

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and continued rather hot today, tonight and Tuesday; scattered thundershowers in the mountains this afternoon and evening.

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Defenders Of Okinawa Fight Back Bitterly With Artillery Fire NORTHWEST BORNEO INVADIED AT THREE POINTS Japanese Homeland Smoulders From Four Straight Days Of Raids



JAPS REPORT BORNEO LANDING-The Japanese reported on June 9th that Allied troops had landed on Labuan Island (broken arrow) off the north coast of Borneo, across from Tarakan (solid arrow) which was invaded last month by the Allies.

AT CONFERENCE:

Veto Voting Formula Is Stumbling Block

Confers, However, On Home Stretch; Prospects Of Success Look Brighter

By John M. Hightower

Associated Press Diplomatic News Editor SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—(P)—Fresh signs that the big powers can compromise even sharp differences in the interest of peaceful cooperation sent the United Nations conference into the home stretch today with brightened hopes for the world future.

Daniels Opposes Peacetime Draft

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(P)—

Opposing a peacetime draft, Joseph Daniels, former secretary of the Navy, said today "the imperative preparedness of tomorrow is that which will give conquest of the skies."

The 33-year-old Raleigh, N. C., newspaper publisher who directed the Navy during the last war offered the military policy committee this formula as "the best protection" against the possibility of future attack:

"I would place the main emphasis on a navy that flies, with adequate military strength on land and sea, x x x I would take leave to be strong in the air. If our country dominates the sky, no enemy can land on any part of our terrain."

The committee is in its second week of hearings on the subject of universal military training. "We will never dominate in war by dependence upon the draft,"

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Seven Army Men Killed In Crash

NEWARK, Del., June 11.—(P)—Seven Army men were killed when a C-45 transport plane crashed on a farm three miles southeast of here yesterday.

Officials at the Newcastle Army Air base said the ship struck a tree and exploded. The plane was en route from Pope Field, N. C., to Trenton, N. J., and apparently lost its bearings in a heavy fog. The victims were not identified.

EFFORT TO HALT YANKS IS FUTILE

105 MM. Guns Being Used By Japs; Naha Harbor Bridge Shelled

NIPS WELL DUG IN

GUAM, June 11.—(P)—Rapidly dying defenders of Okinawa brought all their remaining artillery into play today, firing at point-blank range in a thus far futile effort to stop a full-power assault launched by the U. S. 10th army.

Guns of as heavy calibre as 105 mm. were being used by the Nipponese in their last stand attempt to halt the American attack on heavily fortified Yaeju-Dake escapement. On the east flank the enemy directed fire against 7th and 96th division tanks.

Even in the tightly encircled Broku pocket, Japanese field guns shelled the Naha harbor bridge, causing some minor damage to the American-built structure.

The seventh regiment of the First U. S. Marine division ran into heavy Japanese machinegun and mortar fire as it moved through Itoman town, capture of which has not yet been announced by Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander.

Headquarters reported the 96th U. S. Infantry division is under fire from mutually supporting Japanese positions and caves while the 17th battalion of the 7th division is using flame throwing tanks against 88 enemy-held caves.

DEATHS HIGH The Nipponese, who Admiral Nimitz said, are being killed off at the rate of 1,000 a day, are heavily

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LEMONS GETS SILVER STAR

S. Sgt. Robert I. Lemons, Paratrooper On Luzon, Is Decorated

Word has been received here from headquarters of the 11th airborne division on Luzon that S/Sgt. Robert I. Lemons, son of Mrs. Beulah Lemons of 424 East Marion street, has been awarded the silver star medal for gallantry in action on Luzon. S/Sgt. Lemons is a paratrooper.

During an engagement with the Japs, Lemons assumed command of a disorganized platoon, all of whose leaders had become casualties. Rallying the men, he led the platoon forward to an advantageous position where he established an outpost. Under his leadership, the platoon repulsed a series of Jap counterattacks, and on two occasions he ran the gauntlet of enemy fire in order to return to the rear and lead forward desperately-needed reinforcements.

Later that day, Lemons single-handedly stood off a five-man Jap banzai charge and killed all of the attackers. The citation with his star award praised him for heroic actions against a numerically superior enemy.



OLD GLORY RISES IN ANOTHER JAP STRONGHOLD—Lt. Col. R. P. Ross, Jr., a Marine from Frederick, Md., places the American flag atop Shuri Castle on Okinawa. The same flag was the first to be raised over Cape Gloucester and Peleliu by the first Marine Division.

