

LUZON LIBERATION COMPLETED

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
NEWS from the Pacific today runs strongly to statistics, sadness and fierce pride mingle in our emotions as we read the figures.

(N the North Luzon and Okinawa campaigns, carried on more or less simultaneously, 5,600 Americans gave their lives. In these campaigns, nearly 225,000 Japs were killed. That is a ratio of 14 to one.

SO much for the dead. In the North Luzon and Okinawa campaigns, 45,773 Americans were wounded. We have no record of the number of Jap wounded. We lack even ESTIMATES.

Yet in the Pacific fighting, as in all other fighting since the world began, Japs must be wounded as well as killed. It isn't in the cards for them all to be killed dead on the spot. Except in occasional, almost INDIVIDUAL instances, there have been few accounts in the dispatches of capture of Jap wounded, in hospitals or elsewhere. We do pick up a few on the battlefields (giving them immediately, as all civilized people do, the same medical care we give to our own) but the aggregate of such cases mentioned in the news has been almost infinitesimally small.

These North Luzon and Okinawa campaigns occurred AFTER the Japanese lost their hold on the sea and air lanes. So VERY FEW wounded Japs could have been evacuated to the homeland.

THIS question arises naturally in our minds: What happens to a Jap when he is wounded too severely to go on fighting?

There is no clear and definite answer, but from scraps of information pieced together from accounts of eyewitness correspondents, together with scanty but significant communiques from MacArthur's headquarters, we can deduce this solution of the mystery:

The suicide-indoctrinated Japs must KILL THEIR OWN severely wounded or the wounded must kill themselves.

HOW, otherwise, can we explain the staggering totals of Jap dead (which are based largely upon our own count of enemy bodies) and the practically total lack of evidence as to any considerable number of Jap wounded?

RECENT statistics are lacking, but the latest figures available indicate that the lives of more than 96 per cent of our wounded are saved.

THESE totals of killed and wounded in the North Luzon and Okinawa campaigns are heavily weighted in our favor, but even so they don't tell the whole story—for they include OUR NAVAL LOSSES.

The Japs who have gone to the bottom of the sea are uncounted and unguessed at.

THE Japanese high command seems to have carried on the Pacific war so far on the cynical theory that there are plenty more cannon-fodder Japs where they came from.

It might pay them to give some consideration to the fact (Continued on Page Two)

Oregon Sells Third More Than Bond Goal

PORTLAND, June 28 (AP)—Oregon has sold a third more than her \$110,000,000 7th War Loan quota, with sales to date of \$143,259,721.

Bond sales are still more than \$12,000,000 short of the goal. The E total is now \$42,838,388 against a \$55,000,000 quota.

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Tom Connally Opens Campaign For Quick Approval Of Charter

WASHINGTON, June 28 (AP)—"We leagued our armed might for war," Tom Connally told the senate today. "Now let us leagued our moral and material might for peace."

Thus the tall Texas democrat, chairman of the foreign relations committee and a delegate at the San Francisco conference, opened the campaign for speedy ratification of the United Nations charter by a highly receptive senate.

"The world charter for peace is knocking at the doors of the senate," he said, adding:

"We shall not turn it away."

Admittedly worn by nearly nine weeks of day and night deliberations at the conference, the broad-shouldered Texan strapped on his legislative spurs

B-29s UNLOAD FIRE BOMBS ON 4 JAP CITIES

GUAM, Friday, June 29 (AP)—Between 450 and 500 American B-29s unloaded more than 3000 tons of fire bombs on four Japanese cities—Sasebo, Moji, Nobeoka and Okayama—in a pre-dawn raid against the Nippon mainland today.

The targets of the multiple strike included the port cities of Sasebo, which previously had been hit, and Moji and Nobeoka, struck for the first time.

Okayama, site of an army training center and industrial center of Honshu, likewise was attacked for the first time.

The 20th air force, announcing the four-city blow, said that further details would be released when the B-29s return to their bases in the Marianas.

