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U. S. TROOPS REACH SOUTHERN SHORE OF OKINAY

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 Little More Than 100 75 miles away and wiped off the map as a war target the Miles From Island's munitions center of Shizuoka, 85 miles southwest of Tokyo.

For Talks On Reorganization

By Eddy Gilmore

the Soviet supreme court had before it today evidence in-

dicating that Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, former premier of the

Polish government in exile in London, had been kept in the

the post-war security conference at formed of their plan of action.

The 450 Superforts, carrying out that has erased most of the factories in Japan's greater cities.

The Tokyo radio admitted fires raged out of control for five hours in Toyohashi, also on the main is-

island, Kyushu, and third target of the day, was turned into a predawn bonfire, pilots reported. The largest of the three cities, Fukuoka has a population of 323,000, Toyohashi 242,000 and Shizuoka 212,000.

were even more emphatic.

FIRE, EXPLOSION

A crewman from the 58th wing, based at Tinian, saw mass of fire roll over Toyoh miles southwest of Tokyo

Radio Tokyo said 60 other B-29s, continuing the aerial blockade of home waters, laid mines off the west coast of Honshu and in the Kanmon strait between Honshu and Kyushu.

shu, when the bomber formations has said the turbulence of thermal

Lt. William W. Potter, Knoxville, The intense heat "knocked us up Tenn., described the pattern of de- 2,000 feet, knocked off my flak hel-

'SOCIAL' VISIT

President Begins Holiday

In West, With Eyes On

Conference

OLYMPIA, Wash, June 20.-(A)-

day today in the Pacific northwest

Associates said the chief execu-

tive's plans for the immediate fu-

ture were predicated upon hope of

quick action on the final form of

the projected international peace

A delay in the closing of the San

Francisco meeting beyond this

week, they asserted, may force the

rearrangement of Mr. Truman's

schedule for the period leading up

to his departure next month for his

first "big three" meeting, at Ber-

The president already has all but

abandoned thought of being able

to attend the governors' conference

Meanwhile, he held to his tenta-tive schedule, which calls for his

addressing the San Francisco con-

ference Saturday unless he is ad-

vised that its work can not be com-

it necessary to fly directly to In-

dependence, Mo., for a homecom-

ing celebration there June 7, and

another at Kansas City the next

day.
The president, his visit here

described as a purely "social" one, nevertheless took time out to pay homage to a heroic "G. I."

He arranged to present the con-

In the latter event, he may find

pleted before next week.

Will Speed Trials

lin. GOVERNORS' MEET

San Francisco.

their 25th big incendiary strike, treated these secondary industrial cities to the same ordeal by fire that he served mer to the feet areas, smoke rose 10,000 feet that he served mer to the feet areas, smoke rose 10,000 feet in a column two miles. land for 10 miles. Over the central target areas, smoke rose 10,000 feet in a column two miles in diameter. Tokyo radio asknowledged that the fires at Shizuoka raged at least

four hours.

miles southwest of Tokyo. Other island's north tip. fliers, while 60 miles out, saw an 14,000 feet.

A "conflagration," visible 75 miles away form Fukuoka, was reported by a 73rd wing crewman from Saipan. Flames from Monday's big raid B-29 filers who were transferred still licked at Omuta, also on Kyu-recently from India to the Mariaupdrafts was the greatest they ever had encountered.

struction in Fukuoka thus:

"A path of flame two miles wide in the plane," said 2nd Lt. Gage C. ran from the dock area, where sev- Talamo, Hamburg, N. Y., a co-pilot.

Polish underground army.

Testimony to this effect was of-

Polish underground leaders accus-

Mikolajczyk is now in Moscow

TODAY

7:45 p.m.—Prayer meeting

8:00 p.m.-Fellowship hour

8:00 p.m.-Midweek prayer

8:15 p.m.—Exhibition game

and praise service at First

at high school ball park be-

tween Shelby and Chester Le-

THURSDAY

meets at Hotel Charles.

7:00 p.m. - Kiwanis club

7:00 p.m.-C. A. P. cadets

7:45 p.m. — First Baptists

at Central Methodist church.

at Presbyterian church.

Baptist church.

gion Junior teams.

meet at armory.

ed of subversive activities,

ment in Warsaw.

