AMERICAN FORCES 12 MILES FROM PARIS

Keep On Buying

The 5th war loan is over but the war isn't. Don't wait for the 6th drive. Steady, continuous buying of bonds means less on the national quota when the next call comes.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ALLIED headquarters in Rome (British General Maitland in command) gives us this terse summing up of our new landing operation:

"Our troops are FIRMLY ESTABLISHED in southern France, with ALL initial objecitves taken. They are eight miles inland at some points."

WE'RE ashore—with a beachhead SEVERAL MILES wide. That is the big point. Experience from Salerno onward indicates that with such a toehold we can't be thrown back into the sea.

Being thrown back into the sea is the frightful risk that is involved in EVERY landing. In such operations, there is always a tense and awful moment when everything is touch and go—when every cog in the carefully-laid plan must mesh properly or disaster will follow swiftly.

Until that brittle moment passes, we simply can't breathe.

It now seems safely past.

THE general picture one gains from CASUAL reading of the headlines telling of the landing is of duck soup.

Don't fool yourself.

It was easy in some places, and tough and bloody in others. There is tough and bloody fighting ahead.

IF the whole landing operation, including the future taking of Toulon and Marseille, is as successful as now seems to be possible, it will be because of the grit and guts of the men who did the job.

AP'S GEORGE TUCKER, writing on the spot as the landing was made, says:

"The plan was so IMAGINATIVE in conception and DARING in execution it was originally ruled out by the navy as being impossible, but the army insisted it could be done and so tough Ranger-Commando type boys . . . slipped ashore six hours before the main landings began, scaled almost unscalable cliffs and overwhelmed the German crews of formidable coastal batteries so that troop transports could approach the jumping-off point with minimum danger."

The job those boys did there in the dark was NOT duck soup.

WE can be humbly thankful that the landing operation in southern France has gone so well. What has been started there will have important consequences that will be told in the dispatches of coming days, as the confusion clears.

MEANWHILE, another great battle rages in Normandy. On the whole, it is going extremely well—although there are minor disappointments. Von Kluge is said to have got the bulk of his ARMOR (tanks, etc.) out. But he is suffering terrible losses.

Correspondent Hal Boyle, in a

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Heavy Drop Looms In November Vote

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—The total vote in this year's presidential election is in for a big drop from the nearly 50,000,000 recorded in 1940, if the aggregate of ballots of both parties in recent state-wide primaries is any indication of the November turnout.

An Associated Press survey of elections for governor and senator in 18 states showed today vote declines in 16 ranging up to nearly 50 per cent of 1942 or 1940 primary totals. Primary registrations also were off, compared with recent years. Only Ohio and South Carolina polled larger votes.

Both parties recorded fewer votes in most instances. Some of the decreases were attributed to lack of contests in contrast with former years, but on the whole the 16 states polled over 2,500,000 votes less than in the most recent comparative statewide primaries.

Important factors in the decline include the millions of service men scattered all over the world and the migration of workers to war plant centers. These were apparent two years ago when the off-year congressional elections brought out only about 30,000,000 votes.

Nazi Lines in Southern France Crumbling

Prisoner Take Of Americans Passes 7,000

Invaders Reported Only Ten Miles From Great Naval Base of Toulon

ROME, Aug. 18.—(AP)—American bombers scored several direct hits today on the French battleship Strasbourg in Toulon harbor in an effort to silence its guns with which the Germans had been firing on advance allied troops. They also hit the French cruiser La Galissonniere, a destroyer and a submarine in the harbor.

ROME, Aug. 18—(AP)—Enemy resistance in southern France was officially reported crumbling today before the advance of the U. S. Seventh army, now consolidated into a mighty striking force by the union of all the elements landed on the Riviera beachhead from the sea and air.

Known American assault casualties thus far total less than 300, allied headquarters said, while German prisoners, including a general and his staff, were estimated at 7,000 with the count still incomplete.

Maj. Gen. Patch's forces struck inland through the valleys of the maritime Alps and spread out 50 airline miles along the coast both east and west.

