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Dorena Woman Gives House McNary Picture

SALEM, Jan. 29.—(AP)—An oil painting of the late U. S. Sen. Charles L. McNary was presented to the house of representatives today by Mrs. A. Rose Twing, postmistress at Dorena, Lane county, who painted the picture from a photograph.

Yank Columns Converging On San Fernando

By Associated Press
Three converging American columns Monday bore down on San Fernando, "gateway to Manila," while Superforts struck again at battered Iwo island on the sea road to Tokyo and gave the enemy capital a sleepless week-end.

The Japanese-controlled Singapore radio said 145 carrier-borne fighters and bombers raided the Sumatra oil refineries around Palembang for two and a half hours at midday. It claimed 44 raiders—presumably British—were shot down.

Tokyo broadcasts said American bombers for the first time attacked Hachijo island, less than 200 miles south of the Japanese capital, which was visited by a continual stream of solitary raiders. Single incendiary-dropping B-29s were reported over Tokyo nine times Saturday night, once Sunday night and again Monday morning.

Southern 6th army forces surged toward Manila and Bataan, while Yanks on the northeastern sector captured Rosario in the longest, hardest battle of the Luzon campaign. They pushed through decimated Japanese units to join other American columns in a three-way drive on the highway junction leading to Baguio, Philippines summer capital and supposed headquarters of the Japanese command.

In the south, advanced patrols of the 40th division at Mexico were only 34 air miles from Manila and three from San Fernando. Other 40th patrols took Arayat while on a third lateral highway the main force of the 37th division rolled through Angeles. The city's four airfields and Angeles itself were virtually undefended.

Dispatches have not reported it, but presumably at least patrols were sent down the fork in the highway from Angeles toward Bataan, some 20 miles away. San Fernando, too, is a junction of the Manila and Bataan roads.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz has moved to his advanced headquarters "somewhere in the forward area." The exact location of Nimitz' new headquarters were not announced, but he previously indicated they would be on Guam, which is closer to Tokyo than to Pearl Harbor, his former base.

High Court Grants Review To Bridges

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The supreme court today granted Harry Bridges, west coast CIO labor leader, a review of his suit to escape deportation to Australia.

The court denied, however, a petition of the Communist Political association for permission to intervene in the case. The association (formerly the communist party) wished to present material in objection to a finding by Atty. Gen. Francis Biddle that the communist party adhered to "violent overthrow of the U. S. government."

Bridges was ordered deported by the attorney general in May, 1942, as an alien communist. He is seeking to block expulsion through habeas corpus proceedings.

Biddle signed the deportation order on a finding that Bridges, head of the powerful longshoremen's union, was affiliated with the communist party and that the party believes in overthrow of the U. S. government by "force and violence."

Bridges denied any membership in the communist party.

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Yanks Capture Towns Close To German Border

PARIS, Jan. 29.—(AP)—First army divisions advanced as much as two miles in deep snow north-east of St. Vith today, capturing three towns and moving within a mile of Germany and the outer works of the Siegfried line.

Bullange, Herresbach and Holxheim all toppled. The main works of the westwall were brought within six-mile artillery range. The 1st infantry division took Bullange after a nine-hour fight in bitterly cold weather. In taking Herresbach, 1st army troops killed 138 Germans and captured 180 without the loss of a single man killed, wounded or captured.

American and French troops advanced more than two miles to a point on the Colmar canal barely more than a half mile from the outskirts of Colmar (46,000), historic capital of upper Alsace. Colmar is 38 miles south-west of Strasbourg.

Frontier Reached
The 3rd army reached the German-Luxembourg frontier on an eight-mile stretch of the Our river.

North of the 1st army, the U. S. 9th and British 2nd were closed up to the Roer and through the Siegfried line in many places, potentially threatening the Ruhr and Rhineland and their great cities.

To the south, the 3rd army was either near or across the border all the way to Saarbrücken.

Thus Gen. Eisenhower's forces were deployed along or beyond 200 miles of the Siegfried line all the way from Holland to the south part of the Saarland. The slow reversal of the Ardennes bulge had squeezed perhaps 20 American divisions from the straightened salient, allowing them rest for the next battle.

From dusk last night until dawn today allied planes swept over German areas behind the west wall, disrupting continued German movements from the Ardennes. Mosquitoes took up where 2000 bombers left off at nightfall.

Opposition Light
Opposition to the pre-dawn onslaught which caught the nazis by surprise yesterday and gained two miles still was "light to moderate," Gen. Eisenhower's communique said. On all sectors, 18 villages were taken.

