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Americans Punch Four Mile Breach in German Defenses On Normandy Battle Front

Combat Of Armor Staged In Marigny

Foe Halts British Thrust Below Caen; Reich Cities Bombed by Air Fleets

(By the Associated Press.)

American armored forces punched a breach four miles deep on a two and one-half mile sector of the Normandy front west of St. Lo today.

With sharpshooting doughboys riding on top, U. S. tanks smashed into Marigny, strategic hub of secondary roads flanking the St. Lo-Coutances trunk highway and threatened with entrapment Germans on the St. Lo-Periers road to the north. The Americans slugged it out with strong German armored forces in the streets of Marigny. The Germans threw in 52-ton Tiger tanks in an effort to stem the American drive. Other American forces captured La Chapelle-en-Juger below the St. Lo-Periers road.

Waves of American bombers blasted a path for the advance. On the Russian front, U. S. planes operating from bases in Russia gave tactical support for the first time to the red army's drive westward, and U. S. bombers from Italy attacked military installations at Vienna.

Rommel Checks British.

Battling with Nazi fanaticism, Marshal Rommel's forces checked the British thrust below Caen and regained some ground at a heavy cost in German dead and wounded, a front dispatch said. British gunners repelled a strong German thrust against Verrieres and held on to the shell-wrecked village, five miles south

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE what-is-it in Germany is still the most fascinating subject for speculation in the world. But we still don't know JUST WHAT IT IS.

LONDON calls it a "vast and unprecedented blood purge" to get rid of Hitler's enemies inside Germany.

Berlin insists it is a SUCCESSFUL and nearly completed "putting down" of an abortive attempt by a few wicked traitors on the blessed fuhrer's life. Churchill frankly calls it a REVOLUTION.

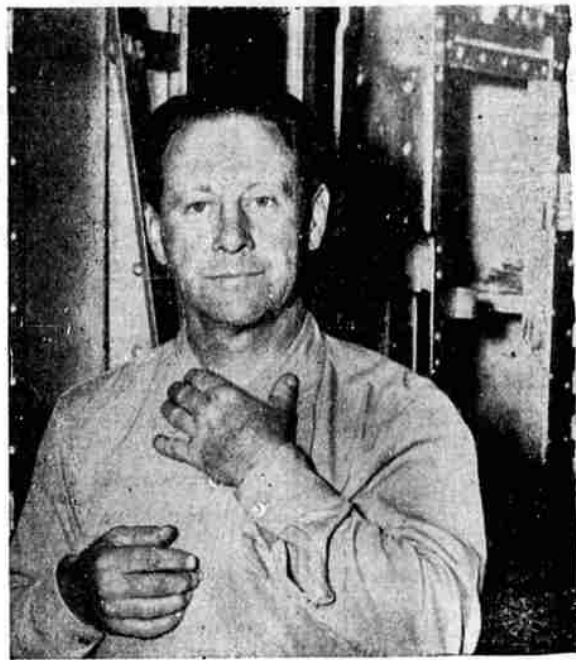
WHAT is probably the best picture is offered by the AP, which says in a London dispatch: "On the German frontier, the Associated Press has learned from reliable but secret channels that the Himmler purge has BARELY TOUCHED THE REAL LEADERS AND ORGANIZERS of resistance to Hitler."

It adds: "Superficially, Germany is quiet today, with SS and Nazi-loyal forces in apparently uncontested control, but the leadership of the internal opposition to the Nazis, except for a very few gaps created by the blood purge, has REMAINED INTACT."

THE "committee" and resistance organization, the AP continues, has existed in Germany for more than six months. Its members include not only the military but representatives of the German Evangelical and Catholic churches.

It then answers the hitherto puzzling question as to why such an upheaval (if it is an upheaval) should have started with the mere tossing of a not very effi-

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ACCUSED OF SLAYING DAUGHTER—Winfield L. Henderson, 48, Sherwood, Oregon, farmer and former high school teacher, arraigned yesterday at Oregon City on a first degree murder charge, following the gun slaying of his 17-year-old daughter, Donna, in a family quarrel. The daughter previously accused Henderson of beating her and her mother.

