

Foe Fails in Attempt to Halt March of Allies Over North Plains in Dash for Nazi Berlin

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German attempts to stem the allied advance in its implacable march across the north German plains on Berlin collapsed completely today.

British and American infantry followed armored penetrating forces across the Weser barrier and raced eastward barely 150 miles from the German capital. Bremen, Hannover, Weimar, and Nuremberg were immediate objectives of today's allied operations. Enemy resistance was "spotty," fanatically strong in some places but crumbling steadily along most of the front.

Russian artillery hammered at Vienna from three sides. Vienna is already three-quarters encircled with the 3rd Ukrainian army holding the advantageous high position of the storied Vienna woods, as other red mobile columns raced around the outer flanks in converging drives.

Not Yet Stopped
For the first time, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army slowed down in the difficult terrain at the edge of the Harz mountains, but it was far from stopped. Patton is still holding the allies' most advanced positions, 57 miles from the northwest corner of Czechoslovakia, 125 miles southwest of Berlin and 166 miles from the nearest Russian troops of the Fourth Ukrainian army. Patton's advance has taken the form of a steady forward push on a 55-mile front on both sides of the Leipzig road and the Chemnitz-Dresden autobahn.

The American Ninth and First armies met considerable resistance today in their operations to reduce the Ruhr. They have the double task of containing the encircled Germans and attacking to slice them into smaller groups. It was reported from aerial observation today that the Nazi commanders within the 4,500 square mile pocket were massing all available tanks, self-propelled artillery, and other guns along the eastern perimeter for a desperate attempt to break through the wall held by the First Army. The Ninth army, pushing into the Ruhr from the north, reached the edges of Dortmund but found that the enemy still had mobility and strength to meet the American penetration of the pocket with strong fire.

Good Progress Made
The best allied progress in the past 24 hours was made in the Bremen-Hannover-Zwolle triangle. Now across the Weser-Ems or Mittelland canal just north of Osnabruck and Minden, the British Second Army was in the clear. There is no water barrier between the canal and Bremen, and the terrain is completely flat. In that region the Germans were destroying many airfields which it would be highly dangerous to allow to fall into allied hands because

FDR to Deliver Address April 15
Washington, April 6 (UP)—President Roosevelt will deliver a radio address to 350 democratic party Jefferson day dinners throughout the country on April 15.

All major networks will broadcast the address, according to chairman Robert E. Hannegan of the democratic national committee. Roosevelt's address will conclude a 30 minute program from 8:30 to 7 p.m. PWT. NBC will carry the entire program, with other networks coming in to carry the president's speech.

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Invasion Troops Find Suicide Craft



An Army amtrac on Aka Shima pulls a Jap suicide boat from its hiding place near the beach. Unarmed and crammed with explosives, the craft were designed to explode on impact. Most of them were seized by fast-moving Army men before the Japs had time to ram them into the mighty armada which carried the Tenth Army and Marines to Okinawa. Signal Corps radio-telephoto.

Fifth Army Men Gain Two Miles

Rome, April 6 (UP)—American Fifth Army troops advanced nearly two miles in a new drive in the mountains dominating the Ligurian coastal plain southeast of La Spezia, it was announced today.

The surprise attack south of Massa in northwestern Italy apparently was the onslaught which the German radio described as a major offensive along the Ligurian coast.

The Americans attacked from positions in Strettoia and Azzana. They headed northwestward toward the La Spezia naval base, 30-odd miles distant. The push from Azzana outflanked Mount Folgorito on the east and northeast.

Advances Made
The Strettoia attack made limited advances in its early phase. The Germans counter-attacked briskly in the vicinity of Porta, forcing a withdrawal by some of the U. S. forward elements.

Northwest Use Of Liquor High
Portland, Ore., April 6 (UP)—If you were an average citizen of Washington, your consumption of liquor last year was 1.39 gallons.

