

U. S. JOLTS ARM IN PACIFIC

Tremendous Superfort Raid Puts Torch To Osaka

FRENCH CEASE FIRE BUT HOLD POSITIONS

British Met Half Way In Syria Crisis 'Ultimatum'

Troops Fail To Go To Barracks

LONDON — (AP) — France refused today to comply with Prime Minister Churchill's request that French troops in Syria retire to their barracks to avoid the possibility of clash with the British, but in a conciliatory move ordered her troops to "cease fire."

"French troops will remain in their positions," said a French communiqué issued in Paris after a Cabinet meeting.

By ordering French troops to cease fire the French thus complied with half—the request of Churchill—backed by President Truman in take steps to end the bloodshed.

In further steps to resolve the dispute that threatened to plunge the Arab world into revolt, it was declared that the United States had agreed to all with other powers in the role of mediator.

Resistance Fading Japanese Facing Okinawa Defeat

By HAMILTON W. FARON

GUAM — (AP) — Organized Japanese resistance on Okinawa appeared to be ended today.

Tenth Army Yanks pursued crippled, disorganized remnants of the Rising Sun's once-potent island garrison and closed a trap on Shuri town while Radio Tokyo admitted Japanese losses were "gradually increasing."

With Marines on the sea and infantry on the east, the Americans cut through both tanks to isolate the Shuri key position, Japanese defense and to drive upon both flanks, seaward to secure the retreating Japanese were unable to set up any defense lines.

South Division Marines captured the Japanese-held Shuri key position of the island with a population of 10,000 in its hands, turning them into a strategic life remaining pocket.

Japanese Daimo news agency broadcasted in Tokyo today that the "penetration" of Shuri by American troops was "a great victory."

Industrial City Dealt Heavy Blow

Struck Hard As Was Yokohama

By ROBBIN COONS

OSAKA — (AP) — Great waves of Superforts lighted fires in the manufacturing center of Osaka today that sent smoke billowing 27,000 feet above Japan's most highly industrialized city, and simultaneously the 21st Bomb command announced a similar raid Tuesday burned out 6.9 square miles of Yokohama.

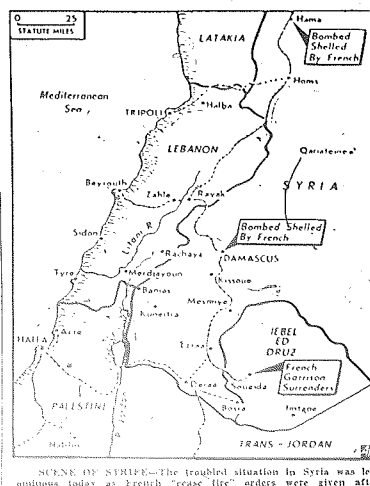
The principal portion of Yokohama is situated between the Sagami Bay and Sagami River. Headquarters announced an estimated 100,000 people had been killed in the same conflict in Osaka.

Eighty six square miles of urban industrial area of Yokohama city are now known to have been destroyed or heavily damaged by Superfort incendiary attacks.

Today's one-hour raid matched previous top strength fire strikes with more than 500 bombs, reported to include 100 incendiaries and 100 incendiaries in their second flaming attack on Osaka.

Great official Japanese broadcasts admitted flames started throughout the manufacturing center of Osaka were fully gradually being brought under control.

Smoke over Osaka was so dense that many returning aircraft reported they could not see the city. Only light fighter opposition was reported, including anti-aircraft planes, probably because an effort of about 100 Mustangs from Iwo Jima swept in ahead of the first wave of B-29s. The first interceptors were so unimpressive that one American gunner described the Japanese fighters as "a few specks."



SCENE IN SYRIA—The troubled situation in Syria was less ominous today as French "cease fire" orders were given after Damascus and Hama were shelled and bombed in mounting strike which caused British to intervene. A French garrison at Souleia, capital of Jebel Sidr, surrendered and it was feared the French troops might march on Damascus. (AP Wirephoto Map)

Army Mightier Than European Force Arrayed

Truman Declares Military Policy For The Defeat Of Japan

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The U. S. Army in the Pacific, President Truman declared today, ultimately will be twice its present size and "bigger than our Army in Europe at its height."

In a special message to Congress, reviewing the war and reiterating this country's determination to fight the Japanese conflict "to complete finish," Mr. Truman called for workers in ship repair yards to meet the suicide attacks of the Japanese and asked civilians to abstain from travel during the mass movement of troops to the Pacific.

Mr. Truman said the Pacific war has developed all the major elements of a naval war and told Congress all escort vessels not needed for training will be sent there.

May Set Up Line Japs Push Down E. China Coast

By SPENCER MOORE

CHUNGKING — (AP) — The Chinese High Command announced today that Japanese troops were pushing southward along the East China Sea coast in Chekiang Province in a possible attempt to establish a new anti-invasion line even as they gave ground in three other sectors.

A 200-mile column reached Pinyang Sunday in a ten-mile advance from Jutan, the High Command said.

Pinyang is 30 miles south of the port of Weichow. It is 245 miles northwest of Shanghai and 150 miles northwest of recently-divided Paochow, from which Chinese divisions are striking up the coast.

A column of these forces with the French Marine element appeared likely. The Chinese were pursuing withdrawing Japanese divisions toward the coast.

The High Command said Japanese troops had driven to positions near a half mile west of Shao-tang (Paochow), from which the Japanese launched their ill-starred attack on the American air base of Chikungang, 120 miles to the west. Chungking, 25 miles northwest of Shao-tang, was besieged. Enemy killed and wounded in Hunan were declared by the Army spokesman. Chinese totaled 20,000 in the 30-day period ended May 26.

China was noted in the Chinese efforts to consolidate the 14-mile long strip into the enemy corridor, the Army spokesman said. The Japanese had taken a better check of Japan under Mao Gen-chi. The Japanese had taken a better check of Japan under Mao Gen-chi. The Japanese had taken a better check of Japan under Mao Gen-chi.

Delegates Impatient Big Five May End Parley's Work Jam

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — Prospects for settlement of the Franco-Syrian dispute combined with reports of improved American-Soviet relations today to brighten delegates' hopes for an early, successful windup of the United Nations Conference.

Powerful leadership by the big powers, it is believed, among United States delegates at the meeting, may be the key to the success of the conference. The United States delegates are working to bring about a settlement of the Franco-Syrian dispute.

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By SPENCER DAVIS

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Hear Nazis Liquidated

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Senator Brewster, Republican, Maine, said today his London and Paris contacts had heard reports that the Russians are "liquidating" professional persons in Berlin and other German cities.

Brewster stated these reports had come to him on his trip with the Senate's Mead Committee investigating the status of U. S. war material in Europe. He returned today with Senator "Bud" Brewster, Minnesota, and made statements concerning the liquidation of professional persons mentioned lawyers, business men and other professions.

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Doolittle To Use Superforts

By EDWARD H. HIGGS

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Jimmy Doolittle is training up with the Superforts to finish the job he began in 1942. The first Superfort raid on Japan was a world-stirring air attack on Tokyo.

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