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CHIEF ANDERSON TAKES STATE POST

Japanese Forces Pressed Into Death Trap On Luzon

Treaty Poll Taken

Majority Of Senate In Favor Of Charter

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WASHINGTON—A majority of the Senate is ready to approve the United Nations Charter.

Indications are clear that ratification may command the support of far more than the two-thirds required for approval.

An Associated Press poll reaching 74 of the 96 members today found none declaring outright opposition. Fifty-one said they would vote aye, "barring unforeseen developments." Five said they probably would vote aye. Eighteen were not ready to commit themselves.

Strong support for the treaty which President Truman expects to bring back from San Francisco Wednesday developed on both sides of the Senate aisle, with 34 Democrats and 16 Republicans outspokenly for ratification.

THE QUESTION

The question asked them was: "Will you vote for U. S. adherence to the United Nations Charter as it now stands, barring unforseen developments?"

The trend toward United States participation in a world organization to preserve the peace is so strong that some Senators shrugged away the fact they had not studied the Charter in detail. Some stated their positions before the text was published in full.

"We must ratify and approve it without delay," declared Senator Ellender, Democrat, La. "We have delegated some of our best talent to represent us at the conference and it is up to us to back their decision to the limit."

"I make that statement unqualifiedly and without knowing what the charter will finally contain but conscious of the fact that unless the United States is willing to participate in and become an active member of the organization the world will soon again be plunged in a war that will destroy civilization."

JOHNSTON FOR IT

Senator Johnston, Democrat, S. C., said he would vote for it "with the attitude that we must accept it despite flaws and hope to improve it with future amendments."

"The American Constitution wasn't perfect," he commented. "In my opinion the first ten amendments made it."

Senator Clyde R. Hoey of North Carolina said: "Twenty-five years ago I was in the House when the League of Nations was defeated. I was in favor of the league then

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Nips Caught At Scene Of Old Landing

Aparri Retaken By Americans

By SPENCER DAVIS

MANILA — (AP) — The precise spot where the Japanese first invaded the Philippines has become their death trap.

The Nipponese landed Dec. 10, 1941, at Aparri on the north tip of Luzon. Today Gen. Douglas MacArthur disclosed that Aparri has been recaptured in a surprise thrust which bottled up the last major enemy force on the island in a stretch of less than 90 miles of the Cagayan Valley.

It marks the beginning of the end of organized Japanese resistance on Luzon, invaded by MacArthur last Jan. 9.

An enemy force, estimated at possibly 20,000 effectives, faced the hard choice of standing and dying in broken up groups in the valley or waiting out a slow death in mountain refuges.

Some are caught in a less than 60 mile stretch between guerrillas and U. S. Sixth Army infantrymen advancing south below captured Aparri and other guerrillas who seized the Cagayan Province capital of Tuguegarao.

Others are pressed between the capitol of Tuguegarao and U. S. 37th Infantry Division troops a scant 30 miles southward at the overrun town of San Juan.

The guerrillas who helped win Aparri had pushed around the northwest tip of Luzon through undefended cliff sections where the road was a mere single lane shelf 1,000 feet above the racing tides of Babuyan Channel. Then they negotiated swamp lands in the Ballesteros area west of the Cagayan River.

The hapless Japanese were outmaneuvered at every turn. Hamilton W. Faron, Associated Press correspondent in the Cagayan Valley, reported the enemy hid camouflaged tanks in side roads in the hope of bringing them out to the test of outflanking Yank columns. Swinging columns to move ahead of the 37th went in after them. By late yesterday the Japanese [illegible]

On Southern Borneo the Australian Ninth Division has overrun [illegible] a mile [illegible] Lutong and [illegible] toward Miri town [illegible]

Chief Anderson

To Head Merged Highway Patrol, Safety Division

Major Reorganization Announced Today In Raleigh By Gov. Cherry

RALEIGH—(AP)—In a major reorganization within the Department of Motor Vehicles, Governor Cherry today reappointed T. Boddie Ward as commissioner of motor vehicles and designated Walter F. Anderson, chief of police of the City of Charlotte, to fill the consolidated post of major of the State Highway Patrol and director of the Safety Division.

Anderson will fill posts formerly held by Major John T. Armstrong, head of the Highway Patrol, and Ronald C. Hocutt, head of the Safety Division. Anderson will report for duty on or before July 15, at a salary to be fixed by the State Advisory Budget Commission at a meeting here next week.

Ward, who has held the position of commissioner since 1941, was sworn in at formal ceremonies in the governor's office today by Associate Justice M. V. Barnhill of the State Supreme Court.

