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These Generals Rule Berlin



Seated behind a broad desk in Berlin at their first meeting are the four generals who comprise the Inter-Allied Kommandentur that will control the German capital. Each member will serve as head of four-some for a fifteen day period in rotation. They are (left to tt): Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks, United States; Col. Gen. Alexander Gotbatov, Russia; Maj. Gen. L. O. Lyne, Great Britain; and Maj. Geoffrey De Beauchesne, France. (International Radiophoto)

## Newspaper Deliverymen Will Continue Walkout

support the strike financially."

which offered to support them,'

The strike, now in its third week

union members as they left the

BRITISH BESIEGING

nades while Thunderbolt and Spit-

fire fighter-bombers blasted enemy

troops in the area, a communique

Ninety miles to the north, Japa-

of points in the Anin area.

meeting hall.

Simons said.

## **INVASION TERMED**

WITH THE U. S. 14th CORPS, Northern Luzon, July 15.—(U.P.)—A captured Japanese army captain an could not hold out long against an American invasion, which he declared was "the only quick way to end the war."

The sooner the Allies invade Japan proper the sooner the war will end," he said in an interview through an interpreter. "I don't an opportunity to vote on whether think Japan can hold out long. Concentrated air attacks might bring Simons said no formal vote was surrender ultimately, but invasion taken. is the only quick way to end fie

The officer requested that he be called Jiro Takahashi for the purposes of the interview, because that is the Japanese equivalent of the anonymous American "John Doe." He did not want his family at home dailies and three racing forms. to know of his disgrace.

Until a few days ago Takahashi the union employed by papers not affected by the work stoppage anese infantry company. He did not intend to be captured. He probably would have died fighting or would have committed suicide if he had not been stricken by malaria.

Simons said other members of the main Japanese garrison of Kanhsien was pulling out to the Northwest and possibly already had reached Suichwan, the first of the six American airbases reaptived by Generalissimo Chiang Kaishek's forces since March.

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It is his belief that practically all Japanese now realize the war would take eight months to switch to work tomorrow would be dis-Allied might to the Pacific once missed. the European war was over.

mediate prospect of re olt, but I endanger their jobs. think the Gumbatsu (Military clique) gradually will be discredited. attended today's closed mass meet-The bombing undoubtedly is hav- ing. Not all were in favor of coning a terrific demoralizing effect tinuing the strike, however, news

#### BAPTISTS TELEGRAPH SENATORS RE DOCTOR SHORTAGE IN CITY

In an effort to help relieve the read letters from other unions his wife in Orange last night. "critical shortage" of doctors in Wilmington, members of the Southunanimously to send to Senators Clyde R. Hoey and Josiah Bailey a telegram requesting their efforts in behalf of the city in relation to the Army's discharging of doctors. It was felt that Wilmington has a dire need for additional medical men in view of the great increase in population during the

The telegram follows:

and as we have a critical shortage the main Japanese concentration of doctors in Wilmington, the South- point of Myitkyo, 74 miles northeast side Baptist church today unani- of Rangoon, Admiral Lord Louis mously voted to ask you to do all Mountbatten's headquarters said toyou can in the interest of Wilmington doctors," signed, "Rev. J. O. British raiding parties attacked Walton, minister." Myitkyo, 29 miles northeast of Pegu, with machine guns and gre

### WEATHER

(Eastern Standard Time)
(By U. S. Weather Bureau)
Meteorological data for the 24 hours
Cuding 7:30p., yesterday.
TEMPERATURE
1:30a, 79; 7:30a, 80; 1:30p., 85; 7:30p. 80.
Naximum 87; Minimum 73; Mean 80;
Normal 79.

HUMIDITY 1:30a, 87; 7:30a, 85; 1:30p, 63; 7:30p, 77. PRECIPITATION Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p.—.0.00 inches.

Total since the first of the month— 5:46 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY

(From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodedte Survey)
High Low

(Continued on Page Three; Col. 1) hills.

Former Yank Base Taken

CHUNGKING, July 15 .- (P) Chinese assault troops have recaptured the lost American airfield at Kanhsien, 250 miles north of Hong Kong, the Chinese High command said today, giving the U. S. 14th Air Force an advance base from which to lash China's "invasion" coast.

