

## Chinese Take Two Villages From Invader

### Recapture Kiangsian And Huangkintu, Broadening Hold On Railway

DRIVING EASTWARD  
After Fierce Fight Japanese Withdraw From Vital City In Chekiang

CHUNGKING, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Pressing hard on the heels of retreating Japanese, the Chinese recaptured Kiangsian and Huangkintu today, thus broadening their hold on the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway to more than 110 miles, the Chinese Central News agency reported.

Driving eastward, the Chinese crossed the border of Chekiang province in three columns and engaged the enemy southwest of Kiangsian. After a fierce fight the Japanese withdrew, burning the city as they went.

The Chinese thus were within 20 miles of Chuhsien, a potential United States air base which was one of the chief objectives of the Japanese when they began their mid-summer campaign in the coastal provinces of central China.

Another Force Moves Westward  
At the same time a westward advancing Chinese force, after recapturing Yingtun yesterday, pushed northwestward and took Huangkintu this morning.

Yuangkintu is six miles from Yingtun which also was recaptured yesterday. The latter place is about 20 miles northwest of Yingtun.

## NELSON PRAISES 2-MAN INDUSTRY

Small Plant In Bay City, Mich., Given Award From WPB

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Two man production staff of a plant at Bay City, Mich.—A 60-year old employer and his 79-year-old employee—received a large American flag poster, official recognition as a labor-management production drive committee, and a letter from Donald M. Nelson today commending their efforts.

Jake Sparling wrote President Roosevelt that he and Percy Fogelson, his entire "staff," had been working an average of 15 hours a day, seven days a week, and had made 18,000 steel flanges for war machinery.

## WEATHER

FORECAST:  
NORTH CAROLINA.—Scattered showshowers today.  
Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday:  
Temperature:  
7:30 a. m., 77; minimum 68; maximum 88; minimum 74; maximum 81; normal 77.  
Humidity:  
7:30 a. m., 67; 7:30 a. m., 96; 1:30 p. m., 70; 7:30 p. m., 76.  
Precipitation:  
Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., .06 inches; total since the first of the month, 2.25 inches.  
TIDES FOR TODAY:  
(From Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey)  
High Low  
Wilmington 8:01a. 2:46a.  
Masonboro Inlet 8:30p. 3:03p.  
5:45a. 11:58a.  
6:24p.  
Sunrise 5:40a; sunset 6:24p.  
Moonset 3:50a; moonrise 1:50p.

## Jurist Passes



## JUDGE CRANMER DIES SUDDENLY

### Retired Jurist Succumbs At Southport Home; Was 71 Years Of Age

Judge Edwin H. Cranmer, 71, retired court jurist, died unexpectedly at his home in Southport about 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning. He had been in declining health for several years.

Judge Cranmer was a native of Brunswick county, born in 1871, and had spent his entire life in and near Southport except for absences in the line of his civil duties.

He was well known in political and legal circles throughout the state as he had served on practically every superior court bench in North Carolina during his career.

## Quisling Policeman Dies In Oslo Bomb Explosion

LONDON, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Norwegian sources in London reported today a Quisling policeman was killed and two others injured seriously by a bomb explosion in an Oslo police station Friday.

## American Labor Party Strength To Be Tested

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—(AP)—An outright test of the strength of the American Labor Party in New York state politics seemed assured today with the completion of a three-party lineup for the November gubernatorial election.

## Largest U. S. Convoy in History

### Vast Quantity Of Crack Fighting Units And Materials Arrive

LIBERTY SHIP IS SEEN  
For First Time In War, New Type Freighter Appears In England

WITH THE U. S. ARMY SOMEWHERE IN BRITAIN, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Arrival in Britain of the largest American convoy of the war, with vast quantities of war materials and crack fighting units, was disclosed officially tonight.

A large proportion of the convoy was composed of men and material for the American Air Force, which already is active with fortress bombers blasting the Nazi transportation system with precision bombing.

Many war experts are looking for an "aerial push" by the American Air Force and the RAF designed to soften Germany on the ground and in the air for an eventual invasion.

## 25TH FREIGHTER LAUNCHED HERE

### S. S. Thomas Pinckney Is Christened By Miss Mary E. Gregory

Launching ceremonies were held here yesterday morning for the Thomas Pinckney, twenty-fifth Liberty ship to be constructed by the North Carolina Shipbuilding company.

Named for Thomas Pinckney, early American statesman and diplomat, the 10,000-ton freighter was christened by Miss Mary Edith Gregory, daughter of R. J. Gregory, general foreman of the steam engine department at the yard here.

## S. C. CANDIDATES LOOK FOR VOTES

BORN IN CHARLESTON, S. C., in 1750 Pinckney was educated in England and served during the Revolutionary war under Gen. Benjamin Lincoln and Gen. Horatio Gates.