It was stated that the consolidation of the Highway Patrol and Highway Safety Division was felt by Ward and Cherry to be "expedient and most for the benefit of the department." It was freely predicted prior to the convening of the 1945 Legislature that a bill would be drawn seeking to consolidate the Highway Patrol, the Safety Division and the State Bureau of Investigation, but such a bill never was introduced.

Anderson, 42, a native of Davie County, has been chief of police in Charlotte since 1942. Prior to that time he served as chief of police of the City of Winston-Salem for seven years, climaxing service with the Winston-Salem Police Department since 1925. He is widely known in Charlotte as a leader in the Methodist Church.

Anderson Resigns

Chief Walter F. Anderson today submitted his resignation, effective July 15, to Mayor Baxter and the City Council, through City Manager R. W. Flack.

Chief Anderson has accepted appointment by Governor Gregg Cherry to head a consolidated State Highway Patrol and Division of Public Safety.

This poses another difficult problem to the new City Council, which almost at the beginning of its administration will have to find another man to head the Police Department.

SURPRISE MOVE

There was absolutely no indication of who the successor might be and municipal officials were so taken aback by the announcement of Chief Anderson's departure they could only smile vainly and say, "What next?"

Already the announcement had been made of the resignation of Dr. W. Ross Cameron, City Health Officer, and on July 1 there will be a vacancy in the top position of the Health Department.

The actual appointment of a successor to the health post is the responsibility of the City Manager, but naturally the Council is concerned with all departments of the government and the vacancies in the direction of two such important divisions as the Police and Health Departments create administrative problems of no mean importance.

Chief Anderson who came here Oct. 1, 1942 from Winston-Salem, took over the direction of the much harrassed Police Department, which had occasioned the gray hairs and wrinkles for many governing bodies. He was taken from the position of the chief of police of the Twin City, where he had directed the department for seven years, after he had served in various ranks for ten years previously.

In one of the most sensational moves of the Citizens Group that had just seen a majority on the City Council, Chief Anderson was appointed Chief of Police at a salary of $5,400, the highest ever paid and the highest of any other department head at that time. Two pay increases for all city employees of the past two years had brought his salary to $5,988 a year.

He goes to Raleigh at an annual salary less than he has been receiving here. The new position will pay $5,500.

REORGANIZED DEPARTMENT

Soon after assuming the direction of the local Department, Chief Anderson reorganized it and insti-

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Local Slaughter Bars Lifted

Move To Overcome Meat Shortages Made By House

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Moving to overcome meat shortages, the House voted overwhelmingly today to permit unlimited local slaughtering when done under sanitary conditions.

The vote was on an amendment to OPA extension legislation offered by Representative Patman, Democrat, Texas, and supported by Representative Anderson, Democrat, New Mexico, who becomes Secretary of Agriculture July 1. The amendment would prohibit imposition of quotas on slaughtering plants which the Agriculture Secretary certified as operating cleanly.

Anderson told the House the amendment will be useful to me, explaining that it would help solve local meat shortages by increasing production and would relieve the transportation of meat back and forth across the country.

Earlier the House rejected by a teller vote of 164 to 190 an amendment designed to outlaw OPA's "average price" regulations.

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In 1943 could not under the OPA rule, discontinue the $4 line and retain only the $6 but could discontinue both and handle a $5 article or retain both.

Opponents of the amendment argued its adoption would deprive consumers of low cost goods by permitting manufacturers to produce only high-cost articles.

Points Taken By Chinese

CHUNGKING — (AP) — Chinese troops, supported by aircraft, have ousted Japanese who temporarily won two important points north of Sichwan, in Southwestern Honan Province 380 miles northeast of Chungking, the Chinese High Command said today.

About 2,000 Japanese from Sichwan captured the points Friday morning and the Chinese regained them the same afternoon, causing more than 200 enemy casualties, it was announced.

Sichwan is one of a group of strongholds the Japanese built in Southwestern Honan to protect the approaches to Hankow, 240 miles to the southeast, and to safeguard the west flank of the Peiping-Hankow railroad corridor which links enemy forces in Central and North China.

The situation at Liuchow, former American air base 630 miles to the Southwest, apparently remained unchanged, with the Chinese last reported at the South Railroad station and throwing a five-column attack against the burning city.

Red Envoy To Holland

LONDON—(AP)—The Moscow radio announced today that Vassily Valkov has been appointed Soviet Ambassador to the Netherlands.

For Civilian Relief

Army Cuts Down On Meat Buying

By OVID A. MARTIN

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Army will cut down sharply on its purchases of meats during the next 60 days in a Government move to increase civilian supplies.