Last official reports placed them within 10 miles of the once great French naval base of Toulon and within six miles of Cannes. German broadcasts hinted that the resort town already had been penetrated.

Road Control Won

The doughboys already possess a big chunk of the main lateral road across southern France, which in this area parallels the coast about a dozen miles inland.

The situation in southern France was going so well that Mediterranean air forces were able to divert bombers to Balkan targets again. Tactical aircraft swept over the skies in support of ground troops without meet-

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Machinists Defy Overtime Order; Penalties Faced

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18—(AP)—The navy, with full cooperation of the department of justice pledged by Attorney General Francis Biddle, moved today to invoke further sanctions against machinists, to compel complete compliance with orders that they work overtime in five shops turning out engine bearings.

Biddle conferred yesterday with Rear Admiral H. G. Bowen, in charge of the shops seized by the government, and Bowen's office said the attorney general had expressed "complete satisfaction with the various steps taken by Admiral Bowen."

The steps included the referring of names of machinists who refused to work to selective service, the OPA and the War Manpower commission for application of individual penalties.

Involved in the dispute, which began last March during new contract negotiations, were 535 employes of five of the 194 so-called "uptown" machine shops.

The business agents of Lodge 68, International Association of Machinists (AFL), refused to order its members to work overtime, contending it was not necessary to complete navy orders, and that the 48-hour week was sufficient.

Patch Nominated For Lieut. General Rank

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP) President Roosevelt today nominated for promotion to Lieutenant-General, Maj. Gen. Alexander M. Patch, Jr., commander of the 7th American army now invading southern France.

Patch holds the temporary rank of major general and his present permanent rank is colonel of infantry.

Roosevelt Denies Report Of Willkie Invitation

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—President Roosevelt told reporters today there was nothing to published reports that he had invited Wendell L. Willkie, 1940 republican presidential candidate, to a White House conference on postwar security questions.

New "League of Nations" Plan by Roosevelt Slated For Senate Consideration

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—(AP)—President Roosevelt plans to submit a new "league of nations" to the senate and later to ask it for power to enforce peace treaties, the New York Times says in a dispatch from Washington.

The newspaper says that by separating the world security organization from peace treaties, the administration hopes to get the new league operating possibly before the end of the war. Present plans, it added, aim for a treaty establishing the new security organization for presentation to the senate before the first of the year with hopes that it will be ratified before spring.

Thus, says the Times, it is expected that the new league and world court would be ready to deal with problems which might arise at the peace conference. Terms of the peace treaty and the security set-up would complement each other under administration plans, the Times adds.

May Advance Peace Agency

The possibility that a world peace agency can be established even before the end of the war in Europe arose at Washington today with Secretary of State Hull's disclou

Hull disclosure that a united nations conference on security plans may be held this fall.

American officials say it has not yet been decided whether the new world organization should be set up by treaty or ordinary legisaltion in each country.

This point will probably come under discussion at the talks between Russia, Britain and the United States opening at Dumbarton Oaks here Monday.

However, it is now clear that in contrast to the Paris conference after the last war, the long-range peace settlement, including boundaries and territorial adjustments, will come after the establishment of a new association of nations.

Diplomats who remember the deluge of claimants from all over the world on Paris, demanding increased territories or independence, are encouraged at the one-step-at-a-time process being used to make the peace after World War II.

Load Lengths For Piling, Logs Fixed

Overall load lengths of 90 feet for piling and 65 feet for sawlogs on county roads was established in an order by the county court today. Longer loads will be permitted, but all of greater length than specified in the order must be preceded by flagmen.

At the present time, the court stated, loads of as much as 130 to 135 feet are being hauled over crooked county roads without advance flagmen, and, as a result, dangers to vehicular traffic are created.

The limits set by the court, it was announced, include the overall length of load and vehicle. When loads are longer than prescribed in the order, they must, in every case, be preceded by a warning car which will flag down oncoming traffic and reduce danger of accident.

