

# AT LEAST 59 DIE IN OKLAHOMA TORNADOES

## Storm Leaves Many Hurt, Without Homes

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 12.—(P)—At least 59 Oklahomans were listed as dead tonight in tornadoes which dipped into many communities over the state, leaving hundreds injured and homeless.

Red Cross Chairman Paul Osborn at Antlers in Pushmataha county said 47 bodies had been recovered there from wreckage over one third of the town of 3000 and added he would not be surprised if the final toll ran as high as "80 or 100."

Red Cross workers from over the state were arriving to aid in caring for the hundreds of injured at Antlers and ambulances from nearby army posts were called in to service.

Nine were reported dead at Muskogee and three at Oklahoma City in an afternoon of horror during which the twisters struck in at least eight communities.

Osborn said the situation at Antlers was desperate with light and power services suspended and urgent need for more ambulances, doctors and nurses. The army sent eight ambulances from Camp Maxie, Tex.

Approximately one-third of the city, including business and residential districts, was destroyed by the storm, one of the worst ever to settle in Oklahoma, Osborn added.

## British Eighth Hammers West In Italy Push

ROME, April 12.—(P)—The British Eighth army hammered westward today from three bridgeheads across the Salerno river and British armor locked in a heavy battle with Nazi Tiger tanks.

North of the new bridgeheads troops which had made amphibious landings from Lake Comacchio behind the enemy's lines captured the villages of Menate and Longastrino and liked up with other units advancing astride the Reno river.

Polish troops of the Eighth army, smashing along the vital highway nine (via Emilia) which runs from Bologna through Faenza captured Castel Bolognese, an important junction town five miles west of Faenza and 24 miles southeast of Gologna. Their dawn attack routed a strong enemy guard.

## RAF Mosquitos Pound Berlin

LONDON, Friday, April 13.—(P) RAF Mosquitos, continuing their nightly raids on Berlin, made three separate attacks on the rubble-strewn German capital last night, the air ministry announced today.

These latest raids made a total of nine attacks on the capital in the last three nights, and 59 in the last 49 days.

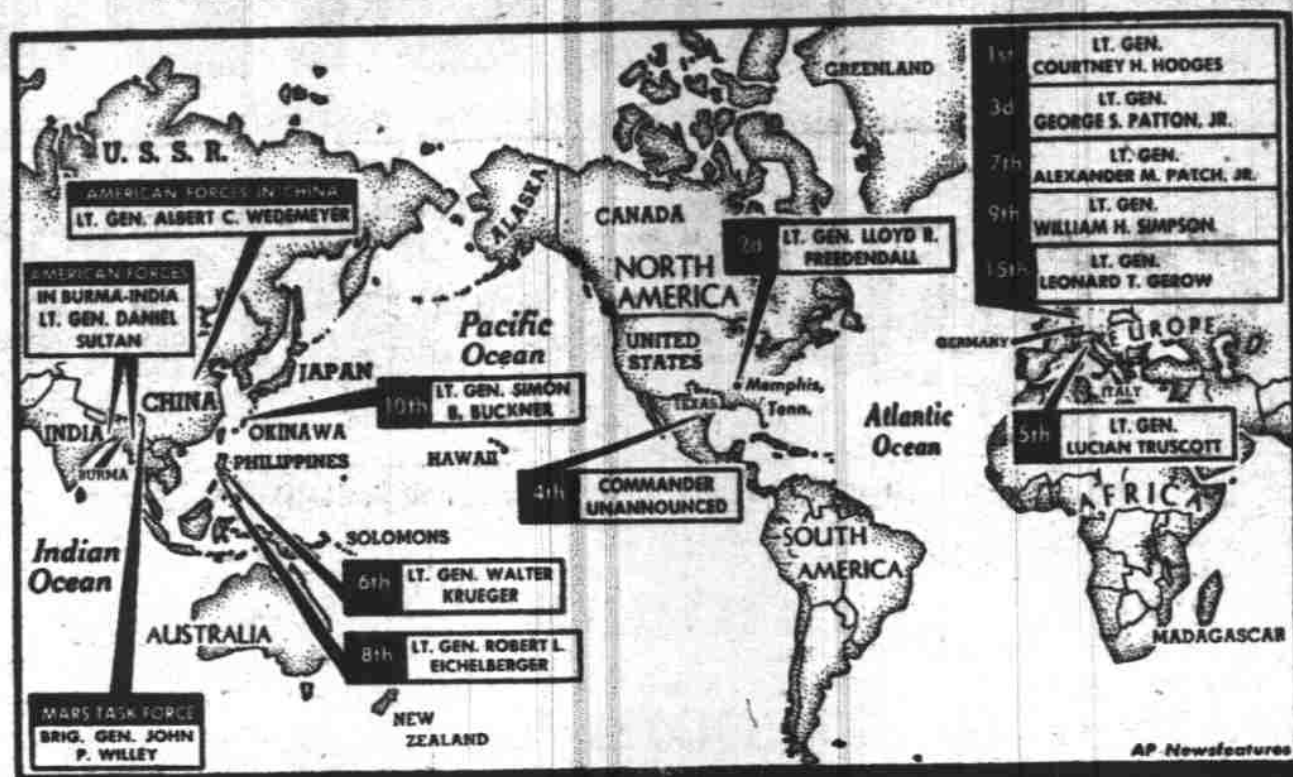
At least 117 German planes were destroyed on the ground yesterday by U. S. Ninth air force continent-based planes, bringing the total of enemy planes destroyed in six days to 1032.

