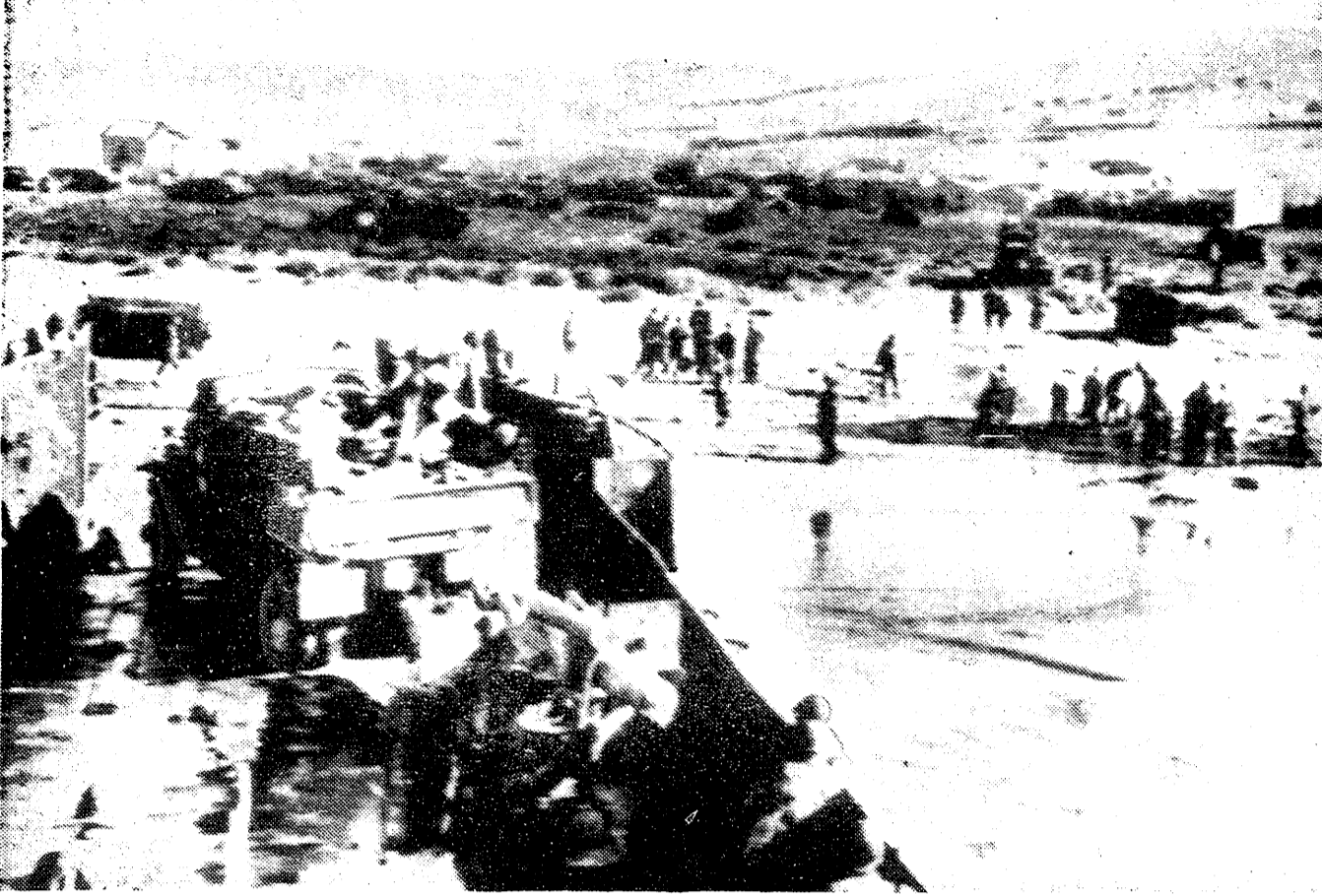


# INVADERS SPREAD OWN 'WELCOME' MAT . A. P. Wirephotos

## U. S. ADVANCE TROOPS ON SICILY BEACH

(Transatlantic radio transmission impaired the clearness of this photograph.)



## Sues Fonda



**ACCUSER**—Barbara Thompson, 25 years old, blue-eyed brunette, who yesterday told reporters at Long Beach, Calif., that she met Henry Fonda, the screen actor, whom she has sued for support of her 3-week-old daughter, at Imperial, Calif., in September, 1942, while he was on location for a movie. Her suit demands Fonda pay \$2,000 monthly for the support of the child and \$17,500 for various expenses. Fonda, now a quartermaster, 3rd class, in the Navy, has denied paternity of the child. He is stationed at Bremerton.—A. P. wirephoto.