The doughboys had to flounder forward almost Indian file through waist-deep drifts and virtually shove their way toward the German border. The advance could hardly be rapid. It was more of a line-straightening operation.

The 7th army front in Alsace was quiet—snowbound.

The French 1st army with its American troops made limited gains at both ends of the Colmar pocket below Strasbourg, but operations there were handicapped also by deep snow and poor visibility due to ground haze.

The 3rd army of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., shoved the Germans back into Germany beyond the Our river along an eight-mile stretch of the Luxembourg frontier northeast of Wilts. The enemy was back across the line from which he sprang on Dec. 16 in that sector.

In 24 hours, Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' 1st army had slogged forward through deepening snows a total of three and a half miles.

Pvt. Goff, Leaburg, Missing In Action

LEABURG.—Word that their son, Pvt. Ennis Goff, has been missing in action in the Luxembourg area since Dec. 20, has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Goff.

Private Goff entered the service in March of 1944, being sent to Camp Tamm in Texas for training. He was home on furlough in August, visiting his parents and also his wife and son, Mrs. Goff and son now are living at Garbena, Calif.

Private Goff was superintending the fish hatchery at Hood River for 10 years, prior to entering the army.

Boy, 4, Saves Brother From Drowning

SEATTLE, Jan. 29.—(AP)—A 4-year-old boy saved his 20-month-old brother from drowning by holding his head above the water of an ice-coated fish pond here yesterday.

The boys, Richard, 4, and Gary, 20 months, were "just making holes in the ice so fish could breathe" when the ice broke with them, Richard told his mother, Mrs. Leo Williams.



"DON'T BLAME ME"—Col. James Roosevelt, carrying grip, walks with his wife through Chicago and Northwestern station at Chicago to board train for Pacific coast. The train and its 300 passengers had waited more than an hour so the Roosevelt party could make connections, their train from Washington having been more than six hours late. Col. Roosevelt, however, denied he was the one who asked that the train to the coast be held up for his party.—(AP wirephoto. Wiltshire engraving.)

FDR Expected To Go To Bat For Wallace

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt may take a direct hand in efforts to salvage a cabinet post for Henry Wallace. Senate sources said Roosevelt has been asked by supporters of the former vice president either to transfer government lending agencies from the department of commerce by executive order or state publicly that he would approve legislation to accomplish this.

These same persons said they were informed that when Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt attends a dinner in Wallace's honor in New York tonight she may take along a message from the president to read.

Sen. Guffey (D-Pa.), a Wallace supporter, said that while he knew nothing about any impending presidential action he heard that "some work has been done over the weekend."

Wallace's nomination was held up temporarily in the senate commerce committee, which voted 14 to 5 last week against reporting it favorably.

Reports circulated, meanwhile, that if the dual powers formerly wielded by Jesse Jones are separated, Stabilization Director Fred Vinson may be the President's choice for loan administration.

Bailey, chairman of the senate commerce committee, told reporters he will have formal reports ready later in the week on both the nomination and a bill by Sen. George (D-Ga.) to divorce the monetary agencies from the department.

Senate republicans, meanwhile, took no action on the Wallace controversy in a membership conference. Chairman Vandenberg (R-Mich.) said the nomination and the George bill were discussed at length but no votes taken.

SENATE SECRETARY DIES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Col. Edwin A. Halsey, secretary of the senate, died early today at Doctors hospital of a heart ailment complicated by his preparations for President Roosevelt's fourth term inauguration.

World Watches As Germany Fades As Major World Power

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst
With vast satisfaction this column records that German morale is one of blackest desperation in the face of a disaster which is inevitable.

Train, 300 Passengers Held Hour For James Roosevelt

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—(AP)—If the streamliner City of Los Angeles doesn't arrive here on time today, it won't be the fault of Col. James Roosevelt; the hour and seven minutes lost waiting for the president's eldest son to arrive in Chicago Saturday night were made up by the time the train reached Cheyenne, Wyo., railroad officials said.

Col. Roosevelt and his wife, who were returning to the west coast from the inauguration, were traveling on a Pennsylvania train which was more than six hours late.

Someone telegraphed Union Pacific officials, who ordered the train with its 300 passengers held so the Roosevelt party could make connections.

However, no one seemed to know who ordered the streamliner's delay. Chicago and Northwestern officials, who handle the train out of Chicago, said depot officials ordered it held but they didn't know who gave the order.