Sasebo, which has a population of about 208,000, is one of Japan's four principal naval bases, described as capable of servicing and repairing all types of naval units. The city has a harbor which can accommodate an entire fleet and it also has a naval arsenal, naval aircraft factory and a naval aircraft assembly plant.

Clark To Head Austrian Forces

WASHINGTON, June 28 (AP)—Gen. Mark W. Clark has been designated chief of United States occupation forces in Austria, Undersecretary of War Patterson announced today.

Clark, who commanded the 15th army group in the Italian campaign, will be the supreme American authority on military government and political problems in the United States occupation zone in Austria, Patterson said.

With some variations, Patterson added, Austria will be occupied in the same manner as Germany with four zones of occupation—one each for the four major powers. Vienna, the capital, also will be divided into four zones similar to the pattern on the division of Berlin.

After court convened at 2 p. m., Judge Vandenberg instructed the jury. He explained (Continued on Page Two)

Resigned



The resignation of Edward R. Stettinius, as secretary of state was accepted yesterday by President Truman, who is expected to name a successor to the post Monday.

SHAKE-UP IN STATE DEPARTMENT LOOMS

By JACK BELL
WASHINGTON, June 28 (AP)—If President Truman picks James F. Byrnes as his new secretary of state the cabinet shift may be followed by a drastic departmental shakeup.

The president said in accepting the resignation yesterday of Edward R. Stettinius Jr., as secretary that he expects to announce a successor Monday.

Capitol Hill is convinced the choice will be Byrnes, former senator, supreme court justice and war mobilizer who quit the latter job shortly before President Roosevelt died.

Head Delegate
Stettinius, Mr. Truman said, will head the American delegation to the proposed new United Nations organization and serve as this country's representative (Continued on Page Two)

London Pole Named To Cabinet

LONDON, June 28 (AP)—The Warsaw radio said tonight that Premier Edvard Osobka-Morawski had presented the slate of a reconstituted Polish government with Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, formerly head of the London exile regime, as deputy premier and minister of agriculture.

The list was presented to President Boleslaw Bierut. Osobka-Morawski retained the post of premier.

Meanwhile, a strong possibility developed that Poland's foreign assets would be frozen temporarily while Great Britain and the United States prepared to withdraw recognition from the London regime and transfer it to Warsaw.

Ryukyu Losses Told; Nips Close Factories

11 Thousand Missing, Dead In Campaign

By ROBBIN COONS
GUAM, June 28 (AP)—The Ryukyu campaign, including capture of Okinawa island and several associated strikes by the navy's fast carrier forces on the Japanese homeland, cost the United States 46,319 casualties, of whom 11,987 were killed or missing.

Naval casualties of 4907 killed or missing and 4824 wounded—a total of 9731—for the period March 18 through June 20 were announced in Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz' communique today. Previously, he had reported army and marine casualties of 6990 killed or missing and 29,598 wounded in Okinawa ground action.

The navy's first venture into the Okhotsk sea, west of the Kuriles—a penetration which destroyed or damaged a five-ship convoy—also was announced in today's communique.

A task force of cruisers and destroyers sank three cargo ships, probably sank a fourth and damaged the fifth in a daylight action west of Harumokutan island, 60 miles south of Paramushiro. Success of the daring thrust indicated almost daily air raids have pretty well neutralized Japanese airfields in the Kuriles, only 600 miles from the homeland. There was no hint of any retaliatory enemy air strike.

This was the first task force raid so far west in the North Pacific. Light forces have bombarded both Paramushiro and Misawa islands of the Kuriles in hit-and-run night raids. The Okhotsk sea lies between Russian-held Kamchatka peninsula and the Siberian mainland.

Results showed: the Kawasaki aircraft works at Kamigahara, near Nagoya, was 35 per cent destroyed or damaged; Kawasaki aircraft plant at Himeji was almost completely destroyed; Mitsubishi aircraft works at Tamashima was 85 per cent destroyed or damaged, and the Kawasaki plant at Akashi, near Kobe, received 24 per cent new damage. These were the June 22 targets struck.