Truman Accepts Liberal Party's Nomination

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—Senator Truman (D.-Mo.) accepted today the vice-presidential nomination of the liberal party of New York state. He told a delegation which visited his office that "I feel that all the liberal elements in the country will be united behind the democratic ticket" in the November election.

The liberal party was formed by right wing elements of the American labor party.

Screen Monster Lugosi Facing Divorce Action

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 18—(AP)—A divorce suit against film actor Bela Lugosi, portrayer of monster roles, has been filed by actress Lillian Arch. She alleges that he made her home life unbearable and was "a cruel and inhuman husband."

Miss Arch asks custody of their son, Bela, Jr., 6. She said they separated Tuesday after 11 years of marriage.

Federal Judge, Former Congressman Passes

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—Associate Justice Oscar R. Luhring, 66, of the district court of the United States for the District of Columbia, a former member of congress from Indiana, died today of heart disease.

Justice Luhring, in 1903-1904 and from 1929 to 1933, served in the house as a representative from Indiana's first district.

Fire Destroys Spicer Home on Miller Street

The residence of George Spicer, located at the west end of Miller street, Roseburg, was destroyed by fire of unknown origin today. Mr. Spicer had been absent from the building for about two hours prior to the outbreak of the fire. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

Falling Tree Injures Camas Calley Logger

Joe Suiter, Roseburg, is in Mercy hospital suffering from a fractured skull, broken arm and numerous cuts and bruises resulting from being struck by a falling tree. He was working in logging woods near Camas Valley when the accident occurred. He is expected to survive.

Raids Dealing Paralysis To Jap Shipping

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Aug. 18—(AP)—An allied air and naval blockade spread creeping paralysi stoday across vital sea lanes below the Philippines, posing an ultimate threat to all Japanese holdings south of China.

Already enemy garrisons on islands scattered along a distance of 800 miles are forced to rely on "makeshift shipping," inadequate "for even essential items such as munitions and aviation gasoline."

A graphic picture of this mounting disaster for Nippon was presented today by Gen. MacArthur in a communique reporting the fifth air raid this month on the Philippines and the knocking out of 23 planes at neutralized Halmahera.

MacArthur said Japan's big ships no longer dare venture southeast of a line curved from the Philippines through Celebes and Ceram.

Only small ships, sailing vessels, luggers and "local small craft" supply outlying garrisons on Halmahera and in the Ceram, Banda and Arafura seas.

Jap Toll Continues

Today's communique reported the sinking of a 1,000-ton freighter in Davao gulf, southern Philippines, by aerial bombing. It also told of an 87-ton bombing of Halmahera where 88 planes have been destroyed or put out of action, virtually all of them on the ground, in half a month.

At Pearl Harbor, Adm. Nimitz yesterday announced another in a steadily growing series of strikes by bombers on the Bonin islands, 600 miles south of Tokyo. The Liberators attacked a sea-

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Union Seeks Exclusion Of Jap Cheap Labor

SEATLE, Aug. 18.—(AP)—An aggressive campaign for "permanent exclusion of the Jap cheap labor menace" from the west was recommended by AFL teamster union leaders from 11 western states yesterday.

Other resolutions included opposition to what was described as a possibility of "sovietization" of industry and a recommendation of a waiver of union initiation fees for returning war veterans.

Oregon Driver Insurance Law Proves Satisfactory

PORTLAND, Aug. 18—(AP)—V. J. Robinson, Medford, is new president of the Oregon Association of Insurance Agents.

Robert S. Farrell, Jr., secretary of state, told the agents' convention yesterday that the Oregon law requiring certain motorists to be insured had proved satisfactory in assuring financial responsibility of drivers. He added, however, that minor changes would be asked at the next legislature.

H. A. Canaday Appointed As District Attorney of Douglas County, Pro Tem

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SALEM, Ore., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Governor Snell today appointed H. A. Canaday, Roseburg, as district attorney pro tem for Douglas county, to serve in the absence of J. V. Long, who is going on active duty as a lieutenant (jg) in the naval reserve.

