

FORECAST

NORTH CAROLINA: Partly cloudy and warm today with isolated afternoon thundershowers, mostly in mountain sections. Temperatures yesterday: High: 90—Low: 70.

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Hoey, Cherry Swell Leads In Late Count

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Present State Officers Again Are Nominated In Light Voting

CHARLOTTE, May 28.—(AP)—Former Governor Clyde R. Hoey and Gregg Cherry in creased their winning majorities in late returns today from yesterday's Democratic primary in which they captured the party nominations for U. S. Senate and Governor, respectively.

His one-sided triumph made no difference in the ordinary routine of Hoey. The tall and affable Shelby lawyer taught his Methodist Sunday school class as usual, just as he has done for 40 years or more, while his primary lead over Rep. Cameron Morrison and three other aspirants neared the 100,000 mark. The class gave him an ovation.

Returns from 1,605 of the state's 1,921 precincts showed Hoey trailing his veteran rival for the nomination, Morrison, 74-year old tenth district congressman, in only three of North Carolina's counties. No reports had been received from Alexander, Hoke, Harnett and Montgomery at the time.

The vote stood: Hoey 174,620, Morrison 67,674, Marvin L. Ritch, Charlotte, 6,133, Arthur Simmons, Burlington, 3,565, and Gile, Newton, Gibson, 1,915.

Cherry Gets 174,595 Votes

With 1,627 precincts accounted for, Cherry, 52, Gastonia lawyer, long-time legislator and leader in American Legion affairs, polled 174,595 votes against 120,621 for Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, Winston-Salem and Chapel Hill educator.

The 41-year-old McDonald, who had made a strenuous campaign featuring a militant demand for repeal of the sales tax as he did when he unsuccessfully opposed Hoey for governor eight years ago, conceded defeat early in the day.

And, going in person to Cherry's Raleigh headquarters, he congratulated the winner.

Olla Ray Boyd, Pinetown hog breeder, inventor and landscape artist who introduced to North Carolina the hill billy band technique of campaigning, received 1,706 votes.

The only race in which a second primary seemed possible was for Wilson's place as tenth district representative. Joe W. Ervin, Charlotte attorney and native of Burke county, was out in front of two opponents but lacked majority on nearly complete returns.

Reports from 170 to 175 precincts gave Ervin 13,373 votes, Hamilton C. Jones, Charlotte lawyer who has had unsuccessfully before for a congressional seat, 10,529 and John C. Stroupe, Hickory lawyer, 4,178.

Kerr, Folger Win

In two districts where incumbents had opposition, the present representatives appeared safely re-nominated. Rep. John H. Kerr had 11,257 votes in 99 of the second district's 122 precincts, against 7,630 for Cameron S. Weeks, blind "barbaro" lawyer. In the fifth, Rep. John H. Folger had 11,315 as compared with 4,172 for N. J. Freeman of Winston-Salem, with votes tabulated from 101 of 141 precincts.

On the face of available returns State Treasurer Johnson seems to have scored the most one-sided (Continued on Page Five; Col. 5)

Allies Beat Off Jap Night Lunge

SOUTHEAST ASIA HEADQUARTERS, Kandy, Ceylon, May 28.—(AP)—A desperate Japanese night lunge against Naga village, north of Kohima and on the road to the vital Dimapur railroad in India, has been beaten off with heavy enemy losses. Allied headquarters announced today.

The surprise assault, supported by artillery and mortar fire, crumbled at dawn Thursday after the Japanese ran into a withering fire from the Allied defenses. It apparently was a desperation attack by enemy forces whose strength has been steadily whittled down since their Indian offensive failed, and whose supply lines are now endangered by Allied thrusts and the steadily-increasing monsoon rains.

The headquarters announcement failed to mention the American-Chinese forces attacking the Japanese north Burma base of Myittha, for the first mission since the enemy airdrome north of the city was captured on May 18.

ONE MORE JAP FOR DAVEY JONES



Emerging from a cloudbank, a Navy Coronado Flying Boat surprised a Jap two-engine bomber over the central Pacific and poured shells into it in a hurry. Framed in the window of the U. S. plane (top), the enemy craft bursts into roaring flames. Seconds later the Nipponese plane hit the water, sending up a huge cloud of smoke and fire before it plunged to the bottom. U. S. Navy photos.

American Bombers Slash At Germany

LONDON, May 28.—(AP)—The greatest American Air Force ever sent on a single mission—a fleet of about 2,200 bombers and fighters—smashed at synthetic oil plants and other installations in central and western Germany today in the major blow of the heaviest single day in the western European air war.

In all, more than 8,500 tons of bombs were hurled on Europe, from the channel coast to Leipzig, by more than 6,000 British-based planes.

