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East Prussian Highway Center Of Goldap Taken by Russians

Offensive on Entire Border Is Broadened

Russians Also Drive to Border of Norway, Score Fresh Gains in Balkans

LONDON, Oct. 23. (AP) Russia troops have captured the East Prussian highway center of Goldap, 18 miles inside Germany, and have broadened their offensive along the entire eastern boundary of the province, the German communique said today.

The Germans said the front now was 10 airline miles long from besieged Memel, northernmost German claimed city, and Augustow in the Suwalki sector at the southeast corner of East Prussia.

Goldap, at the top of the wild Masurian lake country, was the scene of a von Hindenberg triumph early in the last war when he collapsed the invading Russian army and crushed the Czar's armies with losses of 100,000 men.

At the extreme tip of the east-

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

WE'VE fooled the Jap again. For weeks, we bombed Mindanao, leading him to think we were going to land there. Then we landed SOMEWHERE ELSE—on Leyte, about midway in the Philippine group.

Partly because the Jap was fooled and partly because we have him heavily outweighed in fire power, we're ASHORE ON LEYTE (always the ticklish moment of an invasion) with relatively light losses.

FIRST we took the screening islands at the mouth of Leyte gulf. Then our minesweepers went in and cleared the way to the beaches of Leyte Island. (This took THREE DAYS, but still the Japs didn't get onto us.)

Through the channel thus cleared we poured a mighty armada of transports and protecting warships. While our warships and their planes kept the Japs

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DeGaulle Regime Gets Recognition Pending Election

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—(AP)—The United States today recognized the De Gaulle administration as the "provisional government of the French republic."

The action was announced by Acting Secretary of State Stettinius who also declared that most of France, including Paris, had been designated by allied military authorities as an "interior zone" in which the French authorities have complete responsibility.

This interior zone covers everything except the combat areas and points essential to combat supply.

Stettinius' statement recalled that the French leaders, including General Charles De Gaulle, have declared on several occasions their intentions to hold elections as soon as possible.

"Pending the expression of the will of the French people through the action of their duly elected representatives," Stettinius said, "the provisional government of the French republic in its efforts to prosecute the war until final victory and to lay the foundations for the rehabilitation of France, can count on the continued, full and friendly cooperation of the government of the United States."

The French funds which have been tied up in this country are estimated at about \$900,000,000 credited to the bank of France, plus several hundred millions more of private funds, making the total far in excess of one billion dollars.



HOLOCAUST TAKES HEAVY TOLL—Three gas tanks stand intact amid the wreckage of homes and buildings in a half-mile square section of Cleveland, Ohio, devastated last Sunday by the city's worst conflagration, started by explosions of stored liquid gas. Latest count puts the number of dead at 97, with 107 missing. In the hospitals are 172 injured, some of them critically. Property damage estimates range up to \$15,000,000.

GOP Senator Ball Bolts to F. D. R. on Foreign Policy; Dewey Slates Farm Speech

Largest Oregon Vote in History Is Forecast

PORTLAND, Oct. 23.—(AP)—The largest Oregon vote in history is predicted for November 7 by the Oregonian's political writer, Herbert Lundy.

Gov. Snell to Aid Idaho Republican Campaign

SALEM, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Governor Snell will leave Wednesday for Boise, Idaho, where he will make a radio address at 7 p. m. (PWT.) Thursday in behalf of the republican ticket.

Argentine Corn Coming To Feed Oregon Stock

PORTLAND, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Ten thousand tons of Argentine corn will arrive in the northwest this week to ease the feed shortage.

Death Toll in Cleveland Holocaust May Reach 200

CLEVELAND, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Coroner Samuel R. Gerber estimated today that "possibly 200" persons met death as liquid gas explosions and flames laid waste an east side area one-half mile square.

Gov. Warren Improving After Penicillin Given

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Oct. 23.—(AP)—Governor Earl Warren, for whom penicillin treatments were ordered Saturday after he had been ill a week with influenza, was reported last night by Dr. J. B. Harris to have a normal temperature and to be on the road to recovery.

Allies Pound Westwall In Various Spots

LONDON, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Six allied armies pounded the tight-drawn Nazi defense band from Holland to Switzerland's border today with an unceasing pressure aimed at opening the eventual cracks that will permit a smash at Berlin.

The rain of blows was not yet a grand coordinated offensive, but it was intended to hammer the enemy line ever thinner and to mask the timing and place of the main attack.

The assault was on against the shrinking south Schelde pocket west of Antwerp, the Breda box north of Antwerp, the hard-held doorway from Aachen, the upper entrance of the Saar valley, and the sharp-cloven Vosges passes.

The British Second army, striking in three columns on a 12-mile front from the western side of its Holland salient, drove to within three to five miles of the prize communications hub of 'S-Hertogenbosch.

The Canadian army swept on from Eschen on the Dutch-Belgian border, 16 miles north of Antwerp, after an 11-mile advance in two days, and hammered methodically toward Roosendal, four miles ahead.

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Islands in Aegean Captured by Allies

ROME, Oct. 23.—(AP)—The large Aegean island of Evvoia (Euboea), adjacent to the Greek mainland north of Athens, has been cleared of Germans, allied headquarters announced today.

Dispatches from Athens said the island's chief city, Khalcedi, surrendered to a combined force of British and Greek patriots and that a small number of troops left behind in a German evacuation were taken prisoner.

The strategic north Aegean island of Lemnos has been occupied by the British and all of the Cyclades group was reported freed today as German forces on the mainland continued their flight through northern Greece.

Allied headquarters announced that six months emergency civilian supplies for Greece, amounting to about 780,000 tons valued at \$120,000,000, had been provided for partly by the United States and the remainder by Britain.

