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Clear to partly cloudy and continued rather hot today, tonight and Saturday.

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Superforts Leave Fires Burning In Heart Of Industrial Osaka ORGANIZED RESISTANCE ON OKINAWA SEEMS OVER

YANKS CLOSING TRAP ON SHURI, MOP UP NAHA

Americans Advance So Swiftly Nips Can't Set Up New Defenses

JAP LOSSES HEAVY

By Hamilton W. Faron GUAM, June 1.—(AP)—Organized Japanese resistance on Okinawa appeared to be ended today. Tenth Army Yanks pursued crippled, disorganized remnants of the rising sun's once-powerful island garrison and closed a trap on Shuri town while radio Tokyo admitted Japanese losses were "gradually increasing."

With Marines on the west and infantry on the east, the Americans cut through both flanks to isolate the Shuri key point of Japanese defenses and to drive spears on both flanks southward so swiftly the retreating Japanese were unable to set up new defenses. Sixth division Marines completed the mop-up in Naha, former capital city of the island with a population of 66,000, smashing furiously from all directions into remaining pockets. Japanese Domei news agency, meanwhile, admitted in a dis-

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Raid Destroys 7 Square Miles Of Yokohama

GUAM, June 1.—(AP)—Nearly seven square miles of Yokohama, including the heart of the city, were burned out in Tuesday's fire raid by more than 450 Superfortresses, the 21st Bomber Command reported today after a study of photographs taken over Japan's second largest port city. "The principal portion of the city is virtually destroyed and the areas of devastation represent approximately 44 percent of the built up area of the city," said Maj. Gen. Curtis Le May's headquarters. This estimate of 44 percent devastation includes approximately two square miles of Yokohama burned out April 15, and 6.9 square miles burned out Tuesday.

Eighty-six square miles of industrial areas in Japan's largest cities have been destroyed or damaged by B-29 incendiary raids. This does not include damage inflicted on Osaka, the enemy's major industrial center, in another 450 Superforter fire strike today. Fires razed Yokohama's wharves and docks along the southern sector of the city and leveled much of the inland area including important war industry plants. Twenty-two individual military or industrial targets were burned or destroyed, the 21st Bomber Command said, adding that further analysis of photographs may disclose additional industrial damage.

INDUSTRIES DAMAGED Specific industries known to have been damaged include the Hodogaya substation, 95 percent destroyed; East Asia development

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U. S. Aerial Units Withdrawn From Southeast Asia

CALCUTTA, India, June 1.—(AP)—All American aerial units have been withdrawn from the eastern air command in southeast Asia and Maj. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer has relinquished command of the organization which he had headed since it was formed Dec. 15, 1943.



GEN. MARK CLARK COMES HOME FROM THE WAR—Gen. Mark W. Clark, hero of the North African and Italian campaigns, happily waves to the crowd at the Chicago airport just after arriving via plane from Europe for a gala homecoming celebration. Seated behind him in the car is Mayor Ed Kelly (right) of Chicago. Fifty other American veterans of the war came with Gen. Clark.—(AP Wirephoto).

AT CONFERENCE:

Delegates Hope For Early Finish Of Job

U. S. Sees Forceful Leadership By Sponsoring Powers As Great Need

By John M. Hightower

Associated Press Diplomatic News Editor SAN FRANCISCO, June 1.—(AP)—Prospects for settlement of the Franco-Syrian dispute combined with reports of improved American-Soviet relations today to brighten delegates' hopes for an early, successful windup of the United Nations conference.

Forceful leadership by the sponsoring powers is regarded among United States delegates as the means for shaking the conference out of its lagging committee work and whipping the charter for a new league into final shape. Many delegates are saying privately that the time for action to that end is at hand and the place to begin is among the Big Five. The United States sought agreement with British, Russian, Chinese and French spokesmen on half a dozen pending questions, and an early meeting of Secretary Stettinius with the other four delegation chiefs is expected. Moscow reaction to a proposed Big Five statement on the veto voting issue is due in a day or so. The statement is intended to reassure small nations that the big

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Quisling's Appeal Is Rejected

OSLO, June 1.—(AP)—A Norwegian high court rejected today Vidkun Quisling's appeal from a lower court order holding him for trial for treason charges. The former German-supported puppet premier of Norway is expected to go to trial within two months.

OPA Cracks Down Hard On Canning Sugar Chiselers

WASHINGTON, June 1.—(AP)—The OPA cracked down hard today on "chiseling or home canning sugar for other purposes." "Some chiselers are stooping to falsify their applications in an effort to get sugar that they know they won't use in canning," Price Administrator Chester Bowles said in a statement announcing a "drastic program to put an end to this sugar racket." Bowles said the sugar supply is sufficient for home canning requirements, "but there will not be enough if the chiseling x x x continues."

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STIFFEN BLOWS ON BORNEO

Aussies Winding Up Initial Operation On Tarakan Isle

MANILA, June 1.—(AP)—The U. S. 13th Air Force stepped up its assaults on oil-rich Borneo as Australian invasion forces wound up their initial operation on its north-eastern island of Tarakan.

