

WEATHER

North Carolina: Clear to partly cloudy and continued hot today, tonight and Sunday with widely scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers.

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CHINESE COMMAND REPORTS LIUCHOW RECAPTURED

Japs See U. S. Bombardment Of Balikpapan As Prelude To Invasion

ALLIED MINE SWEEPERS CLEAR WATERS

Small Craft Move In Close To Shore For Reconnaissance

CONTINUOUS FIRE

By Spencer Davis
MANILA, June 30.—(P)—An allied fleet of 50 ships pounded Borneo's oil refining city of Balikpapan all day yesterday and poured more shells into shore defenses today in preparation for an "imminent landing," the Tokyo radio reported today.

The enemy account said Allied mine sweepers were clearing waters off shore, braving the fire of Japanese shore batteries, which Dornier agencies described as "heavy."

The Japanese said other small Allied craft, moving in under cover of the "furious bombardments," had neared the shore for "close and careful reconnaissance."

The broadcast was unconfirmed although Gen. Douglas MacArthur acknowledged today that guns of "light naval units" have taken up the bombardment of the oil-rich eastern Borneo coast.

Dornier reiterated that an Allied landing in the Balikpapan area is "imminent," and said "since the night of June 25, enemy warships and planes have been engaged in a continuous reconnaissance of our coastal positions." Eight cruisers, 10 destroyers, minesweepers and sub-chasers "carry out furious bombardments against coastal installations," the dispatch added.

TARGETS SHELLED
MacArthur said light naval units raided shore targets on Borneo, south of Tarakan island, at night after combined Fifth, 13th and RAAF attacks Thursday dumped 281 tons of bombs of Balikpapan's warehouse district. The total bomb load dropped in the past two weeks is more than 2,500 tons.

The steady red glow of mount-



U. S. FLEET IN MACASSAR STRAIT—Arrows with ship symbols on this map indicate a thrust by American warships into Macassar Strait for the first time since the desperate days of January, 1942. Gen. MacArthur reported the presence of the ships there, and the Tokyo radio said the Balikpapan area had been shelled. On the northwest part of Borneo the Australians took Beaufort in a push toward Jesselton.—(AP Wirephoto Map).

Bi-Partisan Support Of Charter Sought

Landon Confers With President, Gives Praise To His International Program

By Ernest B. Vaccaro
KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 30.—(P)—President Truman's campaign to unify bi-partisan support behind a foreign policy committing the United States to a republic of nations to preserve future peace drew support today from Alf M. Landon.

The 1936 Republican presidential candidate assured reporters after a conference with the President that the basic features of the developing Truman international program would win the support of both parties.

The President, his vacation from Washington drawing to a close, worked again today on the message he will present Congress Monday when he submits the San Francisco peace charter and urges its early senate ratification.

There were strong indications the President might make a dramatic personal appearance before the senate, but there was no confirmation in quarters close to Mr. Truman.

The President, whose efforts to unify support of both parties behind objectives of a strictly non-partisan nature were disclosed shortly after he entered the White House April 12, talked at length yesterday with the former Kansas governor.

Emerging from the meeting, the Kansas said the two had talked about foreign policy, food and flood control.

The President, he said, knew the problems of the farmer and

Government Threatens Work Or Fight Action On Strikers

By the Associated Press
The government fired a double salvo at 16,700 rubber strikers at five Akron, O., rubber plants today in efforts to get them back to work producing needed war material for the aerial offensive against Japan.

As the government made known its intention to invoke "work or fight" action against the strikers, military department officials told them unless the stoppage was ended the inevitable result will be "to condemn countless American soldiers, sailors and flyers to death."

KUDUMATSU OIL REFINING PLANT BOMBED

Superforts Attack Jap Homeland Targets Twice In A Day

HARBORS MINED

GUAM, June 30.—(P)—The B-29 knockout campaign against oil plants on Japan was extended last midnight to the eighth rich target.

Raiding the enemy homeland for the second time in one day, nearly 50 Superforts bombed the Kudumatsu oil refining plant with high explosives. The plant, Nippon's fourth largest, is on the inland sea coast of southwest Honshu.

(Tokyo radio, in a broadcast heard by the American Broadcasting company, said at noon the same day B-29s raided the southwest area of Hokkaido island and one was damaged by interceptors.

(The Federal Communications commission heard Tokyo say that last night 10 "large enemy planes" sowed mines in the north Honshu Harbors of Niigata and Sakata.)

The 21st bomber command, announcing the Kudumatsu raid today, disclosed that since the big bombers began hitting oil installations on Japan May 10 they have destroyed: 73 per cent of the Koriyama chemical plant; 59 per cent of the Odgaya chemical plant at Koriyama; 45 per cent of the Otake oil refinery; all tanks of the Tokuyama naval oil storage facilities; 50 per cent of the Tokuyama synthetic fuel plant roof area and 32 per cent of the by-product storage tanks; 70 per cent of the storage tanks and 90 per cent of the buildings at the Oshima naval oil storage facilities, Tokuyama.