Fire raids on three cities June 18 and 20 brought this havoc: Kagoshima on Kyushu island, 2.04 square miles, or 42 per cent of the built up area; Fukuoka, on (Continued on Page Two)

JAP AIRCRAFT PLANTS BASHED BY SUPERFORTS

GUAM, June 28 (AP)—Four more Japanese aircraft plants and 3.45 more square miles of Nipponese cities have been hard hit by Superfortresses, the 21st bomber command announced today, disclosing results of attacks June 18, 20 and 22.

More than 115 square miles of factory and urban areas have been burned or bombed out, Maj. Gen. Curtis E. Lemay, commander of the 21st, said after examining reconnaissance photographs of the sky fleet's handiwork.

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"I even hope for an early landing of enemy forces on our mainland just to sense the thrill when we strike a deadly blow to the enemy," the correspondent said. Another Japanese broadcast said that a "Tokyo defense army" command had been established.

It was the third command to be set up this month and makes a total of nine in the four main home islands. Tokyo formerly was in a defense district which also embraced adjacent areas.

NUMBER OF IDLE IN U. S. DECREASES

By The Associated Press
The semaphore along the nation's labor front flashed red, green and amber today as traffic in many lanes of industry remained congested by strikes and work stoppages.

The idle throughout the country numbered about 80,000, as against yesterday's 93,000. Settlement of a strike at the Hudson Motor Car company in Detroit, involving 11,400 workers, brought the number of idle in the automobile city below 50,000 for the first time this week.

A few small strikes ended. A new one was added to the list and fresh walkouts were threatened. Otherwise, the picture on the troubled labor scene was unchanged from earlier in the week.

The number of strikes in June was not known but the bureau of labor statistics in Washington said there were 425 strikes and lockouts last month. Involved were 310,000 workers and loss of work amounted to 2,025,000 man-days.

In Detroit some 10,000 Ford Motor company workers were absent in an AFL-CIO jurisdictional battle that has made idle 7500 at Budd Wheel company and 22,000 at Packard Motor Car company.

Japs Prepare Suicide War For Homeland

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28 (AP)—Japan announced today it was closing even "necessary" industries to step up war production and boasted that the anticipated American invasion of the homeland would be repulsed by an array of suicide weapons that would create "world-wide amazement."

The Domei news agency dispatches, recorded by the federal communications commission, said production priorities would be allowed only for aircraft and "other armaments and explosives."

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Points Boosted For Oleo; OPA Says More Meat Soon

WASHINGTON, June 28 (AP)—There'll be a little more meat on the nation's dinner tables in July, but not enough to cut ration values.

The OPA announced today that the supply will be five per cent greater than this month, but at the same time handed out this gloomy news:

From next Sunday through July 28 margarine will cost 14 points a pound instead of 12, while canned fish will require two to three more points a pound.

Cheese Points Down
On the brighter side, cheese point values will be reduced from two to four points a pound, depending on the kind.

Current ration values on butter and all canned fruits and vegetables will be maintained through the July period.

While the average weekly supply of meat in July will be up slightly, present point values for nearly all cuts must be maintained to improve distribution to shortage areas, OPA said.

LINK-UP ENDS LONG FIGHT IN PHILIPPINES

McArthur Announces Victory At Cagayan

By SPENCER DAVIS
MANILA, June 28 (AP)—American and Filipino forces have won the campaign for mountainous North Luzon, "one of the most savage and bitterly fought in American history," to completely liberate this biggest island in the Philippines, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

His triumphant communique added conquest of the 200-mile-long Cagayan valley in 28 days as the conclusive chapter of an operation which:

Began January 9 at Lingayan gulf, swept down the 125 miles to Manila in 28 days; freed that shell-shattered city only after three weeks of battling in its rubble-streets; reclaimed hallowed Bataan peninsula; and reopened Manila bay by paratroop-amphibious invasion of Corregidor.