Today's communique reported raids which extended through a third straight day the aerial pounding of airfields, waterfronts, shipyards and other installations on Borneo.

With more than 100 bombers and fighters taking part each day, the 13th Raiders struck Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at Brunel bay on the northwest coast, Balikpapan on the east-central coast and Banjarmasin on the south coast.

The Aussies, who landed on Tarakan May 1, presently are finishing off enemy holdouts in caves.

Augmenting the 13th's long range efforts, a Seventh fleet Liberator sank a medium freighter near Banjarmasin. The Fifth Air Force, aided by clearing weather, sent more than 100 Liberators with a fighter escort to Formosa Tuesday and followed up with a 60-plane raid Wednesday. More than 500 tons of explosives hit waterfronts, warehouses and barracks.

Three far-ranging Fifth Air Force Liberators sank a medium cargo vessel at Shanghai before dawn Tuesday, despite heavy anti-aircraft opposition. Seventh fleet planes wrecked seven coastal vessels in the Hong Kong area.

Polio Cases Running 50 Per Cent Ahead Of Number Year Ago

NEW YORK, June 1.—(AP)—The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Inc., announced today, "on the eve of infantile paralysis summer outbreaks," that the number of cases of the disease is running about 50 per cent ahead of a year ago. Dr. Don W. Gudakunst, medical director of the foundation, said as of mid-May new cases this year totaled 642 as compared with 424 for the same period last year. "This is not an alarming situation but it would be watched carefully," he said. Sharp increases have been reported in New England, the Middle and South Atlantic States and the East South Central states, he said.

CREWMEN SAY LARGE PART OF CITY IN RUINS

Light Opposition Reported; B-29's Escorted By 150 Mustangs

THROUGH OVERCAST

By Robbin Coons

GUAM, June 1.—(AP)—Great waves of Superforts lighted fires in the manufacturing center of Osaka today that sent smoke billowing 27,000 feet above Japan's most highly industrialized city, and simultaneously the 21st Bomber Command announced a similar raid Tuesday burned out 6.9 square miles of Yokohama. "The principal portion of Yokohama is virtually destroyed," B-29 headquarters announced, as returning crews indicated they had left Osaka in the same condition today. Eighty six square miles of urban industrial areas of Japanese cities are now known to have been destroyed or heavily damaged by Superfort incendiary attacks.

Semi-official Japanese broadcasts admitted flames started throughout the manufacturing center of Osaka were only "gradually being brought under control."

Smoke over Osaka was so dense that many returning airmen reported they couldn't see the flames. Only light fighter opposition was reported, including antiquated planes, probably because an escort of about 150 Mustangs from Iwo Jima swept in ahead of the first wave of B-29s. The few intercept-

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Japs Work For Anti-Invasion Line On Coast

CHUNGKING, June 1.—(AP)—The Chinese high command announced today that Japanese troops were pushing southward along the east China sea coast in Chekiang province in a possible attempt to establish a new anti-invasion line even as they gave ground in three other sectors.

The enemy columns reached Pingyang Sunday in a 10-mile advance from Julian, the high command said. Pingyang is 30 miles south of the Port of Wenchow. It is 245 miles south of Shanghai and 150 miles northeast of recently-liberated Foochow, from which Chinese divisions are striking up the coast through Fukien province.

A collision of these forces with the fresh enemy elements appeared likely. The Chinese were pursuing withdrawing Japanese garrison units and a Chinese army spokesman said the pursuit action had reached a position 19 miles west of Siapu, near the coast 75 miles northeast of Foochow.

CHINESE GAIN Inland, the Chinese announced gains in both Human and Kwangsi provinces.

The high command said Chinese troops had driven to positions nine and a half miles west of Shaoyang (Paoching), from which the Japanese launched their ill-starred drive across Hunan toward the American air base of Chihkiang.

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WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 7:00 p.m.—Executives club meets at Hotel Charles. 8:00 p.m.—Final graduation exercises for high school seniors in high school auditorium. SATURDAY Street sale of poppies throughout day for benefit of disabled veterans. March of silver for benefit of boys' fresh air camp.



TRAGEDY VICTIM—Lula Mae Davis (top), 21, of Kansas City, Mo., met her soldier boy friend, Pvt. David Harold Sharp (bottom), for the first time in two years at her home just after his return from the Pacific war area—and a few minutes later she was dead of a bullet wound. Police said the shot was fired by her father, Ray E. Davis, 42, who once warned Sharp not to see the girl anymore.—(AP Wirephoto).

GERMANS BEAT FLIER TO DEATH

First Trial Of German Civilians For War Crimes Underway

AHRWEILER, Germany, June 1.—(AP)—A German wheat farmer testified today that he saw two of his countrymen beat an American flier to death last Aug. 15 after he parachuted from a flaming bomber near their lives before an American milit-

Three Germans are on trial for tary commission in the first trial of German civilians for a war crime in the Reich.