Disclosing this today informed sources said the armed forces had re-examined their meat supplies and found it possible to reduce military buying to a level geared in order to help relieve shortages in the civilian market.

The Government previously had announced that lend-lease shipments of meat will be suspended during the July-September quarter.

TRUMAN PROGRAM

This plan of reduced military buying is apparently what President Truman had in mind when he told a news conference at Olympia, Wash., Thursday that he expected an improvement in civilian meat supplies as soon as Rep. Clinton P. Anderson, Democrat, N. M., takes over as Secretary of Agriculture and War Food Administrator on July 1.

Paving the way for diversion of the larger portion of beef production into civilian markets, War Food Administrator Marvin Jones has signed an order reducing the portion of beef which Federally inspected slaughterers must set aside for military and other Government agencies.

This order becomes effective July 1.

Such slaughterers will be required to set aside 30 instead of the present 50 per cent of their output of choice, good and commercial grades of beef, and 60 instead of the present 75 per cent of the canner and cutter grades, for the Government.

It is possible that the Army will not take its full allocation under these reduced set-aside figures during July and August, but will allow a portion of the meat earmarked for it to go to civilians.

This contemplated reduction in military buying would cover a season of the year when marketing of meat animals are at their lowest level. A sharp increase in cattle and hog marketings is expected in the Fall. Army buying at higher levels would be resumed then.

Ickes In Plea To Coal Mines

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Anthracite mines back in private hands [illegible]

Solid Fuels Administrator Harold Ickes made the plea yesterday in [illegible]

Ickes said every effort should be made to recoup the 3,500,000 ton anthracite estimated lost [illegible] as much as 12,000,000 tons.

Outline French Occupation Area

LONDON — (AP) — The Paris radio said today French troops would occupy the southern Rhineland [illegible] Luxembourg and Bavaria and the Austrian province of Vorarlberg.

The Paris announcement indicated that the four powers which will take part in the occupation had come to a final agreement on occupational zones.

Governors Move

Use Of Red Points For Meat Alone Urged

NEW YORK — (AP) — Governors of thirteen Northeastern states today recommended that red points in the OPA ration program be used for meat alone.

A third recommendation was that the only country which combined rationing of meats with rationing of fats, butter, cheese and canned fish [illegible]

In a statement following a closed conference on food problems the governors also suggested that OPA enforcement be concentrated on food instead of on "minor and unimportant items."

A third recommendation was that a single government agency be made responsible for all phases of the national food program.

Previously the governors had recommended elimination of a "rationing bottleneck" which they said was the cause of food shortages in their areas.

The statement declared that butter "appears to be backing up in warehouses because the consumer prefers to spend red points for meat and go without butter."

"We conclude, therefore," the statement continued, "that a major overhauling of the point system is needed. Red points should be granted to consumers for meats alone, separate and distinct from all other food."

"Only in this way and with rigid enforcement on a national basis can every person get the share of the national meat supply to which he is entitled," the statement said, the United States was [illegible]

Senate To Okeh

Debate On Pact May Guide Big 3

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
Associated Press Diplomatic News Editor

SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — Senate committee hearings on the United Nations Charter may play a large part in President Truman's meeting with Premier Stalin and Prime Minister Churchill at Berlin next month.

The time-table of the hearings has now been laid down, although it is subject for revision or even discard.

Final decisions will be made after Senators Connally, Democrat, Texas and Vandenberg, Republican, Michigan, return to Washington next week. They will report to the Senate on accomplishments of the United Nations Conference in which they are participating as members of the United States delegation.

Connally predicts the Senate eventually will ratify the charter "with a comfortable [illegible]" the needed two-thirds vote—64 Senators out of 96 when all are present and voting. That may not be before September, allowing a month for debate.

The expectation is that the hearings will begin about mid-July, in time to have them opened by Secretary of State Stettinius just before he leaves with Mr. Truman for Germany. That means the hearings will be underway while the Big Three are discussing postwar problems of Europe and the world.

INFLUENCE BIG THREE

President Truman had hoped at one time he might arrive in Berlin with Senate ratification of the charter in his pocket. He was represented as considering that an effective reassurance to the other Big Powers that this country was determined to retain its full role in world affairs.

Now the question is becoming one of the effect of the hearings on the Big Three. Indications are that some vociferous opposition may develop early in the hearings. Some [illegible] whether the [illegible] Berlin talks since it might [illegible] as a "bargaining weapon" by Mr. Truman if the [illegible]

Both American and British leaders are planning to reach ratification as rapidly as possible. British Ambassador Lord Halifax [illegible] world get a chance [illegible] of the charter which he described as [illegible] League of Nations.