## Roosevelt's Sons Hear Of Death In War Areas

GUAM, Friday, April 13.—(P) Word of President Roosevelt's death reached his son, Lt. Cdr. Franklin Roosevelt, Jr., off Okinawa this morning after a suicidal Japanese air attack on American invasion forces.

Another Roosevelt son, Lt. John Roosevelt, is supply officer on an aircraft carrier with the Pacific fleet. His exact whereabouts was not known here.

## America's Armies 'Round the World



With the newly announced 10th army now in operation on Okinawa, the United States has nine identified armies on the fighting fronts and two at home. This map shows where the major U. S. units are stationed, and their field commanders. (AP Newsfeatures)

## Livestock Men Ask Increase In Beef Price

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(P) Livestock growers asked today for a cent a pound price increase, saying it would put beef on the nation's dinner tables.

The state department meanwhile requested U. S. participation in an international food organization, asserting it would be a major factor in keeping the world fed and peaceful in the future.

These current and long-time aspects of the food situation were presented concurrently to different agencies of congress.

The price plea was presented by P. O. Wilson of Chicago, secretary-manager of the National Livestock Producers association, to the senate agriculture committee, investigating food shortages. Considerable committee sentiment for higher producer prices was indicated by members' comment applauding the war food administration's boost in the hog support price from 12.50 to \$13 a hundred pounds.

Wilson advocated raising the ceiling on "AA" cattle from \$17 to \$18 a hundred, instead of dropping it to \$16.50 on July 1 as now planned.

"It would not cost consumers any more than they are paying now when you figure what they're paying the black market," he asserted.

"There were 2,700,000 calves slaughtered last year which would have been fed to steer weight if the price structure had been favorable," Wilson said. "The country lost the difference between their average weight of 350 to 400 pounds and the weight of a 1000 pound steer."

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## Salem Meets Harry Truman

Salem has met the 32nd president of the United States. Harry S. Truman of Missouri was introduced to Oregon's capital city in much the same way as was the man who was to become the 31st president—standing on the rear platform of a train delivering a campaign address.

In Oregon last fall he expressed interest in western industries and problems of reconversion to peacetime operation. Earlier as chairman of the powerful senate committee investigating war production, Truman visited industrial sites throughout the northwest.

## Ship Repair Plan Signed

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(P) AFL unions and representatives of six shipyards and three ship repair firms in this area today signed a new agreement on wages and conditions in ship repairing.

The agreement, effective until hostilities end in all war theatres, provides for wage scales now in effect but permits transfer of workers from new shipbuilding to repair work. Wage scale for repairmen here calls for an 11.6 per cent increase over new ship construction because of shorter employment periods and more dangerous conditions.

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## Parents Learn Missing Son Nazi Prisoner

The best possible news came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Crenshaw, 3000 Portland road, this week when they received a letter from their son, Cpl. Kenneth (Buck) Crenshaw, missing since December 21 in Germany. He is now a prisoner of war in Germany and this was the first word his family had received of him in almost four months.

"Tell the folks not to worry too much as I am all right. With the food we get and the Red Cross packages we get along pretty good."

Kenneth was in the 106th infantry division and was in the mid-December battle of the Belgian bulge. He is 19 years old and has not been home in nearly a year. A brother, Cpl. Robert W. Crenshaw, is now in India.

The mastiff dog has altered in no important particular from several centuries B.C. to the present time.