## Downs A Nazi



## O'DANIEL LEADING IN TEXAS PRIMARY

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 23.—(AP)—Senator Wilbert Lee O'Daniel, shoved to the front in a close race by rural votes, continued today to hold a lead which apparently gave him the Texas Democratic nomination for a full six-year term in the United States senate.

Such nomination in Texas is tantamount to election. The Texas Election Bureau, releasing at 4 p. m. (CWT) a tabulation which showed O'Daniel leading James V. Allred by 11,610 votes, continued its statement that the incumbent "appeared to have won renomination" in the run-off election and said there was virtually no possibility of an upset.

## NEW ARMY GROUP SET UP IN EAST

LONDON, Monday, Aug. 24.—(AP)—The war office announced today the formation of an independent Army command in Iraq and Iran under General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson.

## Beat Bushes For Few Remaining Ballots In Closing Run-Off In State

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 23.—(AP)—The few opposed candidates in Tuesday's democratic primary beat the bushes for votes today after a traditional campaign tour that took them into each of the 46 counties to speak from the same platform.

## Huge Battle In Progress On Don Bend

### Reds Drive Enemy From Some Sectors But Crossings Are Effected

MAKING SOME GAINS  
Nazis Are Moving Forward Northeast Of Kotelnikovski; Units Smashed

MOSCOW, Monday, Aug. 24.—(AP)—A fierce give-and-take battle was in progress along the Don bend northwest of Stalingrad, the Soviet midnight communique indicated today, asserting the Russians had driven the Germans from some positions but that the enemy had effected a new crossing of the river.

The communique also acknowledged the Germans had made some progress northeast of Kotelnikovski, the southern arm of the Nazi twin thrust at Stalingrad.

"In the area of Kletskaya our troops fought active operations and improved their positions," the communique said of the Don bend fighting.

## 3 PLANE CRASHES FATAL TO 21 MEN

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## Where Allied Planes Continue Raids



Arrows and plane symbols show how 500 Allied fighters swept across English channel in an unprecedented daylight follow-up attack on heels of the smash against Nazi-held Dieppe, France. In the attack U. S. Flying Fortresses bombed the Amiens railway yards (broken arrow) and returned without loss. Virtually no opposition was encountered from Nazi planes, leading Allied sources to believe a major blow had been struck against Nazi air power on this front.

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## Unrelated Wrecks Of Army And Navy Ships Take Heavy Toll

(By The Associated Press)  
Army and Navy authorities reported that 21 or 22 men were killed and three others were injured yesterday in unrelated military plane accidents near Bogalusa, La., Las Cruces, N. M., and Dalgren, Va. Names of crew members have not been announced.

## U. S. Air Force Bombers Attack Axis In Desert

CAIRO, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Medium bombers of the United States Air force, operating in brilliant moonlight, attacked Axis workshops in the western desert last night, while RAF medium and heavy bombers raided enemy bases and munitions dumps.

## 13 Vessels Destroyed By Axis Subs In Week

United States appeared to shift sharply to the northern and eastern coast of South America.  
With the recent sinkings of Brazilian ships, in which more than 600 soldiers, passengers and seamen were lost, an Associated Press count of announced sinkings in the Western Atlantic since America's entry into the war reached 439.

## MISSING WRITER POSSIBLY ALIVE

### Vern Haugland, AP Correspondent, Seen Landing In New Guinea Jungle

SYDNEY, Australia, Aug. 23.—(AP)—A war correspondent of the Sydney Morning Herald reported today that Sergeant George T. Richman of Hopewell, Va., and Sergeant Paul Ramsey of Vincennes, Ind., had arrived at Port Moresby, New Guinea, after being missing with other members of a bomber crew and Vern Haugland, Associated Press war correspondent, since Aug. 7.

## Brazil Opens Spy Round-Up Against Axis

### All Persons Suspected Of Enemy Association Are Taken In Custody

INTENSIFY PATROLS  
Start Standing Watch Over Waters In Region Of 'Natal Bulge'

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Aug. 23.—Searchlights swept the skies over Rio De Janeiro's harbor as protection against surprise attack tonight and police car sirens shrieked as authorities carried out an intensive roundup of spy suspects on Brazil's first day of war.

## Begin Spy Round-up

Great activity marked the preparation of the government for what the people believed would be a long and hard fight with Germany and Italy.

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## Brazilian Move Tests Argentina

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## CD Needs

Auxiliary Firemen: 172	
(Men Only)	
Duties: Similar to regular firefighting forces.	
Training: General course, Fire Defense A, and B, First Aid 10 hours.	
Enlisted to date: 28. Quota: 200.	
Enlisted Friday	
Air Raid Warden	30
Auxiliary Police	17
Filter Center	5
Food and Housing	2
Messenger	1
Control Room	1
Total	56