Chinese Fight Japs In Outer Liuchow

Chinese Think Enemy Plans To Abandon Both Liuchow And Kweilin, Former U. S. Air Bases

By Spencer Moosa

CHUNGKING, June 11.—(P)—Chinese assault forces battled the Japanese within the outer defenses of Liuchow today and closed in to within 10 miles of Kweilin, 90 miles to the northeast, amid a growing belief in the Chinese capital that the enemy planned to abandon both of these former American air base cities.

The Chinese high command announced today that two prongs of a Chinese drive were advancing on Kweilin. A thrust from the northwest reached to within 10 miles of the city yesterday, while another aimed from the west advanced 12 and one-half miles to reach a point 12 and one-half miles from Kweilin.

The Chinese command announced the capture of two more unidentified towns on the highway to French Indo-China and said Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's troops were moving on Pingsiang near the border of the French colony and Kwangsi province.

The communists said the Japanese had attacked toward the Kwangsi border from the Indo-China town of Caobang, and were engaged at the border town of Chungchingtu, 19 miles northeast of Caobang.

The high command said regulars and local militia captured Tenyun, on the west river 40 miles west of the former treaty port of Tsangwu (Wuchow), through which the Japanese forces in Kwangtung invaded Kwangsi last year.

IN HONAN PROVINCE Inconclusive fighting continued in Honan province at the Japanese bastion of Hsinhsiakow, guarding the approaches to Hankow and the Peking-Hankow railroad, the communique said.

The Japanese were reported attempting to strengthen the east flank of the Canton-Hankow railroad and better protect the approach.

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JAYCEES GARNER 15 TONS PAPER

Nearly 15 tons of scrap paper were garnered by members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Sunday afternoon in the most successful roundup yet conducted by that group, President Dick LeGrand announced today.

The collection was directed by Ed Noggle who had seven teams with trucks scouring the city.

Mr. LeGrand voiced appreciation on behalf of the Jaycees for the generous public cooperation. He said that some few bundles were missed and he asked householders to keep them for a later roundup to be made at a date to be announced in July or August.

Kings Mountain Man Held On Murder Count

Gaither Ledbetter, who operates a refreshment stand just outside of Kings Mountain on the Grover highway was being held in the Shelby jail today on a murder charge in connection with the death of Robert Brakefield, 20, mill bus driver who lives near Smyrna in South Carolina who died on his way to a Gaffney hospital late Saturday afternoon after a shooting at Ledbetter's place.

Hearing will be held for Ledbetter Wednesday morning in Cleveland Recorder's court on the murder warrant issued by Sheriff J. R. Cline and Highway Patrolman H. D. Ward who investigated the case.

Evidence which has been gathered by Sheriff Cline and Patrolman Ward tends to show that Brakefield and a crowd of girls were in the Ledbetter place just before the shooting took place. An argument took place during which Brakefield and his party were ordered out by Ledbetter who is said to have followed them to the door with a .32-calibre pistol which he fired at Brakefield. The shooting took place shortly after 6 p.m.

By the time that Brakefield's

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Hoey Will Make Address At Institute At Woman's College

GREENSBORO, June 11.—(P)—Senator Clyde R. Hoey will make the opening address tonight at the 12th annual Carolina Institute of International Relations.

Hoey will discuss world issues facing the senate. He will speak in Aycock auditorium. Other sessions of the five-day program will be held at Woman's college, which is sponsoring the institute.

The senator also will speak today at the Rotary club luncheon and this afternoon to Tar Heel Girls State at the college.

FAR-FLUNG JAP WAR TARGETS ARE BATTERED

Aircraft Factories, Rail Yards, Airfields Hit In 5 Raids

RESULTS GOOD

By Leif Erickson

GUAM, June 11.—(P)—The Japanese homeland smouldered today from its worst weekend of the war—four consecutive days of devastating attacks by American warplanes ranging from gigantic B-29 Superfortresses to speedy Mustang and Thunderbolt fighters and navy carrier planes.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday the Americans struck again and again, hurling high-explosive bombs and bullets into Japan's aircraft factories, rail yards, airfields and other military targets in five separate raids on widespread areas.

Radio Tokyo said 30 Mustangs, led by two B-29s, fired installations at Tachikawa and Atsuki airfields in the Tokyo-Yokohama area Monday. It reported the fighters strafed the fields for an hour.

Sunday's strike was made by 250 to 300 B-29s on five factory and military targets in the already ravaged Tokyo and Yokohama districts. Reconnaissance photos showed that the Hitachi engineering works and adjacent railway yards at Sukagawa alone were struck by 820 bombs.

Results were reported good on the other targets, although photographs were not yet available.

Japanese anti-aircraft fire was reported meagre to moderate. One Superfortress was lost, but Iwo-based Mustangs on escort duty destroyed 26 Japanese interceptors and probably destroyed 10 more without loss.