Long's term expires at the end of this year, but he will be reelected in November because he received both party nominations. Canaday's pro tem appointment will extend into the new term.

Canaday, who has practiced law in Roseburg since 1910, was a member of the state house of representatives in 1939, and is a retired national guard colonel.

Mexican Laborers In Idaho Strike for Pay Hike

PAYETTE, Idaho, Aug. 18—(AP)—Alerton Patch, state emergency farm labor office assistant, said today 150 Mexican nationals at the Gala gardens farm labor camp struck for higher wages Wednesday.

He said about 50 others went into the fields.

A group of 100 which arrived from Washington state Tuesday were the center of the disturbance, Patch said. They had been receiving higher pay at the previous work area, he explained.

The labor official said some of the farm workers started to go into the fields but "others held them back with physical force."

Ohio Crop Losses From Drought $49,500,000

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 18—(AP)—The drought has cost Ohio farmers $49,500,000 in losses to corn, soy beans and potato crops, experts in Ohio State university's department of rural economics estimated today.

Extensive damage to pastures and loss of great acreages of new seedings of clover and alfalfa—difficult to estimate in dollar values—also were reported.

Nazis Burning Own Towns as Reds Advance

LONDON, Aug. 18—(AP)—The retreating Germans are burning their own towns and villages along the East Prussian border to prevent their being of use to the advancing Russians, the Moscow radio said today.

A broadcast from Moscow said the red army was reported to have crossed into Germany. The red army reached the East Prussian boundary yesterday.

The German communique said the Russians—mopping up an estimated 200,000 Germans trapped in the Baltic states—had crossed Lake Peipus and are established on the west shore in Estonia.

The Germans also announced they had lost Vilvaviskis in Lithuania, 12 miles from East Prussia, in a heavy tank battle in which large air formations participated.

Airmen Report Fires

The Moscow broadcast said soviet fliers spotted fires along the whole East Prussia frontier.

"Schirwindt is burning," one flier reported, "let them burn it. Now they are burning their own towns, not ours."

The report quoted a front line correspondent as declaring that soviet infantrymen had dislodged the Germans from prepared po-

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Invasion of Reich Agreed On—F. D. R.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today there was a rather general understading among the allies for occupation of Germany regardless of how or when the nazis give up.

The president told a news conference that while there were no detailed arrangements there was a general understanding with Russia and Britain on the question. He said you could not plan all of the details in advance, but everything was going along all right.

Responding to a question, he expressed the belief it would be just as easy to reach an understanding with China for occupation of Japan.

The chief executive said that certainly he was going to confer with Prime Minister Churchill again, but when asked whether it would be this year, he replied by saying that that was the same old story.

Mr. Roosevelt said earlier in the week on his return from a 35-day trip that took him into the Pacific that it was the intention to occupy both Germany and Japan regardless of the circumstances of surrender.

Living Costs Boosted in July, Report Reveals

NEW YORK, Aug. 18—(AP)—Higher prices for food, chiefly eggs, potatoes and oranges, boosted living costs of the average family of wage earners and lower-salaried clerical workers .6 of one per cent in July, the national industrial conference board reported today.

The private research organization found food prices up 1.2 per cent, housing up .1 of one per cent and men's clothing up a similar amount. Declines of .1 of one per cent were noted for electricity and gas.

The rise increased living costs 1.1 per cent from the first of the year and to a level 22.1 per cent above that of January, 1941, base month for the "little steel" wage formula.

Gandhi's Request For Autonomy Parley Denied

NEW DELHI, Aug. 18—(AP)—Marshal Lord Wavell has rejected Mohandas K. Gandhi's request for a conference to discuss immediate independence, it was announced today, and the nationalist leader said the only way to rid India of British power was to "develop enough strength to wrest it from them."

The viceroy said nothing could be gained by such a conference now, but that he would be glad to consider any "definite and constructive policy."

Half Fare for Veterans

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 18—(AP)—Oregon railroads will give discharged service personnel half fare rates beginning September 1, Public Utilities Commissioner George H. Flagg announced today.

