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Rome, March 24 (P—Italy-based American heavy bombers today bombed Berlin for the first time.

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Arkansas Quint Defeats Oregon

Kansas City, Mo., March 24 (P) A new NCAA basketball champion will be crowned tonight when the University of Arkansas and Oklahoma's Aggles meet in the finals of the annual tournament.

Oklahoma knocked Utah, the defending champion, out of the tournament last night with an easy 63-27 victory and the Arkan-

easy 63-27 victory and the Arkansas Razorbacks won the right to oppose the Aggies in the finals whipping Oregon 79-76 in a wild scoring spree.

A three-point scoring spree by Earl Wheeler, Arkansas guard, gave the Razorbacks their edge over Oregon. Paced by George Kok and Mike Schumghyk, Arkansas jumped away to a lead early in the game and were 11 points up on their opponents at the end of the half when the score was 47-34.

Score Tied 74-74
The lead changed later in the second half, but with three and a half minutes to go, Ken Hays, Oregon, scored a field goal to tie the score at 74 all. Kok scored another a few seconds later but Oregon came back to tie the score at 76 all with 15 seconds rescore at 76 all with 15 seconds respectively. The Wheeler sank the final three points. He was fouled as he tossed a short field goal and as he tossed a short field goal and crown. as he tossed a short field goal and scored the final point from the

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free throw line just as the gun ended the game.

Guizar sings to Virginia Bruce in a scene from Republic's losest musical comedy romance, "Brazil," with Robert Livingston.

At the Tower Sunday

Tonight's meeting will be the fourth between Arkansas and Oklahoma this year. The Aggies hold a 2 to 1 edge.

The Phillips and Denver quintets have been battling for the crown for the past six years. Phillips is making its third consecutive bid for the title.

Both teams advanced to the finals of the tournment last night

nals of the tournament last night, Phillips with a 62.52 win over 20th Century Fox of Hollywood, and the Jellymakers with a 43.28 rout of the Cessna Aircraft team.

Clarence Sager Services Sunday

Memorial services for Pvt. Clarence E. Sager, who was killed in action in an advance near Berle. Luxembourg, on January 5, will be held tomorrow at the Methodist church 11 a. m. services, Rev. Robert H. McIlvenna has announced. Pvt. Sager was the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Duryce, 1363 Harmon boulevard, Bend.

Also surviving the Bend soldier are his wife, the former Mary Elizabeth Esson, Kenwood teacher a few years back, and his brother.

Elizabeth Esson, Kenwood teacher a few years back, and his brother, Wallace Sager.

Pvt. Sager was serving on the western front with the 26th, or Yankee division, when he met death.

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Cleveland Race Won by Gunder

Cleveland, March 24 (IP)—Gunder Hagg, the Swedish distance runner, was a winner without much prestige today.

He won his first mile on an indoor track last night after three previous failures, but he did it without the man who had raced to triumph on each of those occasions—little Rafferty of New York. His time last night for the Universe Bulletin mile at the Knights of Columbus relays was 4:16.7. He topped that mark in running second to Rafferty at Chicago last Saturday when his time was 4:15.5.

Hagg wanted to win last night and he wanted to do it in faster time than he did, but he wasn't able to spur his competitors on to a faster pace. Hoping to increase the tempo, he even looked up over his shoulder during the first half mile and beckoned his four competitors to "speed up."

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Because the field wasn't equal to a faster pace, Hagg didn't seem to be able to increase his own pace sufficiently to finish with more than a mediocre mark. After he beckoned the laggards, Rudy Simms of New York moved ahead of him briefly but after two laps Hagg went in front to stay.

War Briefs - - -

Western Front — Allied first airborne army east of Rhine fighting to join British second army reported across river, 30 miles north of Duesseldorf, Eastern Front—Nazi raddy says Russians are storming German defenses 32 miles east of Berlin.

Air War—Huge air armada de-luges defenses of northwest Ger-many in support of ground troops. Pacific — Tokyo reports hundreds of American carrier planes attack Okinawa island, 300 miles so u thoof Japan; Japanese reported fleeing into hills before American advance on Baguio in northern Luzon.

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Very fine garnet powders are now being used in optical glass polishing because of the war shortage of corundum.

Church Arranges Keg of Bend Special Services

Traditional Palm Sunday services will be held at the Trinity Episcopal church tomorrow when the Rt. Rev. William P. Remington, D. D., will be present to administer the historic rite of the Laying on of Hands in confirmation to a group of candidates prepared and presented by the rector, Rev. G. R. V. Bolster. The service, which will commence at 11 a.m., will feature the Trinity Episcopal choir, directed by C. Dale Robbins, in special music including John Stainer's a cappella anthem, "God So Loved the World," and "The Lord's Prayer" to a setting by wrecked German town there was located by an American sergeant a keg of nails bearing the notation: "George Childs Hardware, Bend, Oregon."

Such is the information in a letter from Lt. Katherine Ferrell to her mother, Mrs. B. Ferrell, formerly of Bend and now in Portland.

So Loved the World," and "The Lord's Prayer" to a setting by Rickett. Following an old time custom, palms will be distributed to the congregation at the close of the service. Bishop Remington will be assisted in the service by the Rev. Bolster and Rev. Edward H. Cook of the Prineville-Madras mission field.

Holy week plans at the Episcopal church include daily celebrations of holy communion, Monday to Thursday, at 10 a.m. and 8 a.m. alternately; participation in the

to Thursday, at 10 a.m. and 8 a.m. alternately; participation in the noon-hour services at the Capitol theater each day at 12:15 p.m., and a three-hour mediation on the passion from noon until 3 p.m. on Good Friday, when seven city churches will cooperate in the observance.