Oregon Postwar Highway Projects Call for \$50 Million, Commission Chairman Tells Roseburg Meeting

The Oregon State Highway commission has outlined projects calling for expenditures of approximately \$50 million on postwar road building, T. H. Banfield, chairman, reported last night at an informal dinner meeting, arranged by the Roseburg chamber of commerce to compliment the commission and highway department officers stopping in Roseburg on a tour of western Oregon roads.

The commission, Banfield said, has made a survey of needs and has completed all of the engineering details upon each of the proposed projects. It will take several years, he said, to do all of the work which has been outlined for the postwar period, but the state highway department is ready to reach into the hopper to draw out as many road jobs as may be required to meet postwar employment needs, the chairman said. The amount of work to be done, he reported, will depend in a large measure upon the extent of federal aid.

Other Speakers Heard

Marshal Pengra, KRRR manager, presided over the brief program, introducing the members of the visiting group. Commissioner Merle Chessman, Astoria, and Congressman Harris Ellsworth, Roseburg, made short talks, prior to the report by the commission chairman. Congressman James W. Mott, who had been expected to come to Roseburg with the commission, was called away from the party at Philomath because of business.

Included in the party were Commissioners Banfield, Chessman and A. W. Schaupp, Klamath Falls; R. H. Baldoek, engineer; C. B. McCullough, assistant engineer; J. M. Devers, attorney; Herbert Glaisyer, secretary; W. H. Lynch, district director Public Roads administration; Ralph Watson of the Oregon Journal and Wayne A. Pettit, The Oregonian.

The commissioners and other officers are conducting a general inspection of highways, having left Salem Monday for Portland, travelling the Columbia river highway to Astoria, down the

Officials of 4 States To Mull Fire Situation

SPOKANE, Wash., July 26.—(AP)—Officials from four states headed by Governor Arthur Langlie of Washington will meet here Friday to plan an educational program on prevention of forest fires in the Pacific northwest, said to be facing one of the worst fire conditions since 1900.

Ex-Teacher Faces Charge of Murder

SHERWOOD, Or., July 26.—(AP)—Winfield L. Henderson, a retired high school teacher, was charged yesterday with first degree murder in the fatal shooting of his 17-year-old daughter, Donna.

Sheriff Reaksecker said Henderson admitted shooting the girl Monday after she swore out a warrant charging him with assault and battery against her mother and herself.

The sheriff quoted the 48-year-old man as saying he fired in self-defense, fearing his daughter had a gun concealed in her purse. Police found no gun in the purse, which lay beside the girl's body in the driveway of their farm home near Sherwood.

The girl was shot when she returned home to pick up some personal belongings. She and her mother had left the farm Sunday night, the day before she came to police charging that her father had beaten her and her mother in a quarrel.

Henderson took up farming here four years ago, after teaching physics and mathematics in high schools of Renton, Wash., Port Angeles, Wash., and Long Beach, Calif.

Teacher Shortage in Douglas Stands at 25

Lula C. Gorrell, county school superintendent, stated today that there are 25 vacancies for school teachers in Douglas county, excluding Roseburg. Some of these are principalships and at least 10 are vacancies from high schools.

Russian Tide Nears Goal of East Prussia

Railway to Baltic Also Severed, Threatening to Trap 30 Nazi Divisions

MOSCOW, July 26.—(AP)—Hard-riding Cossacks drove the severely mauled Germans to the east bank of the Wisla river today in the Pulawy area, 66 miles southeast of threatened Warsaw. Far behind the front, other Russians surrounded the battered German garrison inside Lwow and broke into that great rail center.

Around Pulawy, the Russians were within 358 miles of Berlin. The drive also carried to within 142 miles of German Silesia.

Other Russians driving frontally on Warsaw along the main trunk railway from Kiev were reported between 40 and 50 miles from the Polish capital.

Hungary and Czechoslovakia were in the path of yet another Russian army group which virtually surrounded Stanislawow and reached within 28 miles of the Hungarian-held Tatar pass in the Carpathians.

German garrisons at Bialystok and Brest Litovsk, far behind advancing Russian lines, appeared trapped.

Baltic Escape Valve Periled

Gen. Bagration's First Baltic army group encircled Daugavpils (Dvinsk), largest city in eastern Latvia, after severing the railway to Riga on the Baltic. Red troops were less than 70 miles from Riga, the last remaining escape valve for two German armies in the Baltic region. Perhaps 30 Nazi divisions were threatened by the snapping of the rail line.

