

GERMAN DEFENSE IN HOLLAND COLLAPSING

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Trying to Flee
Over 2 Bridges

Port of Antwerp Nears
Freedom as Blockade Is
Cut to Single Battery

LONDON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—The whole German stand in south-western Holland is collapsing, front dispatches declared today, as British-Canadian columns raced toward the enemy's last two escape bridges in an effort to cut off perhaps 40,000 Nazi troops below the Maas (Meuse) river.

Canadians seized the Germans' western anchor of Bergen Op Zoom without a fight, and bit within a mile of the stronghold of Roosendaal. British army troops closed within five miles of the central bastion of Breda, after winning Tilburg as well as 'S Hertogenbosch.

The German defense line below the Maas "has fallen to pieces," one front dispatch declared. Another said allied armor and infantry were moving so rapidly that Marshal von Model either had to pull back across bridges 10 miles northwest and northeast of Breda "or have his reeling forces cut to bits."

Antwerp Nearly Freed
As success followed success, allied headquarters announced that the free use of the great port of Antwerp, the prize of this campaign, now is blocked only by the isolated and doomed enemy coastal guns of one battery at Vlissingen (Flushing) on Walcheren island.

The Germans are abandoning (Continued on page 6)

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE great news suggested in earlier dispatches MATERIALIZES.

In a far-flung battle, ranging from Formosa to the island-studded waters of the Sulu sea (nearly 1,000 miles) our navy has met, defeated and perhaps SMASHED the Japanese fleet!

AS these words are written preliminary and incomplete reports indicate that MORE than 26 Jap warships were sunk or heavily damaged in the three days of fighting. It is confidently expected that the list will grow as further reports come in.

A dispatch from fleet headquarters at Pearl Harbor says: "The crushing defeat stripped Emperor Hirohito's navy of the GREATER PART of its known CARRIER, BATTLESHIP AND CRUISER POWER." The dispatch adds: Wreckage strewn waters marked the possible end of the Jap imperial fleet as a major obstacle in the path to the coasts of China and JAPAN and probably SHORTENED the Pacific war by months.

Admiral King, in Washington, says the BULK OF THE JAP FLEET was engaged in the three-day battle.

It actually looks as if the little yellow men may not have any GREAT naval force left afloat. If that is true, the way is clear.

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Dummy Convoy Fooled Nazis in D-Day Strike

PORTLAND, Oct. 28.—(AP)—The allied invasion of France was successful partly because a dummy convoy tricked the Germans into weakening their Normandy defenses by sending troops to another sector.

Maj. Peter Ashton of the British royal artillery said here today that the dummy convoy sailed from the English coast toward Calais, misleading the Nazis into believing that was the area to be struck.

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Samar Island Taken in Philippines Invasion

Roosevelt Says GOP Group Putting Party Above Peace; Dewey Raps Farm Record

President Reviews His War Record in Philadelphia Talk

EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, Oct. 28.—(AP)—President Roosevelt turned his attention to postwar business today with indications he will outline an "inducement tax" policy in Chicago tonight, intended to help private industry maintain full employment into the postwar era.

The chief executive, stalking 41 electoral votes in Indiana and Illinois, moved to the west after an administration war policy speech in Philadelphia last night in which he accused some republican politicians of putting "political advantage" above effort to guarantee future peace.

While he tolled on tonight's sequel—to be delivered in Chicago's Soldier field—White House officials said it would be devoted largely to postwar cooperation between government and private industry. One of the things he expects to advance is an administration policy for helping private enterprise through adjusted taxation, to maintain full payrolls after the boom of war industries employment ends.

War Record Reviewed
The chief executive received a noisy reception in Philadelphia's jam-packed Shibe park last night as he recounted his administration.

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Allies Occupy Another Island in Aegean Sea

ROME, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Allied troops landed from a British cruiser occupied the island of Piscopi, 25 miles northwest of Rhodes, the night of October 26, allied headquarters announced today.

Piscopi (Tilos) is a small mountainous island of the Dodecanese group formerly held by Italy and now claimed by Greece.

The communists said also that the island of Melos (Kilo), one of the Cyclades group, was bombarded by four British warships, Thursday.