Deschutes Yields Prize Rainbows

The Deschutes river produced the first and third prize trout of last season, according to the latest issue of Field and Stream, re-ceived here today. The magazine also carries a picture of a sec-tion of the Deschutes river.

The fish were in the western rainbow steelhead division, according to the publication. It recalled that on Aug. 1, 1944 such a trout was taken on a fly in the lower Deschutes, and that it was only eight ounces under the world record of 24 rounds. record of 24 pounds.

Cady's Name Put On Fund Ballot

A. J. Glassow, general manager pany Inc., and one of the 10 nomi-nees for election to the governing board of the Bend Industrial fund. today notified members of the group that he will be unable to serve on the committee because of lack of time. As a result, Mari-on Cady, one of the runner-ups in the primary election for nominees, was placed on the ballot as a can-didate. was placed on the ballot as a can-didate. Ballots for the election of five

of the nominees to form the gov-erning body, were placed in the mail today. The election deadline

is next Wednesday night.

The governing board is being chosen from contributors to a \$13,000 fund established to create additional payrolls for Bend

Food Merchants To Meet Mar. 26

Members of the Bend Food Merchants association will hold a meeting next Monday at 8 p.m. at the courthouse, it was an-nounced today by Mrs. J. L. Car-

ter, secretary.
All food merchants were urged

Nails Located In Nazi Land

land.

With the exception of an old school home in which officers set up their quarters, the keg of Bend nails was about the only thing intact in the German town, Lt. Ferrell mentioned.

George J. Childs, operator of the local store whose nails were found in the city debris, believes he knows how the hardware got into Germany. He recalls that in connection with the Fourth corns into Germany. He recans con-connection with the Fourth corps in the Bend area in maneuvers in the Bend area in 1944 he sold a considerable quan-tity of merchandise to the army. Some of the divisions that trained here are now lighting in Germany—and advance units are apparently still using the Bend nails.

Services Outlined For Passion Week

Under auspices of the Bend Ministerial association, Holy week services will be held at the Capital theater this coming week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, officers of the association announced today. The noonday services will last 40 minutes, starting at 12:15 p.m. and closing at 12:55 p.m.

Bend Ministerial association members report that the Capitol

members report that the Capitol theater is being made available for the services without cost. Business houses, while unable to close because of war labor board restrictions, have assured the re-tail committee of the chamber of commerce that individuals will be

commerce that individuals will be excused to attend the services.

Special Service Planned

The daily program will consist of the singing of hymns of the cross, led by Paul Hornbeck. There will be scriptures, prayers and specials readings, and each noon-day service will be concluded by a 20 minute address.

For those who can arrange a longer period of worship on Good Friday, the services will be moved to the Episcobal church, and services will continue from noon until 3 p. m. "The Seven Last Words" will be the theme for the Good Friday services.

Wife of Mayor Dies in Molalla

Molalla, Ore., March 24 (P—The first fatality in the diphtheria epidemic that has closed the school and theater in this little Clackamas county town was on ecord today.

The victim was the wife of the

town's mayor—Mrs. Charles Al-bright—who died Friday after a week's illness. Meanwhile, the official count

for the disease has reached 46, two higher than the last report, Thursday night.

All food merchants were urged to attend and listen to discussions on the grocery and meat problems confronting the members. In the United States there are

Billy Holcomb in Bastogne Battle

sion on the Western Front, March 24—Within two days after the 101st airborne division pulled into 101st airborne division pulled into Bastogne shortly after the start of the battle of the bulge, it was completely sealed from outside help. When the Germans demanded surrender, acting division commander, Brigadler General Anthony C. McAuliffe answered: "Nuts!"

The defense was to attack coninuously. At one point, the ammunition was 11 rounds to a gun. No planes were able to break through a low welling to bring support and supplies. There were too many wounded for the medics to handle.

near Genschmar, seven miles northwest, and linked up at Gol-

A 90-minute artillery barrage and accompanying aerial bom-bardment paved the way for the twin attacks, Berlin said.

"The enemy succeeded in break-ing through our front, owing to the great masses of war material employed," the Berlin account

employed," the Berlin account said.
Far to the northeast, Second White Russian army forces drove into the outskirts of blazing Danzig and Gdynia after a breakthrough to the sea midway between the two Baltic ports and isolating the respective garrisons.

Called Final Battle
Moscow dispatches said it appeared that the final battle to clear Gdynia and Danzig was under way. The Danzig garrison was hemmed into a pocket of 300 square miles and that at Gdynia, 75 square miles.

Second army troops wedged through to the Baltic between the two ports at Zoppot, six miles

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northwest of Danzig. Zoppot it-self was captured, along with a three-mile stretch of the Baltic coast line.

More than 4,000 Germans were killed in the breakthrough. Soviet

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Paper Pickup

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Mustang fighter planes flew close escort over the target and most of the route also was guarded by Lightning fighter planes.

It was the largest escorted heavy bomber operation ever flown over Europe, headquarters of the 15th U. S. air force said. paper from their neighbors and carry it to the corners on the routes the trucks will follow. Because the paper will be trucked directly to the freight car, Buy National War Bonds Now!

trucked directly to the freight car, the committee asked that resi-dents use extra care in tying up the paper so that it will not be-come unwieldy or scattered in

Group Encircled
But seven days after the encirclement, the battle of Bastogne pocket ended. A corridor had been established with our own troops. The 101st airborne had completed another chapter in its historic march through the battles of world war II.

In addition to participating in the battle of Bastogne, the 506th parachute in a n try regiment played a major role in the success of the Normandy and Holland campaigns. It took part in the fall of Carentan and later liberated Eindhoven, in Holland. It twice took the measure of the elite German 6th parachute regiment in attaining victories in France and Holland.

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