American losses were 3 heavy bombers and 13 of the fighter escort, while the German interceptors lost 93 planes, 61 of them to the American fighters and 3 to bomber gunners, a U. S. communication announced.

Anti-aircraft fire ranged from moderate to intense, with one bomber division encountering strong fighter opposition.

The Flying Fortresses and Liberators, 1,000 strong, were escorted by more than 1,200 Lightnings, Mustangs and Thunderbolts, while RAF and dominion fighters provided withdrawal cover.

While the big bombers were hitting the synthetic oil plants at Merseburg, Zeitz and Lutzendorf, the tank ordnance depot at Conigsborn and other unspecified targets in central Germany and the Cologne area, the fighter shot up German locomotives, river barges, gun emplacements and airfields.

Of the total tremendous bomb weight, some 4,500 tons were unloaded during darkness Sunday morning by British forces of well over 1,000 bombers that struck the (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2)

Decision Due On Subsidies

WASHINGTON, May 28.—(AP)—A decision on subsidies by degree confronts the Senate banking committee tomorrow when it attempts to complete a bill extending price control another year beyond next July 1.

An amendment by Senator Taft (R-Ohio) would forbid the payment of any subsidies after next April 1 except where Congress had made specific appropriations for them. The proposal was discussed at intervals last week without definitive action.

The committee also must dispose of another amendment instructing OPA to give special consideration to hardship cases involving rent control, and there was talk that administration forces might try to upset the vote by which the committee adopted the so-called "Cotton Escalator" amendment of Senator Bankhead (D-Ala.). The amendment, which ties the price of raw cotton to that of finished textiles, has been de-

Murder Mystery Takes New Turn

DURHAM, May 28.—(AP)—Police today expressed the belief that more than one person may have been connected with the slaying of an elderly woman, whose nude and battered body was discovered in Eastwood Lake yesterday. Police Chief H. E. King said he thought it was that of wealthy Mrs. Edward M. Jewett, 67-year-old Booneville, Mo., woman who was last seen on May 10.

Mrs. Jewett's grandson, Edward Jewett Martin, 24, a Charlotte chemist, is in jail here, charged with murder. He was indicted last Thursday by a grand jury.

The bloated body, bearing more than a dozen stab wounds in the back and with the head bashed in, was found in the lake a few miles from here. A coroner's jury, which viewed the body, was adjourned until an unannounced date this week.

The body was anchored by five 25-pound cinder blocks and police doubted that one man could lift the upwards of 250 pounds weight of the blocks and



Mrs. Edward M. Jewett

body and dump them from a boat into the lake. They thought the boat would have capsized

Yank Invaders Push Forward Biak Isle

PS FIGHTING HARD

Resistance Increasing As Americans Near Mokmer Airfield

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea, Monday, May 29.—(AP)—Tough American Sixth Army invasion veterans have solidified their positions on Biak island, less than 900 miles from the Philippines, and Mokmer airfield is only two and one-half miles away, headquarters reported today. Japanese resistance on the largest island in the Schouten group at the mouth of Geelvink bay was increasing as the Yanks fanned out from captured Bosnik on the southeast coast and pressed toward the airdrome, one of three on the island.

Sniper fire was taking a heavier toll of the invaders who had extremely light losses during the landing Saturday despite tougher Japanese resistance than had been faced in previous amphibious operations up the New Guinea coast. Only a few Americans were wounded and none killed in the original landings a mile east and a mile west of Bosnik.

While the invaders fought on in a two-pronged offensive—one eastward from Bosnik, the other westward—12 enemy planes attacked the Allied invasion fleet under command of Rear Adm. R. M. Fletcher of the U. S. Navy, the afternoon of the invasion. His ships' anti-aircraft accounted for four Japanese bombers.

One of the plunging enemy planes made a suicide crash into an American subchaser, causing nine casualties and some damage to the little craft.

A Thunderbolt fighter plane shot down four Zeros and one bomber of an enemy air group attacking American ground troops.

Aided by big American Liberators, which doused the invaders driving toward the Mokmer field made contact with the enemy at Parai, approximately four and one-half miles from the original beachhead. The eastern prong was fighting at Soriani, about a mile and a half east of Bosnik.

Many Japanese troops, apparently surprised by the invading and were being hunted down and force, fled to caves around Bosnik killed.

Two six-inch, four five-inch and three-inch guns were captured by the Americans in the Bosnik defenses.

In addition to the blasting of coastal installations and strong points by the Liberators, the American troops were getting close cooperation from strafing fighter planes. One Allied plane was shot down by enemy ground fire.

Morrison Congratulates Hoey On His Nomination

SHELBY, May 28.—(AP)—Former Gov. Clyde R. Hoey, who won the Democratic nomination for the U. S. senate in yesterday's primary, received today this message from Rep. Cameron Morrison, one of his opponents.