Fighters Hit Nip Airfields

GUAM — (AP) — More than 100 rocket-spitting fighter planes worked over Japanese homeland airfields today, radio Tokyo acknowledged, while returning Yank bombardiers of yesterday's 450-Superfortress raid declared Japan's Kure naval arsenal at Kure was [illegible] from the list of B-29 targets.

Tokyo radio asserted that about 90 Mustang fighter planes accompanied by three B-29s attacked airfields north of Tokyo in Ibaraki prefecture for more than an hour and a half today, after 30 Lightnings and Hellcats strafed and bombed airfields around Fukuoka on Kyushu Island.

The Mustangs presumably were Iwo-based while the Lightnings and Hellcats struck from recently won Okinawa.

Superfortresses roaring in over Kure, off the north shore of Japan's Inland Sea, and five airplane plants were greeted by bursts, anti-aircraft fire which burst in all the colors of the rainbow, but for all that, pilots said they had "one of the most successful days of the war."

FOUR MISSING

Four of the Superforts failed to return to bases on Guam, Saipan and Tinian. Tokyo claimed 18 were shot down, at least three Japanese fighters among the handful of interceptors which resisted the strike were shot down.

Universally enthusiastic over the results, the Superfort crews said they dumped targets with high explosives in wonderfully clear weather.

At Last Minute

Air Invasion Of Rome Was Called Off

ROME—(AP)—The Italian War Ministry disclosed today that Gen. Giacoma Carboni, who figured in the last minute abandonment of Allied plans for an airborne invasion of Rome in September, 1943, had disappeared during a military inquiry six months ago. A spokesman said no trace of him was found.

Carboni was suspended Sept. 16, 1944 along with Gen. Mario Roatta, former chief of staff of the Italian Army, and two other generals pending a probe of the disorganisation which led to the Nazi occupation of Rome after Italy dropped out of the Axis.

Military quarters said that Carboni, as commander of Italian motorized forces at Rome, advised Marshal Pietro Badoglio co-operation with airborne Allied units would be impossible because his troops lacked munitions and fuel and the Germans had possession of all airdromes in the Rome area.

The projected invasion was called off as Allied troops were preparing to board the planes.

Gruesome Discovery

Japs Kill Their Own Sick And Wounded

By SPENCER DAVIS

MANILA — (AP) — Bodies of 128 Japanese soldiers, bayoneted or shot by their comrades as they lay in bed, have been discovered in an abandoned enemy field hospital on northern Luzon, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced today.

Even before American troops made the gruesome discovery in an enemy hospital at Bayombong north of Manila, evidence had been accumulated that the Japanese ordered the ruthless extermination of their wounded.

Elements of the 129th Infantry regiment under Col. John D. Frederick, Springfield, Ill., made the latest discovery in two school buildings used as a Japanese field hospital.

Some of the wounded Japanese had been bayoneted on their wooden cots. The greater number had bullets in their temples.

FILM RECORD

The Japanese had withdrawn before the hospital could be set ablaze, permitting Army Signal Corps photographers to make a record of the appalling scene of death.

Headquarters also released extracts from Japanese documents and statements by prisoners captured by the Americans citing the enemy's attitude toward his own sick and wounded, a spokesman adding: "This is the best evidence we can get to prove that the Japanese slaughter their wounded."

One order by the commanding officer of the Japanese Second Armored Division's Seventh Tank Regiment read:

"Concerning those wounded: men who are slightly wounded will participate in this battle. When men wounded are not able to participate in battle, their unit leaders will see to it that they end their lives."

Another field order of a general commanding the 58th Independent Mixed Brigade, read: "You are hereby ordered to execute all sick and wounded soldiers when your company headquarters are about to be penetrated by the enemy."

The commander of the Manila defense force ordered those too sick or badly wounded to fight to commit mass suicide in a corner of Santiago Fortress, according to another captured field order.

British Accept Plan For Trial

LONDON —(AP)— A responsible British source said today that Britain would accept the United States plan to hold a collective trial of Germany's arch war criminals and their terror-atrocity organizations before a high military tribunal.

The attitude of France and Russia remained undetermined, but it was generally believed here that they too would agree to the plan outlined yesterday in a press conference by Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson, chief United States prosecutor of war criminal cases.

Britain's endorsement, although still unofficial, appeared to constitute a reversal from her previous stand that punishment of the major war criminals should be carried out by executive decree without formal trial.

WEATHER

Fair and warm today and tonight. Sunday, partly cloudy and continued warm.

Temperature at 1:30 Today [illegible]
High and Low Last 24 Hours [illegible]
Sunset Today [illegible]
Sunrise Tomorrow [illegible]