

By Charles A. Squire

The word "armistice" derives from two Latin words: arma, arms, and stare, to stand still. Its meaning is plain from its roots: armies stand still, or arms be at rest.

That was what it meant 26 years ago. Thanks to the radio and telegraph, the news was flashed around the globe in a matter of minutes. Very few shots were fired after 11 a.m., Nov. 11, 1918. There was no bloody battle of New Orleans fought three thousand miles away after peace had been declared, as in 1814. On the fighting lines in France and almost simultaneously in the cities and villages of our country this welcome news was heard on that November morning in 1918. To those who lived through those days it remains a precious memory, a memory freshened by the fact that their sons are, many of them, fighting in the same vicinity in 1944.

As it proved the whole period from 1918 to 1939 was just an armistice, a pause in the single war which was resumed when Germany had recuperated and followed the lead of a madman. Because our hopes that the first world war would end wars were dashed, we have been guilty of a great amount of self-flagellation. We would don sackcloth and ashes because of our own failures which permitted new war to come.

For example, much is made of our refusal to join the league of nations; and some sincerely believe that if we had done so this

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Russians Drive Wedge Between Nazi Defenders

LONDON, Saturday, Nov. 11-(AP) Russian troops in a fierce all day struggle yesterday drove a wedge between the German defenders of Budapest and eastern Slovakia by cutting the Budapest-Miskolc railway in the area of Mezokovesd, 65 miles northeast of the besieged Hungarian capital.

A midnight soviet communique said the Russians killed 700 Germans and Hungarians, beat off a series of stubborn counterattacks, captured 15 guns, stores of ammunition and other equipment, and destroyed nine German tanks in the action which won a section of the important railway.

Mezokovesd itself was threatened by the Russians with the capture of Borodszemere, four miles to the southwest and two miles from the railway which skirts the Matra mountains in northeastern Hungary, and the red army now was 20 miles beyond the middle Tisza river which it crossed several days ago in the new drive on Budapest.

Maj. Richard Bong, Top American Ace, Downs 34th Jap

AN AMERICAN AIRBASE ON LEYTE, Nov. 11-(AP)—One pass at a Japanese plane and Maj. Richard I. Bong, Poplar, Wis., today increased his score to 34 enemy planes downed in aerial combat. Maj. Bong's latest victory came during the 24-hour aerial battle over a Japanese convoy at Ormoc and represented one of 16 Japanese planes definitely destroyed. Five others were probably destroyed.

Bong is America's ace of aces in all war theatres. Bong's latest victory, according to his own report, came when he met five new Japanese fighters head-on during a patrol. One of the Japanese planes zoomed up, rolled over—and came directly into Bong's gunsights. He said the enemy plane crashed in flames.

Winter Strikes Oregon Points

(By the Associated Press) Winter struck at Oregon today as the first snowfall was reported in several areas and the weather bureau predicted freezing temperatures or frost in many areas of the state.

Snow fell in Klamath Falls yesterday for the second time in three days, blanketing the marine barracks area with a six-inch cap. Two inches fell within the city itself.

At Grants Pass highway engineers announced that the Diamond lake highway has been closed by snow, with 12 inches at the summit. All Crater lake national park highways are closed.

Allied Flotilla Sinks Nazi Sub in Aegean LONDON, Nov. 10-(AP)—A British-Polish destroyer flotilla sank a German submarine by shellfire recently while patrolling the Aegean sea, the admiralty announced tonight. Depth charges forced the U-boat to surface and the destroyer's shells then smashed its conning tower and hull.

"We Here Highly Resolve That These Dead Shall Not Have Died in Vain"

Ames, Edward E.; Swale Baker, Donald J.; Falls City Barrett, Charles; Redburn Barrett, Everett; Brooks Bell, Milton; Stayton Bennett, O. D.; Salem Bennett, Talbot S.; Salem Benson, Gordon J.; Salem Berry, Dale; Mill City Birdsell, Wilbur; Sweet Home Blackley, William; Dallas Bobb, Joseph; Grand Ronde Boelsma, Leo; Salem Bothwell, Eugene E.; Salem Brocke, James; Stayton Brown, Raymond; Amity Bryant, Charles J.; Lebanon Buckheit, Edward; Stayton Buckingham, Ernest; Salem Buren, Clifford; West Salem Burgess, Roy; Hubbard Cadle, Dean; Dallas Callins, William E.; Salem Casanovi, Charles; Coos Bay Case, Loren; Perrydale Causey, Jack W.; Salem Chas. Robert; Salem Chan, Louis; Scotts Mills Clark, Robert V.; Salem

