

JAPAN BOMBED BY U. S. SUPER-FORTRESSES

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GERMANS' COUNTER ATTACK GAINS FORCE

Announcement By Army Office Gives No Data On Event

No indication of section of Japan struck by attack.

Washington, June 15—(AP)—The Army announced today that B-29 super-fortresses of the Army Air Forces bombed Japan today.

No further information was disclosed and there was no indication of which part of Japan was struck, nor where the new planes in combat for the first time were based.

The text of the brief communique read:

"B-29 super-fortresses of the United States Army Air Forces 20th Bomber Command bombed Japan today."

Adm. Halsey Is Relieved Of Command

Alfred Headquarters in South Pacific June 15—(AP)—Admiral William Halsey, Jr., relinquished his position as Allied commander in chief in the South Pacific today to Vice Admiral John Henry Newton, 62, his deputy commander.

Halsey was assigned to a new post, and Halsey's role in the Pacific will be that of an advisor. The South Pacific and the Pacific forces of the United States Pacific fleet was accompanied by a simple ceremony in the headquarters building here.

Vice Admiral Newton came to the Pacific command early this month after serving as deputy commander-in-chief of Pacific area and as Admiral Chester Nimitz's deputy in the Pacific command.

Newton formerly was deputy chief of naval operations under Admiral Ernest King, commander in chief of the United States fleet, and served prominently in planning the sweeping grand naval strategy in the Atlantic and Pacific war that won the Legion of Merit.

Newton, a native of Pennsylvania, enlisted from Annapolis in 1909, followed in China, served the old U. S. Montana in European wars, and commanded the destroyer fleet in the World War.

Cotton Makes Sharp Gains

New York, June 15. (AP)—Cotton futures opened five to six cents a bale higher. Noon prices were 20 to 25 cents a bale higher. July 21-29, October 20-22, December 20-25.

| | Close | Open |
|----------|-------|-------|
| July | 21.42 | 21.44 |
| October | 20.64 | 20.26 |
| December | 20.43 | 20.50 |
| March | 20.17 | 20.25 |
| May | 19.93 | 20.03 |

Tobacco, Freight Relief Expected By Broughton

Raleigh, June 15. (AP)—Governor Broughton today after his return from Washington conference, said he was confident that freight rate differentials would be decreased and that local freight board would be given a larger latitude in diverting tobacco-growing plant workers.

"We are going to get substantial relief from high freight rates," he said, "and the general opinion is that the situation will be remedied."

He said that no national relief is in view of relying plant workers was contemplated, but that local board could handle the matter. Some concern had been expressed in tobacco circles that insufficient money would be available to cover

Allies Gain On Whole Italy Front

Fresh Enemy Divisions Are Sent In

Nazi Resistance Growing but Still Continues Slight

Rome, June 15—(AP)—Allied troops, breaking the stiffening resistance of the Germans of the last three days, have made a general advance all along their lines in Italy, taking Orvieto, Assisi and Narni and pushing onward, Allied headquarters announced today.

On June 14, six miles northeast of Rome, 20 miles north and Assisi, 24 miles northeast. Along the west coast, the fifth army has advanced 20 miles toward Rome.

As one eighth army column entered Orvieto, an important city 14 miles northeast of Rome, another column reached the city of Assisi, 24 miles northeast of Rome, and a third column entered Narni, 24 miles northeast of Rome.

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Despite the reported fresh German divisions in Italy, Allied troops still are continuing only limited gains in the north.

Approximately 14th German division, apparently having been used for the present delaying action and the new divisions are being sent for a stand on a line further north.

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SIXTEEN STARS IN A JEEP IN NORMANDY



STARS DESCENDED ON THE French beachhead when American military leaders paid a visit to the front to personally observe the work of their fighting men. Seated in the jeep are Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Allied Commander, Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. Chief of Staff, Gen. Henry H. Arnold, chief of U. S. Army Air Force, and Ernest J. King, Commander in Chief of the U. S. Fleet, Signal Corps (International)

Nazis Throw Best Units Into Battle

Fierce Fighting Aimed at Pushing Allies Into Sea

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We're There To Remain, Stimson Says

Washington, June 15—(AP)—War Secretary Stimson said today the Allies had established a firm foothold on the European coast.

"I believe we are there to stay until all of France is liberated and Germany defeated," he asserted, although cautioning that "we must expect counter attacks greater than any yet met" in the fighting in Normandy.

German Cities Are Pounded By Planes

Nearly 2,000 U. S. Craft Spread Out Over the Continent

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Casualties Climb Heavily in Final Drive Upon Rome

Washington, June 15—(AP)—American army casualties in Italy increased by 1,177 during six days of heavy fighting in the Alban hills and in smashing the German lines south of Rome.

In the period since Allied landings in Italy last September through June 15, casualties have accumulated as follows:

11,100 killed, an increase of 1,120 in the six-day period between May 26 and June 5, 12,489 wounded, an increase of 3,925, 8,400 missing, a decrease of 607.

Transfer of some names from the missing to the death list probably accounted for at least part of the entries in the latter category.

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