Kanhsien airfield, stormed and reoccupied Friday by veteran General Savs Attitude Of fighters of Free China, was the sixth former American airbase lib-NEW YORK, July 15- -The erated from the Japanese in re U. S. BEST MOVE paper deliverymen said after a mass meeting today that the work stoppage would continue the work stoppage would continue the bapanese in re-

The air field lies a short distance warning from publishers that the South of the town of Kanhsien, strikers would be dismissed unless on the Kan river 200 miles West they returned to work tomorrow. Joseph Simons, president of the of the embattled Southeastern said today that in his opinion Jap- Newspaper and Mail Deliverers' coastal area below Amoy. Mop- cism of the armies and government Union (Unaffiliated), also said that ping-up operations against Japa- of China "recently made by irres-"several unions affiliated with the nese remnants still holding out in ponsible persons at home." newspaper industry have agreed to the streets of Kanhsien, the most important highway junction in Southwestern Kiangsi Province, he declared in a statement. The meeting had been called for the purpose of giving the strikers were continuing, a Chinese cora-

"The men were here and neard what we had to say and I read the letters from the various unions it is without communication with United States and retire from the the main airfields of the Chinese Army. interior and would have to be suphas tied up distribution of 14 major North to Hankow. Simons said other members of

The main Japanese garrison of

The strikers were warned last The Japanese last were reported Since his captured, however, he night by the Publishers Association within 14 miles Southeast of Suichhas had time to think about the fu- of New York City that they would wan and also were said to be movhas had time to think about the fu-ture of Japan and the futility of continued resistance. In this re-they reported back to work at their

Luzon, who realize that the war is Labor Board directives and a previous ultimatum from the publish- can airpower on the Asiatic mainers.

Advised of today's action by the miles south of Kanhsien, and at assumed command. I think I can bornly, however.

Patrols were operating 30 miles up by military propaganda. He said union, the Publishers Association wiles south of Kanhsien, and at a low ebb here when he assumed command. I think I can the Japanese High Command ob- in a statement, reiterated its warn- Yungning (Nanning), Liuchow and viously erred in thinking that it ing that workers failing to report Tanchuk, all in Kwangsi Province 400 to 470 miles Southeast of and even I was discouraged, He

From Liuchow, Chinese forces The Association added, however, following in the wake of withdraw-"I know the Japanese people are that any who did return to their ing enemy troops made new pro praying for peace and hoping that jobs would be assured that their em- gress along the Hunan-Kwangsi the war will be over at the very ployers would not make contracts railroad and highway toward the soonest," he said. "I see no im- with any other union which would triple-airfield base at Kweilin.

#### Nearly all of the 1,700 strikers STATE TROOPERS WOUNDED IN FIGHT WITH FUGITIVE men learned by talking to the

PHILLIPSBURG, N. J., July 15 \_(P)\_ Two State Troopers were One of the men told reporters that the reason no formal vote was wounded today in a gunfight at taken was because a motion was Brainards, a village seven miles made from the floor to dispense from here, with a man sought in with the vote after Simons had connection with the axe-slaying of

Cpl. Jay Zeiss of the State Police side Baptist church last night voted (Continued on Page Three; Col. 1) as Ernest Rittenhouse, 30, exchanged shots with the two officers. left them wounded, then escaped by foot into Pennsylvania over a of the Control Council.

Sgt. Cornelius O'Donnell, command of the Washington, N. J. | many. CALCUTTA, July 15. — (AP) — British 14th Army Troops have seized the initiative from Japanese barracks of the State Police, was in critical condition at Warren Hos-"In the light of the Army's plan forces in the Sittang river bend pital here with wounds in the abto discharge some of its doctors, in South Burma and are besieging dome nand arms. Trooper Fra Perry, who received chest wounds, was listed as in serious condition at the same hospital.

State Police said they had no further details on the shooting affray.

### Lehman May Resign As **UNRRA** Head Next Month

WASHINGTON, July 15. -(U.P)-Associates of Herbert H. Lehman disclosed tonight that there is "an nese artillery, covering the with- outside chance" he may resign drawal of enemy troops toward next month as director general of zone headquarters will remain Indo-China, shelled a British posi- the United Nations Relief and Retion on the Toungoo-India-China habilitation Administration.

They emphasized, however, that Liberator bombers yesterday the former New York governor winged east of Rangoon across will quit as international relief the Gulf of Martaban and ham-chief on only one condition: With mered the Moulmein-Ye railr d. the knowledge that his departure tearing up the track at a number would rally the public behind UNRRA's faltering efforts to ob-In other air strikes, Thunder- tain enough food and relief sup-

Wilmington

2:30a.
9,55a.
bolts bombed and strafed a troop plies for liberated Europe.

3:11p.
10:17p.
3:11p.
10:17p.
3:11p.
10:18p.
7:02p.
Sunrise 5:12; Sunset 7:24; Moonrise 11:53
5:100 Moonset 11:55p.

