

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 Salpa 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 communique 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 Salpa 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 1,000 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 communique 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A communique from Southeast Asia headquarters said the Japanese had withdrawn from the Maibi Khunou ridge dominating the Palel-Tamu road, the enemy's main supply route into India.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 to be 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, "Not 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 communique said the Chinese already had occupied the last strong-point 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.

Drive Toward Lungling
Other Chinese troops were driving toward the outskirts of Lungling and nearby Mangshih in the Salween offensive aimed at effecting a junction with Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's forces driving eastward through northern Burma.

The air attacks on Tengchung and Lungling were part of widespread raids in which American warplanes hit Japanese defenses from Hankow to Canton and destroyed at least 129 river boats through the area.

Scalp Restored To Girl Worker

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 13 (U. P.).—In a delicate three-hour operation, surgeons at City hospital today had restored a 19-year-old girl war plant inspector's scalp, torn completely from her head last night by a machine at the Lands Machine Co.

The girl, Miss Margaret Egan, had leaned down to inspect shavings from a screw machine making mortar shell fuses, when her thick black hair became entangled in a spiraling part of the machine.

She was rushed to the hospital in an ambulance and police followed carrying her scalp, which surgeons sewed into place, hoping it will reunite with remaining tissues.

Doctors described Miss Egan's condition as "good."

BULLITT IN N. AFRICA ON MAGAZINE JOB

NEW YORK, July 13 (U. P.).—William C. Bullitt, former ambassador to France and the Soviet Union, left by plane early this week for North Africa to write for Life magazine.

A spokesman for the magazine said today that Bullitt's connection with Life was not that of a war correspondent, but as an accredited representative on a definite assignment, the nature of which was not revealed.

They'll Split Into 4 Groups, Cover 200 Miles in Canoes

To explore uninhabited country in the wilds of Wisconsin, 51 senior Boy Scouts and four scout leaders left last night for a 13-day canoeing trip.

Led by Richard F. X. Smith, senior scout director of the Central Indiana council, the youths will make White Sand Lake their base and, dividing into four groups, will cover approximately 200 miles with four Wisconsin guides joining them as special instructors.

Those assisting Mr. Smith will be James Bishop, W. A. Braun and Basil Fischer.

Scouts making the trip are: Dale Overstreet, Richard Rinsma, Richard H. Braun, Harold Jorio, Dan Metzger, Herbert Nees, Connie Sheldahl, Earl Brown, Paul Hodges, William Chappell, Robert Denson, Robert Todd, Charles Michael, Donald Rudolph, Dick Greenfield, Larry Campbell.

Scout headquarters also announced today that a peasant based upon the life of Ootard, last of the Miami Indian tribe's chiefs, will be given tonight at Camp Chankun-un-gi.

Ootardkin lived on the camp site. Jim Bartlett will take the part of the chief.

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 acquitted 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 Otis Beal Kent, 58, retired tax lawyer, accused his 37-year-old ex-secretary, Mrs. Frances Dolmage, of stealing his valuable jewels.

She was tried and an all-male jury 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 if 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.

Find More of Gems
In one of Mrs. Dolmage's Washington apartments, Shimon found 22 of the missing gems. Last week he flew to Mexico City and found more of them in her apartment there, asked Mexican police to arrest her and then persuaded her to return here voluntarily.

With the detective at her side, Mrs. Dolmage, wearing a valuable string of antique coral beads, led him yesterday to still another apartment where she produced 100 more jewels. She also pointed out the spot on Kent's farm in Maryland where she first buried the gems a year ago.

Shimon said Mrs. Dolmage insisted the jewels had been given to her by Kent over a period of 15 years. Kent inspected the returned valuables and said the articles still missing included his favorite crystal ball valued at \$10,000, a sapphire and diamond pendant, an imperial jade necklace worth \$22,000 and a platinum lorgnette set with diamonds.

JAPS IN INDIA YIELD RIDGE NEAR KEY ROAD

SOUTHWEST ASIA HEAD-
QUARTERS, KANDY, Ceylon, July 13 (U. P.).—The Japanese have withdrawn from the entire Maibi Khunou ridge, dominating the Palel-Tamu road, the enemy's most important supply route into India, a communique announced today.

