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GREAT NAVAL BATTLE REPORTED RAGING IN SOUTH PACIFIC ISLANDS

T. P. Bulletin June 21. (UP)—Tokyo radio broadcast today specifically claimed heavy American naval losses in the areas of the Marianas Islands where Japanese broadcast had reported a "fierce naval battle between large American and Japanese fleets."

Apparently engaged in a propaganda war to goad the U. S. navy into premature disclosure of the situation in the Marianas, Tokyo radio broadcast the statement of Admiral Kenesuke Takahashi that "the enemy's landing operations on Saipan has offered us a golden opportunity to smash him with staggering effect. The enemy on Saipan is dependent on his communications and will meet with a serious crisis before the full force of our counter offensive."

The broadcast, heard by the United Press Listening Post at San Francisco, made no mention of a previous Japanese broadcast, heard in London, that a fierce battle was raging. A home broadcast of Tokyo radio was heard acknowledging that the Japanese fleet had "suffered considerable losses of ships and planes."

Tokyo broadcast a Domei dispatch claiming that a 45,000-ton battleship of the Iowa class was "sent to the bottom instantly near Guam Friday morning."

The enemy also claimed two battleships, including one of the 35,000-ton North Carolina class and four aircraft carriers, including three of the 24,000-ton Essex class, and one of the 10,000 independence class were damaged.

Washington, June 21. (UP)—The U. S. Pacific fleet may have succeeded in catching up with all or a portion of the Japanese fleet west of Saipan in the Marianas yesterday, Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal, said today.

He told newsmen that the enemy fleet had been sighted at various times in the last few days, milling around from 500 to 800 miles westward of Saipan.

He said there was no definite information that battles had been joined but only "some indication" that our forces have caught up with the enemy armada. He pointed out that U. S. forces are under strict radio silence. Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in the Pacific of the U. S. fleet, who has just returned from a visit to the French beachhead and conferences with allies in Britain, was present at Forrestal's conference, and said that he was "not worried about the outcome" of the current Pacific operations.

Serious Auto Crash

A quite serious auto crash occurred Saturday night on Highway No. 75, south of this city when a car driven by George Buffington, was starting to make a left turn near the John Holscheidt corner. The car was struck by one driven by Glen Puls of this city. The two cars were badly damaged and Mrs. Robert Buffington, mother of George, was thrown out of the car and quite badly cut and bruised and Frank Heigl, a passenger in the Puls car also suffered cuts and bruises and in fact all were more or less bruised and suffered small cuts.

Calls Father

Sunday Joseph Semok of this city was agreeably surprised by a telephone call from Father's day from his daughter, Mrs. Roy Oterdorsky of Long Beach, California. The daughter sent greetings and stated that her husband, S/Sgt. Roy Oterdorsky, formerly engaged here at the F. C. Fricke drug store, is now in a medical detachment located in England at the last word.

NAMED TO NEW POST

Washington, June 19. (UP)—Ralph Bard, now assistant secretary of the navy, was named by President Roosevelt today for promotion to the position of undersecretary.

Returns From Sea Duty

Harold Froehner, who is a member of the United States Merchant Marine, is visiting here with his grandmother, Mrs. Rachel Kerns, and as well the many old school friends in the community. Harold was a caller at the Journal Saturday, being an employe prior to entering the naval service.

Harold arrived in a New Jersey port last week after several trips across the Atlantic, carrying supplies and material to the armed forces overseas. His trips covering some 15,000 miles over the seas in the line of duty. The trips were not uneventful as the war condition on the seas exact a great responsibility on the men that man the American ships.

The crews of the ships enjoy a brief holiday when they reach their destinations and he has had the opportunity of viewing many strange sights in the African ports that he has touched and also he was privileged to see Naples, Italy, shortly after the allies had forced out the German troops from their long occupation of that part of Italy.

Harold is being visited by his mother, Mrs. Glen Burns, in Omaha, and on his visit here was accompanied by his friend, Robert M. Cook, a classmate in the local high school.

Eugene W. Burdic To Naval Officers Training School

Local Banker Receives Commission as Lieutenant (JG) in the Naval Forces

Eugene W. Burdic, vice-president of the Plattsmouth State bank is to leave within the next ten days for Plattsburg, New York, where he will enter active naval training. Mr. Burdic has received a commission as Lieutenant (JG) in the naval service and will enter on the active training for the position.