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Lehman is expected to decide his southwest of Mokpalin, and other course during his current tour of Europe. He may announce his deemy huts at Kyunbin in the Pegu cision at next month's UNRRA council meeting in London.

## BOX SCORE OF FLEET Planes, Warships Blast

By the Associated Press Japanese Losses

Vessels sunk: 61 totalling 53,-000 tons. Vessels damaged: 64 totalling 55,000 tons. Planes destroyed: 28 on the ground, 1 in the air. Planes damaged: 63 on the ground. Locomotives de stroyed: 27.

Cities hit: Kushiro on Honshu burned out; Hakodate on Hokkaido, rail and shipping facilities knocked out; Kamaishi on Honshu, steel mills and harbor works set aflame; Esa: on Hokkaido, rail yards smashed; Muroran on Hokkaido, two steel mills, chemical works, warehouses and other industries et afire and exploded. U. S. Losses

Nine planes and three crew members. Ships damaged: None.

### CHENNAULT HITS AT CHINA CRITICS

Some At Home Shocks Him Deeply

KUNMING, CHINA, July 15-(AP) -Maj. Gen. Claire Lee Channault, who has resigned as commander of the 14th U. S. Air Force, said by what he termed adverse criti-

"I think it's about time for Americans to cease to be so concerned

Chennault, former leader of the Flying Tigers announced his resig-It was doubtful, however, that nation yesterday, saying he would the bomb-cratered Kanhsien field remain until a new higher U. S the bomb-cratered Kanhsien field Air Force command is installed in who have retreated from strong, could be put to immediate use for Chunking and then return to the fixed positions under heavy pound-

His statement said that China's plied by transports hopping the armies and Generalissimo Chiang with drilling tools. Japanese corridor from Hong Kong Kai-Shek's government were 'no more faultless than any others"

"I have been a witness of eight

member that we owe China an im-

continued resistance. In this rethey reported back to work at their ing field 16 miles east of Suichspect he is typical of many Japausual time tomorrow. The deliverywan. Beside Kanhsien and Suichwan, and that the Japanese now were In his tribute to Gen. Wedemey-

brought his splendid energy and de-

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## **BERLIN TO RISE** AS TRADE CENTER

FRANKFURT ON THE MAIN, erning of occupied Germany.

Already representatives of all It had been alleged at the trial

said the fugitive, who he identified to work out details of liaison and U. S. Army equipment, that thou-British and the French prepara-trucks, ambulances, tires, furni-

By mid-August the Central Con-depot. MOUNTBATTEN STATES of Easton.

| A town about seven miles north functioning, thus focusing in Ber-

in Berlin working out policies and a multitude of details with Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov, Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, and other Control Council Eisenhower, working in a spac-

ious office here in a building which formerly housed the head quarters of I. G. Farbenindustrie, is expected to spend a large part of his time in Frankfurt, where have been counted and 608 capthe American occupation activities tured in mopping up operations in

portance, although communications headquarters said today. there until the redeployment program is completed. This headquarters directs the handling of supplies, communications and transportation for the occupation Judge Justin Miller army in Germany. Meanwhile Marseille, Cherbourg

Rouen and Le Havre will continue to be important centers for the plies into Europe.

dissolved. Their command func-

groups are in the process of being Association of Broadcasters, its The makeup of the American or (Continued on Page Three; Col. 5) day.

# Aussies Near Sambodja

Batochampar Mount Falls

FIVE-MILE ADVANCE

Heavy Artillery Fire Sends Japs On Run For

MAN LA, Monday, July 16 .- (AP) -Capture of one of the principal oil fields in Eastern Borneo was imminent today after Australian troops pushed to within five miles of the center of Sambodja against vanishing Japanese resistance.

Advances of five miles in two days were disclosed in Gen Douglas today he had been snocked deeply MacArthur's communique, and they came in a sector along the coast where previous gains had been bought by the yard in heavy fighting.

The wells of the Sambodja fields feed the refineries of Balikpapan, which were wrecked by bombings or set ablaze in the liberation of the port city.

The condition of the wells was now known, but if the Japanese ing from land, sea and air follow their usual tactics the wells will be found dynamited and choked

The Australians were pushing on toward Sambodja from the village of Amborawang, in the heart of the difficult tidal swamp

Australians and Dutch colonials brought heavy artillery to bear and drove the Japanese from Mount Batochampar or "Smashed Stone Ridge," six miles Northeast of Balikpapan.

