county for the forthcoming special election on June 22, according to figures released from the county clerk's office today.

Figures reveal there are 8422 republicans; 11,690 democrats; 53 independents; 10 socialists; 4 prohibitionists; and 658 miscellaneous voters registered.

This is the final list of registered voters of Klamath county who will be able to vote in the special election. DeLap said.

OKINAWA WAR END FORESEEN BY COMMANDER

Naha Harbor, Airbase Shaped Up For New Attack

By LEONARD MILLIMAN
Associated Press War Editor

End of the Okinawa campaign against 15,000 narcotics-stimulated Japanese in less than a week was foreseen today by one American commander as 450 Superforts bombed and burned Osaka, Japan's greatest military production center.

Newly-seized Naha harbor and airfield, the finest on the southern approaches to Japan, were being rushed into shape for the next major American invasion—possibly the enemy's home islands or the China coast—even as details of this move were being plotted by ranking generals in Manila.

Clear Coast Area

Chinese forces cleared a growing stretch of the China coast 450 miles west of Okinawa by chasing retreating Japanese into Futing, 105 miles north of the Chinese-held port of Foochow. Other Chinese columns in a 60-mile sweep through the Indo-China corridor seized a road junction 200 miles north-west of the Canton-Hong Kong harbor area, where jittery Japanese were preparing for any contingency.

The prediction that the major part of the Okinawa campaign may be ended within a week came from Maj. Gen. Roy Geiger, commander of the third marine amphibious corps, as remnants of the once powerful garrison of 85,000 were squeezed into about 25 square miles at the southern tip of the island. Simultaneously American doctors disclosed that spirits of the sodden, battle-fatigued Japanese were raised to a pitch of fanaticism by liberal use of drugs.

Batter Resistance

British and Indian troops battered down increasing Japanese resistance in their mop-up of Burma, while Yanks made two new amphibious landings in the southern Philippines to speed the end of the Mindanao island campaign.

Filipino willingness to support permanent American armed strength in the Pacific was indicated in a bill placing Philippine manpower and military bases at U. S. disposal which was prepared for the first wartime session of the insular legislature opening Saturday.

Today's three-hour raid on Osaka was the tenth such powerful strike at major Japanese industrial cities within a month and the second on Osaka, the nation's most important industrial producer, within a month.

FOOD PRODUCTION IN EUROPE EYED

By TOM OCHILTREE
Associated Press Staff Writer

British officials are expected to urge at a London conference next week that France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Denmark and Norway attempt to produce at least 70 per cent of their own food.

Invitations have been sent to representatives of the five countries, to which Britain has shipped food since their liberation. It is expected they will be advised that Britain has tightened her belt to the limit and cannot cut her rations any further to aid them.

No Agreement Seen

There were still no indications that a formula had been agreed upon for an international discussion of the French dispute with Syria.

The British foreign office has received a note from the French government giving the French position on the next step to be taken. It was understood in unofficial quarters that the note included a reiteration of the French stand that the matter should be dealt with in a Big Five conference. The British (Continued on Page Two)

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