

45,000 HUNGRY JAPS TRAPPED

Attempt Desperately to Break Out of Ring in New Guinea.

BY UNITED PRESS

An estimated force of 45,000 starving Japanese sought desperately to break out of an allied trap on British New Guinea in the Southwest Pacific today, as casualty figures on the Saipan campaign revealed the Japanese lost five men for every American killed.

Although details of fighting were not disclosed it was indicated that isolated units of the 18th Japanese army on the northern New Guinea coast were making furious attacks in an attempt to find an escape route.

The units, pocketed on a 110-mile strip, by the American landings at Aitape and Hollandia, were encircled by American forces to the west and Australian troops to the east.

25 Per Cent Killed

A communiqué from Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said the strength of the original army trapped was estimated at 60,000 but that an estimated 25 per cent was believed to have died from privation or had been killed by aerial bombardment.

On Saipan it was estimated that less than five per cent of the enemy's original force of 20,000 to 30,000 survived. Americans buried 11,948 Japanese dead and captured 1000 prisoners. A considerable number of Japanese still remain unburied.

American losses in the 27 days of fighting were announced at 2359 killed, 11,481 wounded and 1213 missing.

Guam Hit Again

A communiqué by Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced that Guam and Rota in the southern Marianas had been attacked by carrier-based planes Monday for the seventh straight day.

A communiqué from Southeast Asia headquarters said the Japanese had withdrawn from the Malib Khuon ridge dominating the Palei-Tamu road, the enemy's main supply route into India.

POST-WAR LEVIES ALARM TAX GROUP

The Indianapolis Taxpayers' association went on record today as opposing tax levies for post-war projects unless the projects "definitely determined upon and the money so raised positively earmarked for the purpose for which it was originally intended."

Expressing alarm over the rising tide of municipal budget increases, Roger Benjamin, executive secretary of the association, told city officials now preparing the 1945 city expense sheet, "Now nearly all the proposals for public improvements made in recent weeks can be carried out in 1945. We recognize the justice of increasing some salaries under present conditions, but the question is how much can the community afford in the 1945 tax rate?"

PLANS AWAITED FOR BIG 4 POST-WAR TALK

WASHINGTON, July 13 (U.P.)—Secretary of State Cordell Hull is expected to announce this week plans for conversations here with the other big four nations about a post-war international organization.

He told his news conference yesterday that he expected to have some news on the plans before the week-end. It was assumed that he was preparing to make public the date when the representatives of this country, Great Britain, Soviet Russia and China will meet here. The conference probably will take place some time this summer.



Boy Scouts Will Explore Wisconsin Wilds

These Boy Scouts will spend the next 15 days canoeing in Wisconsin.

CHINESE MASS TO STORM BASE

Prepare to Attack Teng-chung After Yank Planes

Rip City's Walls.

CHUNGKING, July 13 (U.P.)—Chinese troops massed for an all-out assault today on the Japanese stronghold of Tengchung after American Mitchell medium bombers blasted a hole in the city's ancient wall.

A communiqué said the Chinese already had occupied the last strong-points outside of Tengchung, west of the Salween river, and were preparing for a thrust into the city through the breach in the wall.

The 14th air force bombers, together with fighter planes, were giving steady support to the Chinese forces in Yunnan province, and also carried out new attacks on Lung-ling, the twin base of Tengchung, and a junction point on the Burma road.

SOLVES \$70,000 JEWEL ROBBERY

Persistent Sleuth Finds Bulk of Stones After One-Year Hunt.

WASHINGTON, July 13 (U.P.)—The bulk of a glittering, \$70,000 hoard of antique jewels from Ceylon, India and Jerusalem was back in the hands of its wealthy owner today, and the woman who was once accused of stealing them faced new difficulties with the law.

The untiring efforts of a noted jewel detective brought the new climax to the story that began a year ago when Otto Beall Kent, 58, retired tax lawyer, accused his 37-year-old ex-secretary, Mrs. Frances Dolmage, of stealing his valuable jewel collection.