Celia, Jack; Salem Conrad, Allison; Stayton Cook, Elton F.; McCoy Cooper, Harold; Lebanon Couchman, Harry B.; Salem Cox, Clifford; Lebanon Crabtree, William; Lebanon Crook, Harold V.; Monmouth Cunningham, Charles; Salem Damm, Richard P.; Salem Davis, Fred LaRoy; Independence Denke, Raymond; Mt. Angel Dilla, Alvin; Independence Forbis, Truman; Lebanon Dickinson, Myron; Stayton Doland, Charles E.; Woodburn Fauble, Hollis; Aurora Fennimore, James; Mt. Angel Foote, Kenneth; Stayton Forbis, Truman; Lebanon Foster, Felix; Salem Fraser, William; Albany Fuller, Norman C.; Salem Fugua, G.; Salem Gehring, Gustaf; Stayton Greenfield, Carrol; Stayton Greenfield, Wilfred; McMinnville Gress, Emanuel; Liberty Hall, Donald D.; Jefferson Hall, George; Lyons Hardy, Floyd L.; Stayton Hart, Ben; Stayton Harmon, Sherman; Stayton Harms, Donald; Salem Harrington, Robert; Salem Hayward, Guy A.; Salem Hooper, Charles; Albany Hoffman, Donald J.; Salem Howe, Darrell; Sweet Home Huffman, Billie; Stayton Hufnagle, W. W.; Salem Hutchinson, Delbert; Salem Ingis, Robert; Stayton Jennings, Alvin; Lebanon Jennings, Calvin; Lebanon Johnson, Edwin L.; Salem Johnson, William; Stayton Jones, Rodney Wallace; Dallas Judd, Paul; Salem Judef, Norman; Gervais Keas, Kenneth H.; Albany Kollatz, Roger W.; Salem

Kennedy, Harvey; Stayton Kennedy, Max D.; Crabtree Knippers, John; Lebanon Lambrecht, Clemens; Stayton Larson, Donald A.; Salem Leedy, Clark; Brooks Lehman, Harold; Salem Little, Ernest; Dayton Loomer, Jack; Albany Lusk, Herbert; Sublimity Lynch, Frank; Salem McCord, Blaine J.; Woodburn McElroy, Alfred J.; Salem McLeod, Robert W.; Salem Mangis, Maurice W.; Salem March, Elmer; Stayton Marshall, Ralph; Stayton Martin, Walden G.; Salem McHugh, Charles H.; Brooks Meeker, Melvin; Dallas Merh, Lloyd L.; Salem Michals, Joe; Lebanon Milligan, Veri; Crabtree Minnara, Francis A.; Salem Moffat, Chester M.; Salem Morgan, Francis F.; Salem Netz, Stanley D.; Salem Newhouse, Ernest C.; Dayton Odman, Harold; Stayton Olsen, Albert; Stayton Park, Warren W.; Stayton Peterson, Robert; Lyons Phillips, Lloyd C.; Salem Post, Donald; Stayton Predek, Wilbert; Mt. Angel Fre, Gene F.; Salem Putnam, Rex; Stayton Pyles, Robert E.; Independence Quessett, Alfred O.; Salem Rackett, George A.; Aurora Ray, Clifford E.; Lebanon Reasner, Ralph B.; Salem Reaser, Ben; Woodburn Reiser, Rollin J.; Hubbard Reynolds, John; Hayesville Richter, Laurence; Salem Ringland, David A.; Salem Roach, Jack H.; Salem Robertson, James G.; Salem Robbins, Harold; Turner Rohmer, John A.; Salem Rost, James; Dallas Routh, Jack M.; Salem Rowan, Elmer; Dallas Ruscher, Quentin; Salem