Other Russians were on the approaches of east Prussia. They captured Lipsk, three miles from

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Argentina Labeled Deserter to Cause Of Allied Nations

WASHINGTON, July 26.—(AP)—The government of Argentina stands accused today of having "deserted the common cause" of its neighbor nations.

The accusation is made in a stinging statement circulated by the United States among the governments of 19 other American republics in support of the policy of non-recognition of the Buenos Aires regime.

Prepared here and subscribed to by the other countries, it now becomes, in effect, the basis for that policy and it means continuing diplomatic isolation of the Argentine government.

In fact the rest of the Americas put the rulers and people of Argentina on notice that they will not extend recognition until there are "conclusive acts and demonstrations that there have been fundamental changes in Argentine policy toward the United Nations." These acts would have to show a pro-allied course in the war.

Dr. Adrian Escobar, the Argentine ambassador here, was recalled by Buenos Aires yesterday. Like Norman Armour, the American envoy recently in Argentina, he had no recognized diplomatic status, but the decision to take him out showed, even so, that Buenos Aires has given up for the time all hope of winning a more friendly attitude from this government.

Chinese Battling Japs In Foe-Held Leyang

CHUNGKING, July 26.—(AP)—Chinese troops have broken into the railway city of Leyang, taken by the enemy in a drive several weeks ago which by-passed encircled Hengyang, and street fighting is in progress, the Chinese high command said tonight. Bitter fighting raged within Hengyang itself, 34 miles to the north, and the high command said the positions were unchanged since yesterday, with the defenders repelling incessant enemy attacks.

The Japanese evidently hold a portion of the city, but the Chinese said for the most part it still was in their hands.

Primary Vote Spells End of Senate Career of 'Cotton Ed'; Lone Woman Member, Mrs. Caraway, Also Loses

(By the Associated Press)

The end of a senate trail that he set out on nearly 36 years ago beckoned today for the vociferous and colorful "Cotton Ed" Smith, New Deal-hating senator from South Carolina. He is within a month of 80 years of age.

Smith was far back in second place in yesterday's democratic primary and the man he trailed was Gov. Olin D. Johnston, who tried unsuccessfully, with President Roosevelt's help, to unseat the veteran in 1938.

And in Arkansas' democratic primary, the senate's only woman member, quiet Hattie Caraway, lagged far behind in a renomination try she had apparently thought was so safe she could afford to campaign only leisurely.

The leader there was Rep. J. W. Fulbright, 39, who is serving his first term in congress. Fulbright, Ozark mountain native who grew up to become a Rhodes scholar and university president, gained his first real fame as the author of the "Lusting Peace" resolution in the house.

Arkansas Runoff Looms

Fulbright, while polling heavily as returns mounted, may not attain the majority of the total vote of all five candidates he needs to win the senate nomination outright. Latest returns indicate an Aug. 8 runoff between two high candidates will be necessary.

If Johnston's lead stands up, there will be no need of a South Carolina runoff. When more than half the precincts had reported this supporter of President Roosevelt had a majority of all east.

While the new deal was the principal issue in the South Carolina voting, in Arkansas there were no particular issues. Mrs. Caraway, who has been in the senate since November 13, 1931, following the death of her senator husband, released a letter in which President Roosevelt spoke of their "long and enduring friendship."

Smith is dean of the senate and chairman of its agriculture

Fire Destroys Oldest Hotel at Reedsport

REEDSPORT, Ore., July 26.—(AP)—Careless smoking was blamed by firemen today for a blaze that destroyed the Pioneer hotel here yesterday.

The two-story frame hotel was Reedsport's oldest. Mrs. Ella Nelson, owner, estimated loss at \$4,000, of which \$2500 was covered by insurance.

Eden Pledges Aid in Dealing Justice to Japs

LONDON, July 26.—(AP)—Foreign Secretary Eden said in the house of commons today that the American people could rely on the full support of the British government in the announced aim President Roosevelt to bring to justice all the Japanese responsible for the execution of American fliers who bombed the Japanese homeland.

