

LAST OKINAWA DEFENSES CRACK

Day's News

FRANK JENKINS
Japs today are burning storage tanks in the big south of Brunei bay and just south of Brunei bay. If they have the so already, they will dynamite the wells, mainly dynamite the wells.

British sabotaged the when they left (north to is British; south Borneo) but the Japs got them into operation rather quick-ly may be taken for granted we have oil experts and equipment all ready to the job as soon as the Japs driven out of the fields.

invading Australians are making good progress, according to all reports. They clearing the Japs from southward along the coast of the China sea toward fields by means of am-ious landings behind the lines.

They are still encountering resistance, but are ap-ly under no delusions as lies ahead of them. Gen-Morhead (Australian) says a tedious and arduous re-cess as his forces must con-ot only with Japs but with jungles and tropical

Japs there know they're of course, but if they run to form they'll keep us of the Borneo oil as long as

Incidentally, we are seeing something new in Pacific war—Japs fighting OUT and FIGHT AGAINst of digging in and dying their holes.

The Japs left in Burma are eastward toward Thai-land and the British, fighting in reaching monsoon rains, are to trap and exterminate

finish fight in Okinawa is bloody one.

Indomitable marines and are scaling the cliff the Japs are making their stand. They are trying to be TOUGHER than Japs, and at the same are applying their native

throwing tanks up to the of the cliff and when the stall their range is EX-DED by hundreds of feet of

crew scaled a strategic carrying the nozzle of one flame-throwing hoses, ing out the defending Japs, let down a rope that was hand over hand by comrades with machine and ammunition strapped to backs.

this, remember, under a of Jap machine gun, rifle, and grenade fire.

Jap radio is literally qualling about converting OF JAPAN into another wa, that we'll have to take by hole and cave by cave, guesses that even the Jap handists know better.

may be promoting this every-hole-in-the-homeland align in the hope that when ONT tackle it that way

strangely sappy people will they have us bluffed and steamed up again with and enthusiasm.

never can tell what a Jap continued on Page Two)

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Weather News

June 13, 1945	
Max. (June 12)	88 Min. 40
Precipitation last 24 hours	0.00
Stream year to date	13.08
Normal	11.40 Last year 8.80
Forecast	Clear tonight and Thursday.

TOP JAPANESE MAY RESIGN IF OKINAWA FALLS

Suzuki Grabs Record Amount Of Power In Nippon

By JAMES D. WHITE
WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—Tokyo's Suzuki government has grabbed more power than any other cabinet in Japanese history, but Washington observers would not be surprised to see it resign when Okinawa falls.

That is the Japanese pattern. Tojo quit when Saipan fell, and Koiso stepped down after the loss of Iwo Jima.

But officials here charged with watching Japanese developments cautioned today that regardless of whether the cabinet of Premier Admiral Suzuki resigns to satisfy Japanese custom or not, it now has unprecedented power to rule by decree.

Must Tell Diet

This power has been voted by the Japanese parliament, or diet, and the only string attached is (Continued on Page Two)

HOPES FOR VOTE ON FEPC SHOWN

WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—President Truman today repeated the hope that the house rules committee will give the house a chance to vote on legislation making permanent a federal fair employment practices committee.

He expressed the hope to a news conference when asked to comment on rules committee action of yesterday refusing by a 6-6 tie vote to give such legislation a place on the house calendar.

Mr. Truman last week wrote Chairman Sabath (D-Ill.) of the rules committee asking a vote (Continued on Page Two)

Harvey Baker Dies On Okinawa

Word was received on Monday by Mrs. Ted Knopp, 1402 Dayton, that her son, PFC Harvey E. Baker, 22, United States army, was killed in action May 2 on Okinawa.

Baker enlisted in the army in June, 1943, and received his training at Camp Roberts, California. Reporting for overseas duty in November of the same year, he participated in several major engagements in the Pacific theater of war, including Saipan and Okinawa.

He attended both grade and high schools in Klamath Falls, and prior to his enlistment was employed at the Swan Island shipyards in Portland. He is the holder of the Combat Infantryman's badge for action on Saipan.

Spirit Of Nazism Lingers On In Berlin As Germans Open Propaganda Campaigns

By EDDIE GILMORE
BERLIN, June 9 (Delayed) (AP)—The spirit of nazism still lives in Berlin, virulent and brazen and with temerity enough to come out on the street and spread propaganda aimed at playing one of the allies off against another.

Houses have been and are being set afire by Hitler youths and at least two Russian officers have been shot and killed by snipers.

Big 3 Meeting Plans Slated, Says Truman

WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—President Truman announced today that a Big Three meeting has been set, but he said he could not announce the time or place until his arrival there.

