

Soviets Renew Big Offensive

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Leninograd on the long-dormant Volkhov front.

Nel can serve the Russians as a springboard for a plunge toward Latvia, 70 miles to the west, and its importance was emphasized by Marshal Stalin in an order of the day. The communists also pointed out that the Germans had fortified the city and surrounding area for two years.

In the Caucasus the Russians had reached the "mopping up" stage after toppling the last German strongholds on the Taman peninsula to liberate that area. The communists said soviet airplanes were sinking fleeing German troops by the boatload in the narrow Kerch strait between the Caucasus and the Crimea, while soviet ground troops killed or captured enemy remnants unable to flee.

Great quantities of tanks, guns, ammunition and supply dumps were seized in the Caucasian cleanup, the bulletin said, as well as on the Leningrad front, where at one point 50 freight cars were taken.

But the formidable engineering and fighting feat in crossing the Dnieper was the soviet military highlight. This was done after a 200-mile march to the Dnieper during the summer, and only a brief lull for reorganization.

The tone of the Moscow communiqué and the fact it was not issued until several days after Berlin first had reported Russian crossing attempts indicated the Russians now were across the river in force and perhaps even well beyond the bridgeheads.

Soviet airmen beat a path for the red army and battered German roads of retreat, Moscow broadcasts said. German trains, military dumps, and rail junctions at Minsk, Gomel, Dzhankoi, and Melitopol, were pounded by day and night Wednesday.

The communiqué, recorded by the soviet monitor, was read twice over the Moscow radio and was followed by patriotic songs—a method reserved for great events. It listed these Russian gains:

Soviet forces planted themselves firmly across the middle Dnieper on the west bank north of Kiev, south of Pereyaslav, 50 miles southeast of the Ukraine capital, and southeast of Kremenchuk, between that city and Dnepropetrovsk on the river bend.

The Russian movement suggested another great series of annihilating pincers similar to that so successfully carried out at Stalingrad, where Gen. Friedrich Von Paulus' German army was wiped out.

"Our troops are extending the bridgeheads step by step," said the bulletin. "The Germans are waging fierce counterattacks against our troops which crossed the Dnieper, but are being repulsed with heavy losses."

Taman (Staro-Tamanskaya) on the western end of the Taman peninsula in the Caucasus opposite the Crimea, and seven other large populated places were captured in the final clean-up of the German foothold there. Berlin had announced the abandonment of Taman last week.

"Enemy troops who were unable to evacuate the peninsula are being wiped out," said the soviet bulletin.

In a plunge toward the Baltic states, Russian troops under Gen. Andrei I. Yeremenko, Stalingrad hero, gained 15 miles on a 15-mile front, capturing more than 100 villages, including the rail junction city of Nevel, only 70 miles from the Latvian border.

This put the Russians astride a junction commanding lines to Leningrad on the north, Vitebsk in White Russia to the south, and to points in the Baltic states on lines branching off the railway running southwest to Warsaw in Poland.

Extending their front farther northward, the Russians also made a nine-mile advance in the Volkhov sector southeast of Leningrad in what may be another offensive aimed at forever removing the German siege area before Russia's second largest city.

Kirishi, a rail junction 65 miles southeast of Leningrad on this front between Lakes Ladoga and Ilmen, was captured, along with "a host of other large populated places."

Marshal Joseph Stalin previously had announced the fall of Nevel in an order of the day, terming it "a large strongpoint and operationally important German center of communications."

He said it fell after a two-day fight. He ordered that 12 soviet divisions, regiments, and brigades be honored with the name of Nevel, and that Moscow's 124 victory cannon fire 12 salvos to commemorate the victory, which presages a determined soviet attempt to smash all German communications between their northern and central armies.

Stockwell Ill

FOX VALLEY—James Stockwell is ill at his home suffering with an attack of asthma. Mr. and Mrs. Stockwell spent some time in central Oregon for his health and he was improved temporarily but suffered a setback upon returning to the lower altitude.

Sale of KSLM Announced

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marvel if signals could be heard a distance of 20 miles. Becoming a commercial operator in 1910, he served four years on ocean-going vessels prior to World War I and continued in radio work for the navy during that war.

In 1922 shortly following development of the modern radio he started a station in Portland which became station KION, and later started station KXL which he still owned for a time after acquiring the Salem station in 1936.

