

WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness, mild temperatures and scattered thundershowers in east portion, partly cloudy and a little warmer in west today followed by partly cloudy.

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TELEMAT PICTURES

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State Theatre Today - "HIGH POWERED" Starring ROBERT LOWERY and PHYLLIS BROOKS

U. S. TROOPS REACH SOUTHERN SHORE OF OKINAWA

Superforts Lay 3,000 Tons Of Fire Bombs On Jap Industrial Cities

By Robbin Coons
GUAM, June 20.—(P)—Superfortresses dumped 3,000 tons of fire bombs on three Japanese industrial cities today, setting wind-fanned blazes, which pilots said were visible 75 miles away and wiped off the map as a war target the munitions center of Shizuoka, 85 miles southwest of Tokyo.

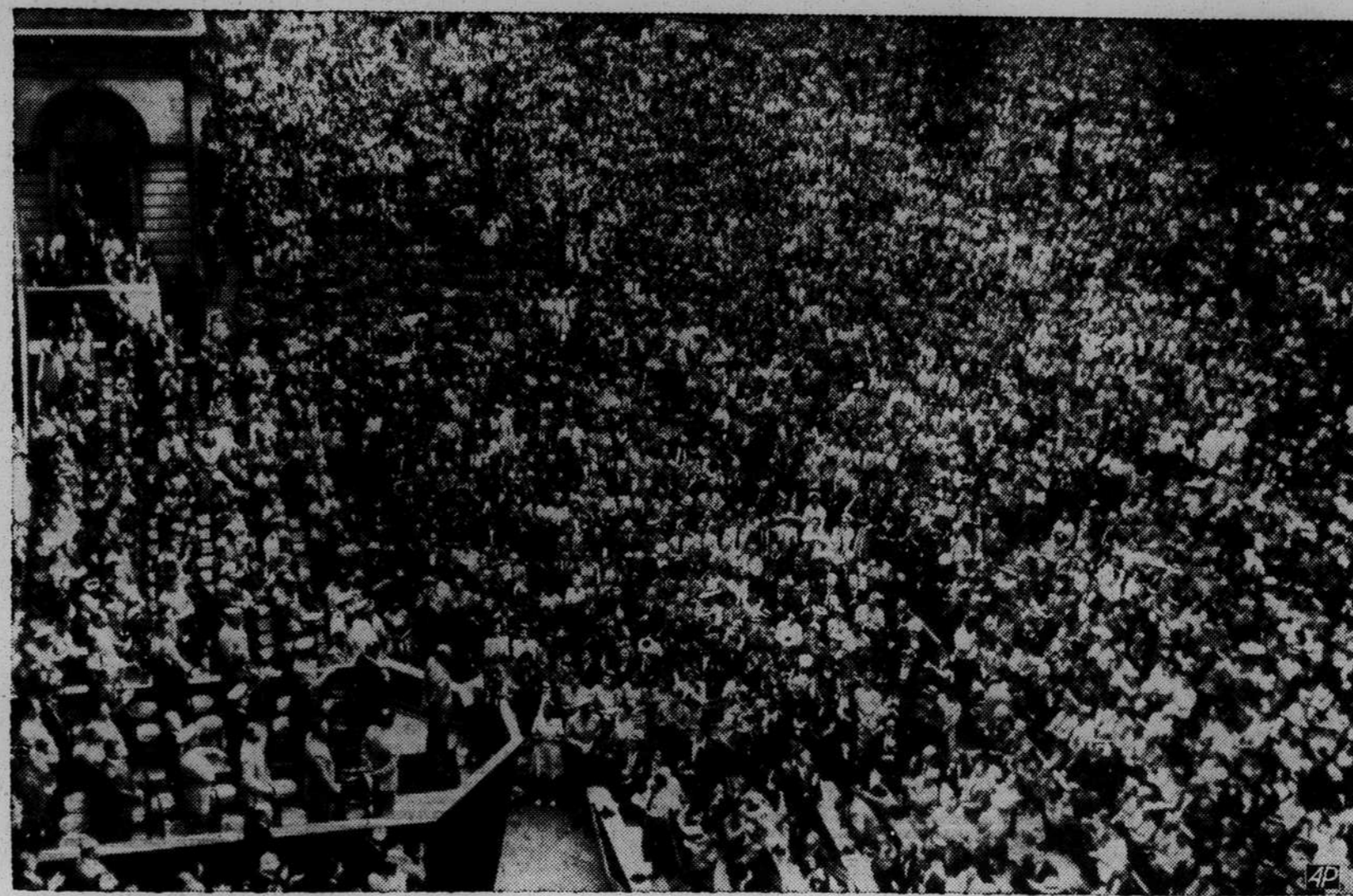
Little Resistance Expected In Cagayan Valley

YANKS ON HOME STRETCH IN LUZON BATTLE

Little More Than 100 Miles From Island's Northern Tip

CROSS CAGAYAN RIVER

MANILA, June 20.—(P)—It appeared unlikely today that the disorganized Japanese in the Cagayan Valley—Luzon's breadbasket—could consolidate anywhere for a stand against the river-hopping 37th Ohio infantry division, fast approaching to within 100 miles of the island's north tip.