The president also told a news conference that he expected the meeting at Moscow this Friday to work out a unified Polish government on a broad base to produce results.

In obvious good humor following an earlier conference with Harry Hopkins and Joseph E. Davies, his representatives to Moscow and London, the president told the reporters the results they had obtained have been completely satisfactory and gratifying.

He said he would take Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr., James F. Byrnes, former war mobilizer, Hopkins and Davies to the Big Three meeting with him, the latter two if their health permits.

The president said the all important thing was that London, Washington and Moscow continue the unity, confidence and respect which brought results in the military picture to make sure a lasting peace.

He, Marshal Stalin and Prime Minister Churchill, he said, must trust each other.

Discussing last night's announcement regarding the forthcoming meeting of American, Russian and British representatives with three groups of Polish representatives, the president said he thought we are on the way to a settlement of that issue.

He said that while no members of the present Polish government in London were invited to the meeting, the United States still recognizes the London-Polish government.

He expressed some concern when reporters sought to pin him down on detail as to the position of the London government.

The president reminded his questioners that Russia had done some very pleasant yielding on this and some other questions and that all should keep their heads.

The Russians, he said, are just as anxious to get along with us as we are with them.

He would not give reporters any hint whatsoever on the locale or time of the Big Three meeting other than to say that it will be within the 40-day limit he announced at a news conference last Thursday.

Asked what would happen to the Polish exiled government if a unified Polish government is set up as a result of the Moscow conference, he said it would go out of existence since the meeting is to set up a new government in which all could participate.

LABOR ADVOCATES DRAFT SUBSTITUTE

WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—The American Federation of Labor today advocated "a comprehensive program of improved education and health service" for the nation's youth as a substitute for peacetime draft legislation.

The AFL views were presented to the house postwar military policy committee in a statement prepared by Lewis G. Hines, national legislative representative. Hines recalled that the federation's executive council last February adopted a resolution opposing universal military training.

Noting that advocates of a postwar draft have emphasized the necessity for future preparedness, the AFL statement asked:

Passes



Clarence S. Robertson, 65, prominent Klamath Falls businessman, died Tuesday evening following a brief illness.

C. S. ROBERTSON TAKEN BY DEATH

Death took a prominent Klamath Falls civic leader and business man at 5:45 p. m. Tuesday at Hillside hospital with the passing of Clarence Shields Robertson, 65, president of the First Federal Savings and Loan association.

Mr. Robertson suffered a heart attack 10 days ago and failed to recover. He had been in good health up until that time.

Born May 25, 1880, in Brownstown, Indiana, Mr. Robertson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Robertson, Indiana pioneers. He attended school in that town and at the age of 18 years, settled in Seattle, Wash.

Later he went to work for B. F. Harrison, hardware merchant at Bremerton, Wash., and within five years Mr. Robertson became manager of that firm. He later entered the hardware business for himself.

On October 21, 1905, Mr. Robertson and Inez Victoria Lambert were married in Bremerton which was long their home. During his 18 years of residence in that city, Mr. Robertson served as president of the Bremerton chamber of commerce and also president of the Olympic hospital.

In 1922, Mr. Robertson moved his hardware business to Yakima (Continued on Page Two)

Poles, Big Three Agents to Discuss New Government

By ALEX H. SINGLETON
LONDON, June 13 (AP)—Poles and Big Three representatives will discuss reorganization of the Polish provisional government in Moscow Friday, it was announced today.

A British foreign office commentator said "a very serious deadlock has been broken," but cautioned that "it is contrary to all our experience to say that it is going to be clear sailing from now on."

A simultaneous announcement in London, Washington and Moscow said reorganization of the Warsaw regime on a broad democratic basis as "provided for in the Crimea agreement on Poland" would be discussed in the soviet capital by representatives of Britain, soviet Russia and the United States, spokesmen for the provisional government in Warsaw and Polish democratic leaders.

Members of the Polish government in exile in London, still recognized by Britain and the United States, were conspicuously absent from the list of Poles who will take part in the discussion.

Responsible quarters here said that Julian Zakowski, 48-year-old architect and one of three London Poles invited to the conference, had decided to turn down the bid on the ground that he has never been connected with politics. Regarded as a liberal socialist, who has no affiliation with the exiled administration, he was understood to have been nominated by the Warsaw provisional government.

A dispatch from Moscow by Associated Press Correspondent Eddy Gilmore said a reliable diplomatic authority stated the conference was to be held on the basis of reorganizing the government with the soviet-sponsored provisional government as a nucleus. Gilmore said diplomats in Moscow believed there were several good reasons to be optimistic.

Big Three representatives to the conference will be Russian Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov, U. S. Ambassador W. Averell Harriman and British Ambassador Sir John Archibald Clark Kerr.