Woman Welder Drowns In Front of Dormitory

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 26.—(AP)—The body of a 20-year-old welder, drowned last night while swimming in front of the Hudson house dormitory where she lived, was recovered from the Columbia river today by the coast guard.

The woman, Mrs. Betty White, is survived by her husband, Virgil, now in the navy.

Overdose of Sleeping Pills Causes Girl's Death

PORTLAND, Ore., July 26.—(AP)—The death of a young girl, found dying in a locked hotel bathroom Friday, was attributed by the coroner today to an overdose of sleeping pills.

One capsule of the medicine was found beside her. The girl, whose belongings indicated she might be from the state of Washington, has not been identified.

Prune, Plum Prices Set

SAN FRANCISCO, July 26.—(AP)—Oregon orcharists will receive an average of \$48.50 a ton for fresh prunes and \$56 for plums under grower selling prices announced by the War Food administration and OPA.



"Cotton Ed" Smith



Mrs. Hattie Caraway

of "white supremacy," opposition to tariffs and flat denunciation of new deal practices.

German Collapse Not In Sight, Stimson Says

WASHINGTON, July 26.—(AP)—Exhorting the home front to display the same determination he found on the fighting fronts, War Secretary Stimson left with the nation today a warning that no German collapse is yet apparent.

Reporting in a radio address last night on his recent trip to Italy and Normandy, the civilian army chief said Germany's "armies and her people are shaken and shot through with doubts. But in no sense are they yet broken."

"When Germany and Japan see that they are about to be completely overpowered—when that fact is physically and unmistakably carried to their doorsteps—then and only then will they collapse," he added.

Jap Cemetery Again Desecrated by Vandals

PORTLAND, July 26.—(AP)—Desecration of the Japanese cemetery here for the second time within a year was blamed today by a juvenile court officer on adults rather than boys.

Ponderous gravestones were broken and tossed into heaps at the cemetery fence like a child's set of blocks—so scattered that Officer George J. Clauss said he doubted that graves and monuments could ever be rematched. Wooden markers were splintered and set ablaze.

Wife, Children See Man Die in Clackamas River

ESTACADA, Ore., July 26.—(AP)—Fred H. Wade, former musical director at West Linn high school and assistant manager of a Portland theater, was drowned last night in the Clackamas river while his wife and small children stood helplessly on the shore.

Wade fell on a rock while wading eight miles east of here. Forest service employees, summoned by Mrs. Wade's cries, recovered his body.

Bomber Crash Kills Ten
SAN RAFAEL, Calif., July 26.—(AP)—Ten men were killed in the crash of a four-motored bomber into San Pablo bay yesterday.

Foe's Strategic Barriers To Philippines Targets of Raids By Allied Naval and Air Forces

(By the Associated Press)

The Tokyo radio said today that a U. S. task force, consisting chiefly of aircraft carriers, had penetrated to the vicinity of Palau island, about 500 miles east of Mindanao in the Philippines, and that about 30 carrier-based planes had attacked that island.

The broadcast also carried announcement of imperial headquarters that a large allied task force of cruisers, destroyers and submarines yesterday bombed Sabang harbor at the western end of the island of Sumatra.

The Japanese asserted without confirmation that at Sabang they had sunk two of the destroyers and one submarine as well as downing a number of carrier-based aircraft.

It was the second such strike on Sabang within a little more than four months, a British task force under Admiral Somerville having hit the port last April 19.

Referring to the "American attack on Palau," the broadcast asserted that Japanese ground units "shot down two of the enemy planes."

Tokyo also reported that American planes had raided Yap island in the Carolines east of Palau.

As usual the Japanese claimed that damage sustained in the raids on Yap and Palau was slight.

There was no immediate American confirmation of the assault on Palau.

The German news agency DNB, in a broadcast heard in London, quoted the Tokyo radio as saying "two more landing attempts were carried out by the enemy today on Guam."

Barrier To Philippines
Palau is headquarters of the entire Japanese South seas government and is known as the Japanese Singapore, which suggests why it must be neutralized or taken before invasion of the Philippines, the southern end of which lies 530 miles due west.

The Palau group consists of about 100 islands providing a powerful fleet base for the Japanese.