For the past several months the local banker has been awaiting action on the opportunity for training, having passed the physical examination and has been notified of the acceptance of his services and ordered to report at the training camp by July 1st. The friends will be pleased to learn that he has secured the opportunity that he has long desired to enter the naval service of his country.

Dinner For Young Marine

Last evening Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Griffin entertained at their home at a dinner party in honor of Pfc. Howard Hinz, U. S. Marine, their son-in-law, who is home for a few days visit.

The dinner was enjoyed by members of the families to join in the pleasant hours of visiting with Howard, who is leaving Tuesday morning for the west coast to resume his service.

Those enjoying the dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hinz, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hinz and son, John, of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Worth, Philadelphia, Mrs. Robert Slavick and son, Rodney, Miss June Griffin of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hinz and daughter, Nancy.

Funeral of Lieutenant Crunk

The funeral services for Lt. James A. Crunk, killed Thursday in a plane crash in Washington, will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Baptist church at Union.

The services will be conducted by an army chaplain and with an escort from the Lincoln army air base. The pallbearers will be from the members of the Union Legion post.

An invitation is extended by the Union Legion and relatives of the service men of World War I and II to attend the services.

Cass County Picnic Held At Bixby Park Long Beach, Cal.

One Hundred and Fifty of Former the Residents are Registered at Annual Gathering

The Cass county picnic was held June 11th in beautiful Bixby Park, Long Beach, California. There were about one hundred fifty in attendance. The picnic day fell on the seventy-ninth birthday of Mrs. John Kuhnke. We cut the beautiful 14-inch Cass county cake and sang "Happy Birthday" in her honor. The 100-foot picnic table was filled with Cass county folks who had brought well filled baskets of lunch.

After the lunch the meeting was called to order by the president, G. W. Goodman. Election of officers was held and all the officers were re-elected: President—G. W. Goodman; Vice-President—A. J. Benson; Secretary—Mrs. Goodman.

Following the meeting the afternoon was spent in visiting until a late hour, all voting it a grand success and looking forward to meeting again the second Sunday in June 1945.

Those attending who signed the register are as follows. Many failed to register.

Plattsmouth: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maury, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bignell, Mrs. J. L. Benfer, Mrs. Mae Kuhnke Jackson, Mrs. John Kuhnke, W. C. Benfer, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Kirkham, Mrs. Pauline Martens Byers, Henry Sanders, Mrs. Eva Harvey Ledbetter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Will, Miss Dora Will, Dorothy Melink, Philip Albert, Eugene F. Tighe, Harry Neuman, C. E. and Hattie Hoffman Haney, H. S. Rice, Russell Todd, Mr. and Mrs. James Kinkead, Mrs. Clara Hofacker Cookrell, Mrs. Helen Sherman Edwards, Mrs. Myrtle B. Peck, Lu Carson Zeek, Wm. Gorder, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lines and Joan Caddie Johnson, Susan Shyneck Fidelet, Emery Newland, Mrs. Helen Egnberger Rogers, Ed Spencer (Spainy), T. J. Will, Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Tartsch, Goldie Messersmith Klotz, John P. O'Connor, Mrs. Freda Harold Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin H. Taylor, Mrs. May Will, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lombardo, Mrs. Mattie and Mrs. H. A. Leann, Mrs. Mattie Egnberger.

Murray: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gruber Louisville: Mrs. Joan Louche Jackson, Mrs. John A. Dean, Anna Decker, Eleanor Motterlocks, John Berger, Susan Shryrook Fiddler, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dean.

Weeping Water: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bickford, Lavetta Holset, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bickford, Mrs. Pearl Kilborn, Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Perry, Mrs. Frank LeCain, Mrs. Ella M. Towle, Truman Kilborn, Mattie T. Hay, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Fleming, Lucille Towle Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lines and Joan Caddie Johnson, Will A. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barret, Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins Dixon and Donna Rae, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Reed and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie M. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Mayes (Mary McCain), Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kroll.