In the Imphal-Ukhru sector, the Japanese were reported surrendering in increasing numbers, with their forces split into disorganized isolated remnants.

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, 1941.

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 members, however, is against 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 falls 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 upgrades 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 bulk of 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, \$40,112 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 \$3080; councilmen, \$50 to \$125 a month; corporation counsel, \$375 to \$625 a month; municipal garage superintendent, \$3000 to \$3680 a year; city engineer, \$4200 to \$7500; traffic commissioner, \$3300 to \$5100; building commissioner, \$3750 to \$4200; game-well superintendent, \$3375 to \$3800; health director, \$5900 to \$6000; city hospital, superintendent \$5500 to \$7500; park superintendent, \$4677 to \$6300; sanitation plant superintendent, \$306 to \$325.

Salaries of the various board memberships, 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 Lajatico, 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 5th and 8th 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 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.

STOCKHOLM TO FRANCE?

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 cigaret if an artery has been injured, the Journal of the American Medical Association said today, in reporting on studies which show that nicotine causes constriction of blood vessels.

Corn silk cigsrets, also used in the experiment, showed negligible effect on the subjects, the report said, but standard cigarets 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.

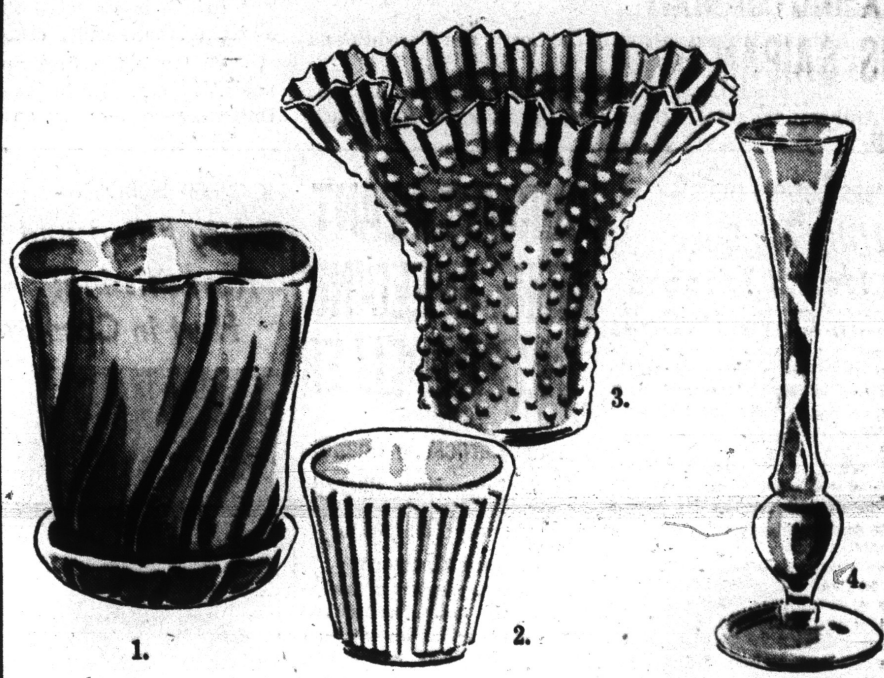
When an artery has been injured, the article said, spasm of the artery is common and "the constriction of blood vessels in a person sensitive to tobacco may cause irreparable damage."

CONFIRM AMERICAN AIR RIGHTS IN SPAIN

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.

For Flowers . . .

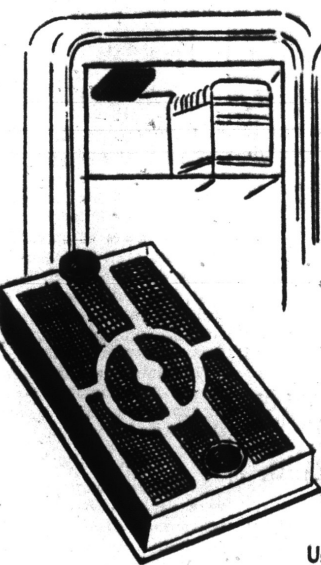


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