She tried and an all-mail found the pretty, black-haired defendant innocent. It was almost immediately afterward that Lt. Joseph Shimon, a jewel detective connected with the U.S. attorney's office, went to work.

Faces Perjury Charge

Yesterday, after months of investigation, Shimon brought Mrs. Dolmage here by plane from Mexico City. She led him to the bulk of the jewel cache, then was jailed on a perjury charge. Today she goes before a grand jury which, authorities said, may prefer other charges in addition to perjury.

During her trial last summer, Mrs. Dolmage's attorney described Kent as an eccentric who dabbled in the mysticism of the East. She told the court that she had never seen the jewels while she was in his employ—in fact, doubted they existed.

After the acquittal, Shimon learned that Mrs. Dolmage and her 79-year-old dentist husband planned a trip to Mexico. He asked customs officials to be on the alert and was informed that Mrs. Dolmage had been seen wearing two of the missing gems in Mexico City.

Nathan Straus, president of station WMCA, said that parts of Coudert's speech were deleted because they contained material "calculated to stir up disunity at home."

KEMPER TO HEAD GOP FINANCE GROUP

NEW YORK, July 13 (U.P.)—James S. Kemper of Chicago has been named chairman of the Republican finance committee for the Dewey-Breker campaign. Herbert Brownell Jr., G. O. P. national chairman, announced today.

Kemper, who will make his head-

quarters in New York, said the campaign will operate "on a balanced budget," and that plans for financing now are under discussion.

PATTERSON SCORES CIVILIAN GOODS PLAN

WASHINGTON, July 12 (U.P.)—Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson today strongly criticized war production board plans for gradual resumption of civilian production and asserted that for the second quarter of 1944 army supplies will be \$400,000,000 behind schedule.

He told a news conference that this failure to meet schedules represented "about an 8 per cent lag in the target set and the requirements we hope to meet."

CURB ON RESIDENTIAL TRAFFIC IS ORDERED

Police Chief Becker today ordered Indianapolis police to "crack down" on traffic violators in the residential districts.

He pointed out that 171 out of 350 traffic accidents investigated by his department during the month of June were the direct result of traffic violations.

DEAD HERO 'DRAFTED'

FALL RIVER, Mass., July 13 (U.P.)—When a local draft board ordered Leo J. Pineault, 19, to report for pre-induction examination, it was informed that the youth was killed in action at Guam in December, 1943.

NAZI ACE KILLED

LONDON, July 13 (U.P.)—Lt. Eugen Zeigert, one of Germany's leading air aces who claimed to have shot down 60 allied planes, has been killed on the western front, the German radio reported today.

PAY RAISES, 200 NEW JOBS URGED

That, in Substance, Is Net Effect of City Hall Efficiency Study.

By SHERLEY UHL

First complete summary of the J. L. Jacobs & Co. survey of city jobs and salaries revealed that the "efficiency experts" hired by city council to streamline the administration, have recommended municipal pay raises totaling \$355,854 annually.

In addition to urging salary increases, City Surveyor Fred Telford said he had also suggested to the mayor's survey advisory committee that "some 200 new jobs be created to enable city hall to function with maximum efficiency."

On the other hand, he said he also would request the abolition of some 100 present posts, a move which he asserts "will enable the city to effect sizeable savings."

Tampering Opposed

Prevailing sentiment among the advisory committee, however, is against any tampering with the departmental make-up as it now stands, with probability that the recommendation as to new jobs or job elimination will go unheeded for the present.

Mr. Telford and associates have also re-named hundreds of city positions which they claimed were "misclassified." Stenographer clerks, for instance, were divided into five different divisions, all signifying varying pay rates.

Should Mr. Telford's ideas be accepted by city council, the budget enlargement would boost the city tax rate by something like 7 cents, taxpayer association representatives are pointing out. The low-tax lobbyists are girding for no-holds-barred fight to the finish to repress as much of the city salary boom tendency as possible.