Wabash: Eugene F. Tighe Greenwood: Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Miller

Avoca: Mrs. Rus Hartshorn Elmwood: Allie Dimmitt Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brunkow, Lodge Caygill Union: Ogareta Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin H. Taylor

Home From The Seas

Mrs. Herbert Johnson of this city is planning if possible, to leave soon for the west coast for a visit with her husband, Seaman First Class Herbert Johnson, who is now in port after some two months spent in duty on the Pacific. Seaman Johnson likes his work very much and is a member of the crew of one of the carrier force of Uncle Sam that has been doing their part in the handling of the Japanese problem in that part of the world.

FIGHT BY HIS SIDE—Buy Bonds

Nursery Program Succeeding

The War Emergency Nursery school which was established in Plattsmouth about a month ago for the children two to six whose mothers are employed in the industries in and near Plattsmouth now has an active enrollment of 24. In this group are eight little two-year-olds who are learning to sit up on the small tables and feed themselves. They bow their little heads and say grace before they have their noon-day meal and eat as daintily as the average adult. They have pleasant table conversation at their meals and are encouraged to eat slowly. After their lunch they go to sleep on their little individual cots and sleep until about 2:30. They have a mid-afternoon lunch of crackers and milk after which they play happily until their parents call for them.

There is room for six more little people at the present time. The fee paid by the parents is \$2.00 a week, and the hours are from 6:30 A. M. until 6:00 P. M.

There is need for more help in adequately staffing the Nursery school but funds will not permit the employment of additional personnel. However, if any mothers or high school girls would like to give volunteer service a few hours a week it would be greatly appreciated by the staff. It is interesting and pleasant work and valuable experience for anyone interested call Supt. Priest at 103.

Henry Wallace Arrives In China From Siberia Trip

Vice-President Is Greeted by the Members of the Chinese Government at the War Capitol

Chungking June 10. (UP)—Vice-president Henry A. Wallace arrived from Siberia today and was met in a drizzling rain at the Chungking airport by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and other high-ranking Chinese and American officials.

Wallace and the Generalissimo rode together in an automobile to Chiang's residence where they had tea. In the welcoming party were Dr. T. V. Soong, Chinese foreign minister, Dr. Sun Fo, president of the legislative Yuan of the Chinese National government, U. S. Ambassador Clarence Gauss and other members of the American diplomatic corps.

"I came from Siberia, one of the newest lands, to begin my visit in one of the oldest," Wallace said at the airport.

He said he had entered China via Sinkiang, "through the back door but I believe developments of the coming years will prove me right in saying I've entered through the new front door."

"I want to see your land and talk with your farmers I want to visit your soldiers and our soldiers who are co-operating to bring about the early defeat of Japan. Above all, I look forward to the privilege of discussing matters of mutual interest and concern with your great president, Chiang Kai-shek."

Visits Old Home

Fred G. Dawson, of Detroit, is here for his annual visit to the old home town of Plattsmouth. Fred is connected with the Detroit city water system and has been for the past several years, having a very responsible position with the great system that supplies the needs of the metropolis of Michigan. It is always a pleasure for Fred to be home with the old friends and view the scenes of his youthful days.

SOON TO RETURN TO DUTY

Mr. and Mrs. George Adam and baby are visiting at the home of Mr. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Adam, in the south part of the city. George is in the B 12 naval medical program at the Northwestern university at Chicago working for a commission in the naval medical service. They are planning on returning Wednesday to Chicago.

Hatt-Fornoff Wedding Held At Methodist Church

Very Charmingly Arranged Ceremony Unites the Lives of Two of the Well Known Young People

In a charmingly arranged wedding at the First Methodist church of this city, Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock, June 18, Miss Mary Jean Hatt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Hatt, was united in marriage to Gilbert H. Fornoff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fornoff, also of Plattsmouth.

Tall candelabra formed the background for the ceremony. The candle lighters were Mrs. Fred Davenport, sister of the bride, and Miss Mary Rishel, Mrs. Davenport were a floor length, powder blue chiffon dress and Miss Rishel a floor length dotted Swiss dress. Musical music was played by E. H. Westcott, church organist, and Mrs. Robert McKelsky of Omaha sang, "I Love You Truly," before the ceremony.