Mikolajczyk In Dark On Anti-Red Activity

Engineers built a bridge across Former Premier Of Government In Exile In Moscow ed ahead to approach Ilagan, 110 miles south of Aparri on Luzon's north tip. Engineers were ready for a quick job of spanning the

> progress of the 37th, which is racing up a valley producing big share of Luzon's stap! foods, rice and corn, as well as

dark concerning alleged anti-Russian operations of the past week on Luzon's scattered fronts exceeded 1,600 dead and the fered by Yevgeny Charnowski, unusually high figure of nearly chairman of the Polish Union of 500 taken prisoner. Democrats, who appeared last night

as a witness at the trial of 16 for ted ridges of the Marakina watersheds east of Manila that Maj. Gen. William C. Chase, of the 38th division, said he could detect taking part in discussions looking the stench while flying severa toward the reorganization of the present provisional Polish govern-

Allied-Yugoslav Charnowski said that when Mikolajczyk came to Moscow last President Truman started a holi- year for fruitless conversations on Agreement On the formation of a provisional gov-Occupation Signed ernment, underground leaders but his thoughts were centered on agreed that he should not be in-

Charnowski flatly contradicted a quarters announced today that a statement by Maj. Gen. Leopold program for implimenting the Al-See MIKOLAJCZYK Page 2 WHAT'S DOING

"As provided in the Belgrade Elkins and his company were subagreement, the western area will be occupied by Anglo-American troops and the eastern area by Yu- tanks supported by SS troops. is the official "whose selection by the respective countries pend- their position, Capt. Elkins rallied ing final settlement at the peace

conduct services at Highland

Last Week To Register For Hospital Bond Election

for the county-wide hospital bond tered. On this Mr. Weathers says. election to be held on Saturday, "It matters not how long or in what gressional medal of honor at 11 a. July 7th, and many citizens in every section of the county are registering, said Lee B. Weathers, chairman of the hospital bond campaign this m. (PWT) to Sergeant John D. Hawk of Bremerton, Wash.

Registration has been slow until ed or qualified voters who registered LONDON, June 20—(P)—Asso-ciate Justice Robert Jackson of 2nd when all registrars of the 26

war criminals to trial as chief hardest thing he has had to comor for the United States, but is the

This is the last week to register | voters that they are already regis-

Little Resistance Expected In Cagayan Valley

YANKS ON HOME STRETCH IN **LUZON BATTLE**

Miles From Island's Northern Tip

CROSS CAGAYAN RIVER

MANILA, June 20.—(AP)-It appeared unlikely today that the disorganized Japa-"I don't think we'll have to go back to Shizuoka," said Maj. Charles Tibbs, of Battle Mountain, Nev., a Luzon's breadbasket—could Fukuoka, on the southernmost B-29 flight leader. Other fliers consolidate anywhere for a island, Kyushu, and third target of were even more emphatic. stand against the river-hopping 37th Ohio infantry div-A crewman from the 58th bomber ping 37th Ohio infantry div-wing, based at Tinian, saw a solid ision, fast approaching to mass of fire roll over Toyohashi, 189 within 100 miles of the

The Cagayan drive, north of explosion which sent up smoke for Manila, constitutes the major windup of the five-months-old Luzon campaign, and Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler has the planes and artillery to keep it rolling. The Japanese had been expected to fight to the death at Nagulian. When their mortar fire opened up as Beightler's men massed assault boats to cross the Cagayan river before the town, the General barked:

"I want that town wiped out. Put over an air strike immediately and follow up with at least 540 rounds of artillery."
The Japanese fled. The infantrymen easily crossed the river and walked into the ruined town, reported Associated Press Correspondent Hamilton W. Faron, a-field with the 37th.

river at that point. MOSCOW, June 20 .- (AP)-The military collegium of

Japanese casualties during the

So many dead Japanese are in hundred yards up in a cub plane

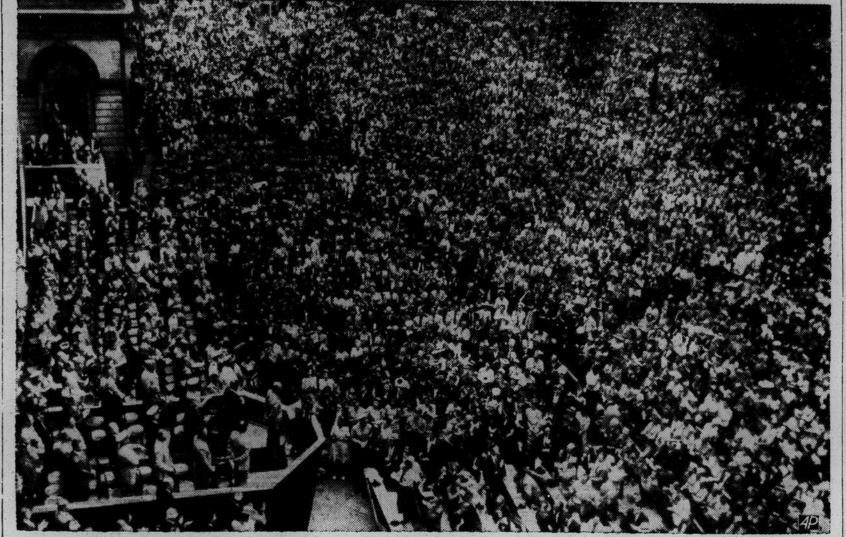
ROME, June 20 (A)-Allied headlied-Yugoslav agreement on the occupation of Venezia Giulia had

The official announcement said: delineation of the boundary agreed upon at Belgrade, arrangements for placing certain Yugoslav troops unest to the Allied and Yugoslav mil- jor General Walter M. Robertson. itary authorities.