This was an important obstacle

one along the coast, since Samarinda lies 36 miles north of Sam-

South of the enemy-held base of Jesselton in British North Borneo. Heaviest fighting still was in the

#### PROBE PROVES ARMY **GOODS NOT BURNED** AT BRITISH DEPOT

LONDON, July 15. -(P)- Char-July 15.—(P)—Within another four destroyed by United States Army formed sources said tonight. weeks battered Berlin will become troops at a military depot in Waronce more one of the great gov- minister were found to be "with- Twelfth Army Group, is now in American dignitaries, while other and antiaircraft fire did no damage. ernment centers of Europe as the out foundation" by an official Army Germany. He is due back early American, British and Russian Four Power Control Council takes investigating committee, headquar- next month to replace Brig. Gen. fighter planes patrolled the skies. carrier actions showed 24 Japanese over its task of directing the gov-ters of the United Kingdom base Frank T. Hines, resigned, in a post

12 divisions of the United States of Alfred Grist, a former civilian group of the Control Council are employe at the depot who was conin Berlin as an advance echelon victed of unlawful possession of cooperation with the Russians, the sands of dollars worth of motor tory to the first full dress meeting ture, motor accessories and tons of timber had been burned at the

lin the Allied government of Ger- bulance body and one two-and-one Such a move would be revolutionhalf ton truck body, wrecked be- ary inasmuch as the agency has As American representative on the Control Council Gen. Eisenhower will spend part of his time to salvage the steel frameworks, the official statement declared.

That ton truck body, wrecked be always had civilian status.

Bradley, an Army man so the official statement declared. the official statement declared. The statement added that the in-

support the general charges.

4,879 More Dead Japs Found In Philippines

MANILA, Monday, July 16 .- (P An additional 4.879 enemy dead 90,000 RAF Men Will the Philippines during the last Paris becomes of secondary im-week, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's

American casualties in the same period were 62 killed, 195 wounded policing of Germany, the air minand one missing.

## Heads Broadcasters

KANSAS CITY, July 15-(P)-Jus-Americans in the redeployment of tin Miller, an Associate Justice of ingham, commander of the second document is regarded as assured. troops and the shipment of sup- the U. S. Court of Appeals for the TAF, relinquished his command Both the 12th and the Sixth Army named president of the National Douglas.

District of Columbia, has been to Air Chief Marshal Sir Sholto presented against United States a B-29 six miles south of Albustonian process of being subscription of \$3,175,000,000 to the subscription of \$3,175,000,000 to t board of directors announced to- cupational airforce has not yet been

**Ready For Conference** 

Jap Plants, Burn City;

PRESIDENT TRUMAN who arrived at Potsdam yesterday afternoon for the first meeting of the "Big Three" scheduled for today in the German city. He arrived by plane after a flight from Brussels, Belgium. Prime Minister Winston Churchill also arrived during the afternoon and Marshall

## "Big Three" In Potsdam For Historic Meeting

# The Japanese fought back stub-

BY MILTON MAGRUDER United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, July 15- (U.P.) tion a 'big shake - up' when he was that the conference would last takes it over as Administrator on from ten days to three weeks. Aug. 1, and he may put it on a Planes roared in over the bombges that repairable equipment was stream - lined military basis, in- blasted capitol in an almost con-

that promises to be the "hot seat" of the government after the war. William D. Leahy, fiew in from The Veterans Administration has Brussels at 4:15 p.m. Berlin time

been under fire for months on charges of neglect and mistreat- after Secretary of State James F ment of veterans and embroilment Byrnes had landed. They had spent in red tape. Bradley already has 2 hours and 50 minutes in Belgium under consideration the question whether VA should be "mili- (Continued on Page Three; Col. 7) tarized" and its medical departfunctioning, thus focusing in Berlin the Allied government of Gerlin the Allied government of

Bradley, an Army man since he entered West Point in 1911; will for the first time deal directly with vestigation found no evidence to pressure groups, politicians and the potent veteran and labor lobbies. question of United States partici-He has let it be known that he has his own ideas and thus may run into considerable opposition.

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than 90,000 RAF airmen and ground with votes to spare. One Republicrewmen will assist in the air can who opposes the plan said pri- Department said, "will be to reistry said today as a new aerial be approved.

police known as the British Air But the three days or so of de-Force of Occupation in Germany bate that will preced the show- the task that lies ahead of the Alcame into being.

cessor to the RAF Second Tactical sideration is begun next week of Airforce, which ceased to exist as the United Nations peace Charter, such. Air Marshal Sir Arthur Con-even though ratification of that

officially announced.