The bride catered the church on the arm of her father, Rev. T. Porter Baugott officiated at the double ring ceremony, Rev. A. Leitz of the Christ Lutheran church officiated prayer.

The bride's gown was of white satin with full train and the bodice was fashioned with a sweetheart neck line. Her veil was full length. She wore a single strand of pearls, a gift of the groom. Her bouquet was of white carnations.

The couple were attended by Mrs. Merle Lake, sister of the groom, and Kenneth Peteroff, Mrs. Lake's gown was of pink marquisette, with which she wore a snood of pink net and a bouquet of pink carnations. The groom wore a blue-grey business suit and the best man wore a blue business suit.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the church parlor, which was beautifully decorated with ferns, pink lily of the valley and Madonia lilies. The reception was arranged by Mesdames Hal Perry James Rishel, R. B. Hayes, and Luc McManen. The punch bowl was presided over by Miss Rishel. The three-tiered wedding cake was cut by the bride and groom and served the guests. Miss Marjorie Landou of Omaha and Mrs. Fred Davenport presided over the gift table.

Ushers were Dan Terryberry, Jr., Leonard Ferrell, brother of the groom, and Fred Davenport, a brother-in-law of the bride.

The bride was a member of the graduating class of 1943, receiving the D.A.R. history award for attaining the highest grade in the class for the four years of high school. The couple will be at home on a farm west of this city.

Announces Sub Loss

Washington, June 20. (UP)—The navy today announced the loss of the 1,475-ton U. S. submarine, Grayback, presumably in the Pacific where American submarines are taking a high toll of Japanese shipping.

Skipper of the vessel, who was listed as missing along with the ship's complement of approximately 65 men, was Commodore John A. Wells of Memphis, Tenn.

The first U. S. submarine to be announced lost in three months, the Grayback, was approximately 239 feet long with a 27 foot beam.

The Grayback is the 24th American submarine and the 160th naval vessel sunk in this war. American submarines in the Pacific have sunk 607 Japanese vessels, possibly sunk 36 and damaged at least 115 more.

Here From New Jersey

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph S. Holmes and daughter, Margaret Louise, are here for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Holmes, parents of Ralph, enjoying a rest here in the west from the exacting duties of Mr. Holmes who is an employe of the Radio Corporation of America. He is located at Princeton, New Jersey, the company being actively engaged in work for the government in war production needs.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH BUILDS CHAPEL AT BELLEVUE

PEER PARTY DEATH

Nebraska City, Nebr., June 19. (UP)—James S. Sweeney, owner of a sand and gravel dredging business and candidate for the city commission at the March municipal primaries, was killed by a blow on the back of his head at a beer party at Riverview Park early today. Sheriff Carl Ryder of Otoe county said, "Ryder said about a dozen persons were present when Sweeney was killed. One witness, Ryder said, told him Sweeney was struck down by a blow delivered with a partly filled beer bottle in the hands of Robert Lee, Nebraska City, employe at the Martin Bomber plant, Fort Crook."

Lee, Ryder said, told him he merely pushed the heavy Sweeney and the latter fell to the cement floor, striking his head. Lee, Ryder said, told him he merely that trouble started when two girls and Mrs. Ola Adkins, at whose home Sweeney lived, got into an altercation and Sweeney tried to separate them.

County Attorney B. M. Spencerpaneled a coroners jury to decide the cause of the death. Sweeney was survived by his estranged wife and a son and daughter.

Burlington To Aid War Bond Drive In County

Railroad Company to Allocate \$10,000.000 to Cass County for the Fifth War Loan

The Burlington railroad is doing its part as usual in the War Loan drive financially as well as in serving in getting troops and supplies to the needed points. The railroad company has purchased \$5,315,000 of the bonds and is having these divided among the various counties through which the railroad passes.

The company has announced that \$10,000 has been designated as the share of Cass county in the railroad allotment.

In addition Burlington employes in all lines of the service are purchasing large numbers of war bonds by cash subscription and through the payroll deduction plan, all of which are credited to the county in which the employe resides.