REGISTRATION NECESSARY:

the U. S. Supreme court returned to London today to help speed the work of bringing major Nazi

Chairman Weathers says the counted against the county-wide



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

CAPT. ELKINS

ELKINS WINS SECOND MEDAL

Gets Oak Leaf Cluster In Lieu Of Second Silver

Captain Estel Elkins, husband Mountain, was recently awarded winging westward yesterday on the "The discussion covered detailed the Oak Leaf Cluster, in lieu of a first of a number of scheduled air second silver star, for gallantry in action at Willebadessen, Germany der command of the supreme Allied as commander of Company B, 38th commander in the Mediterranean Infantry, who captured the norththeater, the use of the Ports of ern part of the town, on April 1. istrative matters of mutual inter-

According to the citation, Capt.

jected to an attack by 15 German his tanks to the defense and in EARLY ACTION the ensuing battle forced them to withdraw. Later, Capt. Elkins led noted plans for the flight to Gerthree bazooka teams to a position, where three German tanks were trying to slip by the lines, and one and two others were forced to Rain Breaks Drought; withdraw. This officer, later, re-organized his company and led them back to reoccupy the northern part of the city.

Nazi Gauleiter Commits Suicide

-(P)-Franz Hoffer, Nazi gauleiter the precipitation. for the Tyrol-Vorarlberg district, committeed suicide yesterday shortslovak border.

AT CONFERENCE:

General Discussion Issue Is Unsettled

If Matter Is Not Settled Today, Conference Will Drag Un into Next Wee

> By John M. Hightower Associated Press Diplomatic News Editor

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—(P)—Conference leaders church there and scoutmaster, died mander of the U. S. Tenth army are striving to resolve the last of the issues between the yesterday afternoon at 5:40 o'clock great and small powers today so that President Truman can in the Shelby hospital from inkeep his date to close this historic United Nations meeting juries sustained in a wreck which next Saturday.

Congress Works On 'Successor' Legislation

WASHINGTON, June 20- (AP) Congress headed today toward early consideration of legislation designating House Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex) President Truman's officials said there seemed no ques- and Mrs. Bright Harmon, of Greensuccessor in the event of an early White House vacancy.

Mr. Truman himself suggested of Mrs. Polly Elkins of Kings such a course even as he was trips, including a trans-Atlantic flight to Berlin.

Quickly Senator Bridges (R-NH) introduced a bill closely paralleling the chief executive's recommendations, and Chairman Sumners (D-Tex) of the house judiciary committee said he would follow suit at once.

Bridges' measure was referred to the senate elections committee, along with Mr. Truman's message expressing belief that the speaker goslav troops. The whole area of When learning that the enemy next to that of the president and the vice president can be most the vice president can be most accurately said to stem from the people themselves.

> Calling for early action, Bridges many for the Big Three meeting

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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 WIESBADEN, Germany, June 20 drop in temperature accompanied

Summer will make its formal ly after being arrested by a Ger- Clevelanders got a foretaste of it man auxiliary policeman in AMG last week when the thermometer service at Floss, near the Czecho- climbed to an unseasonably high Eisenhower and members of his 100 degrees.

Prominent Kings Moun tain Man Dies In Shelby Hospital

Carl W. Davidson, Kings Moun- a death trap east of Kunishi ridge tain fireman, superintendent of the -a western strongpoint - delay-Sunday school at the Presbyterian with the President already on the with the President already on the bruck and occurred about 5 o'clock west coast at Olympia, Wash., and on Battleground avenue near the

with time growing short to prepare Mauney mill crossing. for the projected Big Three meeting | Funeral arrangements were inat Berlin next month, American complete today pending the arrival delegates especially were hopeful of relatives. Mr. Davidson is surthat it would not be necessary to vived by his wife, the former Miss delay the closing session until early Mary Lou Hord, of Waco; three brothers, Vester Davidson, of Chiing issue—over the extent of discus- cago, Ill.; Hubert Davidson, of sion to be allowed a United Nations Kings Mountain, and Frank Davidgeneral assembly. It was supposed son, of Camp Butner; two sisters, to have been settled yesterday and Mrs. A. T. Randall, of Oak Grove,

off if it was not settled finally to- Margrace mill. rain, with cars slipping on Battle- mand announced today. ground avenue here. Mr. Davidson was on his way to a fire. Preceding him in another car was Fireman C. D. Ware. Ware's car reportedly skidded and struck a hydrant. David- by the advancing Chinese forces, son's car slid into Ware's car when the high command said, adding Other conference work is speeding Davidson tried to stop it. The truck, that troops south and west of the toward conclusion. Principles for the driven by Russell Bayne, struck the city are "engaging the enemy in a projected security league of the Davidson car, it was reported. An bitter battle." world organization were voted last ambulance was called and it slid into the wreckage, as did two other