Here Are Some Facts

Out of a slightly confused welter of job classifications and sliding pay scales compiled by Chief Surveyor Telford, emerged the following facts:

Well over half of the 2500 employees investigated so far will receive substantial wage hikes in 1945 if city council fails in line with Telford's work-sheet.

Nobody now on the city payroll will receive a salary cut.

About three-fourths of the total increase will benefit those employees under the \$1500 a year wage level; non-skilled and semi-skilled labor is in line for pay upgradings ranging from 5 to 30 cents an hour.

Department heads, however, are slated to receive the largest proportionate pay boosts, as far as individual salaries are concerned.

Some of these are statutory and could not possibly become effective before 1946, even if the legislature authorized them.

By far the bulkiest salary increase under the Telford plan would go to the park department where the proposed 1945 payroll is \$110,247 more than the current budgetary appropriation.

Others Promised Share

Other departments assigned shares of the salary increase allotment are city hospital, \$60,112 additional; street commissioner, \$44,214 additional, and city engineering, \$32,499 more.

Proposed pay boosts for department and division heads are as follows:

Mayor, from \$6000 to \$12,000 a year; city clerk, \$2400 to \$3000; councilmen, \$50 to \$125 a month; corporation counsel, \$375 to \$625 a month; municipal garage superintendent, \$3000 to \$3600 a year; city engineer, \$4200 to \$7500; street commissioner, \$3200 to \$5100; traffic engineer, \$3800 to \$4200; building commissioner, \$3750 to \$4200; game warden, \$3750 to \$4200; health director, \$5800 to \$6000; city hospital, superintendent, \$5500 to \$7500; park superintendent, \$4677 to \$6300; sanitation plant superintendent, \$300 to \$325.

Salaries of the various board members, many of which are considered "honorary," were left untouched.

YANKS SEIZE PEAK GUARDING LIVORNO

ROME, July 13 (U.P.)—American assault forces stormed and captured La Jatico, German mountain stronghold, 20 miles southeast of Livorno, in some of the bitterest fighting on the Italian front since the fall of Rome, allied headquarters reported today.

German resistance stiffened further all along the line, and now was nearing the intensity of a full-scale stand in the outposts of the Gothic line as the allied 8th and 5th armies battled before the coastal anchors of Livorno and Ancona.

The Germans were revealed to have pushed advanced 8th army elements back two miles from Pietralunga in the mountains east of the Tiber valley.

REPORT GENERAL STRIKE IN TURIN

ROME, July 13 (U.P.)—Reports from the Italian resistance front said today that German troops had garrisoned Turin when a general strike followed orders of German authorities to dismantle machinery in factories for shipment to Germany.

The report said the Germans carried out mass arrests and deported 3000 workers to Germany.

DIRECTLY TO FRANCE?

STOCKHOLM, July 13 (U.P.)—A Berlin dispatch of the STB news agency said today that American reinforcements had arrived in France "directly from the United States as well as from England."

WARN OF CIGARETS IF ARTERY IS HURT

CHICAGO, July 13 (U.P.)—It is inadvisable to give a wounded soldier a cigarette if an artery has been injured, the American Medical Association said today, in reporting on studies which show that nicotine causes constriction of blood vessels.

Corn silk cigarettes, also used in the experiment, showed negligible damage."

effect on the subjects, the report said, but standard cigarettes reduced skin temperatures by 1.8 degrees centigrade at the toes and 3.2 degrees centigrade at the fingers. An increase in the rate of the heart beat also was noted.

When an artery has been injured, the article said, spasm of the artery is common and "the constriction of blood vessels in a person sensitive to tobacco may cause irreparable

damage."

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WASHINGTON, July 13 (U.P.)—The state department today confirmed a United Press report that the United States and Spain have reached agreement in principle on a plan to give the United States civil aircraft landing rights in Spain.

A spokesman said that three American officials are en route to Spain now to work out the details.

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