VISITS HISTORIC LONDON

A letter from Lt. Milfred Smith to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Ray Smith, last week, told of a recent furlough of two days which he spent in London, where he visited historical buildings, and interesting places. He spoke especially about the streets of London. He said that there didn't seem to be a straight street in the city. The first of April was Lt. Smith's birthday, and he said that he was just then receiving birthday cards from his friends over here. Already he had received fifty of these cards and they were still coming.

Funeral Of Mrs. Snyder

The funeral services for Mrs. Barbara Snyder were held on Saturday morning from the Caldwell funeral home at 7th and Oak streets to the St. John's Catholic church, where the requiem mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Monsignor George Aguir, pastor of the church, bringing the last rites of the church to the departed.

During the church service John J. Cloidt gave three numbers, "O Love Divine," "There Is No Heart Like Thine," and "Thy Will Be Done," Mrs. Cloidt being the accompanist.

The interment was at the Horning cemetery south of the city beside the husband that had preceded her in death several years ago. The pallbearers were from the old friends and neighbors of the community where the Snyder family had long resided, Sam T. Gilmour, Fred Spangler, Ralph Doud, R. C. Cook, Mike Lutz and John Meisinger.

Rev. Wallace Pomplun to Fill Large Post in the Religious Life of Cass County

At Bellevue recently, a beautiful chapel was built by the members of the Christian church, and from that church came a young man, Wallace Pomplun, to care for the Weeping Water church, which was without a pastor. Wallace Pomplun is employed in the Ft. Crook Dough plant. For most people the work would be enough for one man, for each day, but not so for this young man. In the few weeks which he has been in Weeping Water, he has greatly strengthened the church and organized a strong Christian Endeavor society. From this society workers have gone to Bellevue to assist in the music at the Bellevue church during their recent series of meetings. They are also assisting in the organization of a young peoples society at Louisville, and have spent two Sunday evenings there. Beginning next Sunday Rev. Pomplun will preach at Louisville at 10 o'clock each Sunday. Sunday, June 18, which was also Father's day, Wallace Pomplun was ordained as pastor in the Weeping Water church, with Rev. J. G. Alber, state secretary of Christian churches in charge of the ordination. He was assisted by the deacons of the local church. Following the observance of the Lord's Supper, Harold A. Harman sang "The Holy City" accompanied by Mrs. Harman. The young peoples choir led the hymns. Rev. Alber took as his subject "Uplifted Hands," using as the basis for his subject, Ephesians 4:11, "And he gave some, to be Apostles, and some prophets, and some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers," and likened a pastor to Moses, whose uplifted hands had to be held up by others, at times, when he must have help from his members. Rev. Albers said that if the going out of this young man from the Bellevue Chapel were its only mission then it would have paid for all money, labor, and love expended on the building. The young minister's response was in a most serious and reverent mood. The services closed with the song, "Jesus is Tenderly Calling." At the close of the service all present were invited to attend a basket dinner in the basement of the church, when a social hour followed the dinner, with Miss Nina Freeman leading the group singing. She was assisted by the men's quartet. Present at the services and at the dinner were guests from Bellevue, Louisville, Greenwood and Lincoln. Accompanying Rev. Pomplun here from Bellevue were his wife and small daughter, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Pomplun, Sr. Others coming from Bellevue were Mrs. Marvin Myditt, two sons and one daughter, and Mrs. Bilda Derksen. From Greenwood came Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ward. From Louisville came Miss Marjory Twiss, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Eager, Miss Daisy Schlater, Mrs. Herbert Mason and three daughters, Audrey, Thelma and Janice; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Merriam, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Koop and son, Cloidt; Mrs. Don Urwin, Miss Betty Graham and Miss Betty Wood. The printed programs for the occasion contained a poem which Rev. Pomplun dedicated to Wallace Pomplun, Sr., as a Father's day message and written by Mrs. Pomplun, Sr., to her son who is in the army, as follows: May God be with you, son of mine, From taps to reveille, And then till taps shall sound again, May He abide with thee, And when we awaken to the sound Of God's own reveille, May we walk hand in hand, In Christian victory.

Visits Home Folks

Pfc. Ronald Rebal, who is a student in the University of Nebraska medical college at Omaha, was here Sunday for a few hours visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Rebal. The work at the medical school is continuing thru the summer due to the war needs, the students being given a strenuous course of study.