43 PLANES BAGGED Okinawa-based Thunderbolts in a foray over Kyushu on Sunday, destroyed 17 Japanese planes, making the day's total at least 43 over Japan.

In the four days of raids, total American losses were announced as 10 planes—three Superfortresses, three Mustangs and four carrier-based planes for Adm. William F. Halsey's Third Fleet. All four carrier pilots and one of the Mustang pilots were rescued.

Radio Tokyo, acknowledging the bitter week-end of war, came-home-to-roost, complained that already one out of every 15 Japanese was homeless—4,930,000 of the 72,000,000 inhabitants of the home islands.

The B-29 raiders from the Mari-

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WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 7:30 p.m.—County medical society meets at hospital.

TUESDAY 8:00 p.m.—Regular meeting of Eastern Star at Masonic Temple.

8:15 p.m.—Opening game of Junior Legion baseball season between Shelby and Cherryville high school park.

THE WAR TODAY:

If Necessary, Laws Will Be Made To Fit War Criminals

By DeWITT MacKENZIE, AP Writer

By J. M. ROBERTS, Jr., AP Foreign Affairs Analyst Woven into Justice Robert H. Jackson's plans for the prosecution of war criminals are ideas of such importance that they are likely to become historic.

Justice Jackson proclaims the right to try the makers of war for making war, the right, when civilization itself is outraged, to impose sentences which were not provided prior to the crime, and the right of humanity to sit in judgment.

In answer to those who fear we

Aussies Have Driven 4,000 Yards Inland; Japs Caught Off Guard

By The Associated Press

Veteran Australian assault forces have made a surprise, three-way invasion of northwest Borneo, seized control of the entrance to strategic Brunei Bay and driven 4,000 yards inland, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

Defending Japanese troops caught completely off-balance by the second invasion of the oil-rich Borneo area, offered only negligible resistance to the landing, which Tokyo radio previously announced was made Friday.

Troops of the Ninth Australian division, veterans of African desert fighting, stormed into the jungles of Labuan island at the northern entrance to Brunei Bay; Brookerton on the tip of a cape forming the southern arm of the bay, and at Maura.

Labuan town and airfield were quickly seized from the unprepared Japanese on Labuan, and presumably the field will soon be in use by Australian fighter planes.

The main force hitting at Brookerton drove 4,000 yards down the peninsula toward Brunei town, major city and governing seat of Borneo.

Assault forces landed under cover of a heavy Allied naval and air bombardment. Naval gunfire came from the combined power of units of the U. S. Seventh fleet and elements of the Australian navy. Bombers and fighters from the Royal Australian and U. S. 13th Air Forces, which have been neutralizing Borneo for months, furnished the air cover.

MacArthur listed Brunei bay and Labuan as targets for more than 213 tons of bombs dropped by more than 100 heavy, medium and fighter bombers, resulting fires and explosions.

Under the wage stabilization act of 1942 with subsequent amendments, no general wage increases can be given employees earning as much as 55 cents an hour without approval of the War Labor board.

Several weeks ago local manufacturers, most of whom are operating under war contracts, made a voluntary recalculation of wage scales and applied for an increase of a five cents an hour and up.

The pay increases approved were filed in May, but Mr. Van Hecke said the board is processing still another 100 requests from other textile firms to allow similar increases.

REFUELING POINT The bay, as an outlet for the petroleum wealth of Borneo, once was a refueling point for the Japanese fleet.

The Australians already are fighting on the Isle of Tarakan, off northeast Borneo, having land-

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GAINS SCORED IN PHILIPPINES

Yanks Take Highway Junction On Luzon; Japs Still Resisting

MANILA, June 11.—(P)—The U. S. 37th Infantry division, in a swift nine-mile advance, captured the highway junction two miles from Bagabag in Northern Luzon and punched five miles beyond it towards the Gagayan valley, isolating a large body of Japanese in the rugged mountains east of the valley.

As the cleanup drives in the Philippines generally moved at a faster pace, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique today listed Japanese casualties for the past week at 5,911 dead and 725 captured, bringing enemy casualties for the entire campaign to 392,116.

American casualties for the week were placed at 172 dead, four missing and 855 wounded.

Of the Japanese dead, more than 2,000 were counted during the week by Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler's 37th division.

JAPS CUT OFF The advance of Beightler's doughboys up winding highway No. 5 to its junction with highway No. 4 at Bagabag cut off several thousand Japanese west of the long and broad Gagayan valley where the enemy is expected to make his final stand.

From Bagabag Beightler's division swung northeastward along the highway leading through low hills to the Gagayan valley, now less than 12 miles distant. Next major objective, however, is Santiago, some 30 miles ahead, where the valley broadens to permit maneuver.

In Central Luzon east of Manila the 38th division continued to ell-

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