

ESTABLISHED 1888

NAVY AIRBORNE FORKAWAY

Australians Drive Deep Into Jap Defenses On Borneo

Dutch Units Join Aussie Forces In Flank Coup

New Landing In Northwest

MANILA (AP)—Aussie Seventh Division troops, paced by flame throwers and tanks, have knifed deep into Japanese defenses of smashed Stora Ridge north of captured Balikpapan on southern Borneo in heavy fighting.

At the same time, headquarters reported today, Dutch units joined the Australians in a left flank March on Karimuna Peninsula to execute a brilliant encircling maneuver against the entrenched Japanese who are pocketed some six miles north of Balikpapan town.

The Borneo campaign, after being fought in swampy, rain-drenched forests and deserts, is being pressed with momentum under a blazing tropical sun.

"MAIN ASSAULT"

In the main assault northeast of Balikpapan in the vicinity of the Kaiti River section, the Australians are advancing over a scrubby hillside terrain permitting use of their famed medium "Mk. II" tanks.

In British Northwest Borneo, the Aussie Ninth Division made a surprise landing on the island of Jesselton on the coast of Borneo, while another column made a second landing on the Jesselton airway without opposition to Kilmans Village, five miles south of Andus. This brought the leading elements within 30 miles of Jesselton, which has been under daily harassing attacks from Australian Air Force fighters since the 11th and the seventh FT boats.

On Mindanao, southern Philippines, where Japanese retreated through the Austro River Valley and the Davao City area are being hunted up, a prisoner told 20th Division officers that 40 Japanese women and children had been found in the Tapanan area, their throats cut. The incident renewed speculation that many other Japanese civilians may resort to mass suicide and murder.

According to the prisoner, a Portu- guese formerly employed by the Japanese Army, a group of 20 men and children were abandoned by the Japanese Army and when they were caught by the Allies by an artillery detachment, the former mothers killed their children and themselves.

Maybank Urges Sending European Back Home

WASHINGTON—Senator Maybank, Democrat South Carolina, urged today that European refugees, along with children, be sent home promptly lest they become a burden on the American economy.

Maybank told the Senate he understood there were some 1,000,000 refugees in Europe, and he would like to see them sent home as soon as possible.

Goering Notes

Adolf Hitler, Reich Chancellor, turned his attention to fresh possible territorial changes in Eastern Europe and Mediterranean areas in his private notebook.

Reichstag chief Goering noted the Carpatho-Ukraine problem as a priority in his notebook. Goering, claimed the press, for himself, Poland had a vital interest in its fate.

Goering himself saw it as a center for political intrigues that might one day result in a struggle for the Ukraine from Soviet Russia.

He had a long talk on the whole subject of Eastern Europe with Joseph Goebbels, the Reich Propaganda Minister, in Berlin, August 1939.

Storm Worse Than Mikado's Naval Guns

Third Fleet Battered By Typhoon Five Weeks Ago But Virtually All Damaged Warships Are Back In Action

By LEIF ERICKSON
GUAM—A raging typhoon lashed Adm. William F. "Bull" Halsey's Third Fleet with 136 mile an hour winds last June 5, tore the bow off the cruiser Pittsburgh and damaged or destroyed at least 22 other warships. Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced today after virtually every damaged ship was back in action.

At least four of the damaged ships, the battleships Massachusetts and Indiana, the carrier San Jacinto, and the destroyer John Rodgers participated in last Tuesday's 1,000 plane carrier strike at Tokyo.

NO SHIPS SUNK
The typhoon damaged more ships than the Japanese Navy has been able to do in action in any single battle. But Nimitz made no mention of anyone being killed or seriously injured. He said no ships were sunk.

At least 20 damaged ships as repaired and back in action, including three fast new battleships and two Essex class carriers.

The cruiser Pittsburgh, which miraculously stayed afloat, is being refitted for action. Presumably some additional ships, not identified, were damaged and have not returned to sea.

Many of the ships were badly hurt by towering 100 foot high seas. None was more heavily hit than the fast, new heavy cruiser Pittsburgh, which was caught near the center of the storm off the Ryukyu Islands.

A thunderous sea ripped off 100 feet of her prow "and tossed it ashore as though it were a match box to wallow in the form of the ship's port side," reported Associated Press Correspondent Robbin Coons.