KSLM was opened as a 100-watt daytime station in 1934; it has been enlarged to a 1000-watt full time station and is on a 5000-watt channel. The move from a Court street studio to the present station on North Front street was made in 1938.

Germans Open Fierce Battle Against British

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Europe is formed by the Volturno river, now swollen by rains in the coastal plain north of Naples; by the rugged Matese, Sannio, and Frentani mountains rising well over 6000 feet and reaching almost to the Adriatic shoreline, and by streams running from the highlands into the Adriatic.

(Secretary of War Stimson said in Washington that the Germans still were pouring troops into Italy and that their forces now probably number between 20 and 25 divisions—possibly 300,000 men. He listed American casualties in Italy since the landing at Salerno at 511 killed, 5428 wounded and 2368 missing.)

Clark's American Fifth army, skirting around the Phlegraen fields—a cratered region of extinct volcanoes famed in antiquity—already has taken position in the Mazzoni plain along the Tyrrhenian coast north of Naples and has attained the Lago Di Patria, a marshy lake 10 miles south of the mouth of the Volturno.

Further information from the front today disclosed that the crossing of the Volturno by Fifth army elements as reported at headquarters yesterday was only along the main tributary of the Volturno system, commonly known as the Calore river.

German defenses on the north banks of the Volturno across the plain from the mountains to the Tyrrhenian sea are still intact.

The elements of the Fifth army which have crossed the Calore constitute a threat to the German flank on the coastal plain.

On the eastern side of Italy's Appennine backbone, where Gen. Montgomery's veterans are locked in battle, the Germans at some points are standing along the Biferno river, but the main fighting around termoli is north of the river.

The Germans have, however, two other streams along the Adriatic on which to make stands in front of the port of Pescara, which is a sort of back door to Rome. These are the Trigno and Sangro rivers.

Similarly, should the Fifth army dislodge the Germans from the Volturno on the western coastal plain, there are other natural defenses between there and Rome, notably the Garigliano and Liri rivers and the Aurunci, Auscoli and Lepini mountains.

Auto Workers Back 4th Term

BUFFALO, N.Y., Oct. 7.—(AP)—President Roosevelt received the conditional endorsement of the CIO United Automobile Workers for a fourth term today after delegates voted opposition to extension of incentive or piece-work pay plans.

Qualified support of the president as well as Vice-President Wallace for re-election came in affirmative action taken on a majority report of the resolutions committee of the UAW-CIO eighth convention after a minority report recommending unlimited support of the chief executive was withdrawn.

Senate Confirms Harriman Appointment

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Without discussion, the senate today unanimously confirmed W. Averell Harriman as ambassador to Russia, succeeding Admiral William H. Standley, resigned.

The senate also confirmed John K. Caldwell of Kentucky today as minister to Ethiopia.

DANCE

Everybody Welcome
Salem Armory Tonight

Sponsored by Capital Post No. 9, American Legion

Antiaircraft Maneuvers Going on Here

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trucks covered with lace curtain camouflage.

Once again the streambeds are alive although the dry season is yet upon them, for there helmeted sentries pace unseen from any distance by either soldier or stranger.

Not a shot will be fired during Salem air base maneuvers for fairly obvious reasons. "The shells would burst and slay the population," the young lieutenant in the guiding party explained. But the men who man the guns have had drill on the anti-aircraft range. Today they are solving the problems to get the answers which make the difference between merely firing and firing accurately.

Numbers of Bofors 40 guns, dotted around the airbase, form a protection for landing field and hangars. Known to men of the defending unit as AW or automatic weapons, these guns of Swedish origin are used by nazis as well as US forces.

Standing directly over the emplacements where those guns are half buried, one notices that not one dugout but two connecting holes have been dug, lined with sandbags and bordered with grass and brush. In the first sit the gun and the gunners. The second pit holds an instrument which to my domestic eye resembles a circulating heater without a pipe. Ardent rock gardeners are these digging privates of the anti-aircraft artillery; they have planted gardens atop the square brown metal boxes.

Important as are the rock gardens, they are secondary to the equipment they hide. The little brown box carries telescope fixtures, computes the path of the nearby plane and automatically aims the gun it serves. Not far away in the brown grass lies a man with a field telephone, receiving reports which have been radioed in to the field from listening posts established in the hills many miles away from the "firing" line.