Yesterday an allied air force announcement said that the Germans "have practically no prospect of saving" forces totalling some 23,000 men in Crete, Rhodes and the remaining Nazi-held Aegean islands because they lack aircraft and their air evacuation lines are under constant allied observation.

Soft Drink Delivery Is Ruse for \$4,000 Robbery

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—(AP)—When Miss Esther Broccoli, a cashier in a currency exchange telephoned an adjoining grocer for a cold soft drink, the grocer asked a man in the store to take it to her.

As Miss Broccoli reached through her cage to take the bottle, the delivery man grabbed her wrist and forced her to open a door. The two confederates, carrying revolvers, entered the cage scooped up \$4,000, and fled.

Broccoli Crops Fizzle as Roosevelt Wins; Douglas Growers Support Dewey

President Roosevelt need expect no election help from Douglas county broccoli growers, reports C. E. Meyer, vice-chairman of the county republican central committee. Meyer has been canvassing farm localities to urge republican voters to go to the polls Nov. 7.

"We are sure of the votes of broccoli growers for Dewey," Meyer asserts. "Every presidential year that Roosevelt has been elected there has been a complete failure of the broccoli crop. But there has been a bumper crop every time we elected a republican president."

Bricker, Truman Air Views in Each Other's Home Area

(By the Associated Press)

The president's foreign policy was the target of an attack last night by Gov. John W. Bricker, the republican vice presidential candidate, in a Kansas City speech. On the home grounds of his democratic rival, Senator Harry S. Truman, Bricker asserted that eight years Mr. Roosevelt failed to heed evidence of German and Japanese aggression.

While Germany and Japan were preparing for large scale war and launching preliminary aggressions, Bricker said, the president continually talked disarmament and devoted his attention to a domestic program that included "attacks on business" and "his bitter fight to pack the supreme court."

Truman Also Heard
Campaigning in Bricker's home state, Senator Truman declared in Akron last night that Governor Dewey should be compelled "to tell the American people whether he wants a senate composed of isolationists like Robert Taft and Gerald Nye and the six other isolationists" he said were running on Dewey's ticket.

"Informed republicans," Truman said, and others who opposed Mr. Roosevelt in 1940 are supporting him now "because they realize the importance of making sure that the president's policy on foreign affairs is carried out."

Other developments on the political firing line:
Joseph E. Davies, former ambassador to Russia, appealed last night for the president's re-election so that he might "finish the war" and "continue his great work in the establishment of the fair, just and realistic peace which will outlaw war."

In Detroit, Vice President Wallace said he believed "the American people behind Roosevelt will make new laws to provide that no healthy American shall ever again be denied the right to work."

G. O. P. Nominee Calls for Boost in Postwar Output

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Oct. 28.—(AP)—Charging the new deal with attempting to force "increased regimentation" upon the farmers, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey pledged the republican party today to a simplified agricultural administration which would provide firm support for farm prices.

Declaring that "three square meals a day" for all Americans would solve the postwar farm problem by requiring even greater production of food than now, the republican presidential nominee said that to continue the new deal in office would mean an eventual return to the "sub-standard prices our farmers were still receiving after eight peacetime years" in 1940.

Dewey was applauded loudly by a crowd of 3,100 persons who jammed themselves into a combined auditorium and gymnasium. Several hundred failed to gain admission.

Governor Bourke B. Hickenlooper of Iowa, introducing Dewey from Burlington, Iowa, by radio, said he was satisfied that if he were elected the New York governor would cooperate with congress to "establish a farm program free from political control, practical in its operation and with long range prosperity as its objective."

Scarcity Theory Hit.
The nominee said that the nation must not "return to the sub-standard prices our farmers were still receiving after eight peacetime years."

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Russians Conquer Ruthenia, Gain in East Prussia Push

LONDON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—The Moscow radio announced today that the Bulgarian delegation had accepted armistice terms proposed to Bulgaria by Britain, the Soviet Union and the United States. It added that the terms would be published later.

MOSCOW, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Russian mountain troops were driving across the threshold of Slovakia today after virtually completing the conquest of Hungarian-annexed Ruthenia with the capture of Ungar, its chief city and former capital.

Gen. Cherniakovsky's battle of attrition against the furiously fighting Nazis in East Prussia forced the Germans out of three more village fortresses in the Ebnrode area yesterday, one of them 21 miles northwest of Insterburg and 17 miles east of the main Insterburg-Tilsit railroad.