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## There Isn't the Mass Yelling—

But basketball, football, baseball and other organized sports will take a back seat tomorrow in favor of the eternal sport—fishing.

By bus, car, horseback and afoot, Oregon anglers will take to the streams for the opening of the 1945 trout season—weather or no weather—and the tail-tale times are all but on.

A table of coastal tides has appeared in The Statesman all this week—and will continue to be published as a service.

And tomorrow, Sports Editor Al Lightner will have his say on fishing—as well as a bang-up photo on that topic. Al says he went fishing once, got all wet, didn't get any fish, and prefers chess. But he has an fine story about it, anyway. And The Statesman will be represented in the woods, Al or no Al. So here's luck—lots of it.

Oregon Statesman

"The World at Your Door Each Morning"

Truck Rams

Coast Bridge

One-way traffic was ordered by the state highway department

Thursday on a steel bridge, located three-fourths of a mile east of Valley Junction on the Salmon River

cutoff, after the bridge was struck

and damaged by a heavy logging

truck.

Officials said repairs would get under way as soon as the required steel could be obtained but it probably would be two or three weeks before two-way traffic is resumed.

## Life of FDR As Portrayed By Key Dates

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(P)—Important dates in President Roosevelt's life:

Born Jan. 30, 1882.

Was graduated from Harvard, 1904.

Married, 1905.

Admitted to New York state bar, 1907.

Member of New York state senate, 1910-1913.

Assistant secretary of the navy, 1913-20.

Democratic nominee for vice-president, 1920.

Was stricken with paralysis, 1921.

Governor of New York, 1929-33.

Elected president of the United States, 1932, 1936, 1940, 1944.

Became wartime president, Dec. 7, 1941.

Died April 12, 1945.

It was on his first inaugural, March 4, 1933, that he uttered the words for which perhaps he was best known: "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

It was in his message to congress asking a declaration of war against Japan, Dec. 8, 1941, that he again sounded an historic expression. He said then that the day of the Pearl Harbor attack was one "which will live in infamy."

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## Thumbnail of War!

By the Associated Press

Western front — Lightning crossing of Elbe river carries U. S. 8th within 57 miles of Berlin as other Yanks surge toward Leipzig.

Russia — Red troops seyer nazis' last Vienna lifeline with Bruenn, Czechoslovakia, as Germans retreat through narrow seven-mile gap.

Pacific — Jap warplanes sink one American destroyer, damage other fleet units off Okinawa, but 111 enemy planes shot down.

Philippines — Yanks successfully invade Bohol island in Philippines, quickly seize control.

Italy — British 8th storms toward Bologna from three bridgeheads across the Santerno river, Polish division taking important junction town.

Flag Should Fly Half-Mast Through Sunday

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(P) The proper manner to display the flag in memory of President Roosevelt is at half-mast, from sunrise to sunset.

"Half masting of flags should only be done when a nation is in mourning," the library of congress said tonight. "Quite obviously that applies now."

MacArthur Orders

Flags at Half-Mast

MANILA, Friday, April 13.—(P) Gen. Douglas MacArthur today ordered all flags in the southwest Pacific theatre of war flown at half mast because of the death of President Roosevelt.

## 100 Foresters Gather Here

One hundred foresters, private, state and federal employees, gathered at the Quelle on Thursday night for the annual state forestry department banquet.

L. W. Webster, Olympia, assistant chief forester for the state of Washington, spoke on reforestation activities in his state. Charles Henry, Clatsop county forester, discussed the cooperation between state and county. Dean Paul M. Dunn of the Oregon State college school of forestry, spoke on activities and trends of education in the school of forestry.

George W. Peavy, long dean of the school and former acting president of the college, cast aside his prepared speech, paid tribute to President Roosevelt and spoke of the future of the nation and the responsibilities of its citizens.

## Dancing CRYSTAL GARDEN

Wednesday, Modern

Featuring the

Top Hatters

Thursday, Old Time

Featuring "Top Edwards"

Saturday

Old Time and Modern

Two Floors and Two Bands

The best-selling book in years... The best loved-picture of a lifetime!...

Dorothy McGUIRE as Katie...

Stardust... with a mop and a broom...



James DUNN as Johnny...

Having nothing... he gave himself...



Joan BLONDELL as Aunt Sissy...

Not bad... just friendly...



Peggy Ann GARNER as Francie...

Little girl with a dream...



## A TREE GROWS IN BROOKLYN