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ENDLESS ALLIED BOMBS LASH FRANKFURT, HANNOVER, BRUNSWICK

Bombs Also Add to Fires Razing Berlin

Allies Lose 71 Planes, Nazis 193; Red Armies Approach Baltic Goal

(By the Associated Press)
Berlin was bombed twice last night by "a very strong force" of British aircraft which delivered a concentrated load of explosives, setting great fires into which Mosquito planes dumped a second cargo of destruction.

As smoke and a fiery death glow rose high above the groggy nerve center of Hitler's Europe, still other British planes hit objectives in central and western Germany and mined enemy waters. In all operations the RAF lost 33 aircraft.

U. S. army headquarters in London announced that American planes had dumped 3,800 tons of bombs on Germany in the 48 hours ended Sunday in which Frankfurt, Hannover and Brunswick were pounded.

Large fleets of allied bombers and fighters struck toward northern France in daylight, sustaining the greatest aerial offensive in all history. Last night's bomb load on Berlin was estimated around 1,500 long tons, raising the three-day total of explosives dropped on the enemy to well over 8,000 tons. German reports said the center of Berlin has been hit hard.

The Berlin attack followed U. S. blows at the central German cities of Brunswick and Hannover Sunday. An estimated 800 bombers and about the same number of fighters dumped about 1,800 tons of explosives, the same weight by from the same sized force which the day before had mortally wounded Frankfurt, according to Stockholm advices. The blows at Brunswick and

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THIS writer has the feeling that the head-on jam between Britain and Russia, over Poland, that has developed during the past week is symptomatic of a lot of things to come.

BRITAIN is committed to Poland.

It was because of Poland that Britain went to war—quite helplessly at the time, because nothing that Britain could do was of help to the Poles when Hitler overran them in his first startling, stunning blitz. She had to sit by and watch them stamped into the earth.

But at least she made the gallant gesture of declaring war on Germany.

BECAUSE of the helplessness of her position THEN, Britain must do something for Poland NOW—because it isn't good for British prestige to start something and never make a move to FINISH it.

Such things don't attract allies to her side, and in the world after this war Britain is going to need European allies.

BRITAIN is committed to Poland in another way.

When the then Polish government made its way out of Poland during and after the German blitz, its members came to London—bringing with them at least a part of their national treasury.

It was at that time (and in the aggregate has been since) of advantage to Britain to have under her wing the exile governments of the countries that had been over-run by the nazis. For one

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Slated as Next Rotary President



Richard H. Wells, above, lumberman of Pocahontas, Idaho, has been named by the nominating committee of Rotary International to be its president for 1944-45. He will automatically take office July 1 unless a member club offers another candidate before April.

Ban on Jehovah's Children Selling Literature Upheld

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The supreme court upheld by a 5-4 vote today the constitutionality of a Massachusetts law prohibiting a parent or guardian from furnishing literature to a child for sale in any street or public place.

"Parents may be free to become martyrs themselves," Justice Rutledge said in the majority opinion, "but it does not follow they are free, in identical circumstances, to make martyrs of their children before they have reached the age of full and legal discretion when they can make that choice for themselves."

Validity of the law was challenged by Mrs. Sarah Prince of Brockton, a member of "Jehovah's Witnesses," who was convicted of supplying literature of this organization to her eight-year-old niece, for sale.

Justices Murphy, Jackson, Roberts and Frankfurter dissented.

"We think that with reference to the public proclaiming of religion, the power of the state to control the conduct of children reaches beyond the scope of its authority over adults, as if true in the case of other freedoms, and the rightful boundary of its power has not been crossed in this case," Justice Rutledge said.

Justice Murphy said in a dissenting opinion that "religious freedom is too sacred a right to be restricted or prohibited in any degree without convincing proof that a legitimate interest of the state is in grave danger."

Morse Endorsed for U. S. Senator by AFL

PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Wayne L. Morse's candidacy for the U. S. senate had the support of the Oregon State Federation of Labor today.

D. E. Nickerson, president, declared Saturday that Morse would restore to the senate "the dignity which Oregon possessed previous to 1939 when Holman entered."

Sen. Rufus Holman (R-Ore.) has announced he would seek reelection.

Drunk Charges Faced by Auto Driver and Wife

Laval Everett Medford was in custody here today on a charge of drunken driving and Adeline Mary Medford, his wife, was accused of being drunk on a public highway, following arrests by the state police Sunday. State Police Sergeant Paul Morgan reported. Arraignment was postponed pending their consultation with an attorney.