The immediate course of the Russian campaign into central Hungary appeared to hinge on the outcome of strong German-Hungarian counterattacks against the Russian salient northwest of Budapest.

Meanwhile the Russian advance on Budapest from the southwest was halted sharply in the vicinity of Szolnok by the enemy's violent counterattacks.

In Yugoslavia other Soviet forces aided by Marshal Tito's partisans captured Nov Sad, Yugoslavia's seventh city of 64,000 on the north banks of the Danube, 42 miles northwest of fallen Belgrade.

Weeping Witnesses Get Fresh 'Kerchief Supply

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Another dozen handkerchiefs have been added to the supply kept for weeping witnesses in Judge Frank E. Donoghue's women's court.

Two members of the Big Sisters society presented them to the court after explaining they had learned of Judge Donoghue's difficulties in obtaining enough handkerchiefs.

First Vote at 66
SULPHUR, Okla., Oct. 28.—(AP)—Mrs. L. L. Tyler, 66, registered for the first time in her life so she could vote in the November 7 election.



ONE-MAN ARMY—"One-Man Task Force" is what they call Lt. Van T. Barfoot, above, of Carthage, Miss., who wears the Silver Star and Congressional Medal of Honor, and was raised from sergeant to second lieutenant on the field for his heroic exploits in France. He walked into a nest of 60 Germans and three machine gun squads, killed seven, captured 17 enemy soldiers, destroyed a tank, broke up an armored attack and saved two comrades.

Japanese Attack On B-29 Base Is Repulsed

A SUPERFORTRESS BASE IN WEST CHINA, Oct. 27.—(Delayed)—(AP)—A considerable force of Japanese bombers made an ineffective raid on a B-29 Superfortress base in west China last night.

Less than a dozen of the planes pierced the defenses and dropped bombs on three fields. The rest were driven off by allied interceptors.

Four cargo aircraft and two light tactical planes were damaged on one field, while the other two reported moderate, repairable damage to three Superfortresses and seven light planes.

Norwegians Evacuated as Allied Landings Increase

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 28.—(AP)—"Reports of allied landing operations along the Norwegian coast already are so numerous it is impossible to deny them all," the German-controlled Scandinavian telegraph bureau reported today, announcing that blackout measures had been tightened throughout the country.

Plans for the evacuation of civilians in northern Norway were said to involve 200,000 persons.

Elation at Defeat of Jap Navy Off Philippines Tempered by Warning of U. S. Leaders That War Not Near End

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Warnings against any belief that the war is nearing an end tempered today elation of military leaders at the defeat administered the Japanese navy in the battle of the Philippines.

All agreed, however, that the defeat, extent of which still remains to be shown in final reports, reduces to a minimum the threat of the Japanese navy to American progress in the Pacific.

But all also agreed in Navy day speeches that the enemy navy still remains a powerful force that can be of major importance as American lines draw closer to Japan, shortening the lines over which the Japanese fleet must operate.

Navy Secretary Forrestal said:

FORESEES 1945 VICTORY
LONDON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Mrs. Wellington Koo, wife of the Chinese ambassador, told a group today that she believed China's eight years of war with the Japanese would end in victory by the early part of next year.

med up the situation with a statement that the enemy military strength now is "cracked and weakened." He added that it still is held together by "barbaric and fanatical determination" and much fighting remains ahead.

Hard Fighting Lies Ahead
Undersecretary of War Patterson cautioned against falling "in-

Sea Combed For Survivors Of Jap Fleet

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Oct. 28.—(AP)—American planes and surface craft today hunted down Japanese warships limping from disaster in the Philippines, where the imperial fleet lost probably 40 ships and had its maximum strength cut at least in half.

Bombers maintained an aerial dragnet from south China to the Sulu sea, searching for survivors. Secrecy shadowed the activities of allied fleet units which, however, were not overlooking the opportunity for a more decisive "kill."

The loss of six American warships in the three vital naval engagements was announced yesterday. They included the light carrier Princeton, most of whose personnel were saved, two escort carriers, two destroyers and one destroyer escort, all unidentified.

