Widely Separated Jap Isles Bombed

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, PEARL HARBOR — (AP) — Japan's screen of Pacific islands has been bombed again at both its ends and near the center—at the Kuriles in the north, Iwo Jima, 700 miles south of Tokyo, and Spice Islands on the equator.

Adverse weather limited the air war in the New Guinea-Caroline sector, but far to the west, heavy bombers from China bombed Takao, Formosa, and sank three freighters between Formosa and the China coast, to add to hammer blows from every direction.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today that Liberator and Mitchell bombers, continuing attacks which have paralyzed Halmahera as a Japanese base, raided both Halmahera and Ternate in the Spice Islands repeatedly Monday, through heavy antiaircraft fire. The bombs set warehouses afire and exploded ammunition dumps.

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South of Halmahera, toward Ceram, air patrols sank eight coastal craft—"small sailing vessels."

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced meanwhile that Army Liberators hit Japanese shipping near Paramushiro in the Kuriles Friday and also bombed the air strip at Suribachi. They fought off fifteen to twenty enemy planes, shooting down at least three and possibly eight.

Navy search planes bombed installations on Shumushu and on Atsuto Island off northern Paramushiro Saturday. They also sank a patrol ship.

Marianas-based bombers raided Iwo Jima, in the Volcano group, Pagan in the northern Marianas, and Rota Island, south of Saipan, Sunday. One of the Liberators which plastered Iwo's airfield with more than 35 tons of bombs was shot down by aggressive enemy fighters.

Despite unfavorable weather, other planes attacked by-passed Japanese positions on New Guinea, New Britain, New Ireland, Bougainville, Palau, the Marshalls and Nauru.

Carbon melts at 3,500 degrees centigrade.

Umstead To Lead Party

RALEIGH—(AP)—North Carolina's National and State Democratic campaign will be in the hands of former Rep. William B. Umstead of Durham.

Umstead was elected without opposition at a two-hour meeting of the State Executive Committee. Mrs. B. S. Everett of Palmyra was named vice-chairman.

The chairman, who succeeds Monroe M. Redden of Hendersonville, successfully steered Clyde Cherry's campaign for the Democratic nomination for Governor last Spring.

Mrs. Everett has served as chairman for the past two years.

Introduced at the meeting were Cherry and L. Y. Ballentine of Fuquay-Varina, Democratic nominee for Lieutenant Governor.

Cherry told the meeting that he is certain the machinery of the party will function smoothly during the coming campaign.

"The next four years will be among the most crucial in the history of our state," Cherry continued. "It behooves all North Carolinians to join in making this state a fit place to receive the sons and daughters now scattered over the battlefields of the world."

Vause Appointed To Manpower Job

W. P. Vause of the Duke Power Co., has accepted appointment by the Secretary of Labor as local area director for the campaign of the National Committee for the Conservation of Manpower in War Industries. The purpose of the campaign is to reduce by 40 per cent the 2,500,000 accidents in war plants which in 1943 appreciably hampered war production. The goal is to cut this accident total by 1,000,000 through encouraging better safety programs in war plants.

Mr. Vause has taught safety courses in State College and in war plants and is ideally qualified to direct the local operations of the committee.

Thrasher Is Named To Post At Ivey's

New buyer and manager of the shoe department of J. B. Ivey & Co. is George C. Thrasher, formerly of Roanoke, Va. David Ovens vice-president and general manager, in announcing the name of the new manager pointed out that he has had a number of years of experience in handling better shoes for women and children.

WHERE THE NAZIS HOLD AMERICAN PRISONERS—American nationals held captive by the Germans are interned at various camps shown on the map above. Dulag means a transient camp; Stalag, a permanent camp for non-coms or privates, or base camp for labor detachments. Oflag is a permanent camp for officers; Milag, a camp for enlisted men; Ilag, a camp for civilians, and Lazarett a camp for

War Correspondent Reported Captured

LONDON — (AP) — Gault MacGowan, veteran New York Sun correspondent, was reported by the Germans today to have been captured near Chartres on the road to Paris.

Apparently he ventured beyond the Allied lines once too often.

The Germans said, they took MacGowan to Paris after a shooting scrape in which a companion was wounded. Correspondents usually travel in pairs on the U. S. Army front and it is quite possible that his companion was another American correspondent, yet unnamed.

In his recent trip across the Brest Peninsula, MacGowan discussed reports that virtually no Germans were defending Paris and said:

"I wonder if it is true that you can drive into Paris in a taxicab?"

MacGowan always was going to the front lines and beyond in search of colorful material.

MADE TRIP

Just five days ago MacGowan made a long trip across the Brest Peninsula to the [illegible] dent with Associated Press correspondent Wes [illegible] ing he [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]