Yankees Knife Nazi Defenses Near Cassino

Record Bag in Italy of 63 Planes Also Scored; Foe Evacuating Rome

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Jan. 31.—(AP)—American infantry and tank teams, surprising the nazis with a thrust across the Rapido river bottom deliberately flooded by the Germans to form a barrier, have achieved a break through German defenses north of Cassino, allied headquarters announced today.

While American fighters and bombers scored a record bag in Italy in knocking down 63 German planes in a series of flattening assaults yesterday on four enemy air bases in northeastern Italy, British Tommies and American Rangers, with tanks and tank destroyer teams, fought a string of sharp actions along the perimeter of the Anzio bridgehead and enlarged their grip on the strategic wedge 19 or 20 miles below Rome.

The Germans evidently had gained time to prepare a line of defenses through the Alban hills along the railroad from Rome to Cassino, 26 miles southwest of the Eternal City, and the British and Americans were methodically blasting them out of haystacks, silos, farm buildings and villages hastily converted into camouflaged pillboxes and forts.

An enemy counterattack three miles southwest of the Apian way town of Cassino was repulsed by the beachhead forces. The Germans were reported digging in around this town, northeast of Anzio, in an effort to contain the allies.

Rome Sown with Mines

Even though fighting desperately on both land fronts and in the air, the Germans apparently were preparing for eventual withdrawal from Rome. Italians who fled from the capital said the major German forces had left after sowing great numbers of explosives and mines, leaving only demolition troops to set them off.

In more than a week of action, the allied forces in the beachhead have been unable to cut the Apian way. William Stoneman, representing the combined American press, said the initial advantage of the surprise landing had been lost and that there was possibility of "a pretty extensive stalemate."

4th WAR LOAN Let's All Back The Attack

War bond sales totalling \$5,500 marked the Fourth War Loan rally held Saturday night at Kellogg, H. C. Berg, vice-chairman of the county war finance committee, reported today. The program was arranged by Mabel Rader and Eldon Fisher, community war bond leaders for the Kellogg district. Motion pictures were shown by E. A. Britton, county 4-H club leader, and a brief talk was made by Mr. Berg. A similar meeting is being held tonight at Days Creek.

The plan of hotels of Roseburg to concentrate on sale of small denomination bonds during the Fourth War Loan campaign, was praised today by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., according to an announcement by J. A. Harding, public relations chairman of the American Hotel association. "The encouraging part of your plan is your willingness to concentrate on the man in the street who, with his volume purchases of small denomination bonds, can make this drive a really great success," Morgenthau said in his message to the hotelmen.

Slugging in Douglas Laid To Prisoner

Suspected Attacker of Autoist Near Yoncalla Nov. 19 Nabbed in Texas

Harold Lee Delcore, 26, of Los Angeles, is being held in custody at Greenville, Texas, on a warrant from Douglas county, charging armed assault and robbery. State Police Sergeant Paul Morgan announced here today. Delcore, Morgan stated, is accused of attacking E. A. Bvers, traveling salesman from Sookane, who was beaten and robbed Nov. 19, after picking up a hitch-hiker near Yoncalla.

Bvers told police he was forced at the point of a gun to drive his car into a side road, where he was knocked unconscious and thrown into the brush. His automobile, stripped of his personal belongings, was later found abandoned near Roseburg.

The arrest of Delcore, Morgan said, followed painstaking investigation, in which the Oregon State police had excellent cooperation from police authorities in California and Texas.

Crime Is Recounted
Believed to be a deserter from military service, Morgan stated, Delcore allegedly thumbed a ride from Bvers south of Yoncalla in the late evening of Nov. 19. At the intersection of the Rice creek road with the Pacific highway, the hitch-hiker produced a gun and forced Bvers to drive the car into the side road. The salesman was forced to get out of the automobile and was slugged over the head with the clubbed pistol and thrown into the brush beside the highway, while the auto-

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Carnival to Boost Bond Sale Planned By Roseburg High

The Roseburg senior high school is arranging a War bond carnival to be held Feb. 15, culminating the school's participation in the Fourth War Loan campaign. Miss Amanda Anderson, advisor to the student war bond council, reported today.

