

## NAVY RAID BAGS 18 JAP VESSELS

Our Losses Light in Caro-  
lines Attack; Yanks Gain  
On Guam, Tinian.

By UNITED PRESS  
A powerful U. S. task force was revealed today to have struck in the western Carolines as invasion forces continued their conquests of Guam and Tinian and a major battle appeared to be shaping up between American troops and trapped Japanese on British New Guinea.

Adm. Chester Nimitz revealed in a communiqué that carrier-based planes hit enemy bases on Palau, Yap and Ulithi islands in the Carolines Monday and Tuesday, sinking 10 vessels, shooting down five planes and destroying 21 on the ground. Five American planes were lost.

Adm. Nimitz listed as sunk one destroyer, an oiler, a destroyer escort or mine layer, seven small cargo vessels and "many smaller craft."

### Peak Captured

Before beginning their drive southward, marines on Tinian captured Mt. Luso, 564-foot peak dominating the smooth, rolling plateau on the southern sector. They controlled one-third of Tinian after six days of fighting and were making a bid for quick completion of the conquest. The communiqué said American casualties through Thursday were 154 dead, 441 wounded and 32 missing against 2089 enemy dead and 62 captured.

Japanese planes have landed on Tinian to repair the captured 4500-foot airstrip within bomber range of Tokyo, Nimitz said.

On Guam marines and army troops continued their battle of annihilation against Japanese forces trapped on Orote Peninsula.

A bitter and bloody battle was impending on British New Guinea where the trapped Japanese 18th army made another unsuccessful attempt to break out and was believed preparing for a major counter assault.

Although the 45,000-man army, cut off from supplies and reinforcements by a ring of allied warships and planes around the coastal areas, had been reported starving, United Press was correspondent Francis McCarthy reported from Atapae that enemy advance units were well fed and equipped with excellent arms.

### Sink Jap Vessels

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communiqué disclosed that navy Ventura bombers, sweeping over the Carolines, sank one 1500-ton vessel and damaged three luggers of a Japanese convoy 160 miles south of Truk.

The British admiralty announced that British submarines in far eastern waters sank 21 more vessels.

British India force, driving invaders from Manipur state toward the Burmese border, captured three Japanese strongholds on the Imphal-Tamu road.

Planes of the 14th U. S. air force in China continued widespread attacks on Japanese supply lines and military installations, a communiqué said.

### Capt. Meredith of Movie Fame, Here

ONE OF THE "MEN" in "Of Mice and Men" and something of a clay pigeon in his first movie "Winterset," Capt. Burgess Meredith, is temporarily stationed at Stout field awaiting reassignment.

Overseas for 10 months, the stage and screen star has been in the service for over two years. He enlisted as a private. He was with air force intelligence in Washington and with the psychological warfare unit of the supreme command in England.

The wrote and acted in "Welcome to Britain," an army orientation film as well as "Salute to France," timed for the Normandy invasion. His last appearance on the legitimate stage was in "Candida," playing opposite Katherine Cornell. His last movie was with Ginger Rogers three years ago. Last month he married actress Paulette Goddard.

### SAY FDR IGNORED 2D SPOT BID BY LEWIS

WASHINGTON, July 28 (U. P.)—John L. Lewis supported Wendell L. Willkie rather than President Roosevelt in the 1940 campaign because Mr. Roosevelt "completely ignored" the mine leader's proposal that he be his third-term running mate, Collier's magazine asserted today.

An article in the current issue of the magazine attributed the information to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins. The article, dealing primarily with Miss Perkins, said that her resignation had been in Mr. Roosevelt's hands since 1936 and that "she has frequently urged him to accept it."

### JAPS REVEAL BRACING PHILIPPINES' DEFENSE

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The Japanese-controlled Manila radio announced today that the civilian population of the Philippines has been mobilized for defense against enemy terror raids.

The broadcast, recorded by United Press, San Francisco, showed Japanese anticipation of air attacks on the Philippines by American pilots, now within striking range of the Archipelago.