"My congratulations and good wishes, I shall loyally support you and the Democratic party in the coming election."

Hoey replied: "I deeply appreciate your gracious message. I have valued your fine friendship through the years and esteem you as a great North Carolinian and Democrat."

Indiana To Select Delegates This Week

By The Associated Press

Six states play the political pipes this week with Indiana blowing perhaps the loudest note by naming the next to last state delegation to the Republican convention and choosing Republican nominees for senator and governor.

The three-day governors' conference opening in Hershey, Pa., today, the national convention of the Socialist party at Reading, Pa., starting Friday, two congressional primary run-offs in Alabama tomorrow, a lone Republican delegate selection in Tennessee Thursday, and Maryland and Kansas Democratic conventions to pick delegates Friday and Saturday make up the rest of the week's program.

Close Fighting

A U. S. FIGHTER BASE, England, May 28.—(AP)—Fighting was at such close quarters that some planes came home after today's big raid on Germany with blood on the outside of their windshields.

ALLIES PUSH TOWARDS ROME; MAIN ARMIES SEIZE 3 TOWNS, THREATEN 8 NAZI DIVISIONS

CHEER AS THEY MAKE TWO FRONTS ONE



The historic moment of meeting between men of the Anzio beachhead and men of the main Italian front is pictured here as Sergeant W. Cumber (left) of London, Eng., shakes hands with Sergeant D. Russell of St. Louis, Mo., while men of their detachments laugh and shout in joy over the welding of the two former fronts into one. The scene is on the coastal highway near the Tyrrhenian shore of Italy. A few minutes later Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander of the U. S. Fifth Army, arrived on the scene. British official photo through OWI radiophoto.

HITLER CONFERS WITH JAP LEADER

LONDON, May 28.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler has conferred with the Japanese ambassador to Berlin on "acute questions of German-Japanese collaboration," the German radio said today as clouds of Allied bombers laid down another layer of pre-invasion bombs on Germany's western defenses.

Just what Hitler could expect from the diplomat, Lt. Gen. Hiroshi Oshima, was too hard a question for Allied observers to fathom. The Berlin radio account said the meeting took place at Hitler's headquarters, with Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop also present.

The white cliffs of Calais shimmered in the splendid sunshine as Allied planes swarmed across the channel, and many people were saying "the weather's fine for the real thing."

On the other side of that 20-mile strip of water, Berlin also put out the guess that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower was "waiting for fresh troops from America" before striking.

This was another Whitsunday and although travel is curtailed on a national scale, the urge to get out of London, if only for a few hours, had every train jammed.

One British writer said the people were on edge since Dunkerque and just as trying a testing time for our nerves."

The Brussels radio, Nazi dominated, said the "Allied high command has allowed the last week—the most favorable for invasion both from the point of view of tides and weather—go by because it has discovered flaws in the armament and preparations of the invasion forces."

Hot Dogs Serve As Feast For Air Force Sergeant

GENESE, N. Y., May 28.—(AP)—Thirty-seven year old Sgt. Arthur Hasler lounged beneath a sugar maple tree today and had his fill of hot dogs as he and 73 relatives belatedly celebrated his father's 100th birthday at a picnic.

The sergeant, an air crew chief, was granted permission to return from an Italian battlefield after his 76-year-old mother appealed to President Roosevelt.

Hasler had requested hot dogs be on the menu "because I haven't had one in over two years."

Twelve of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hasler's 13 children, 18 grandchildren and 24 great

Nazis Might Spare Rome From Battle

WASHINGTON, May 28.—(AP)—The fate of historic Rome seemed certain tonight to be decided in the next week or ten days of the battle of Italy.

Indications that the Germans may retire from the Eternal City without a fight, and thus spare it the devastating ravages of a great siege, are being studied avidly in military and diplomatic quarters here, and there is some hope among informed officials that developments will prove favorable.

The American attitude, as announced by President Roosevelt, is that the safety of Rome rests with the Germans in whose power it has been since the fall of the Mussolini government. To the extent that the enemy made use of the city for military purposes, the President has argued, the Allies have been compelled to attack it.

Whether the Chief Executive will restate this position to fix public attention anew on the responsibility of the German high command in the critical days now at hand remains to be seen. His decision on this point may be influenced by military events.

The main fact of these events to date now threatens to envelope the Nazi divisions South of Rome in a flanking movement by the Anzio beachhead forces.

To military men it now appears that the only way the Germans can extricate a part of their forces is to flee with all possible speed into the hills north of Rome and make no attempt to defend the city.

That such a withdrawal actually has been considered by the Germans is shown in Nazi propaganda broadcasts attempting to minimize the importance to the Allies of capturing Rome and at the same time discussing creation of a new defense line north of the city.