Photographic assessment remains to be made of the damage wrought on the Utsube river oil refinery near Yakuschi June 26 and on the Kudumatsu plant last night.

The raid at Kudumatsu followed a pre-dawn strike Friday by nearly 500 Superforts at the big naval

BILBO SCOFFS AT COMPROMISE

Drums Up Votes Against Roll Call On Limitation Of Debate

WASHINGTON, June 30.—(P)—Senator Bilbo (D-Miss) ridiculed idea of a compromise on the fair employment practice committee appropriation today and drummed up votes against Monday's roll call on limitation of debate.

"Anybody who'd make a horse-trade like the one that has been presented here would walk home with a saddle on his back," he told reporters.

Bilbo referred to a suggestion that FEPC be given \$250,000 for the next fiscal year which begins tomorrow, instead of its present \$446,200 operating fund. He and many other southerners want to kill the agency outright. To that end they have filibustered three days and resume their talkathon today.

"We will carry on our educational campaign until Monday," he said, "then we'll have an examination and see how much statesmanship the opposition has absorbed."

VOICE ON CLOSURE
The "examination" is a vote on closure, a rarely-used device to limit debate in the free-talking senate. It comes up Monday after-noon, by reason of a petition filed early yesterday by Senator Taft (R-Ohio) and 31 other members. It takes a two-thirds vote to invoke closure.

Senator Johnston (D-SC) made arrangements to gain recognition first thing today to carry on the speechifying.

The FEPC was set up by executive order of the late President Roosevelt to police industry against job discriminations on account of race, creed, color or national origin. The southerners contend it has just caused trouble, and is backed by communistic influences which want to discard all racial barriers in this country.



YANK FLAME THROWERS BURN OUT JAPS ON OKINAWA—Fires started by flame-throwing Yank tank (left) blaze around Japanese positions on Okinawa. An American infantryman (right) stands ready to shoot any Japs attempting to escape.—(AP Wirephoto from U. S. Signal Corps).

New Cabinet Officers Take Oath Of Office

By D. HAROLD OLIVER
WASHINGTON, June 30.—(P)—Soon to be joined by a fifth, four new cabinet officers named by President Truman arranged today to take their oaths of office.

Rep. Clinton P. Anderson (D-NM) became secretary of agriculture, assistant attorney general Tom C. Clark of Texas attorney general, Federal Judge Lewis D. Schwelbacher of Washington State secretary of labor, and Robert E. Hannegan of Missouri postmaster general.

A new secretary of state to succeed Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., will be nominated by President Truman Monday or Tuesday. James F. Byrnes of South Carolina, former war mobilization director, Supreme court justice and senator, is in the forefront of speculation for this portfolio.

ADMINISTRATORS OATH
Anderson was sworn at 4 p. m. (EWT) by Associate Justice Wiley Rutledge of the Supreme court. Rutledge once taught school in Anderson's home town of Albuquerque, N. M.

Rutledge also agreed to administer the oath at noon to Hannegan in the postoffice department. Judge Thurman W. Arnold of the U. S. Circuit court of appeals of the District of Columbia and former assistant attorney general, was the swear clerk at 2:30 p. m. at the Justice Dept.

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YATES GOING TO INDIANA WORK

Dale R. Yates, for the past 15 years manager of the J. C. Penney company store here and for 11 years group manager of that company's 10 stores in this general area, has tendered his resignation effective as soon as his successor can be elected and can take over. It is Mr. Yates' plan to leave within the next few weeks for Vincennes, Indiana, his old home, where he will become associated with relatives in the operation of a large freezer locker and fruit growing business.

In revealing today his decision to accept the offer to join extensive business interests in Indiana, Mr. Yates said he was directed largely by reason of health. He added that he very much regrets leaving Shelby, which he terms "the garden spot of the world," but he has found business duties and responsibilities

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Move To Halt Distribution Of Newspapers

NEW YORK, June 30.—(P)—Leaders of the newspaper and mail deliverers union, armed by an overwhelming strike mandate from its rank and file, moved today to halt distribution at midnight of 11 metropolitan daily newspapers with a combined circulation of more than 5,000,000.

The unaffiliated union's decision to cease distribution was announced after the members voted last night 1,648 to 41 to strike.

Chief issues in the dispute are union demands for wage increases, vacations with pay, severance pay, sick leave, establishment of a welfare fund, and a specified number of holidays with pay.

The war labor board, however, in a last minute effort to avert a strike contended that terms of the contract were extended by the WLB last June 14.

The WLB late yesterday telegraphed union officials that "a strike will violate labor's no-strike pledge."

Affected would be the New York Daily News, Daily Mirror, Herald-Tribune, Journal-American, Post, Sun, Times, Wall Street Journal, World-Telegram, Brooklyn Citizen, and Long Island Star-Journal.