NEW YORKERS EXTEND A WELCOME AND EISENHOWER ACCEPTS—A crowd that packed the park and surrounding streets in front of the New York City Hall hears Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower accept the city's official welcome. The general stands in front of the microphones on the speaker's stand in lower left corner.—(AP Wirephoto)

MORE AND MORE ENEMY TROOPS SURRENDERING

Marines Seize 700-Yard Strip Of South Coast; Mass Suicides

LEAPING INTO SEA

By Leif Erickson
GUAM, June 20.—(P)—Large numbers of Japanese leaped to their death from the cliffs of southern Okinawa today and more and more were surrendering as U. S. tanks and troops broke through to the south shore.

Mikolajczyk In Dark On Anti-Red Activity

Former Premier Of Government In Exile In Moscow For Talks On Reorganization

By Eddy Gilmore
MOSCOW, June 20.—(P)—The military collegium of the Soviet supreme court had before it today evidence indicating that Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, former premier of the Polish government in exile in London, had been kept in the dark concerning alleged anti-Russian operations of the Polish underground army.

TRUMAN ENJOYS 'SOCIAL' VISIT

President Begins Holiday In West, With Eyes On Conference

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 20.—(P)—President Truman started a holiday today in the Pacific northwest but his thoughts were centered on the post-war security conference at San Francisco.

WHAT'S DOING

TODAY
7:45 p.m.—Prayer meeting at Presbyterian church.

REGISTRATION NECESSARY: Last Week To Register For Hospital Bond Election

This is the last week to register for the county-wide hospital bond election to be held on Saturday, July 7th, and many citizens in every section of the county are registering, said Lee B. Weathers, chairman of the hospital bond campaign this morning.

ELKINS WINS SECOND MEDAL

Gets Oak Leaf Cluster In Lieu Of Second Silver Star

Captain Estel Elkins, husband of Mrs. Polly Elkins of Kings Mountain, was recently awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster, in lieu of a second silver star, for gallantry in action at Willebadessen, Germany as commander of Company B, 38th Infantry, who captured the northern part of the town, on April 1, by the Commanding General, Major General Walter M. Robertson.

Allied-Yugoslav Agreement On Occupation Signed

ROME, June 20.—(P)—Allied headquarters announced today that a program for implementing the Allied-Yugoslav agreement on the occupation of Venezia Giulia had been signed.

Will Speed Trials Of War Criminals

LONDON, June 20.—(P)—Associate Justice Robert Jackson of the U. S. Supreme court returned to London today to help speed the work of bringing major Nazi war criminals to trial as chief prosecutor for the United States.

General Discussion Issue Is Unsettled

If Matter Is Not Settled Today, Conference Will Drag On Into Next Week

By John M. Hightower
Associated Press Diplomatic News Editor
SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—(P)—Conference leaders are striving to resolve the issue between the great and small powers today so that President Truman can keep his date to close this historic United Nations meeting next Saturday.

Congress Works On 'Successor' Legislation

WASHINGTON, June 20.—(P)—Congress headed today toward early consideration of legislation designating House Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex.) President Truman's successor in the event of an early White House vacancy.

Abilene Readies Rousing Welcome For Famous Son

ABILENE, Kas., June 20.—(P)—Ike's home town on the broad Kansas wheatlands has prepared a welcome for the general that won't approach in magnitude those awarded him in world capitals but it will warm his heart more than the acclaim of the millions, for it will be from his homefolks.

Rain Breaks Drought; Summer Will Arrive 2:52 P. M. Thursday

Extremely dry weather in the closing days of spring was broken Tuesday when .69 of an inch rainfall drenched the section to relieve parched fields and gardens. Some drop in temperature accompanied the precipitation.

Nazi Gauleiter Commits Suicide

WIESBADEN, Germany, June 20.—(P)—Franz Hofer, Nazi gauleiter for the Tyrol-Vorarlberg district, committed suicide yesterday shortly after being arrested by a German auxiliary policeman in AMG service at Floss, near the Czechoslovak border.

C. W. DAVIDSON FATALLY HURT

Prominent Kings Mountain Man Dies In Shelby Hospital

Carl W. Davidson, Kings Mountain fireman, superintendent of the Sunday school at the Presbyterian church there and scoutmaster, died yesterday afternoon at 5:40 o'clock in the Shelby hospital from injuries sustained in a wreck which involved five automobiles and a truck and occurred about 5 o'clock on Battleground avenue near the Mauney mill crossing.

Chinese Advancing On City From Three Sides; Meet Resistance

CHUNGKING, June 20.—(P)—Chinese troops have advanced to within three miles of the former American air field at Liuchow while other troops in bitter fighting are pressing toward the southern and western suburbs of the city itself, the Chinese high command announced today.

Soong Returns Home From Conference

CHUNGKING, June 20.—(P)—Premier T. V. Soong returned to Chungking today from the San Francisco security conference. It was understood that he intended to visit Moscow after attending to matters requiring his attention here.

EISENHOWER DAY:

Gov. Andrew Schoepel of Kansas has proclaimed Friday as Eisenhower Day and called on all citizens to observe it "in such a manner as is fitting to honor so great a man."

HEAVY FIGHTING

In southern Kwangsi heavy fighting was reported in progress in the vicinity of Pingsiang, 11 miles from the Indo-China frontier, where the Japanese were said to be counter-attacking Chinese forces which had been pushing them southward toward the border.

HOIHONG PENNSULA

The Japanese high command said that the Chinese forces on Hoihong peninsula had been pushed back to the interior.