Bill Proposes Joint Command

WASHINGTON, May 28.—(AP)—Postwar consolidation of the army, Navy and air services under a single "secretary of the armed forces" was proposed tonight by the Democratic whip, in a bill he will introduce in the Senate tomorrow.

Patterned after suggestions by Lieut. Gen. Joseph T. McNarey, deputy army chief of staff, in testimony before a House special committee, the bill measure also conforms with the ideas presented before the same committee by Harold D. Smith, director of the budget.

While Hill told a reporter he was acting entirely on his own responsibility as a member of the Senate military committee, it seemed evident the measure has the tacit approval of the War department and other agencies, if not the Navy.

Secretary of the Navy Forrestal recently opposed immediate consolidation of the military services in an appearance before the House group, adding that he was not prepared to say whether he thought a postwar merger was desirable.

The Hill measure proposes creation of a new "department of armed forces" headed by a secretary chosen from civil life by the president and confirmed by the Senate. The president also would be authorized to appoint civilian undersecretaries for the Army, Navy and for air at \$10,000 annual salaries. Each would be given two assistants paid \$8,000 yearly.

Centenarian Jacob said he was proud of his family. "I'm glad," he added, "no death in 21 years has marred their efforts to provide a fighting force for both home and battle fronts."

Only one daughter, Mrs. Sophie Smith of Hudson, Iowa and five grandchildren, three of whom are serving overseas, were unable to attend.

BIG GUNS SHELL MAIN HIGHWAYS

Germans Rush New Troops Into Desperate Battle On Italian Front

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, May 28.—(AP)—Allied troops smashed towards Rome along coastal routes from the Anzio beachhead area tonight in a new offensive against weakening opposition, while the main Fifth and Eighth armies heightened the prospects of disaster for at least eight German divisions by capturing Ardena, Ceprano and Belmonte, and blanketing the Via Casilina with heavy artillery fire.

This afternoon American tanks and infantry pushed beyond Ardena towards Valmontone and the Via Casilina, which is the only practicable German escape route. Enemy artillery fire was heavy.

The Germans, acutely aware of their peril and with 17 divisions already committed to the fighting south and southeast of Rome, flung an 18th division into the desperate struggle to keep the Via Casilina open.

This was the battle-weary German Goering division, which Allied headquarters said had been reorganizing in a rest area near Florence and originally had been destined to go to France. It was rushed into the line near Valmontone, 21 miles southeast of Rome—a tacit admission of the bitter necessity confronting the Nazi command.

The new beachhead offensive, enhancing the threat of envelopment of the Germans, curled out from the Allied left flank towards Lake Albano. It began Friday but was disclosed only today.

1,200 Shells Fired

Exact locations of the advances in that area were not made known, but Daniel De Luce, Associated Press correspondent on the scene, said that at noon he saw 1,200 American artillery shells poured into Lanuvio, just south of Lake Albano and four miles west of embattled Velletri.

"The Germans acknowledged they had 'shortened lines' in the old beachhead area."

De Luce said the Germans withdrew Saturday night to the Rome side of the Anzio-Albano road, where brush-filled ravines gave them better defensive terrain.

The entire battlefront was in the shape of a long arm extending up from newly-captured Belmonte, six miles north of Cassino, through the American fingers reaching northward across the side of the Alban hills towards Valmontone on the east and Albano on the west.

These American thrust, De Luce said, put the Germans in obvious danger of having their defensive ring around the rugged Colli Lariani smashed apart, leaving Velletri and Valmontone dangling and disconnected.

The Germans were making their toughest defense at Velletri and around Valmontone, but American artillery fire plunged into their reserve positions while waves of doughboys advanced behind Sherman tanks toward Valmontone. The Americans already were within striking distance of the town and were shelling across the Via Casilina (Highway 6) as far as Cave, four miles north of Valmontone.

Farther down the road, the British (Continued on Page Five; Col. 5)

Russian Front Remains Quiet

LONDON, May 28.—(AP)—Continuance of the lull on the Russian front was reported tonight by both the Soviet and German communiques.

The brief Russian announcement said there were "no important changes at the front" but that 14 German planes were shot down Saturday and that recently a Soviet Baltic fleet force sank a German submarine in the Gulf of Finland.

The Germans reported local fighting on the Carpathian sector and said they had dispersed strong Soviet bands in "the rear area of the central front," with 2,500 prisoners taken. This apparently referred to Russian guerrilla forces.

The Germans also said they bombed Rovno and Sarny Saturday night.

"The Finnish communique as recorded by the U. S. Office of War Information said Soviet forces had attacked fiercely at several points on the long-quiet Finnish front, but had been repulsed with "considerable" losses."