## EX-HEAD HUNTER'S NEW GAME



**IN NEW GUINEA**—A native of a Papuan infantry unit trains with a Bren gun on the range at his camp. The Papuans once were head hunters. Allied troops were reported today to be closing in on Mubo, near Salamaua, on the Papuan Peninsula, in the left flank attack of the current Allied South Pacific drive.—A. P. wirephoto.

## TORPEDOED SEAMEN



**IN CHARLESTON, S. C.**—These blanket-clad seamen were among 75 survivors from the crew of a medium-sized merchant ship who were landed after their vessel was torpedoed in the Atlantic. Left to right: Omar Jones, Jr., of Philadelphia; Gregory J. Stilwagen of Hempstead, L. I., and Drayton W. Ivins, Jr., of Oklahoma City. Three members of the crew were lost.—A. P. wirephoto from U. S. Navy.

**PREPARING THE WAY**—Spreading their own "welcome" mat. United States troops go ashore on a beach on the island of Sicily in the initial thrust that is carrying Allied forces into Italian territory. A truck, with its gun-carrying trailer, swings onto the ramp of this landing barge while troops ashore prepare the beach for quick dispersal of mobile units. Note men in center laying mat in sand for units to travel on, while just above and to the right a bulldozer is in operation, making a road to higher ground.—A. P. wirephoto from United States Army Signal Corps, transmitted by radio.

## IN DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

**WASHINGTON, July 15.**—(AP)—The coroner listed as murder-and suicide today the deaths of William Knox Chandler, 42 years old, employed in the Office of Strategic Services (O. S. S.), and Rosemary Sidley, 31-year-old former Chicago debutante, who had been working at the O. S. S. as a government stenographer for the last several months.



Police said the shooting, which occurred last Monday night in a sitting room of Miss Sidley's rooming house, followed a "jealous argument," heard by other occupants of the house just prior to the sound of two pistol shots. Miss Sidley was found shot in the chest, and Chandler fatally wounded by a bullet through the head. Coroner A. Magruder Macdonald said Chandler, married and the father of two children, apparently shot Miss Sidley and then himself. A police investigation indicated that Chandler, supervisor of the office in which Miss Sidley worked, left his home in nearby Clinton, Md., Monday evening and drove to the young woman's rooming house in Northwest Washington. Advised Miss Sidley was not in, he waited in the sitting room until she arrived. The argument and shooting followed.

Chandler originally came here last year from Nashville, Tenn. Miss Sidley was identified after the shooting as the daughter of Mrs. Irene Sidley, for many years a social leader in Chicago, where Miss Sidley made her debut in 1929. She eloped in 1932 with Charles Ingram Bernard 3rd, but they were subsequently divorced. There was no immediate explanation available why Miss Sidley had been working here as a stenographer. The letter "Z" is the least used in the English alphabet.

**LOS ANGELES, July 15.**—(AP)—Henry Fonda, screen actor, has denied categorically, through his wife and naval authorities where he is stationed, that he is the father of a daughter born three weeks ago to Mrs. Barbara Thompson, 25-year-old brunette divorcee.

The denials were in answer to Mrs. Thompson's suit asserting Fonda is the father of the girl she named Sharon Fonda and demanding that he pay \$5,000 medical expenses, \$10,000 attorney fees, \$2,500 court costs and \$2,000 monthly support.

Fonda, now a Navy quartermaster, third class, attached to a destroyer, telephoned his wife yesterday from Seattle. Mrs. Fonda, the former Frances Brokaw, reported this conversation: "Henry told me he didn't know the girl and had never met her. He denied the charges emphatically and said the suit was ridiculous."

Mrs. Fonda, declaring that she believed her husband, stated that Navy officials had shown him pictures of Mrs. Thompson and that the actor asserted he had never seen the woman.

From the Bremerton, Wash., Navy Yard's public relations office also came the statement that Fonda, awaiting assignment to a combat zone, has denied Mrs. Thompson's charges.

In a press conference at the office of her attorney yesterday, Mrs. Thompson told news men she met Fonda at Imperial, Calif., in September, 1942, while he was on movie location.

Mrs. Thompson is the mother of three other children, Ernest, 7, and Jo Anne and Carole Ann, 6-year-old twins. Court records disclosed she was divorced August 13, 1942, from Oliver C. Thompson, 35, then a naval warrant officer.

## Family Lives in Jap School

**VANCOUVER, B. C., July 15.**—Childish voices are echoing again in a former Jap school in Vancouver's Japtown. They're voices of white youngsters, however, and the children aren't bent over school desks. They're living there. Due to the housing shortage, a family with nine children, ranging in age from 1 year to 16, have taken up their residence in the former school.