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E Bond Quota of Douglas County Oversubscribed

Douglas county has officially been credited with surpassing its quota on Series E bond sales in the Fifth War Loan campaign, H. O. Pargeter, chairman of the county war finance committee, announced today. Mr. Pargeter was notified from state headquarters that clearance through the Federal Reserve bank show total E bond sales of \$532,102, as compared with a quota of \$529,000, and oversubscription of \$3,102.

The county's oversubscription of bonds will be considerably higher, however, when all sales are counted, Pargeter stated. Two county banks, the chairman announced, had failed to report sales since the first week of July, which practically accounted for the discrepancy in figures between the local committee and state headquarters.

Appeals made last week end met with excellent response, Pargeter said, enabling the county to immediately obtain official credit for attaining its goal. Sales are continuing and the committee is assured that at least \$20,000 additional sales will be cleared before the drive officially ends July 31.

In all departments, the county's quota of \$1,124,000 has been oversubscribed \$392,750. Pargeter said sales amounting to \$1,516,750, divided as follows: Series E, \$532,102; Series F, \$42,763; Series G, \$68,300; Series C, \$77,513; 2 1/2 per cent, \$7,500; 2 per cent, \$132,172; 1 1/4 per cent, \$167,100; 7/8 per cent \$483,300.

Bricker Confident of

G. O. P. Win in November

ALBANY, N. Y., July 26.—(AP)—Gov. John W. Bricker of Ohio predicted at a press conference today the republicans would cut deep into the border states in November and carry Missouri, despite the democrats' nomination of Senator Harry Truman of that state as a vice-presidential candidate.

Here for conferences with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, G. O. P. presidential nominee, Bricker said he was confident the republicans could win in November.

Plane Crash Kills Ensign

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 26.—(AP)—The crash of a fighter plane into the waters of Goose lake, in Lake county, yesterday brought death to Ensign Valentine Jack Goehring, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Goehring of Conders, N. Y.

Guam Japanese Trapped By Yanks' Pincers Thrust

Enemy Garrison on Nearby Tinian Island Severed by Aerial-Naval Bombardment

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, July 26.—(AP)—Yank invaders of Guam, so firmly established that their general said "there's nothing the Jap can do now to run us off," laid fiery siege today to Japanese trapped by a juncture of American forces behind Port Apra.

Some hapless Japs jumped into the ocean, reported Al Dopking, Associated Press war correspondent, as battleships, carrier planes and hill-based artillery blanketed the sealed off Orrote peninsula.

Dopking said all Japs have been wiped out at the beachheads; the enemy hasn't had a plane over the area since July 8; and the Nips are abandoning much food and ammunition.

More than 100 miles north of Guam at Tinian, aerial bombings and warship bombardments of rail and highway junctions split the island's Japanese garrison into north and south forces.

Marine conquerors of nearby Saipan, bidding for complete seizure of partly occupied 4,500-foot Ushi airfield on the northwest tip of Tinian, mowed down the tanked Japs.

Jap Despair Evidenced

From a flagship off Tinian, Richard W. Johnson, representing the combined allied press, reported the airfield defenders came out on the first night of the invasion screaming and waving Samurai swords in the suicidal

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Lt. L. H. McCauley Listed as Killed

Second Lieutenant Leon H. McCauley, 45, son of Mrs. W. J. Clarke, 842 Hoover St., Roseburg, reported missing at the fall of Corrigdor, has been listed as killed in action, the mother was officially notified today by the war department.

Serving in the quartermaster corps, Lieut. McCauley had been called from the reserve while residing in Honolulu and was transferred to the Philippines, where he was reported wounded in action in March, 1942. He was later reported to have returned to action, but following the fall of Corrigdor, Mrs. Clarke was notified that her son was missing in action.

The letter received today announces that a review of the case, upon more recent information, detailed nature of which cannot be revealed, indicates that Lieutenant McCauley was killed and has been so listed on War department records.

Explosion Burns Youth

ALBANY, Ore., July 26.—(AP)—Dale Walker, 17, Seio, was in Lebanon hospital today with severe burns on his face, neck and arms from an explosion that occurred when he struck a match in a service station restroom.

Lovity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Astrologer Adolf Hitler, in his effort to control Germany, seems to have lost faith in the second sign of the zodiac, Taurus, the bull, in his murder inspiration from the tenth sign, Capricornus, the goat.