The carnival will include numerous booths and concessions, with admission payable in war stamps. Merchants are being solicited for articles to be used at an auction, which will be the principal feature of the event.

Preparatory to the carnival, the school is conducting a queen contest, with ballots available for each purchase of stamps or bonds. Arrangements also are being made for a student body assembly to be addressed by a war hero.

The school has as its goal the sale of \$15,000 worth of bonds, the equivalent to the cost of a training plane. Arrangements have been made whereby a nameplate will be affixed to a plane in recognition of the school's achievement, in the event the goal is reached.

The general public is invited to buy bonds through high school salesmen and also to attend the carnival, which will be held at 2:30 p. m., Feb. 15.

Slayer of Portland Woman Is Sought

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 31.—(AP)—Police today sought the slayer of Mrs. Anna Bell McNallen, 53, whose body, clad in nightgown and bathrobe, was found face down in a hallway of her apartment yesterday.

Gideon Snook, deputy coroner, said the base of her skull had been crushed. Police were called by the building manager after other tenants told of hearing a woman scream late Saturday night and cry "Don't! don't!"

Jap Brutality Described by Escaped Americans



Top photo—The two army officers and the navy officer who suffered for 361 days at the hands of Jap captors in the Philippines are pictured with Gen. Douglas MacArthur a few weeks after they escaped from a prison camp at Davao to bring back reports of unparalleled Jap bestiality that has resulted in starvation, torture and outright murder of more than 7700 American fighting men. Left to right: Lt. Col. (then Capt.) William E. Dyess, Albany, Tex., of the air corps and since killed in a Burbank, Cal., plane crash; Comdr. Melvyn H. McCoy, Indianapolis, Ind.; Gen. MacArthur; and Lt. Col. (then Maj.) S. M. Mellink, Dunmore, Pa., of the coast artillery corps. The three officers said the heroes of Bataan and Corregidor would never have surrendered "had they known the fate in store for them."

Lower photo—Fully corroborating the story of the three officers above of horrible Japanese treatment are three other escapees of Jap prison camps in the Philippines, all of them U. S. Marines, and pictured as follows, from left to right: Corp. Reid C. Chamberlain of El Cajon, Calif.; Maj. Jichiel Dobervitch of Ironton, Minn., and Maj. Jack Hawkins of Roxton, Tex.

"Hopkins Letter" Forgery is Denied

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—George N. Briggs pleaded innocent today to charges that he forged the celebrated "Hopkins letter."

Appearing to answer federal indictments which alleged forgery, false pretense and use of the mails to defraud, Briggs, former confidential aide to Interior Secretary Ickes, entered a disclaimer to all these charges.

The indictments against the suspended interior department employee alleged that he faked the so-called "Hopkins letter" which created a furore when it was made public by C. Nelson Sparks, Akron, O., republican leader and author of the anti-Willkie book "one-man—Wendell Willkie."

The letter, on White House stationery, bore the name of Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's close friend and adviser, and was so worded as to give an impression that some sort of understanding existed between Hopkins and Willkie.

Hopkins branded the letter a forgery. Willkie called it absurd. Sparks said he had accepted the letter from Briggs in good faith and had paid Briggs money in connection with the delivery.

Mrs. Donagh, Girlhood Resident Here, Passes

PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Mrs. Josephine May Donagh, 69, mother of United States Attorney Carl Donagh, died yesterday in a hospital of a heart ailment. She came to Oregon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Hawin, as a small girl and was educated in the Roseburg schools.

Program Prompted by Atrocities Would Strip Japan of Economic Ability to Ever Again Make War

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The American government's determination to impose a just but pitiless peace on Japan has been strengthened and hardened by the enemy's ruthless treatment of prisoners, it was learned today, and some ranking authorities are advocating a three-point program to strip the Japanese of their economic ability ever to make war again.

The main points of this program are:

1. Deprive the Japanese of all heavy industries which can be readily converted to munitions production.

2. Permit them to operate no merchant marine or commercial air fleets and to possess no ships larger than 1,000 tons capacity. This would limit their seafaring activities to fishing and small-scale trading.

3. Allow them to engage fully in the farming necessary to support their population.

Beyond these purely economic measures lie, of course, the post-war measures regarding Japan on which the United States has already agreed with its allies in the Pacific and Asia. These are to strip the Japs of their whole empire of conquest built up through half a century of aggression and to punish war criminals such as those military officials responsible for the atrocities inflicted on American prisoners in the Philippines.

