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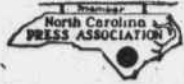
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Japanese Morale Hard To Crack

THE words of General Joseph W. Stilwell, as reported by the Associated Press dispatch of June 7, should make us pause and ponder the possibilities of a prolonged Pacific war.

Gen. Stilwell stated that the war with Japan could last at least two years even after the Japanese home islands are conquered; also that it is possible that we might have to fight in Manchuria after conquering the Jap homeland. He also said, in effect, that he could not see how we could expect the morale of the Japanese masses to crack when they are so tenacious individually. Supporting this statement he said that the Okinawa campaign is "A" helluva fight; you can tell that by looking at the ground over which it has been fought.

"Vinegar Joe" agreed with a reporter's estimate that more than a half million men would be required for the invasion of Japan itself. He is convinced that the Japs are more tenacious than the Germans in either World War I or II.

Coming from a seasoned soldier like Gen. Stilwell these words should make us recognize the fact that the capitulation of Germany was not the mark of Victory in this war. If Gen. Stilwell says that Japs are tougher than Germans he knows what he is talking about. Some of our returning soldiers, sailors and marines have agreed with this view.

We have proven that the Allied Nations could be tougher than the powers of evil as represented by the late Adolph Hitler. Now we must prove that we can be tougher than the fanatical Japanese who hesitate at neither cruelty, murder nor suicide.

Our armed forces are bearing the brunt of the battle. We could never explain to the men and women in service when they come home if we fail in our manifest duties in upholding their strong arms now.

Bird Talk

TUESDAY morning in the misty dawn two little yellow-hammers and a crippled crow sat together on an oak branch and held a most intelligent conversation.

The crow at first objected strenuously to the yellow-hammers perching on the branch where he had lighted first. Just before they came he had driven off a red-headed woodpecker with a swift swoop and threatening break. Few words were said between them but the woodpecker understood and found another tree. But the two yellow-hammers seemed to sooth the ruffled feelings of the crow, who soon agreed to let them share his branch and condescended to talk with them.

In a high, piping voice, one of the yellow-hammers remarked politely that it looked as if it would be a nice day with the rain gone and the ground mist rising. The crow dissented with a raucous, "Caw, Caw, Naw, Naw. Leave me alone you little whipper snappers. Both of you better get away from me with your adolescent optimism before I peck you to pieces. I know that the world is going to pot and ruin and your cheerful talk this morning won't save it." The other yellow-hammer rejoined, "Perhaps you're right, but talking mean like that is one reason the world would go to pot—if it ever does. Why don't you try to help things along by being a little more cheerful and a lot less suspicious yourself?"

The crow started to say, "Aw, go to blazes", but checked himself just in time and, nodding reluctant agreement with the yellow-hammers' philosophy, flew away.

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Dean Henson and Bobby Joe Corn are the outstanding pupils in the Otto elementary school, both having made excellent grades in the Eighth Grade Class for the year closing June 1, 1945. Both being promoted to High school with honor grades. Dean is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Henson of the Otto section, and Bobby Joe, son of Mrs. Bessie Corn of the Mulberry section. The entire class of Eighth Grade pupils will enter high school in the fall. This was announced by J. J. Mann, principal.



BOBBY JOE CORN

Watauga

S/Sgt. Ralph Cassada, who has been in overseas service for several months and who was recently wounded, has been returned to the states and has been recuperating in a hospital in Walla Walla, Wash. is here for a visit with his mother, Mrs. M. F. Cassada.

Mr. and Mrs. George Raby and children are visiting Mrs. Raby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hooper in Sylva.

Miss Hazel Morgan, who has been attending Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee, is spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jud Morgan.

Willie C. Beeco and brother, Robert Beeco went to Norfolk, Va. Willie plans to take a job while there.

Mrs. Odas Mashburn and son, Kenneth, spent a few days in Virginia where Mrs. Mashburn's husband is now stationed.

R. L. Brendle, who is working in Highlands, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jule Brendle.

Sam Shepherd, from the Leatherman community, spent the weekend with his sister, Mrs. Eva Brendle.

James M. Raby recently spent the day visiting his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Max Raby in Asheville.

Richard Shepherd, of Bryson City, recently spent several days with his sister, Mrs. Eva Brendle, who has been ill.

Misses Ruby and Mildred Beeco, of Newport News, Va., have been spending several days with their mother, Mrs. C. C. Beeco.

Mrs. Lucille Woodard, who is teaching in the public schools in the Eastern part of the state, has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Long, who have recently moved into our community.

Mrs. Lula Brendle has announced the marriage of her daughter, Miss Nell Brendle to James Hackney, of Dayton, Ga., on Saturday, May 12. The wedding ceremony took place in Georgia.

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ADDITIONAL SOCIALS

Lieut. Edwin Mozeley, who has been in the Army in Germany for the past several months, Mrs. Mozeley and son, of Charlotte, and Lieut. Mozeley's mother, Mrs. Grady Mozeley, also of Charlotte, have been visiting the latter's father, W. J. West and Mrs. West at their home at West's Mill, and Lieut. Mozeley's grandmother, Mrs. Ed Mozeley at Otto.

Pfc. Titus H. Parrish stationed at Moore General Hospital, Asheville, spent the past weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Parrish at their home on Franklin route 3. He left for Detroit, Mich., on a 15-day furlough with his wife, and his two brothers, Terrell and Jewell Parrish, also of Detroit.

S/Sgt. S. E. Cobb has been visiting his sister, Mrs. T. L. Grace for the past week. S/Sgt. Cobb is stationed at Keesler Field, Miss., where he will return upon the termination of his leave June 18.

Mrs. Charles Melchar and son, "Chuckie", of Decatur, Ga., are spending several days at the Kelly Tea Room and visiting friends in Franklin. Mrs. Melchar is a former resident of Franklin, having lived here while her husband was supervisor of the Nantahala National Forest Service.

week. Miss Wise, who served two years in the Army as Lieutenant in the nursing corps, is now working with the Public Health Service with headquarters at Sylva.

Mrs. F. E. Brown, Mrs. Sadie Conley and daughter, Betty, left on Wednesday for Eustis,

Fla., where Mrs. Brown will visit her son, Clark, who is working there and Mrs. Conley will spend a few days with her husband who is also employed there.

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