WHAT'S DOING
MONDAY
10:00 a. m.—Kings Mountain Pastors and Workers conference meets at First Baptist church.
10:00 a. m.—County commissioners meet at the court house.
7:30 p. m.—State Guard drill at the armory.
7:30 p. m.—City council meets at city hall.
8:00 p. m.—Piedmont Boy Scout court of honor at the court house.
8:00 p. m.—Board of Deacons, First Baptist church, meets at Church.
8:30 p. m.—Free movie on horses in high school auditorium.

TUESDAY
7:00 p. m.—C.A.P. cadets meet at armory.

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JUNCTION CITY TAKEN AFTER BITTER FIGHTING

Kweilin, 100 Miles Northeast, Also Threatened By Chinese

NIP REDEPLOYMENT

CHUNGKING, June 30.—(P)—The Chinese high command announced today that Chinese troops recaptured Liuchow, former U. S. 14th air force base, at midnight last night.

The capture of the strategic Kwangsi province junction city came after bitter fighting through its suburbs. The center of the city, in flames for a week of more, was destroyed, the Chinese said.

The announcement followed an earlier official denial of what was termed a premature report that the city had been retaken.

The Japanese had been in control of vital Liuchow since last November when the U. S. 14th air force abandoned the base.

Kweilin, more than 100 miles to the northeast of Liuchow, which also was among the bases abandoned by the 14th air force at that time, now is directly threatened by other Chinese forces, who last were reported within 10 miles of the city.

A Chinese army spokesman said a Chinese arc was being pushed down from the north and northwest within 10 to 18 miles of the city. The Liuchow airfield in the southern suburbs was retaken by the

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8 BROUGHT OUT OF SHANGRI-LA

Five Others Remain To Be Snatched From Strange Valley

HOLLANDIA, New Guinea, June 28.—(Delayed)—(P)—A glider-arms transport team reached today the Hidden Valley of "Shangri-La" for a second time and daringly brought five more persons out of the surrounding 10,000-foot mountains.

The first operation yesterday by glider and low plane rescued a WAC corporal, and two army airmen who survived a transport plane crash into the Primitive New Guinea 46 days ago.

Today the rescuers brought out four Filipino parachute troopers, who were dropped into the valley to aid the crash survivors, and Alexander Cann, Netherlands Information Service cameraman, who landed to take pictures of the strange landscape.

STILL THERE
Still to be brought to safety are four other parachuted Filipino troopers and an army captain, who led the rescue party and superintended the construction of an emergency landing strip for the glider.

WAC Cpl. Margaret Hastings, Oswego, N. Y., one of the three rescued, was named the "Queen of the Valley" during the long ordeal, but she showed scant interest in ever going back to "reign" over the tribesmen.

"No," she said, with twinkling eyes and a toss of her wind-blown hair, "the native women of"

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Bulletin

WASHINGTON, June 30.—(P)—The War Labor board, in an unprecedented move, threatened today to withdraw cherished union contract rights from 16,700 rubber workers at Akron, Ohio, unless they end their two-week-old strike promptly.

Chairman George W. Taylor, in a statement addressed to the strikers at the Goodyear Tire and Rubber plants warned that the board will consider whether it should modify its directive orders regarding maintenance of membership and check-off, shift premium and vacations unless work is resumed immediately. Taylor said this action would be studied in executive session Monday unless the strike ends in the meantime.

VOTERS NOT CHALLENGED

Cleveland county registrars were taking a virtual holiday at their various polling places today with not a single challenge being directed against the right of any voter to participate in the hospital bond election next Saturday.

Registrars are required, however, to remain at their posts in case a challenge is made. One registrar said that she had received several calls from voters asking that their names be taken off the books because they expected to be out of the city. Such elimination is not allowed under the law however.

Persons who are now registered and who are not here next Saturday to vote will be counted against the hospital project. Polls will open at 6:30 o'clock in the morning and will remain open until 7 p. m.

HEAT WAVE:

Mercury Hits All-Time High Of 105 Degrees

A heat wave that shot the mercury in Shelby to an all-time high of 105 degrees Friday afternoon continued unabated today with little signs of relief as the month came to the close of the hottest—and driest—June on record here.

John Phifer, government weather observer, found his thermometer pressed the highest level he ever recorded on it yesterday at 3 p. m. The night, despite a hail and windstorm which played havoc with the Sharon community, brought little relief from heat as the thermometer receded only to 75 degrees in the hottest night of the year.

Scores of Shobians sought relief from the torrid weather by hiding themselves off to mountains or seashore.

Shelby was the hottest point in the state, although the Chamber of Commerce was reticent to put forth the claim, Charlotte recording only 103. The previous all-time high of 103.2 was recorded July 22, 1926.

The current heat wave started two weeks ago, and since that time no rain of consequence has fallen in many sections of the state—some sections of the county have been without rain for six weeks, but others got a good drenching last night. Late gardens and crops have suffered from lack of moisture and searing heat.