Ruscher, Samuel M.; Gervais Sanders, Eugene T.; Brooks Sasse, Leroy S.; Salem Satter, Russell; Salem Schmidt, Alex M.; Salem Schoenlin, Herbert; Salem Schutte, Raymond; Stayton Sederstrom, Verdi; Salem Sedgwick, Frederick; Salem Sever, Harry E.; Dallas Shank, Gilbert S.; Albany Shaw, W. E.; Lebanon Shellhorn, William; Salem Shotton, Jack; Jordan Valley Sheeh, Carl; Monmouth Sheridan, William; Salem Simmons, Harold; Williams Sion, Valere; Dayton Smelser, Elmer; Aumsville Smith, Robert H.; Stayton Snyder, Agnes Jean; Aurora Solberg, Ralph E.; Stayton Spahn, William; Turner Stanley, Winston G.; Salem Steiner, Raymond; Zena Stillwell, Emory; Albany Strangshugh, Roy; Salem Swanson, Ernest C.; Dayton Swander, Richard; Lebanon Talbot, Doyle; Salem Taylor, Earl J.; Stayton Towns, Kenneth; Stayton Truxon, Woodrow; Albany Turner, Donald F.; Salem VanCleave, Merrill; Aumsville Vincent, James; Solo Wagner, Charles; Mt. Angel Wallen, Earl; Salem Williams, Lowell; Ketter Waters, Leonard; Stayton Weinberg, Lane M.; Scio Welch, Curtis; Salem Wessell, Fred; Stayton White, Jack; Salem Richter, Laurence; Salem Williams, Leslie; Independence Williamson, Ray; Monmouth Wilson, Donald; Albany Wilson, Jack; Lebanon Woodard, James; Stayton Wrightman, A. Edgar; Stayton Zander, Lewis C.; Salem Zorcher, John L.; Salem



Portrait of a man in a military uniform.

Roster of Hero Names of Six War Dead Added to Valley List of World War II Heroes

Names of six war dead are added to the mid-valley's roster of World War II heroes this Armistice day.

One in New Guinea, one on Guam, two in Italy, one in England and one at an unnamed point, probably at sea, the six died in the service of their country as members of army, navy and marines and representatives of Salem, Crabtree, Lebanon and the community of Crowfoot near Lebanon.

Sgt. Elgie Berg, USMC, son of Mr. and Mrs. Othmer Berg of Crowfoot, died of wounds received on Guam.

Ernest Archie Buckingham, machinist's mate 2/c, USNR, son of Mrs. Katherine Buckingham, 620 South 18th street, Salem, has been reported by the navy department as killed in action. Scene of his death has not been announced.

Pvt. Alvin Jennings, army infantry, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jennings, Lebanon, was killed in action in Italy.

Cpl. Herold Lehmann, army, son of Mrs. Emilie Lehmann, 1573 Bellevue street, was killed in action October 9 in Hollandia.

Pvt. Veri Milligan, army, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Milligan, Crabtree, was killed in action in Italy on October 19.

Curtis Welch, army, graduate of Salem high school in 1924, was killed in England on October 22. (More about mid-valley war heroes page 2.)

Now Comes 'Jeep' That Can Be Led Like Work Horse

This newest adaptation of the army's most versatile vehicle, reports the November issue of "Air Force," official U. S. AAF magazine, is called the "jungle jeep" and is designed for use in areas inaccessible to larger vehicles.

Resembling an over-sized toy wagon, the "jungle jeep" has a flat platform instead of seats. The engine is underneath and a motorcycle-type hand throttle and hand-operated lever brake are mounted in a swivel tiller bar that replaces the steering wheel, thus permitting the operator to lead, follow or ride the vehicle over rough terrain.

Napoleon's Crown, Gold Watch Stolen

PARIS, Nov. 10-(AP)—Napoleon's crown and gold watch have been stolen from Invalides chapel, police said today, adding that the crown's monetary value was small.

In gilded silver weighing three pounds, the crown has been on display under a glass bowl in the building housing Napoleon's tomb. It was made in 1840 for the emperor as the gift of the city of Cherbourg and inscribed, "To Napoleon the Great." Some of its gilded leaves were stolen in 1910 but they later were recovered and replaced.

Cities Almost In Jap Grasp

CHUNGKING, Nov. 10-(AP)—Two main objectives of Japan's south China offensive, Kweilin and Luichow, were almost in enemy grasp tonight. Both are former bases of US air power in the orient.

(The Japanese agency Domei in a Tokyo broadcast declared both Kweilin and Luichow had fallen, with Chungking's 31st army troops surrendering in walled Kweilin.)

The Chinese high command said the Japanese looted an all-out offensive against encircled Kweilin, the Kwangsi province capital, and rammed spearheads to within six miles of Luichow on the east and to within nine and a half miles on the north. Luichow lies on the Hunan-Kwangsi railway 85 miles southwest of Kweilin.