Soong Returns Home From Conference CHUNGKING, June 20.- (A)

Premier T. V. Soong returned to many of the other nations maintains Chungking today from the San Francisco security conference. It ssimo Francisco Franco, supported the declaration after it was advanc- was understood that he intended ed by Mexico and strongly backed to visit Moscow after attending to fighting was reported in progress matters requiring his attention in the vicinity of Pingsiang, 11

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EISENHOWER DAY:

But much depends on the remain-

Russia is asking a stricter li-

mitation of assembly debates

than Australia, as leader of a

group of small nations, considers

acceptable. Several efforts at a

compromise have failed to pro-

night by a conference commission.

This commission also agreed unani-

mously in a separate declaration that

the Franco government of Spain

because of Axis support in coming

to power, should never be admitted

The United States, which like

diplomatic relations with General-

duce agreement.

to membership.

Abilene Readies Rousing Welcome For Famous Son said the Japanese had launched a new offensive in southern Klangsi ABÎLENE, Kas., June 20. -(P)- | from Kansas City where a four-hour

Ike's home town on the broad Kan- program and great parade is scheses wheatlands has prepared a wel- duled for that afternoon. Relatives come for the general that won't ap- of the general will come from all proach in magnitude those awarded parts of the country for the occaclaim of the millions, for it will be hower, of Abilene from his homefolks.

advent at 2:52 p.m. Tuesday, but will honor him in its own way-in hower Day and called on all citi- HOIHONG PENINSULA purely civilian fashion.

party to Abilene Thursday evening

EISENHOWER DAY

Dwight D. Eisenhower returns to Gov. Andrew Schoeppel of Kansas field and other troops were caphis own people Friday and Kansas has proclaimed Friday as Eisen- tured, the broadcast declared.) zens to observe it "in such a man-A special train will take General ner as is fitting to honor so great that Japanese forces on Hoihong

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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.—(AP)— 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.

Two more regiments seized 700 yards of the south coast as they fanned out. An artillery spotter plane pilot said he saw many Japanese or civilians leaping into the sea in the first mass suicides since the Saipan campaign.

Other Nipponese troops in increasing numbers were slip-ping in among the thousands of civilians streaming through the American lines and were surrendering. Many of the few thousand still fighting were wounded.

Some of the most stubborn oposition was met before Mabuni, near the island's southeastern coast, where the enemy's commanding general was believed at bay with his staff, determined to

stand and die. A Tokyo radio broadcast conceded the loss of Okinawa and declared its fall would have serious military consequences. The enemy claimed "furious hand-tohand" fighting still was in progress, however. DEATH TRAP

Well back of the marine spearhead on the south coast, one pocket of the enemy fought on in ing the advance in the center. Lt. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, com-

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NEAR LIUCHOW

Chinese Advancing On City From Three Sides; Meet Resistance

CHUNGKING, June 20 -(AP)-Chinese troops have advanced to within three miles of the former American air field at Liuchow while other troops in bitter fighttion the timetable would be thrown ville, S. C. He was a designer at the ing are pressing toward the southern and western suburbs of the The accident occurred during a city itself, the Chinese high com-

An important highway point six miles southwest of Liuchow, important Kwangsi province railroad junction city, has been recaptured The Chinese central news agency

reported earlier that Chinese forces had pushed to within 12 and one-half miles of Liuchow. The agency said the Japanese

were offering desperate resistance in an attempt to halt the Chinese columns, which were credited with gains of up to seven miles in 24

HEAVY FIGHTING In southern Kwangsi heavy

miles from the Indo-China frontier, where the Japanese were said to be counters tacking Chinese forces which had been pushing them southward toward the border.

(A Tokyo broadcast recorded by the Associated Press in London new offensive in southern Kiangsi province and had driven the Chinese back into the interior.)

(A Domei transmission said the Japanese had "dealt a crushing blow" to six Chinese divisions in him in world capitals but it will sion. Among them will be his 83- an encirclement operation in this warm his heart more than the ac- year-old mother, Mrs. Ida Eisen- area and destroyed bases for the Chinese counterdrive. The Chinese left 805 casualties on the battle-

The Chinese high command said

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