In a meadow, not part of the airbase, we followed a cowpath across one of the sentried gullies to a point where four larger guns on great steel platforms are capable of turning long noses into the sky. Operating in batteries of four, the 90 mm. guns have been placed at strategic points.

Were I the pilot of an "enemy" plane I should adopt the methods applied by the navy and should zigzag past the armaments thus placing the deadly accuracy of the inhuman eye that sees and plots the pathway of the oncoming plane, I calmly informed the army.

For this unsophisticated observation the army had only a scoffing laugh. The bombardier's flight must be leveled off and smooth if the bomb bays are to open safely and surely for the laying of the bombs. "Pilots like to have the sky to themselves—they just don't find sick air fire morale-building, anyhow," added the captain.

Night and day, the men in helmets and coveralls stay by their guns, sleeping as they may in pup tents which are "broken" during sunny hours so that they may cast no shadows to be seen from the air.

They eat under and not off of lace tablecloths. I'm not fooling. Visiting the scene of action Tuesday I, womanlike, observed that the camouflage of large, loose netting through which are woven strips of color in keeping with the shades of the landscape, explained the fact that lace curtains are difficult to come by today.

At home my newest woman's magazine opened naturally to the advertisement of a manufacturer of lace tablecloths who devoted his space to telling the public that he is now manufacturing just the type of camouflage I had seen spread over the field kitchen truck.

At any moment, 24 hours a day, they may be notified that an enemy plane is approaching this airfield—which for purposes of the problems used here is hypothetically located in France.

The story that they dramatize from day to day is based on an even larger story: The allies are winning back the land of the Gauls and as they take an airfield they man it with anti-aircraft artillery, who hold the fort until allied planes have been based there.

The problems that they work are the same that would be required were they defending from actual attack. They are learning to work ahead of and with fighter.

Too Late to Classify

RABBITS: Bred does & does with litters, bucks & young rabbits, also butchers. 1321 St. W. Salem, Cal. between 2 & 5 P.M.

Siberia Bases Could Save US Million Lives

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Treasury Set Against Retail Sales Taxes

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witnesses previously made the same argument.

Sponsors of a sales tax expressed doubt that it could pass in view of the administration's position.

Other developments of the day: Secretary of War Stimson reported that the first four weeks of the Salerno fighting cost 3307 American casualties, including 311 killed in action.

The house immigration committee voted 8 to 4 to repeal the old Chinese exclusion acts.

Larger allowances for dependents of servicemen were voted by the house military committee and the prospects now are that a wife with one child will get at least \$75 a month in place of the present \$62.

Yanks Abroad Adopt Irish War Orphans

BELFAST.—(AP)—United States soldiers have adopted forty war-orphaned children in northern Ireland and the number soon will be doubled.

For each child \$400 is provided for the soldiers—on a basis of \$80 a year.

One unit stationed somewhere in Ulster banded together to adopt two-year-old Freda, whose father was lost at sea. The doughboys have never seen her—but they asked for and received 150 copies of her picture, one for each soldier.

Another adopted orphan, Elizabeth, received a birthday cake for her fifth birthday, sent by soldiers who are helping provide for her. And she will be the pride of the regiment in the smart battle-dress the soldiers made for her.

Five-year-old William, whose father was killed in an air raid on Belfast, has been adopted by a London unit, and received the surprise of his life when a colonel of the unit came here to see him. The colonel wanted to take William back to visit all his American "uncles," but the trip could not be permitted.

Ward's to Get New Manager

W. F. Kellogg, manager of the Salem Montgomery Ward store for the past 18 months, who left early this week to take over the supervision of the district with headquarters in Boise, Idaho, will be succeeded here within the next two weeks by F. G. Leserer, company officials said Thursday.

Leserer leaves the management of the Long Beach, Calif., store to come here. Kellogg becomes manager of the Boise store as well as district supervisor. Mrs. Kellogg and their child expect to move to Boise shortly after Mr. Kellogg has returned to Salem to sell their residence. Between managers, D. Robert Henry, merchandise manager who came to the Salem store in mid-September from Palo Alto, Calif., is acting manager.