Finns Cabinet Resign Posts

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 10-(AP)—The Swedish newspaper Morgontidningen reported that the Finnish government resigned tonight.

Finnish sources here said President Carl Gustav von Mannerheim possibly would appoint a new cabinet tomorrow.

The aging Dr. Juhu Paasilivi, known as a friend of Russia, was considered the most likely choice for premier to succeed Ernu Cohnen, whose government has been criticized in some Finnish political circles for its handling of problems arising from the Russo-Finnish armistice.

If Paasilivi is chosen, it was said a vice premier probably also would be appointed to relieve the veteran diplomat of much of the routine duties of the office.

Perkins Has Answer In Resignation

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10-(AP)—Secretary Frances Perkins, on leaving a cabinet meeting today, was asked if she had submitted her resignation in line with a custom which some have followed after each election.

Laughing, the labor secretary replied: "You don't do such things at cabinet meetings. It's like brushing your teeth, you do that in private."

Tito, Soviet Troops Cross Danube River

LONDON, Saturday, Nov. 11-(AP)—Yugoslav and Soviet troops have crossed the Danube on a 25-mile front between Apatin and Baja, and are moving toward Pecs, 100 miles southwest of Budapest. Marshal Tito announced tonight in a free Yugoslav radio.

Patton Has Birthday

LONDON, Nov. 10-(AP)—The advances made today by the US Third army around Metz were in the nature of a birthday present for its commander, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr. He was 59 today.

B-29's Attack Jap Occupied Nanking, China

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11-(Saturday)-(AP)—A large task force of B-29 Super-Fortresses of the 20th air force attacked Japanese-occupied Nanking, China today by the war department announced.

In a daylight flight, the big planes attacked the dock and warehouse areas of the Yangtze river city, the announcement by Gen. H. H. Arnold, who commands the 20th air force, said. The announcement gave no details as to damage inflicted, but said further details would be released as soon as they become available.

Super-Fortresses of Maj. Gen. Curtis E. Le May's 20th bomber command participated in the raid, flying from China bases.

Marshfield Is No More, It's Now Coos Bay

CITY OF COOS BAY, Ore., Nov. 10-(AP)—The name "Marshfield, Ore.," belongs to the past, as of election day.

A more pretentious title—City of Coos Bay—will designate this 5200 population coastal town from now on. Voters approved a new charter setting forth the change.

About a year ago, North Bend voters turned down a proposal to create an expanded City of Coos Bay through merger of their town and Marshfield, its twin city.

It was still uncertain today just how soon the technical rechristening of this Coos county hamlet would be completed. The bill provided that present councilmen were to remain in office until January 1, 1947—still the charter was to be effective "as soon as approved by voters."

Besides the name change, the new charter sets up a council-manager form of government. Councilmen said they might solve the problem by resigning at the end of this year.

Salem Will Pay Tribute Today To Heroes of Nation's Wars

Far from the din of battle, where American men and women are dying on global battlefields, Salem today will pay tribute to the nation's war dead. Principal feature will be a parade at 10:30 a. m. of service units, fraternal organizations, school children and other marching groups. A special ceremony at the war mothers' monument, immediately after the parade, will conclude the observance.

Lt.-Col. Benjamin F. Found, parade marshal, Friday night met with the full committee of the Federated Patriotic Orders at a dinner in the Golden Pheasant and reviewed details of the parade. He stressed the importance of commanders of the several divisions grouping their commands promptly so the parade will move on time.

The Oregon state guard, commanded by Capt. Kenneth W. Graber, will officially lead the parade. Official colors will be those of the marines now in service at the Salem recruiting station. The reviewing stand will be in front of the Grand theatre. Maj. William Hugh Adams will be adjutant of the day. Invocation will be given by Rev. J. C. Harrison and the principal address by Frank C. Bennett, superintendent of Salem public schools.

Wreaths will be laid as a tribute to the nation's war dead in a strictly memorial phase of the observance which will include playing the national anthem, a salute by a firing squad, raising of the flag and the sounding of taps.

With the exception of houses serving food and other indispensable business, all trade will be suspended during the entire day.

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Flying Bombs Strike England During Night

LONDON, Saturday, Nov. 11-(AP)—The Germans launched a sharp series of flying bomb attacks on southern England from aircraft over the North Sea during the night and early morning hours, but ground gunners and fighters destroyed many of them.

