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DECLARES REDEPLOYMENT FROM EUROPE TO BE COMPLETED BY FALL--AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

The giant British liner Queen Mary arrived on Wednesday in New York carrying 14,000 more American troops to be transferred to the war in the Pacific. Almost simultaneous with the arrival of the Yank fighting men in New York came an announcement from Allied headquarters in Paris that the redeployment of 2,500,000 U.S. soldiers to the Pacific, originally scheduled to take one year, has been speeded up and should be completed by fall.

In Washington Wednesday the commander of the Canadian 6th division disclosed that his force will begin training for the Pacific war in September at Camp Breckenridge, Ky. Maj. Gen. Hoffmeister, veteran of European fighting, said some 28,000 Canadians, all European vets, have already volunteered for Pacific service. A new Canadian air force will also join the Allies in the Pacific. Meantime at the Army's combat training center in Hawaii, a limited number of Canadian vets are studying U.S. jungle training. When they have completed their course they will return to Canada to instruct other troops bound for the Pacific.

Reports from Greece and the Netherlands reveal an increasing European participation in the war against Japan. The Athens radio announced that 2,750 Greeks have volunteered to fight the Japs while in the Netherlands four new offices were opened in The Hague to register volunteers for the Pacific. Five hundred applications were received in the first two hours.

JAPS ON OKINAWA NOW HERDED INTO THREE TINY POCKETS; NIP LOSSES 90,000

The campaign on Okinawa has reached its last stage and Japanese remnants have been herded into three tiny pockets along the southern coast of the island. The enemy has been compressed into areas so tight that the Americans have ceased their heavy artillery fire to prevent hitting their own men. In the 81st day of fighting on the island 87,343 enemy troops have been killed and 2,565 taken prisoner, a total of 89,908. Jap casualties represent a loss of more than 1,000 men daily since the campaign opened.

The Japanese have been squeezed into a 1,000-square-yard area against the sea at the southern tip of the island. A second pocket only 1,200 yards in diameter is encircled by the Americans to the north around Makabe while a third pocket west of Makabe is also surrounded. An estimated 2,000 Japanese are still left on the island and are clinging to caves and pillboxes.

Navy planes, again carrying the attack on enemy shipping into Japan's home waters, sank a passenger ship and two big freighters in the east China sea. Other air patrols struck at Japanese bases in the Marshalls and on Yap. For the third straight day more than 50 Liberators unloaded tons of explosives on docks and rail factories at the north Formosa port of Keelung. Other air patrols again struck war industries at Shanghai and swept down the China coast to hit docks at Canton and communications on Hainan island.

YANKS GAIN TEN MORE MILES IN CAGAYAN VALLEY, ARE 100 MILES FROM APARRI

The 37th Infantry division met little serious opposition while gaining ten more miles in its northward race through the Cagayan valley of northeast Luzon. The Americans captured the river junction town of Ilagan and its airstrip while the Japs fell back toward the northern Luzon port of Aparri, 100 miles away. American-led Filipino patriots are guarding any outlet for the Japs to the north.

To the south and west 6th and 25th Infantry division troops mopped up Jap remnants while the 38th Infantry division and the 1st Cavalry killed more Japs east of Manila. Filipino patriots on Mindanao captured Bialo while other units continued to mop up isolated Japanese troops in the center of the island.

EISENHOWER CALLS FOR UNIFIED COMMAND OF ARMY, NAVY AND AIR FORCE

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in an address to the cadets at West Point Wednesday said, "The Army, Navy and Air Force must be a unit and if I had my way they'd all be in the same uniform." Then he added, "Of course I don't suppose Congress and the big brass hats would ever agree to that." The Supreme commander also told the Pointers that the Navy does not really wear "tails and horns." They are pretty good when you get to know them and you must get to know them, the General said.

Eisenhower's return to the U.S. Military academy was just 30 years after he was graduated there as second lieutenant. This time he was honored with a 17-gun salute and ruffles and flourishes of a five-star general. High point of the reception came when the cadet corps, clad in khaki and steel helmets, rather than their traditional gray, passed in review before Eisenhower.