ESSEX CLASS CARRIERS Hornet and Bennington; the fast battleships Massachusetts, Indiana and Alabama; independent heavy cruiser carrier San Jacinto and Belleau Wood; destroyers John Rodgers and Blug; escort carrier Bougainville.

Three other cruisers and seven destroyers which suffered minor damage also have been repaired and returned to action.

The Nimitz announcement did not specify where the typhoon struck the Third Fleet for the second time in six months but presumed it was in the Philippines.

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Gets \$35,000,000

Financial Fight Is Won By OWI

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Office of War Information won a financial fight in the House today as a move to hold its current year fund to \$15,000,000 was beaten down decisively.

A standing vote of 140 to 58 with Republicans furnishing most of the opposition, upheld a Senate House-confirmed bill for \$35,000,000.

The compromise still requires Senate approval, but that body earlier had voted OWI \$32,620,000.

OWI appropriation was one of 31 items in disbursement between the Senate and House in a \$769,368,000 War Agencies Supply Bill introduced in the House.

Still in controversy is the House before the compromise goes to the Senate for final approval.

Representative Taber of New York, ranking Republican Appropriations Committee member, urged the fight to curtail OWI funds.

"The operations of the Office of War Information," Taber told the House, "are a complete waste and the enormous amount of funds that have been foolishly expended is completely unobjectionable."

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Nazimova Dies At Age Of 66

LOS ANGELES—Alla Nazimova, star of old Russian ballet, died today in Glendale Sanitarium Hospital.

The famous dramatic actress, who had a long career in Hollywood, died at the age of 66.

She was born in Russia and came to Hollywood in 1918.

She was married to the actor, John Barrymore, in 1921.

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Kenney Air Chief

Round-The-Clock Attack Promised

By SPENCER DAVIS
MANILA (AP)—Gen. George C. Kenney was handed the Army Air Forces' top tactical command against Japan today and promptly promised that his Far East Air Forces with advanced headquarters now in Okinawa would bomb the Japanese homeland 24 hours a day at all altitudes from 10,000 feet.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who has had Kenney as his right-hand man for six weeks, said today that Kenney was being transferred to Kenney's command.

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Strike Snarl

45,000 Kept Idle By Labor Disputes

By ASSOCIATED PRESS
Labor disputes disrupted a variety of industries in more than a dozen states today, keeping idle some 45,000 workers.

New York was listed alone the strike front as the number of workers kept idle as high as 2,000 for the month of June.

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Everything From B-29's To Fighters Hit Nippon

Nips Apparently Hoarding Planes

GUAM (AP)—Virtually unopposed air blows by around 700 B-29s, heavy and medium bombers, fighters and long-range search planes across Okinawa hit Japan, extending north and south of Tokyo, were announced today. Promptly a U. S. air general on Okinawa declared the Japs, in his opinion, don't expect to engage us in the air.

At enemy homeland factories and railroads were wrecked and even the smallest shipping sunk offshore. Big Gen. David F. Hatcher's Far East Air Forces told Associated Press Correspondent Richard Goodrich that Japan obviously was hoarding planes to use in suicide tactics when the inevitable American invasion beachhead was established.

Only weak fighter opposition was encountered over Tokyo Bay and a city of 10 million. Superfortresses dropped 3,000 tons of fire and demolition bombs on five homeland centers in a single day at all altitudes from 10,000 feet.

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From Frankfurt

Yank Headquarters Moved To Berlin

By DANIEL DE LUCE
BERLIN—The United States Army's headquarters in the West moved from Frankfurt to Berlin today, according to a statement from the War Relocation Authority.

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James Roosevelt In Naval Hospital

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Marine Capt. James Roosevelt, son of the late President, is a patient at the Naval Hospital for a "rest and routine physical check-up" after seven months of recuperation in the Philippines, the 11th Naval District disclosed today.

He was described as "labeled but showing signs of the influenza work over," interrupted briefly by a flight home to attend his father's funeral services.

Length of his hospital stay is indefinite, and depends on the outcome of present medical treatments. The Navy reported, Roosevelt has been reported as an "ambitious" man at advanced bases.

Total Of 1,127,631 Casualties For Britain

LONDON—The British Government today announced that the total of 1,127,631 casualties among members of the armed forces and civilians from the beginning of the war until June 1, 1945, according to the Ministry of Information.

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