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Tim Holt

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JOAN BARCLAY

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Senator Lodge (R-Mass.), one of the group who reported behind doors which were locked against the public and the press for the first time since June, 1942, gave this estimate in a review dealing largely with the toughness of the fighting in the Pacific.

While the session was secret, many members talked fully about it afterward and some said they saw no reason for the secrecy.

Before Lodge spoke, the senate had heard Senator Russell (D-Ga.) standing beside a huge globe map of the world, criticize the British because, he said, they are passing lend-lease materials to other countries without giving credit to the United States.

He suggested that American relief and rehabilitation in occupied countries be under military, instead of civilian, direction, and said there was lack of a clear foreign policy to guide American military, economic and diplomatic representatives in their competition with the British.

Russell also took the British to task for not launching an offensive in Burma, although the Georgia senator expressed confidence in the ability of the new India Burma commander, Lord Louis Mountbatten. He told his colleagues Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault's American army air force is doing most of present active fighting against the Japanese in China, but Lodge added that the Chinese armies are holding off 15 Jap divisions.

Senator Mead (D-NY) urged a reapportionment of United Nations petroleum supplies, with the British meeting a larger share of needs. President Roosevelt told a press conference last Tuesday that steps toward this end are being taken. He said the British had wanted to furnish a larger share of oil all along, but that it was not feasible until allied victories opened the Mediterranean sea route to British-controlled oil sources in the middle east.

Senators Chandler (D-Ky) and Brewster (R-Me), two other legislators recently back from the fronts, will add their reports tomorrow at a further closed session. Chandler said he would tell his colleagues he would not be surprised if German home morale cracks this winter, obviating the need of a cross-channel invasion.

BISMARCK, ND.—(AP)—Lucas Comes Last didn't come at all last night and North Dakota penitentiary officials today were searching for the 37-year-old Indian inmate who escaped from the state farm.

Warden O. J. Nygaard said Comes Last disappeared just before he and other inmates working at the farm were to be taken back to the penitentiary. He has served three years of a two to five term for burglary.

TONIGHT!

October 8th

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ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

Appropriate or inappropriate: Newspaper week and fire protection week are both in full swing. A couple of more paper cuts and there won't be much with which to start a fire even on a chilly morning. All of which, we suppose, should "burn us up," but actually it leaves me cold!

No day without its lesson learned department: My sympathies with war correspondents' troubles have expanded since putting one story on our local shelves—less maneuvers (carefully disinfected before it was taken to headquarters) through the public relations mill.

One thing which has nothing to do with the maneuvers but was learned therefrom by this reporter is the fact that cows are graceful creatures. Fifty cows were led across one of those well-guarded meadows out at Salem way Monday and not one cow stepped on one cable (the ground was black with wires serving all sorts of communications gadgets and finder devices). I didn't do as well as the cows, but then, I was dodging other impediments.

Awards Made For Livestock At Exposition

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 7.—(AP)

A Chester white boar, owned by Arthur Ries, 19, Toppish, Wash., won grand champion hog honors today at the Pacific International Livestock exposition.

The grand champion sheep, a Southdown fat lamb, was entered by Arthur Spencer, 14, Corvallis, Oregon.

Dick Hitchkiss, 17, Burns, Ore., won the grand championship in the beef animal contest with a 10-month-old Aberdeen Angus steer weighing 805 pounds.

Union county, Ore., won first place in the 4H club county herd contest.

Entries in the livestock show were limited to 4H club members this year.

Eugene Heinemann, Ritzville, Wash., was named the champion stock judge.

Second place was awarded to Ed Faure, also from Ritzville. Jim Hogg, Stanfield, placed third.

Rodney Chase, Springfield, won the hog judging, with Dan Pridy, Silverton, second, and Rex Vollstedt, Albany, third.

Sheep judging winner was Douglas Decker, Portland. Art Ohling, Albany, came second, and Hogg third.

The hog showmanship champion was Reed Vollstedt, Albany, followed by Ohling, second, and Rex Vollstedt, third.

Charles Colegrove, Albany, won in sheep showmanship. Arthur Spencer, Corvallis, won in the medium wool breeds; Reed Vollstedt was second, and Elmer Humphrey, Monroe, third. In other sheep breeds, Colegrove was first; Tommy Hughson, Albany, second, and Delmar Spencer, CoCorvallis, third.

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