Eighth army troops in Italy inching their way up the Adriatic coast have occupied Cervia, on the coastal road four miles north of captured Cesenatico and only 12 miles below Ravenna, but had weather again hampered operations on the Fifth army front, allied headquarters announced today.

Cervia, 19 miles above Rimini, is on the main highway from Rimini to northeastern Italy.

War Orphan, Six Months Old, Flown to America

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Six months old Kenneth Barry Maloney, a war orphan and the youngest passenger to cross the Atlantic on an army transport plane, was in the care of his paternal grandmother today who had started his upbringing as an American boy.

Kenneth, whose American father, Lt. Kenneth Maloney, was killed in action before his birth and whose English mother died in childbirth, was flown from England to New York yesterday in the care of an army nurse.

Kenneth's maternal grandmother, grandaunt and Aunt were killed when bombs struck their home in England. Only the infant escaped injury.

Worst Goods Shortages In Oregon Are Listed

PORTLAND, Oct. 23.—(AP)—A new Oregon office of civilian requirements dredged through civilian complaints today and came up with a list of the worst home-front shortages.

Greatest bottle-necks, reported Director Robert B. Elliott, are work gloves, overalls, cleaning solvents, coat hangers and caulked shoes.

The office was set up to determine the most acute shortages in this area and to obtain goods which—though available—have not reached the northwest in sufficient quantities, the district OPA said.

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Cordon, Morse Report on Campaign Expenditures

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—(AP)—The \$15,465.26 spent by Cameron Sherwood, Walla Walla republican, in his unsuccessful bid for his party's senatorial nomination, was the top personal expenditure reported in the primary campaign, the senate campaign expenditures committee disclosed Saturday.

Guy Cordon, successful in his bid for the Oregon G. O. P. senatorial nomination, reported no personal outlay although \$23,785 was expended by his campaign committee. Wayne L. Morse, also successful in his republican bid, listed \$832.73 with \$23,388.50 spent by his campaign committee, while Sen. Rufus C. Holman, also a republican, listed \$1,085.55 with \$13,021 spent by his campaign committee.

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ON EDUCATION BOARD—Phil Metschan, above, Portland hotel man and former banker, who was appointed Saturday by Gov. Snell to the state board of higher education to succeed E. C. Sammons, resigned. Mr. Metschan, alumnus of Willamette university and later a student at Stanford university, was the republican nominee for governor in 1930.

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Yanks Overrun Foe's Strong Defense Lines

Captured Airdromes to Be Converted Into Base; Freedom Reestablished

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Philippines, Oct. 23.—(via army radio)—(AP)—American soldiers, pushing westward on Leyte island's southern front today overrun strong Japanese defense positions and were trying to trap enemy troops retreating up the wide Leyte valley.

A. P. War Correspondent Al Dopping, on the southern front, reported that Yank Seventh infantry division troops, led by tanks, were moving up the open valley inland from Dulag, where one of the first American beachheads was established.

The country leading northward from Dulag is flat and ideal for tank warfare. The Leyte valley, over which the forces of liberation are moving, is 25 miles wide on the southwest. It tapers to 10 miles wide on the northeast. The valley is flanked by mountain ranges with peaks rising up to 1,200 feet.

(Supposedly, the Japanese on the southern front were retreating northward up the open valley or falling back into mountain positions on the southwest of the valley.)

Major Base Being Built As his troops pressed forward, Gen. MacArthur announced preparations already are under way for construction of a great base for future operations around the captured airdromes of Tacloban and Dulag.

The supply problem for Japan's vicious 16th division already is becoming difficult after their "preliminary defeat" and should they be forced into the hills might become acute, Gen. MacArthur said in his communique today.

The role of this strategic island, in the heart of the Philippines, was underlined by the announcement that work has commenced on the two captured airfields and other installations to prepare "a great base for all arms for future operations."

Freedom Reestablished Meanwhile Tacloban, the provincial capital, occupied by the Yanks after they took the airfield in that sector, became the temporary capital of the first free government of the Philippines.

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Gifts Away Boxes to Mail Gifts Overseas

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Oct. 23.—(AP)—Parents of Klamath Falls servicemen have had no trouble in finding properly shaped boxes to ship Christmas presents to overseas sons.

E. D. Mortenson, a lumberman who didn't want any body to miss a Christmas package because of shipping complications, has been giving away boxes—complete with wrapping twine and postal instructions—to everyone who turned up.

He estimates his boxes—given away each year—at 26,000. This year's batch had a new decoration: A green Christmas tree painted on the lid.

Subjects Listed for High School Debaters

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 23.—(AP)—Oregon entrants in the annual state high school speech tournament will debate the question: What shall be the postwar policy of Oregon toward Japanese-Americans?

Other subjects, announced by the Oregon High School Speech league, will be "postwar development for Oregon" and "resolved that the legal voting age shall be reduced to 18 years." The contest will be held next spring.

Truck-Train Collision Kills Man at Hubbard

HUBBARD, Ore., Oct. 23.—(AP)—Walbert A. Kimlinger, 29, Mt. Angel, was killed here today when his creamery truck was struck in a heavy fog by a south-bound Southern Pacific passenger train. The truck was carried 250 yards.

A widow and two children survive.

Dog Racing Produces \$73,245 for Bond Drive

PORTLAND, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Oregon's war bond finance committee flaunted a \$73,245.08 check today—proceeds from last month's six-day bond benefit dog race meet.

The money will finance bond campaigns in the state.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Robinson

By omitting a periodical trip to Florida during the current "whispering" concerning his age and physical condition, President Roosevelt gives his opponents no opportunity of accusing him of taking up the quest where Ponce de Leon left off.