This saddened, but did not dim, the commemoration of America's most triumphant Navy day, during which top-ranking officials reported the elimination of Japan's navy as a major striking force, at least temporarily.

Japs Pay For "Sucker" Play
From the Philippines came fuller reports of the four-hour battle of Surigao straits, southeast of Leyte, where allied units under Rear Adm. Jess Oldendorf crushed a Japanese force of 13 to 15 warships. The Japanese of this southern unit opened fire on transports and auxiliary ships

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Woodworkers Stand by Barrier to Communists

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 28.—(Canadian Press)—A proposal to repeal a clause in the constitution of the International Woodworkers of America (C. I. O.) barring persons with communist, Nazi or fascist party affiliations from membership was defeated yesterday, 27,314 to 19,957.

The repeal proposal followed action by the convention delegates Thursday in which it was recommended that two members be expelled from the international on the basis of alleged membership in the communist political association.

Other action by the delegates yesterday included passage of resolutions urging: no discrimination between race, color and creed; reelection of President Roosevelt, and a 55-cent hour wage minimum throughout Canada.

Old Age Assistance in Oregon Shown in Report

PORTLAND, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Old age assistance was given to 19,620 persons in Oregon in September, the state public welfare commission reported yesterday at its monthly meeting here.

More than 43 per cent of them received the maximum amount of \$40 or more.

General public assistance was given 25,523 persons at a cost of \$936,821.75.

Norman Closson, Former Roseburg Lumber Firm Worker, Killed in Holland



Norman E. Closson, 23, above, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. A. Eckhardt, Melrose, was killed in action Oct. 9, in Holland, according to word received by the uncle and aunt, with whom he had made his home since childhood.

He was serving with the paratroopers and had only recently returned to his unit after suffering wounds in the invasion of Normandy. During the invasion, he suffered shrapnel wounds in the face and neck and had been hospitalized. He had been awarded the Order of the Purple Heart.

He came to Melrose with Mr. and Mrs. Eckhardt from San Francisco in 1941 and was employed for a year with the Roseburg Lumber company prior to his enlistment in the army in October, 1942. He had been overseas for the past year.

His mother, Mrs. Mable L. Closson, sister of Mrs. Eckhardt, resides in San Francisco.

Argentina Seeks Vindication By Union Conference

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 28.—(AP)—The Argentine government announced last night it had asked the pan-American union in Washington to call a conference of foreign ministers of all American nations to consider Argentina's international status and seek an "adequate solution."

"It has been alleged," said a memorandum forwarded to all foreign ministers, "that Argentina has not fulfilled its international obligations, which fact involves a problem which interests not one country, nor a group of countries, but the entire continent."

While declaring that Argentina would "receive in a cordial spirit any initiative tending to accentuate the collaboration among the nations," the statement made clear that "in no case can the adoption of measures of internal order, related to the juridical and institutional regime of this country, be matters of international negotiation."

(U. S. Secretary of State Cordell Hull last September 7 declared Argentina since the beginning of the war has declined to participate in plans for hemispheric defense.)

Wisconsin Prexy Quits To Take U. C. L. A. Job

MADISON, Wis., Oct. 28.—(AP)—President C. A. Dykstra today announced his intention of submitting his resignation to the board of regents today to accept the presidency of the University of California at Los Angeles.

Dykstra was appointed yesterday on recommendation of Dr. R. G. Sprout, U. C. L. A. president, to fill the vacancy created last year by the death of Dr. Earle R. Hedrick.

War On Italian Front Halted by Bad Weather

ROME, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Gales and floods brought operations on the entire Italian front to a virtual standstill today and the Germans were capitalizing on the weather-imposed lull in fighting to reinforce their defenses south and southeast of Bologna.

Allied headquarters said adverse weather also restricted the Mediterranean allied air force operations.

Seizure Puts Yanks Nearer Manila Goal

Jap Casualties on Leyte Pass 14,000; Survivors Facing Flight or Death

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Philippines, Oct. 28.—(AP)—The crushing power of Gen. MacArthur's invasion armies, released as Japan's shattered fleet fled the Philippines, rapidly engulfed Samar island today, within 275 miles of Manila, aided brilliantly by Filipino guerrillas.