Principal Polish leaders selected to attend were Boleslaw Beirut, president of the Warsaw provisional government; Wincenty Witos, former premier and leader of the democratic group inside Poland not affiliated with the Warsaw government; and Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, peasant party leader who resigned as premier and withdrew from the exiled government in London last year.

First Flag On Guam To Be Seen At Exercises

The first American flag to make the beach in the recapture of Guam in early 1944 will be on display at the Elks Flag Day exercises to be held on Thursday evening.

The flag is the property of Col. George Van Orden, of the Marine Barracks, and was lent to the Elks for this occasion.

It was carried ashore on Guam on June 21, 1944, in a tractor of Company A, 3rd amphibian tractor battalion, third marines.

Maj. Henry Applington, USMC, Amherst, Mass., was in command. He presented the flag to Col. Van Orden, who participated in the Guam invasion.

The Flag Day exercises will start at 7 p. m., with special drills by the marine drum and bugle corps and marine drill team in front of the courthouse.

Congress Asks Query Into Debt

WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—Demands were voiced in congress today for an investigation of the settlement of a \$200,000 private loan to Brig. Gen. Elliott Roosevelt for \$4000.

OIL FIELDS DESTROYED BY NIPPONESE

Yank Ingenuity Aids In Battle On Island

By LEONARD MILLIMAN - Associated Press War Editor
Japan's last defense line on Okinawa began to crack today under pressure of American power applied in pre-dawn attacks on both flanks which took the defenders by surprise.

Simultaneously Japanese adopted scorched earth tactics in one of the finest oil fields on newly-invaded Borneo.

Nipponese set fire to tanks in Borneo's Seria oil fields, capable of producing 6000 barrels a year, when invading Australian forces were 60 miles away and cut off by thick jungles.

Cut Into Hold
Ingenuous American tankmen packing 500 foot extension hoses up sheer cliffs helped infantrymen cut deeply into the enemy's narrowing hold on southern Okinawa.

Japanese flamethrowing tanks failed to halt U. S. 37th division infantrymen pushing into Cagayan valley of northern Luzon island for the final battles of the Philippines. Seven were knocked out.

Enemy forces did succeed in temporarily halting Aussies cleaning out Bougainville island (Continued on Page Two)

CALIFORNIAN KILLS 30 NIPS ON OKINAWA

By AL DOPKING
OKINAWA, June 12 (Delayed) (AP)—PFC Clarence B. Craft, Santa Ana, Calif., in a one-man massacre, killed 30 Japanese and drove a wedge that, his regimental commander said, helped snap the Japanese Shuri defense line.

Fellow doughboys, who had a ringside seat to "a fighting performance we hardly could believe," told today how Craft almost single-handedly wiped out a strong Japanese pocket in 10 to 15 minutes.

Craft, married and the father of a 4-year-old son, made his one-man assault on a 450-foot hill May 31 when elements of the 98th infantry division were pinned down by intense machine-gun fire.

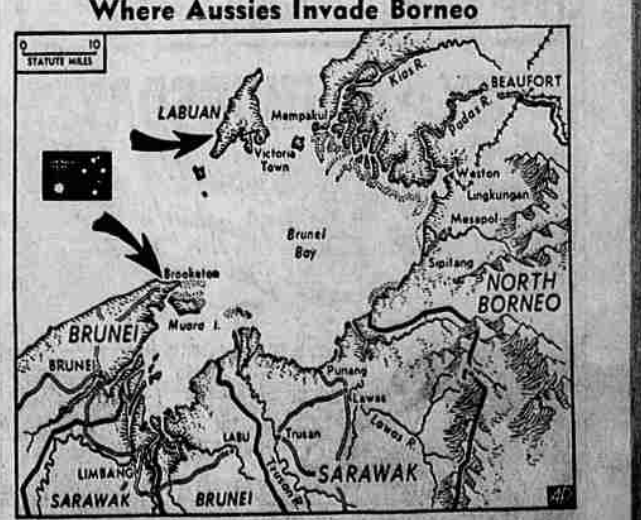
Hold Up Battalions
For 10 days, Japanese from this hill had held up two battalions.

Two flanks of two divisions couldn't move until it was seized. On May 31, a company and two platoons assaulted the hill again.

The Craft went into action. When he reached the hilltop, he began tossing grenades into trenches and foxholes as men from his platoon passed them up to him. He straddled a trench, pouring fire from his Garand (Continued on Page Two)

57 Per Cent Of Quota Reached

Approximately 57 per cent of the 7th War Loan quota was reached here the war bond headquarters announced today.



Arrows show locations of the Australian drives on Borneo, where Japanese were today reported to be burning oil fields, 60 miles away from Aussie lines.