SAN FRANCISCO PARLEY ON WORLD SECURITY TO CLOSE TUESDAY

Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius announced Thursday that the United Nations conference at San Francisco will end next Tuesday, two months and one day after its opening, and that President Truman, now on a short vacation in the Pacific northwest, will address the closing session. The charter for the new world organization probably will be signed by delegates of 50 nations on Monday.

The end of the conference was speeded by Russian acceptance of a compromise on what the 50-nation assembly of the new world organization can talk about. The Soviets agreed to a compromise which will allow the assembly to debate anything within the sphere of the world charter.

NEWS FROM THE SPORTS WORLD Baseball: NL: Leo Durocher's high-flying Dodgers continued their winning ways and increased their hold on first place to three full games over the 2d place Pirates by snapping up a twin bill from the lowly Phillies. The scores were: Dodgers (Herring 1-0) 4, Phils (R. Barrett 4-2) 2 and Dodgers (Davis 6-5) 8, Phils (Lemay) 1...The Chicago Cubs defeated the Pirates 5-3 jumping from 5th to 3d and passing the Giants and Cards. Bob Chipman and Claude Passeau combined their pitching skills to let the Bucs down with four hits. Babe Dahlgren for the Bucs and Phil Cavarretta of the Bruins hit for the circuit...Mel Ott's problem mounted as his Giants took it on the chin for the 19th time in their last 23 games to tumble into 5th place just a game ahead of the Braves who conquered them Wednesday 15-10. Homers by Butch Nieman and Joe Mack paced Boston's 15-hit offensive while Denny Gardella with a pair and Johnny Eucker homered for the losers, who made 16 bingles...AL: Tigers (Newhouse 10-4) 5, Indians (Smith 1-6) 0 - Win places Bengals 2½ games ahead of idle Yanks; White Sox (Lopat 3-6) 4, Browns (Hollingsworth 2-4) 1 - 3th setback in last 11 contests for AL champs; Senators (Haefner 4-6) 7, Athletics (Newson 1-8) 5...Minors: IL: Toronto 9-4, Newark 5-0; Roch 5-5, Balt 0-12; Buffalo 4-8, J City 3-4; Montreal 9, Syracuse 8...AA: Mpls 3-5, L'ville 1-4; Toledo 7, K City 4; Mil'kee 9, Col. 8...PCL: Seattle 5, S Diego 0; Sacs 2, Portland 0; Hollywood 8, Frisco 0...SA: Mobile 7, L Rock 6; Birm 4, Atlanta 2; Chatt 7, Nash 6; Memphis 2, N Orleans 1...EL: Albany 5-4, Bing 0-6; Utica 4-5, Hartford 0-7; Wimsport 4, Elmira 2. (See additional sports on page 3)

NEWS BRIEFS FROM AROUND THE WORLD Ten thousand soldiers, mostly combat troops, are being sent to Chicago to help end a strike of truckers which has resulted in the government seizure and operation of 1,700 shipping lines. Already more than 4,200 military police and Army drivers are on duty... The War Production board announced Wednesday it will permit nine auto firms to make 691,000 new passenger cars in nine months after July 1 with 241,000 of them to be made in the last six months of 1945. The WPB will permit General Motors to make 95,000 cars, Chrysler 49,000 and Ford 39,000...On Borneo Australian forces have secured the area on both sides of the entrance to Brunei bay after making an unopposed landing on the north head of the bay five miles from the shore of Labuan island... Moscow announced that 12 of the 16 Polish underground leaders charged with subversive activities have been convicted and sentenced to terms ranging from six months to ten years. Three were acquitted and the trial of the fourth postponed because of illness. Heaviest sentence of ten years was dealt out to the Polish home army commander...Total bond purchases in the Seventh War drive are nearly 1¼ billion, one billion short of the quota.

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