## SICILY ADVANCES AHEAD OF TIME

—Says Patterson

**WASHINGTON, July 15.**—(AP)—The Sicilian campaign is progressing far ahead of schedule, but sharp fighting and heavy casualties must be expected when the imminent battle comes with strong Axis forces on the island, Undersecretary of War Patterson reported today.

Patterson said the present phase of the campaign calls for "consolidation and enlargement of our beachheads, reinforcing and supplying our troops advancing inland in preparation to meet the inevitable counter-attack by mobile forces of the Axis."

Patterson said at his press conference that the "good fortune" by which heavy casualties were escaped in the first few days of the campaign "may not be repeated in subsequent operations."

Patterson warned against considering the campaign on Sicily as the opening of a "second front," saying "I would rather think of it as the first step in liberating Europe."

The invasion and ultimate conquest of Sicily, Patterson said, would be a great step toward victory, "but it won't be quick or easy. Sicily, after all, is a long way from Berlin and Tokyo."

Turning to the Pacific phase of the global war, Patterson said that other steps toward victory were being taken in advances against the Japanese air base at Munda on New Georgia Island in the Solomons but that "enemy resistance stiffening and heavy fighting may be expected." In New Guinea, where General MacArthur's forces are driving toward Salamaua, he said that ground activity has been confined principally to sharp patrol clashes while in the air daily raids are being made upon enemy positions.

Superiority over the Japanese both at sea and in the air in the South Pacific, Patterson continued, have been demonstrated by two victories for United States naval forces over Japanese warships in the Solomons in the past week and by inability of the Japanese to "match our flyers and planes."

## Elks Award \$100 Prize To Asotin Girl

BOSTON, July 15.—(AP)—The Elks' 79th Grand Lodge session yesterday awarded ten scholarships to boys and ten to girls for outstanding intellectual achievements, with prizes ranging from \$100 to \$600.

The awards, announced by Raymond Benjamin, past grand exalted ruler, included:

**Boys:** Don V. Harris, Jr., of Bluffton, Ind., first prize of \$600; John H. Muehlstein of Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., second, \$500; Charles Edwin Horning of Wallace, Idaho, third, \$400; Stanley Morgan of Salt Lake City, fourth, \$300; David Malcolm Logan of White River Junction, Vt., fifth, \$200.

**Girls:** Dorothy Nauss Perkins of Boston, first, \$600; Babette de Bary of Leonia, N. J., second, \$500; Mary Catherine McMillion of Gettysburg, Pa., third, \$400; Vera Fowell of Riverville, W. Va., fourth, \$300; Florence Marie Ubertini of Cortland, N. Y., fifth, \$200.

Prizes of \$100 each were awarded to Joseph Warren Fockler of Sistersville, W. Va.; Joseph Smith of Salt Lake City; Keith Grim of Clarkston, Asotin County, Wash.; Dwight Schroeder of Santa Ana, Calif.; Paul Stillwell of Aberdeen, S. D.; Lois Benson of Omaha, Neb.; Margaret Hill of Greeley, Colo.; Mary Louise Price of Tunkhannock, Pa.; Marie E. Elbersson of Mount Holly, N. J., and Dorothy E. Caldwell of New Castle, Ind.

## Keys in Cars Bring Fines

**TULSA, Okla., July 15.**—(AP)—Tulsa motorists who leave ignition keys in their automobiles are finding traffic tickets on their return. Police, plagued by a wave of automobile thefts by teen-agers, are starting enforcement of a city ordinance which calls for a fine of up to \$20 for failing to remove keys from a car.

Volunteer "shock troops" of business men, women, boys and girls in Walworth County, South Dakota, harvested more than 6,000 acres of grain last year when the county crops were threatened by a labor shortage.

## SHIPPING GAINED AT MARTINIQUE

**WASHINGTON, July 15.**—(AP)—The United Nations should gain almost immediately about 140,000 tons of merchant shipping as a result of the change in political control at Martinique, but the warships there are unlikely to go into service for many months.

Naval sources here place the shipping total in Martinique at eight tankers and two dry-cargo vessels. The warships are the aircraft carrier Bearn, the old training cruiser Jeanne d'Arc, the light cruiser Emile Bertin and the merchant cruiser (converted merchant ship) Barfleur.

The four warships were demilitarized in the spring of 1942. Parts of propulsion machinery and vital elements of gun mechanisms were removed to Casablanca, where they later fell into American hands.

The merchant ships remained in commission but ran short of fuel. These vessels, Secretary Knox said recently, probably could be made useful quickly. The tankers especially will be valuable.

There is no optimism here, however, over early addition of the warships to Allied forces. The Bearn has several squadrons of planes, but Knox said they have deteriorated. The Bearn and Bertin will need extensive overhauling and while the Jeanne d'Arc may become a Free French training ship it probably never will have much use in combat.