### DECATUR ENSIGN KILLED

DECATUR, July 28 (U. P.)—Ensign Eugene Leroy Fried, 25, former Ball State college and Decatur high school athlete, was killed in a plane crash recently, according to word received yesterday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fried.

## Hoosier Heroes: Second Brother of Local Resident Killed in Italy; Brown, West and Kaufman Also Listed Dead

PPC. ROLAND PARKS, stationed with the infantry in Italy, was killed in that area Feb. 23, according to word received yesterday by his sister, Mrs. Henry Cochran, 1244 S. Kenyon ave.

Joining the army in October, 1941, the 29-year-old infantryman went overseas in April. He was wounded Feb. 2, and returned to the states a week later.

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he returned to duty he was reported missing and his status now has been changed by the war department from missing to killed.

His brother, Pvt. Robert Parks, a member of the military police in Italy, was killed May 8 on the Anzio beachhead.

Shipped overseas at about the same time, the boys attended school in Scottsburg and worked at the Charleston power plant before entering service. They met over there twice, once in Sicily when Robert was allowed to go to the front lines and personally give birthday congratulations to his brother.

Double memorial services will be held in Scottsburg but the date has not been set.

PVT. HAROLD BROWN, husband of Mrs. Elsie Brown, 1001 N. Delaware st., was killed in France July 3, his wife was notified Sunday. He had been overseas since April and went to France right after D-day.

A graduate of Shortridge high school, he is 25 and was formerly with the Indianapolis 500 race team. General Motors. He entered the service in October, 1943.

Survivors, besides the wife, include the mother, Mrs. Inez Brown, three sisters, Marjorie, Betty and Mrs. Carl Ellis, and a brother, Robert, all of Indianapolis. His father, the late Garvin Brown, died several years ago.

PFC. CHARLES FRANKLIN WEST, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph West, 22 S. Addison st., was killed June 22 on Saipan. He was with an amphibious tank division and had been in the Pacific 17 months.

Pvt. West was 22 and a graduate of Washington high school. A former employee of the Link-Belt Co., he entered the service Sept. 8, 1942.

His parents received notification of his death July 14 and about a week later received a picture of their son, one that he had had taken in Hawaii last February.

Pvt. West was born in Millrose since he was 5.

Survivors, besides the parents, include two sisters, Anita Jane and Betty, and a brother, Robert, all of Indianapolis.

PVT. HERBERT KAUFMAN, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Kaufman, Terre Haute, formerly of 3726 N. Meridian st., was wounded in France on D-day and died the next day, June 7.

A former student of Shortridge high school, he is a graduate of the Millersburg military institute, Millersburg, Ky.

Pvt. Kaufman's father owns a theater in Terre Haute and was associated with several motion picture companies in Indianapolis when the family lived here.

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SGT. GORDON I. CLAGHORN, son of E. L. Claghorn, 6500 E. 10th st., was wounded in the battle for Cherbourg and has been awarded the purple heart. He was clipped in the ear by a rifle slug.

Sgt. Claghorn is a graduate of Warren Central high school. He is the grandson of Mrs. Julia Claghorn, R. R. 11, Box 670.

SGT. JOHN P. MEEHAN, who is completing his second year overseas, has received a commendation for outstanding performance of his duties at a 13th army air force advance heavy bomb base.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Meehan, 1323 Wade st., and attended Manual high school.

The small number of personnel on hand for duty has caused you to perform your duties without benefit of assistance while increased operations have multiplied the requirements of personal endeavor," the commendation said.

CAPT. PIERRE B. AIMA, 4919 N. Meridian st., was included in a list of 21 members of a U. S. army unit in the European theater of operations, who have been awarded the purple heart.

Capt. Aiman is a graduate of 1825 S. Senate ave., and husband of Mrs. Helen Pedigo, Greenwood, has been awarded the air medal for meritorious achievement in aerial combat.

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