John B. Hughes, broadcasting from Gen. MacArthur's headquarters in the Philippines, reported today that the island of Samar was now completely in American hands.

On Leyte, where land-based fighter planes began operating from captured airfields, great segments of the island fell to the onrushing Yanks.

By the hour, Japanese dead and wounded were added to the more than 14,000 casualties already inflicted. Most of the dead were men of Nippon's defeated and demoralized 16th division which perpetrated the tortures on Bataan.

Virtually all Samar's more than 1,200 square miles, which extend to within 15 miles of prized Luzon, were under American and Filipino domination.

It was the second island capital invested in the Philippines, the other being Leyte's Tacloban, now provisional capital for Sergio Osmeña's Philippine government.

Disaster from many directions confronted the selfsame Japanese (Continued on page 6)

General Stilwell Recalled From His China Command

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—(AP)—General Joseph W. Stilwell has been relieved of his triple command in the far east and has been recalled to Washington, the White House announced today.

The announcement said Stilwell "has been relieved as chief of staff of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, as deputy to Admiral Mountbatten, commander of the southeast Asia command, and as U. S. commander of the China-Burma theater and has been recalled to Washington."

The former China-Burma-India theater will be divided into two theaters under separate commanders, said the announcement, which gave no reason for Stilwell's recall.

American forces in the China theater will be commanded by Maj. Gen. A. C. Wedemeyer, who has been appointed concurrently by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek as chief of staff of the China theater.

Wedemeyer is now deputy chief of staff to Admiral Mountbatten.

American forces in the India-Burma theater will be commanded by Lt. Gen. Daniel I. Sultan, who is now deputy commander of the C-B-I theater.

Later today the White House announced that General Stilwell will be given "a new and important, but at present, undisclosed assignment."

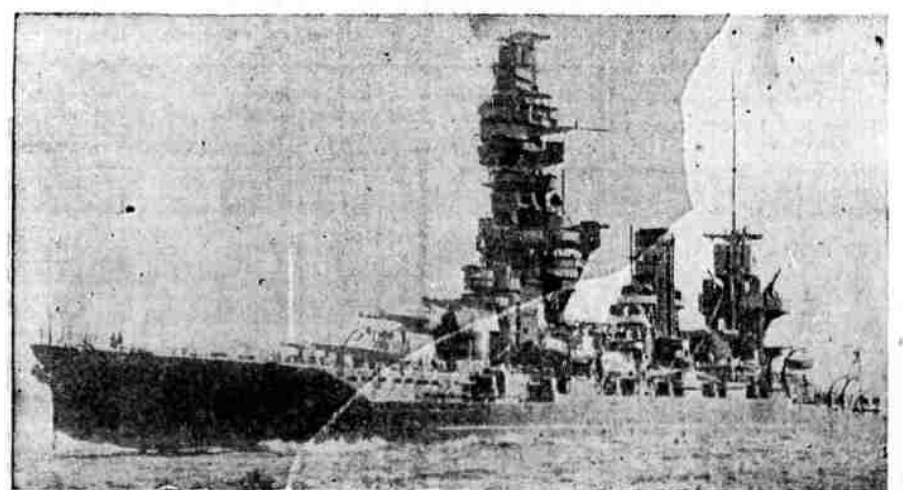
School Bill Endorsed By Roseburg Directors

The directors of Roseburg school district No. 4, at a special meeting, endorsed the principle of state support for public schools, Paul S. Elliott, city school superintendent, reported today. The directors thoroughly discussed the proposed constitutional amendment, appearing on the Nov. 7th election ballot, which would require the state to raise taxes with which to pay 45 cents per pupil per day to school districts, with \$8,000,000 of the grand total fund, amounting to from \$12,000,000 to \$13,000,000, to be apportioned to property tax offset.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Robinson

Those blood-brother "Aryans," the Nazis and Japanais, are probably beginning to realize by this time that there's a whole of a difference between manpower and wham-power.



(NEA Telephoto)

JAP BATTLESHIP SUNK BY U. S. FLEET—This is a Japanese battleship of the Yamashiro class, one of which was sunk by American surface ships and aircraft during the decisive battle in the Philippines. The American fleets sank or damaged at least 30 Jap warships, including 10 battleships and three aircraft carriers to win one of the greatest naval battles of the war.