Knox estimated it would take "a long time" to get the French warships in working order. Additional time will be required to train squadrons to operate from the carrier if she is employed in battle action, rather than for ferry purposes. Since a carrier would be a valuable addition to the naval forces of Free France, the expectation here is that the Bearn eventually, possibly a year or so from now, will get into combat service.

To celebrate the 400th anniversary of the death of Copernicus, a copy of the first edition of his book, delivered to him on his deathbed, was displayed recently in a London library.

# NEW RICHMOND HOTEL, ARMY HOSPITAL, RECEIVES FIRST PATIENTS -- ATTU WOUNDED DECORATED



The New Richmond Hotel, converted into a military hospital, was officially taken over today by the Ninth Service Command. Left—Soldiers injured in Alaska arrived at the hospital yesterday. In the group of 54 was a wounded veteran of the fight to dislodge the Japs from Attu. The soldiers on crutches were injured on duty at their Alaska posts, one in a truck accident, the other in a jump off a ledge. Right—In the gleaming surgery, inspecting the new equipment recently installed, are (left to right) Lieut. Col. H. T. Gentle, commanding officer of the hospital for the Ninth Service Command; Col. Louis Brechemin, Jr., port surgeon for the Seattle Port of Embarkation; Merrie Claire Northrup, secretary to Colonel Gentle, and Capt. George W. Garner, hospital adjutant.



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These six veterans of the Attu campaign, all wounded in action, were awarded the Order of Purple Heart this week in ceremonies at Baxter General Military Hospital in Spokane. They are, left to right, Corp. Arthur Carpenter, Yachats, Or.; Pfc. Gairald A. Hansen, Sidney, Mont.; Pvt. Donald W. Havens, Moscow, Idaho; Pfc. Samuel J. Hutson, Parkdale, Or.; Pvt. Glenn D. West, Glendora, Calif., and Pfc. Donald B. White, Shelton, Mason County.—A. P. photo.

One of Seattle's landmark hotels, the New Richmond, 308 Fourth Ave. S., today became the newest hospital in the Ninth Service Command when operation of the medical center, renamed the Seattle Area Station Hospital, was turned over to its new command by the Seattle Port of Embarkation. The hotel was taken over by

the Army last March for conversion to a military hospital. That conversion has been completed, and what was once a haven of rest for the weary traveler now offers rest and comfort for the wounded or sick soldier. The spacious lobby through which thousands of guests and travelers had passed since the hotel was

opened in 1912 now is a mess hall for patients and hospital personnel. The old marble-walled banquet hall has, under the pressure of war necessity, become a modern and efficient kitchen. Even the hotel coffee shop did not escape change. The Army installed several big refrigerators and made a food-preparation room out of it. The balcony and mez-

anine were made over into administrative offices. Clinical facilities, including a pharmacy, surgery, dental clinic and X-ray room, occupy much of the building's second floor, along with administrative offices and a few ward rooms. Rooms on the third, fourth, fifth and sixth floors have been converted to ward rooms with a maximum of three beds in each. The

top three stories of the nine-story structure are quarters for the officers, nurses and enlisted personnel stationed at the hospital. A medical personnel of 145 is now on duty. Commanding officer of the new hospital is Lieut. Col. H. T. Gentle. The Seattle Port of Embarkation, which has operated the building as a port evacuation hospital since renovation was completed June 16,

officially turned it over for use of the Ninth Service Command today. Col. Louis Brechemin, Jr., port surgeon for the S. P. O. E., has been in charge of the institution. Colonel Gentle pointed out that the hospital would serve mainly as a "clearing house" for wounded soldiers moved here from the Alaskan battlefronts and to provide medical facilities for soldiers stationed with small units in the Seattle area. After treatment here, many will be transferred to hospitals in other sections of the country. Typical of many of the groups which will pass through the hospital were 54 sick, injured and wounded soldiers who arrived yesterday from Alaska. Among them was one wounded in the fighting for Attu, several who had been injured in accidents during their being in charge of the institution had become ill enough to require hospital treatment. The hospital has normal total of 359 patient beds, but in an emergency it can accommodate 600, Colonel Gentle said. In selecting a site for the hospital, much consideration was given, to the fact that a railroad spur track is located at the rear of the building. More than 20,000,000 gallons of ale was produced in New Zealand last year.

**Merry-Go-Round Animals 'Killed'**  
LONG BEACH, Calif., July 5.—(AP)—Twenty-four horses, a few camels and a couple of swans were destroyed yesterday as fire consumed the merry-go-round on the Long Beach Pike, where countless tourists have given children a ride since it was built in 1927. Loss to equipment and building was estimated at \$50,000, of which the \$20,000 value of the building was covered by insurance.