BERLIN. July 15-(A)-President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill arrived in Germany's ruined capital by plane today to of 16-inch shells from the battle-TO SHAKE UP VA ruined capital by plane today to join Premier Stalin in an historic ships Missouri, Iowa and Wisconsin burst upon the city formerly unconference that may shorten the Pacific war and decide the world's

fate for years to come. The Big Three will begin discussions tomorrow in Kaiser Wilhelm's Gen. Omar N. Bradley is expected former castle in suburban Potsdam to give the Veterans Administra- and an unofficial estimate tonight tinuous stream from about 2:30 Bradley, Commander of the p.m. onward, bringing British and There was no aerial interception,

The president, accompanied by his personal chief of staff, Admiral (Continued on Page Three; Col. 6) (8:15 a.m. EWT), fifteen minutes AIR FORCE DAY SET

The pocketbook test of America's the possibility of adapting it to widened role in world affairs-the military purposes." pation in the Bretton Woods Mone- one captain and two enlisted men. tary agreements-comes up before Today it comprises more than 2,0 the Senate tomorrow.

insisted that unqualified approval Air Force Day will be observed of United States commitments to by all domestic AAF installations share in the 44-nation, \$17,900,000 and by as many overseas as pos-International Monetary Fund and sible. In this country, formal re-Help Police Germany Bank is inseparable from overall views will be held and the public plans for world peace, are confid- will be invited to inspect equip-LONDON, July 15. —(P)— More ent that approval will be given ment and facilities.

The new force is a direct suc- some opposition opinion when con- an."

(Continued on Page Three; Col. 2) Kirtland Field.

## **Enemy Loses** 128 Vessels

92 AIRPLANES OUT

#### Widespread Damage Noted By Observers; Shore Fire Light

GUAM, Monday, July 16.-(P)naval air and sea bombardment of Japan Saturday and Sunday cost the enemy 128 ships and 92 lones destroyed or damaged, vital steel works in two cities blown up, one entire city burned down another seriously damaged, Adm Chester W. Nimitz reported

In the latest bombardment, on Sunday, by battleships of the pow-erful Third Fleet, more than 1,000tons of shells set off continuous explosions and great fires in the once-important industrial port of Muroran on Hokkaido Island.

The enemy offered no defense either aerial or naval, he said, to this second day's assaults on the home islands by 16-inch broadsiders and carrier plane strikes, which first were announced yesterday while they were taking

Preliminary reports of the two d days of carrier attacks showed 128 Japanese ships and small craft sunk or damaged-including six vital train ferries linking Hokkaido and Honshu.

Most of the city of Kushiro was burned in the first day's air assault, Nimitz asserted.

Superfortresses from the Marianas joined the coordinated blasting of the empire with a 50 to 75plane bombing of a major Honshu oil refinery at Kudamatsu. Despite "widespread destruc-

caused by the fleet's deliberate blasting and powerful air strikes, "the action of these forces brought no defensive response from the enemy in the air or on the surface throughout the day" Sunday -the second day in which Japan offered no gesture of defense ex-cept ineffective anti-aircraft fire, the communique reported.

Muroran's Nippon steel plant and Wanishi Iron Works were exploding and aflame after Sunday's cyclone burst upon the city, formerly untouched by war.

In complete reports of Sundays carrier plane blows at Northern Honshu and Hokkaido-again hampered by adverse weather-showed nine ships and six small craft totalling 12,000 tons were sunk and nine ships and 30 small craft totalling 12,000 tons were damaged during the early morning hours alone. Four enemy planes were destroy. ed aground, and one was damaged. F'urther reports from Saturday's

### FOR AUGUST 1, BY GEN. H. H. ARNOLD

ships and 25 bages totalling 41,000

WASHINGTON, July 15.-(U.P)-Gen. H. H. Arnold, commander of the Army Air Forces, tonight designated Aug. 1 as Air Force Day to mark the 38th anniversary of Army aviation.

It was on Aug. 1, 1907, that a Division of Aeronautics was created WASHINGTON, July 15 .- (P)- "to study the flying machine and The army air wing started with

Administration leaders, who have most powerful air fleet in the world.

"Purpose fo the day," the War magnitude of air power's contribution to the victory in Europe and to down may provide a foretaste of lied forces advancing against Jap-

THIRTEEN AIRMEN DIE

ALBUGUERQUE, N. M., July 15. -(P)-Thirteen men were killed A preview of arguments to be and one was injured in a crash of proposed International Bank's capi- commandant at Kirtland Field, announced. The plane was based at