The accused are one-armed Peter Kohn, 32, a crane operator; Matthias Glens, 37, railroad worker, and Nathias Kreth, 44, black-

They watched unsteadily as Nichols Nospes, 74, told of seeing Kohn and Klerens finish off the flier after another German—still at large—shot the American twice but failed to kill him. Nospes, a wry little man with a Hitlerian mustache as grey as his head, said Kohn beat the flier with a three-foot stick and Glens attacked with a hammer.

The witness testified that he saw about 20 persons gathered around

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THE WAR TODAY:

Franco-Syrian Flare-Up May Be Good Thing In Long Run

By DeWITT MacKENZIE, AP Writer

Maybe in the long run the Franco-Syrian upheaval will prove to be a good thing, for it demonstrates anew that the whole of Europe and the Mediterranean countries are as inflammable as tinder and that anybody who flips a lighted match carelessly aside these days is begging for catastrophe. One doesn't mean to be cynical in this observation, for it's a cruel thing that this reminder should have to come through more bloodshed. But we must know that we've come mighty close to another great conflagration. You can't rekindle the

'Cease Fire' Order Given, However, In Conciliatory Move

By The Associated Press

LONDON, June 1.—France refused today to comply with Prime Minister Churchill's request that French troops in Syria retire to their barracks to avoid the possibility of a clash with the British, but in a conciliatory move ordered her troops to "cease fire."

"French troops will remain in their positions," said a French communique issued in Paris after a cabinet meeting.

By ordering French troops to cease fire the French thus complied with half the request of Churchill backed by President Truman, to take steps to end the bloodshed.

In further steps to resolve the dispute that threatened to plunge the Arab world into revolt, it was disclosed that the United States had agreed to sit with other powers in the role of mediator.

The British foreign office announced that France had been invited to participate in a London conference with Britain and the

United States to settle the issues involved in the Arab-supported demands of Syria and Lebanon for full independence and Allied insistence upon safeguards for their communications lines to the Pacific war areas. Beyond dispatches said all was quiet in Syria and Lebanon after the French finally stopped their shelling and bombing of Damascus, Syrian capital, and that small-arms

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U. S. Air Units Moving Bases Nearer To Japan

By Edward H. Higgs

WASHINGTON, June 1.—(AP)—Jimmy Doolittle is teaming up with Superfortresses to finish the job he started three years ago with his world-startling air attack on Tokyo.

Disclosure that the mighty B-29s, scourge of Japan's skies, will be a part of Doolittle's Eighth Air force in its aerial war against the empire was only one piece of news the army uncorked yesterday to let the Nipponese know the worst is yet to come.

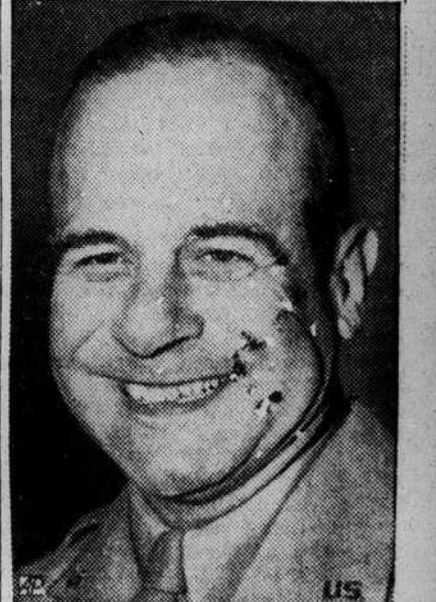
1. Undersecretary of War Patterson served notice that Japan will be pounded harder from the air than Germany ever was. With B-29 attacks already rivaling the biggest raids against Germany, he said both the bomb tonnage and the number of B-29 attacks will be stepped up considerably.

2. American units of the British-American eastern air command in the India-Burma theatre are shoving out for places from which they can get a better crack at Japan. Under Maj. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer, this is the force that helped chase the Japanese from Burma.

3. Superfortresses in the last three months have cascaded 58,000 tons of bombs on Japan, damaging or destroying top-priority war production plants in Tokyo, Nagoya, Osaka and Kobe. Hundreds of industrial installations have been hit, along with dock facilities and transportation centers.

The announcement that B-29s are being added to the Liberators,

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LT. GEN. DOOLITTLE

CAMPAIN FOR FRESH AIR FUND

The March of Silver Campaign, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce for the benefit of the Lions Fresh Air Camp, scheduled to have been held last Saturday will take place tomorrow instead, it was announced this morning by Irvin Anthony, who has charge.

The Junior chamber usually provides expenses for several boys in camp during the summer but this year it was decided to give all funds raised to the Lions Fresh Air Camp instead. Solicitation will be made on the streets during the day, tomorrow.

Fire Fighting Ships With Bond Purchases

WASHINGTON, June 1.—(AP)—A war bond statement from Vice Admiral William Ward Smith, commander service force, United States Pacific area: "To keep the fighting ships geared for action, the service force of the Pacific Fleet expends millions of dollars in supplies and equipment daily. To help offset this tremendous financial outlay, the support of every American in the 7th War Loan is needed."