Trains were held occasionally, they said, for persons traveling tight schedules where a delay would enforce a hardship, but never before had the train been held that long.

Roosevelt denied he had asked that the train be held and Pennsylvania officials said the conductor of their train had made no such request.

However, they pointed out, such a thing was done only with trains traveling long distances which would have a chance to make up the lost time.

Despite the delay, the train was only 27 minutes behind time when it reached Omaha and had made up the entire hour and seven minutes by the time it reached Cheyenne, Wyo., officials reported.

Oregon Farm Group Against Japs' Return

FOREST GROVE, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—The United Berry Growers association of Washington county was on record today as opposed to the return of either foreign-born or American Japanese to the west coast and favored a boycott on any member packer doing business with them.

The growers adopted a resolution at the annual meeting protesting the return of the Japanese criticizing any white men who might rent land to them, and refusing to sell to any packer who does business with them.

It was emphasized there was no encouragement of violence against the Japanese but only a feeling that the threat of a boycott would discourage the evacuees from returning.

One opinion expressed was that the large packers were encouraging the Japanese to return, which members deplored, as one spokesman said, because we don't need them from a standpoint of production and we don't want to do business with them."

Rivers and Harbors Fund Bill Passed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The senate today passed and sent to the house a bill authorizing the appropriation of \$381,968,332 for the post-war construction of 291 river and harbor works.

Superforts Bag 119 Jap Planes Over Tokyo

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Superfortress gunners destroyed or damaged 119 Japanese fighter planes during an hour-long aerial battle over Tokyo during Saturday's raid, Gen. Henry H. Arnold, commander of the army air forces, announced today.

Complete and corrected reports on the latest mission to Tokyo revealed that the Marianas-based B29s accounted for the largest toll of Japanese aircraft ever recorded by Superforts on a single mission, Arnold's communique said.

The total included 57 fighters destroyed, 21 probably destroyed and 41 damaged.

Youth Held In Death Case At Springfield

Harry Baird, Jr., 18, Springfield RFD 2, is in the Lane county jail, suspected as being the driver of the car that struck Mrs. Flora Claus, 53, Vanport City, on the McKenzie highway east of Springfield Saturday evening, causing her death.

Baird was arrested by state police Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at his home. Later he was taken before Justice of the Peace Howard Brownell and arraigned on a charge of negligent homicide. He was placed under \$10,000 bail, the justice ordering him held for examination. A hearing will be held soon, the justice said.

State police and Sheriff O. E. Crowe said Monday that Baird had admitted that while driving east on the highway near Springfield between 8:30 and 9 o'clock his car struck something. He had a 15-year-old girl with him in his car, he said, and both knew that the car struck some object, and Baird told the officers that he thought it was a mailbox post or something of the kind. He told the officers that he did not stop the car. Later, he said, he discovered that one of the headlights on the car had been damaged.

District Attorney William S. Fort said Monday that no formal complaint has yet been filed against Baird.

Funeral services for Mrs. Claus will be held at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning at the Phil Bartholomew mortuary in Springfield, with Rev. E. S. Bartholomew officiating. Burial will be in the IOOF cemetery No. 2, Eugene.

Mrs. Claus, who had been caring for her mother, Mrs. Short, 664 Charnelton, Eugene, was on her way to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ethel Mattison, to spend Saturday night, when struck by the automobile. She was believed to have alighted from a bus and proceeded afoot, walking along the right-hand side of the highway, according to Coroner Phil Bartholomew. The car hurtled her 22 feet to one side, at a point about 200 feet from Douglas Gardens road, near the Marvin service station.

She was observed by Eugene Edgar of Blue River, and Harry Hampton and Sam Norman of Vida, as they were driving along McKenzie highway a few minutes later. But she died within a few minutes after they reached her.

70 School Rooms Needed—Huffaker

With a large percentage of the schools in Eugene and the surrounding 13 districts overcrowded, the citizens of the community must act to relieve the situation by building some 70 additional school rooms, Dr. Carl L. Huffaker, professor of education at the University of Oregon, told Kiwanis club members at a noon luncheon at the Osburn hotel Monday.

Dr. Huffaker pointed out that according to the school census

Ledo-Burma Road Named For Stilwell

CHUNGKING, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The first allied truck convoy to enter China over the new Ledo-Burma road rolled toward Kunming today on the final lap of a 900-mile journey from India which Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek hailed as "an omen of defeat" for Japan's warlords.