Would Control Island Chain

In addition there is a belief in naval circles that the United States should have control of the Bonin islands or islands in that area for naval base use so long

as this country is committed to help maintain the peace in that part of the world. The Bonins lie in a chain running south from Japan to Guam. The Guam-Bonin line is the base of Japanese strategic dispositions in the Pacific.

In talking now of measures necessary to keep Japan from embarking on new aggressions in the years to come, military men stressed that the war in the Pacific still has a long way to go. Yet they feel that as the American people learn more of the nature of the enemy they are fighting they should also give consideration to the treatment of that enemy when he is defeated.

JAP CAMP RULE BY ARMY OR FBI IS DEMANDED

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The California legislature yesterday memorialized the president and congress to take Tule Lake Japanese war relocation center from the jurisdiction of the War Relocation authority and place it under either the army or the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

An assembly measure criticized "a policy of appeasement" in the camp administration by Robert B. Couzens, western regional director, and Camp Director Ray R. Best. It declared:

"It is unthinkable that the war relocation authority, after having evidenced a total lack of understanding of the Japanese problem on the Pacific coast and after having demonstrated its shocking incompetency to administer the Tule Lake relocation center, be permitted to continue in control of the center or any Japanese personnel anywhere."

Naval Fleet, Planes Pound Nippon Base

Fourteen Enemy Ships Sunk by Submarines, Navy Dept. Announces

(By the Associated Press)
American forces cracked down on the Japanese defenders of the Marshall island with terrific power yesterday dumping shells and aerial bombs in pre-invasion numbers.

It was the second consecutive day of assault by ships and planes on the Central Pacific islands the Japs have had 25 years to fortify. Admiral Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander, in a communique from Pearl Harbor, said last night that surface forces, probably battleships, cruisers and destroyers, moved within 10 to 20 miles of the atolls to pound their installations with thousands of shells.

A Tokyo broadcast beamed to North America asserted "Japanese army and navy units have intercepted powerful enemy units which have been attacking the Marshall group since the morning of Jan. 30 and fierce fighting is now going on."

Aside from the brief communique, no details of the actions were reported. Radio silence was enforced at sea for the protection of scores of ships and thousands of men thrusting their way into the heart of the enemy's island stronghold—a chain of islands the foe has been fortifying since the first World war.

14 Jap Ships Sunk

During the progress of the current showdown, the navy department at Washington reported today the sinking of 14 Japanese ships, some of which may have been endeavoring to reinforce enemy positions in the Marshall islands.

All of the Japanese ships went down after attacks by far-ranging American submarines, but just where the submarines struck was not disclosed in the brief communique reporting their latest bag.

Two large transports, which could have been carrying troops for enemy positions in the Marshalls, were included among the 14 ships downed by American torpedoes.

The total also included eight freighters presumably laden with badly needed supplies for enemy bases.

The new report of damage to the battered Japanese merchant fleet brings to 572 the number of enemy ships sunk, probably sunk or damaged by submarine action since the Pacific war started.

Of that number, 422 have been sunk, 36 probably were sunk and 114 damaged.

Things aren't going so well for the Nipponese on other fronts, Friday morning and evening American planes continued their

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Oregon Bond Sales Lag In Drive's First Half

PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Oregon's bond sales lagged today as the first half of the drive closed with the war chest only 31 per cent filled.

State bond officials predicted, however, that a speeded-up campaign in the next two weeks would boost the \$31,034,279 total to date to the full \$99,000,000 quota.

The two counties which climbed over the top last week continued forging ahead—Grant county to 111.2 per cent of its quota, and Jefferson to 109.7 per cent.

E bond sales throughout the state reached \$13,869,016—38.5 per cent of the goal.

Truck Kills Boy On Eve of Kin's Birthday

ALBANY, Ore., Jan. 31.—(AP)—Instead of celebrating her birthday yesterday, Mrs. Roy Thompson of Crabtree helped make arrangements for the funeral of her eight-year-old grandson.

The boy, Richard Bernard Mary, ran across the road for the mail Saturday as she was making preparations to celebrate her birthday. She looked out of her kitchen window just as he was run over by a truck.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Rosenblatt

Hitler's latest mouthing is that Germany must win the war to preserve the civilization of Europe. Just as the Japanese are trying to do to preserve the civilization of Asia. Hail to the 20th century Aryan crusadism!