Flagg said all other states are expected to take similar action.

Another Trap Forming For German 7th

Col. Aulock, Mad German Commander, Surrenders St. Malo After 11 Days

(By the Associated Press)

Scourged by swarms of allied warplanes, the Germans fled in full retreat today toward the Seine river in the direction of Rouen, ancient capital of Normandy, as Berlin broadcasts declared American tanks had stabbed within 12 miles of besieged Paris.

British and Canadian forces in thrusts below the mouth of the Seine shaped a new trap for the disorganized German Seventh army, estimated to have been cut down between 40,000 and 100,000 men.

Von Kluge apparently extricated the bulk of his armor, but remnants of several panzer divisions were known to be still inside the bulge.

A headquarters commentator said "quite a few" enemy troops escaped last night under cover of darkness.

Meanwhile allied bombers and rocket firing Typhoons took a heavy toll of German transport,

LONDON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The Ankara radio reported today that allied forces had landed at Durazzo, the principle port of Albania on the Adriatic sea across from the heel of the Italian boot.

Tirana, capital of Albania, 20 miles inland, was bombed by allied planes Tuesday. Guerrillas have been carrying on warfare against the Germans in cooperation with Marshal Tito's Yugoslav partisans.

destroying 300 vehicles and damaging 300 others.

Heavy Battles Reported

Berlin told of heavy battles on the western approaches to Paris, but there were indications that Lt. Gen Patton, possibly in a new feint toward the French capital, again was cutting in behind the Germans and, in conjunction with the British and Canadian drives, was corraling the fleeing enemy before a "Dunkerque" escape could be effected across the meandering Seine.

A voice over the Paris wave length shouted in German, "they are coming." A battlefront dispatch said Patton's armored columns were pounding alon gthe "last lap toward" Paris in a broad 70 mile arc.

St. Malo Lunatic Yields

The mad Col. Andreas von Aulock has surrendered the citadel of St. Malo after holding out 11 days under heavy American fire.

The German high command announced today that "the garrison of St. Malo succumbed to enemy superiority."

A wounded veteran of the Caucasus fighting who pledged to turn the battle of the Breton port into "another Stalingrad," Aulock was reported in a DNB broadcast to have messaged the fuehrer: "Further resistance had to cease as a result of lack of

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Bill Protects Private Information to Govt.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—WPB Chairman Donald Nelson asked congress today to provide stiff penalties for anyone who disclosed any of the vast amount of confidential information industry has given to government agencies. Chairman Sumners of the house judiciary committee promptly introduced the legislation.

Laws now on the books, Nelson told Speaker Rayburn, hold no protection for a businessman who imparts trade secrets to the the War Production board, for example, against disclosure of those same facts to, perhaps, a competitor. The only bars raised are against revealing information of a military character.

Runoff Race Decided By One-Vote Majority

OGDEN, Utah, Aug. 18—(AP)—George F. Simmons led Thomas East by 500 votes in a field of four for democratic nomination as county commissioner at the July 11 primary election. But he didn't have a majority so he had to compete in a runoff.

Latest tabulation from the runoff: Simmons 1,347, East 1,346.

Legion Chief Scheduled

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 18—(AP)—Warren H. Atherton, national commander of the American Legion, will speak at a dinner and evening meeting in Portland August 23, and visit the area's hospitalized war veterans August 24.

YANKS LAND ON SOUTHERN FRANCE BEACHES—American infantrymen debark from landing craft and wade through chest-deep water as they head for an unopposed beach east of Toulon on D-day in this first picture of "4th front" invasion of southern France. Tens of thousands of American and French invasion troops, backed by tanks and mobile guns, have captured at least five towns and driven more than 30 miles inland. Signal corps radio-telephoto from Italy

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reisenstein

During congressional demands for postwar, balanced compensation from Great Britain for U. S. aid, it may be stated that a lot of Americans would call it square if John Bull would only take back his pestiferous English sparrows.