The newly opened route was officially christened the Stilwell road by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

United States Ambassador to China, Gen. Patrick J. Hurley and Maj. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, chief of staff in the China theater, joined with the generalissimo in the ceremony naming the road for Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, who planned the route and almost saw it completed before he was recalled.

Chiang said the opening of the road broke the siege of China.

The convoy, numbering more than 100 vehicles loaded with supplies for China's hard-pressed armies, crossed the Chinese border near Wanting yesterday after rumbling 470 miles across the mountains and through the jungles of northern Burma.

The historic event, culminating a three-year campaign to open a new overland supply route to China, was celebrated at Chinese-American ceremonies in both Wanting and Chungking.

FIRE TRUCK PURCHASED
MOLALLA, Jan. 29.—(AP)—This city has just purchased an \$8800 streamlined fire truck.

Reds Surround Railway Center Inside Germany

LONDON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Nazi leaders began preparing the German people for the assault on Berlin today by summoning them to last-ditch resistance in the hinterlands.

"We will fight before Berlin, in Berlin, around Berlin and behind Berlin," a German broadcast declared.

Earlier the Paris radio, quoting Stockholm reports, said that "serious riots have broken out in the eastern and southern districts of Berlin and police and SS troops were called out to quell the rising waves of unrest in the reich capital."

LONDON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Russians have surrounded the Prussian rail center of Schneidemuhl, four miles inside the German border, a German spokesman announced today and Swedish eyewitness reports said flashes from Marshal Stalin's guns already could be seen from Berlin in the night skies over the eastern battlefield.

German officials were moving their offices from the threatened capital and 20 trains evacuated part of the populace, said a Swedish national just come from Berlin. Foreign diplomats were making preparations to leave foreign correspondents were ordered to depart, he said.

Encirclement of Schneidemuhl, a city of 41,000, cut the main Berlin-Danzig railway at a point 135 miles northeast of the capital, but directly east of Berlin German reports placed the Russians much closer, about 95 miles.

Frontier Crossed
Latest official Russian announcements said the Russians in their bee-line drive on Berlin were 109 miles to the east, but Moscow dispatches said it was believed Marshal Gregory Zhukov's tanks had spurred farther ahead and had crossed the frontier of Brandenburg, the province of Berlin, at several points.

While Zhukov's front, by official Moscow report, was spread on an 80-mile arc within 100 miles of Stettin on the Baltic and 77 miles from Frankfurt on the Oder, Russian forces in East Prussia virtually surrounded Königsberg, regal capital of the Prussian military state.

(The Königsberg radio came on the air six hours late today, the FCC reported.)

Russian siege artillery poured in a steady stream of fire into that stronghold, besieged Breslau, Silesian bastion on the Oder, and into Poznan and Torun in Poland where encircled nazis suicide garisons were believed on their last legs.

Coal Fields Overrun
Liquidation of the final fourth of East Prussia still held by the Germans was proceeding in close-in fighting, while the Danzow coal fields and most of the industrial centers of Silesia had been overrun.

German broadcasts declared that Zhukov's frontal drive on Berlin had been temporarily stopped in the last 24 hours but the German communique told of continued fighting along the Odra in the frontier area 95 miles from Berlin.

Berlin military spokesmen said that the Russians were attacking along a line from Kreuz, 103 miles northeast of Berlin, to Zrazyn on the Odra southeast of Berlin and "We cannot yet speak of a coherent front in the east at all."

In Silesia, the enemy communique said, the Russians further enlarged their bridgehead over the Oder at Steinau, 32 miles northwest of Breslau. Defenses of Königsberg had been penetrated, the Germans said.

The whole upper Silesian battlefield was "engulfed in flames" as the Germans carried out a scorched earth policy, the account asserted. "Whole towns are being destroyed and burning towns and villages and hamlets look like torches."

Johnston At New Base With Nimitz

Richard W. Johnston, formerly of The Register-Guard staff and now a war correspondent, has moved with Adm. Chester W. Nimitz to the latter's new advanced headquarters in the Pacific. Johnston is a correspondent for the United Press, which opened a new bureau on the island where Nimitz's new headquarters is located. Specific location of the headquarters has not been divulged.

In addition to Johnston, veteran of many amphibious landings, the staff includes Mac R. Johnson, Lisle Shoemaker, Lloyd Tupling, E. G. Valens and Edward Thomas.

The staff is headed by William F. Tyree and Frank Tremaine.