A juncture Tuesday in the Cagayan valley of the U. S. 37th Ohio infantry division, (Continued on Page Two)

HEUVEL TO RETURN TO KLAMATH TODAY

Earl Heuvel, former police chief of Klamath Falls, was expected to arrive here this evening in the custody of Sheriff Lloyd Low and State Policeman William Colbert. Heuvel is being brought here from Portland where he has been lodged in the Multnomah county jail.

Heuvel was arrested in Klamath Falls, on a fugitive charge by federal officers and was incarcerated in the jail at Little Rock, Ark., until his transfer to Portland on June 23.

Heuvel faces four indictments returned by the Klamath county grand jury, including one of contributing to the delinquency (Continued on Page Two)

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WASHINGTON, June 28 (AP)—The only meat value changes are set for 7 fat pork cuts, which go up one or two points a pound. These include jowls, fatbacks, plates, sides, and jowl and plate bacon. Regular bacon is not affected.

Scarcity Acute
OPA said that while the scarcity of ration meats "is still acute," reports from its field offices indicate that "meat is reaching many retailers in greater quantities and with greater regularity than before."

Price Administrator Chester Bowles has attributed this improvement to OPA's new meat control program, which is designed to move a greater supply across state lines to deficit areas.

The five per cent increase in total civilian supply for July on the other hand, results principally from a reduction in the army's requirements.

OPA also credited its drive against meat black market operators as another "factor in improving distribution."

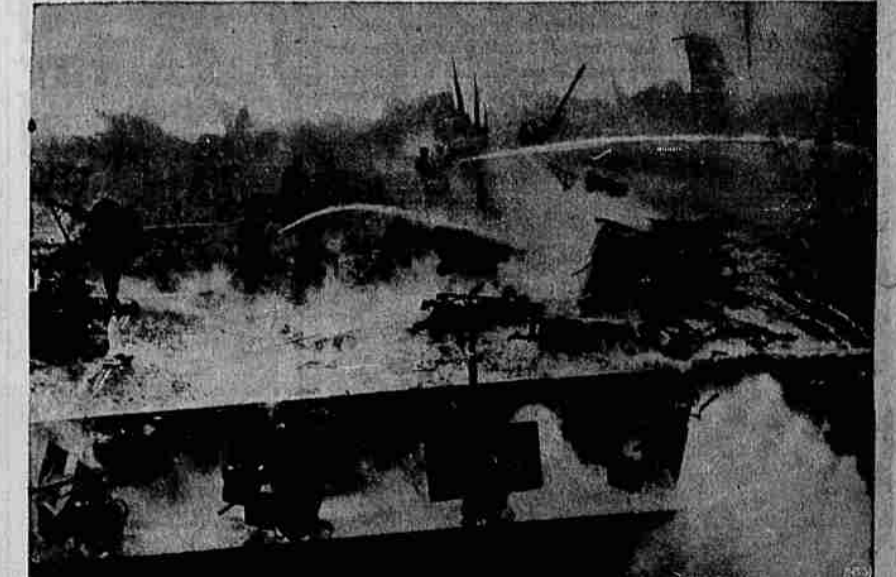
Daring Maneuver Saves Aircraft Carrier Bunker Hill After Japanese Planes Set Ship Afire Near Okinawa Island



Smoke fills the skies as it rises from the flight deck of the USS Bunker Hill—another gallant ship that refused to die. The carrier was hit twice within 30 seconds by two Jap suicide planes just as she was ready to send off a flight of gasoline-filled and bomb-loaded planes on a mission over Okinawa. Resulting catastrophe cost lives of 373, with 264 wounded. Ship survived to limp into a Puget Sound repair yard where she is being refitted for further duty.



With fire sweeping her flight deck and bomb fragments making an inferno topside, the U. S. carrier Bunker Hill fights back. Smoke is shown billowing from the stern of the ship while crew members hustle to man their battle stations against further attack. (All photos by U. S. Navy)



Neither flaming gasoline from the tanks of the flight deck nor exploding rockets and bombs daunted the valiant crew members as they successfully fought to bring near-disastrous fire under control. Thousands of gallons of gasoline and water were dumped overboard in a desperate attempt to save the ship. (See story on page 3).