

JAPS REPORT HOME ISLE RAID

Called Supporting Thrust to
Unconfirmed Invasion.

By FRANK TREMAYNE
United Press Staff Correspondent
GUAM, March 28.—Tokyo said that American carrier planes landed Southern Japan today in support of the reported invasion of the Kerama Islands, 380 miles to the southwest.

A broadcast Domei news agency dispatch said that approximately 90 carrier planes raided Kyushu, southernmost of the Japanese home islands, this afternoon (Japanese time).

The raid was centered on the Miyazaki and Kagoshima prefectures in the southern part of the island, Domei said.

An early Tokyo radio broadcast claimed that American reinforcements had landed in the Kerama Islands, southwest of Kyushu, and said "savage battles" were under way.

Reports Shelling

The invasion of the Keramas, part of the Okinawa group, is only a prelude to imminent landings on Okinawa Island itself, site of an important naval base and several airfields in Japan's inner defense belt, Radio Tokyo said.

Supporting American warships, including at least 11 battleships and 15 aircraft carriers, shelled and bombed Okinawa and other islands to the west and south for the sixth straight day today, Tokyo added.

Japanese broadcasts said the reinforced task force now comprised 100 vessels and estimated that nearly 1300 planes took part in yesterday's strikes against the Okinawa and the Kerama group of islands.

Pacific fleet headquarters remained silent on enemy reports of landing in the Keremas, but confirmed that warships and carrier planes continued to attack "enemy forces and land defense installations" in the Ryukyu chain, of which the Okinawa group is part.

Pound Main Island

A delayed dispatch from Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitscher, flagship of Okinawa said battleships, cruisers and destroyers pounded the main island of the Ryukyu group with more than 1000 tons of explosives Saturday.

Headquarters also announced that navy search planes, presumably based on Iwo, damaged three small cargo ships around Hachijo Island, 150 miles south of Tokyo, Monday. It was the deepest penetration of Japanese waters yet by land-based planes other than Superfortresses.

Radio Tokyo said 60 to 70 Superfortresses followed up yesterday's daylight raid on Kyushu, southernmost of the Japanese home islands, with a second attack lasting from 10:30 p.m. to last midnight.

PROMPT ACTION ON DRAFT BILL SEEN

WASHINGTON, March 28 (U.P.)—Senate leaders today expected prompt passage of house-approved legislation extending the selective service act for another year and for the drafting of nurses.

Both bills were approved yesterday by the senate military affairs committee.

The only fight in prospect may be on an amendment to the draft extension to prohibit the war department from using boys under 19 in active combat.

QUINTUPLETS DIE SOON AFTER BIRTH

WASHINGTON, March 28 (U.P.)—The last of a set of quintuplets born to a Negro mother here last night died early today.

Mrs. Ada Turner, 36, gave birth to the five babies, all girls, beginning at 10:40 p.m. The fifth child was born 17 minutes later.

The father, Harold Turner, 36, is a clerk at the U. S. bureau of standards here. The couple has six other children, including a 4-year-old set of twins.

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Russia in Lightning Drive Now 21 Miles From Austria

LONDON, March 28 (U.P.)—The Red army drove within 21 miles of the Austrian frontier and about 65 miles of Vienna today with a lightning thrust to Sarvar on the Raba river, 26 miles west of Berlin.

Other Soviet columns were pushing toward Csorna; 75 miles south of Vienna, and were reported already across the Raba river just east of Csorna.

Moscow dispatches for the first time spoke of the drive as aimed at an ultimate junction with the forces of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, which already have spearheaded halfway to the Czech border across southern Germany.

At the same time major fighting was reported on the Oder line where the Nazis claimed they were

'TOO MUCH NOISE' CASE DISMISSED

All charges in the first of Pat-
rolman Forrest Ellius' "unne-
cessary horn-blowing" cases to be
tried were dismissed yesterday by
Judge Groninger, judge pro tem.
in Municipal court 4.

Judge Groninger summarily dis-
charged the case against Donald
Lee Barton, 1252 Burdissall pkwy.,
accused by Patrolman Ellius of too
much horn-honking last Saturday
night as he escorted newlyweds in
his car around the circle.

A charge of failing to possess an
operators' license also was dismissed
when Mr. Barton produced a li-
cence in court.

Mr. Barton's marriage retinue was
stymied by Patrolman Ellius 30
minutes after the same officer had
intervened in another round-the-
circle, honk-tooting, tin-can rattling
wedding party in behalf of an over-
seas veteran, Cpl. Alvia DuRee.

Three drivers in the DuRee party
were handed stickers. Their cases
came up in municipal court 3 on
Tuesday when the wearer of the
purple heart is expected to appear
in their defense.

1300 PLANES RAID BERLIN, HANNOVER

LONDON, March 28 (U.P.)—More than 1300 American bombers and fighters attacked German arms plants in Berlin and Hanover today in twin blows calculated to hasten the end of the war in Europe.

Well over 950 Flying Fortresses
rained nearly 3000 tons of demo-
lition and fire bombs on the two
cities. The bombers were escorted by
more than 350 Mustang fighters.

The raids were designed to cripple
two of Germany's main sources of
arms outside the great Ruhr valley,
already threatened by advancing
American and British armies.

A German DNB dispatch broad-
cast just after the raid announced
that arrangements had been made
to evacuate Berliners, particularly
women and children, to less-exposed
areas because of the "air terror."

MAYOR OF AACHEN IS SLAIN BY NAZIS

U. S. 1ST ARMY HEAD-
QUARTERS, WESTERN FRONT,
March 26 (Delayed) (U.P.)—Franz
Oppenhoef, German mayor of allied-
occupied Aachen, was murdered yes-
terday by three uniformed German
soldiers whom he intended to turn
over to American authorities, it was
disclosed today.

According to Oppenhoef's wife, the
German soldier came to his home in
Aachen and describing them-
selves as aviators, who had crashed
asked for food and protection. When
Oppenhoef told them he must turn
them over to the Americans the
soldiers shot him, his wife said.

American military patrols at-
tracted by the shots gave chase to the
soldiers, who escaped.

Oppenhoef, 41, had been mayor for
the past five months since Aachen was
liberated. Previously he was an
attorney for the Catholic arch-
diocese in Aachen and Dusseldorf.

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YANKS NEARING CEBU CAPITAL

U. S. Forces Drive Across
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blasted a path for the ground

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road paralleling the coast.

Five small villages were swept up

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Elements of the American di-
vision, which landed on the mine-

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coast Monday, were battling the