The whole sky along the coast was aglow amid deafening explosions. Seemingly heavier explosions also were heard in the distance.

One coastal observer declared the gunners got "a good bag."

45 Nip Ships Sunk

LONDON, Nov. 11-(AP)—British submarines sank 45 Japanese vessels in far eastern waters in recent weeks, an admiralty communique announced today.

Weather

Maximum temperature 50 degrees, minimum 32 degrees, trace of rain, river -1 ft.

Partly cloudy with scattered showers or snow flurries Saturday and in east portions Sunday. Clearing west portion Sunday. Mild daytime temperatures Sunday, but cold nights interior.

Churchill Describes New V-2 Latest German Terror Weapon Outspeeds Sound

By E. V. W. Jones LONDON, Nov. 10-(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill confirmed today that England is under attack by the German long-range V-2 rocket, announcing that it flies through the stratosphere up to a height of between 60 and 70 miles and then plummets to earth with a ton of explosives travelling at a speed faster than sound.

Casualties and damage, he told a sober house of commons, "have so far not been heavy," although the attack has been under way "for the last few weeks." Churchill said "a number" of the new rockets had landed at widely-scattered points in England.

Churchill pointed out that the speed of the V-2—estimated by other sources at between 700 and 1000 miles an hour—outstripped sound. Therefore there was no way of giving sufficient public warning, but he said that "there is, however, no need to exaggerate the danger."

The scale and effect of these attacks have not hitherto been significant," he added. Used an Antwerp.

The German radio said tonight that the V-2 was now being fired against Paris and the harbor installations at Antwerp, great Belgian port through which the allied command plans to supply the western front armies.

Eye-witnesses say the V-2 falls like a shooting star and explodes with a terrific noise, but it is described as so far too inaccurate to be of much military value. It penetrates deeper than the V-1, but for this very reason causes less blast damage. The V-2 fell in the garden of a farmhouse but failed to break a single window.

80 U.S. Superforts Hit Kyushu, Saishu Islands of Japan

(By the Associated Press) Eighty American Superforts bombed Kyushu and Saishu islands of Japan about 10 a.m. Saturday (Tokyo time), Tokyo radio reported today. An imperial Japanese communique reported by the Domei news agency and recorded by the federal communications commission, said the B-29s caused only "slight" damage and "fled after blindly dropping bombs from above the clouds."

Kyushu is the southernmost and most bombed of the home islands of Japan. Saishu lies about 150 miles to the west, just below the southern tip of Korea.

More Japanese Land on Leyte But Pay Cost

By Murlin Spencer GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Philippines, Nov. 11-(AP)—Japanese defenders of Leyte landed heavy reinforcements from four 5000-ton cargo ships at Ormoc last night, but lost three of the transports and seven of the 15 accompanying destroyers in the effort.

General MacArthur's daily communique gave no estimate of the number of enemy troops landed, but a headquarters spokesman said the number—which, judging from the size of the ships, could have been between 5000 and 10,000 men—was in addition to the 35,000 men which the enemy was estimated to have in action yesterday.

The headquarters spokesman estimated the new reinforcements gave the Japanese as many men on Leyte now as they had when the American assault on the island began. The 40,000 to 45,000 Japanese are faced by a known four American divisions, whose strength has never been disclosed.

Appearance of the Japanese convoy touched off a vicious 24-hour aerial battle in which American dive and level bombers sank the enemy ships while fighters downed 16 of the defending enemy fighters and probably destroyed five more in the sky-filling dogfights above the batters. Four American bombers and four fighters were lost.

Germany Hit Back, Repulsed

By Austin Bealmer SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Paris, Saturday, Nov. 11-(AP)—The Third army's winter offensive blazed over a 75-mile front yesterday and tanks and infantry, curving around little more than eight miles southeast of the great fortress of Metz, were within 11 miles of the frontier of the Saar basin, German industrial stronghold.

The Germans struck back at two places north of Metz during the morning, the first counterattacks since the offensive broke, but they were repulsed. At one point on the Moelle river bridgehead, at Koeningmscher the Americans scored a three-mile gain. Koeningmscher is six miles from the nearest German frontier and ten miles from the Saar border.

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(The Germans southeast of Fremery were reported swinging armored troops into position in the forest of Chateau-Salins, possibly for a blow at the base of this salient, a front dispatch said. The infantry had penetrated 2½ miles into the forest.)

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