The average Oregonian was close behind with 1.36 gallons. Figures for the 17 states having state monopoly systems showed Washington and Oregon at the top of the per capita sales of liquor.

Washington in 1943 consumed 2,816,979 gallons with a population of 1,735,191, or a per capita total of 1.62 gallons. The estimated total in 1944 was 1.36.

The same figures for Oregon showed a 1943 consumption of 1,645,275 gallons and 1,089,684 population, for 1.51 gallons, and a 1944 total of 1.36.

Comparisons with other states show these western totals: Wyoming, 1.48; Montana and Utah, both 1.22; Idaho, .77.

Post-war household furniture made of aluminum and magnesium will be so light that the housewife will be able to move it around without the help of hubby.

Lord Halifax Hunts Coyotes, Gets Mention in Congress

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Washington, April 6 (UP)—Belated Easter greetings, house of representatives, and may the rest of your holiday be a happy one.

What I really mean, fellers, is that you better come back because there's big stuff afoot, involving coyotes, ambassadors, and cheap attempts at international mischief-making. That last is not me talking, friends. It's Rep. A. S. Mike Monroney of Oklahoma, who spoke up while most of the rest of you were sitting home on your handkerchiefs.

The deal as I understand it, was for the house to quit work until April 10, while the senate sawed wood. The boys would hold a perfunctory meeting every three days, for the record, and nobody writing a history of the times could charge congress with taking a spring vacation.

So all right, I dropped in to see how the latest perfunctory meeting was getting along. At 12 noon it looked perfunctory, all right, with 16 congressmen in their seats and the Rev. James Shera Montgomery bringing in a guest speaker to say the prayer, which lasted two minutes flat.

A few more congressmen came in then. A dozen or so asked and received unanimous consent to insert matters of importance into the congressional record. Rep. Clifford Hope of Kansas spoke for one minute about the meat shortage and Rep. Clyde Doyle of California announced that a certain state had a bigger population boost than any other.

Rep. Monroney jumped up then to ask and receive 60 seconds for oratory. He used it to denounce Rep. George B. Schwabe of Oklahoma for making cracks about Lord Halifax attending a coyote hunt.

"The ambassador from England couldn't help this," Monroney said. "He was a guest of Oklahoma. I think this is a cheap attempt at international mischief making."

Rep. Brooks Hays of Arkansas said he also wanted to apologize to Lord Halifax. After all, Hays said, he traveled through Arkansas, too.

Rep. Jed (about-to-become-a-judge) Johnson of Oklahoma said he, too, was sorry about the Halifax episode.

"We hope that Lord and Lady Halifax can forgive if they cannot forget," he said.

The acting republican leader, Earl C. Michener, demanded a minute and used it to chide Monroney for saying what he said

about Schwabe. Michener said there was a gentleman's agreement to take up nothing controversial while the other boys were on vacation. Now look.

This made Monroney flush. He jumped up again and asked for another minute. The acting speaker, Rep. Jesse Cooper of Tennessee, said nothing doing. The rules didn't allow it. Monroney whispered to Rep. John H. Folger of North Carolina, who asked for a minute.

He got his minute. Then he yielded it to Monroney, who looked triumphant. He said he would have told Schwabe he was going to denounce him except that Schwabe was in Oklahoma taking a rest. He said furthermore that he defied Michener to find one word in his speech that needed to be expunged.

The house adjourned then, 29 minutes after the prayer with numerous law-makers looking unhappy. I have to cut into your well-earned vacation, fellers, but I think you better hurry back here and take up the coyote situation.

1 Arrest Made, Dogs Impounded

As Bend police today continued their roundup of stray dogs and reported that they now have seven of them in the city pound, Chief of Police Ken C. Gulick announced that the pets would be auctioned off next Tuesday at 10 a.m.

At the same time officers reported that another arrest had been made for allowing a dog to run at large. Frank Wonsler, Bend, posted \$5 bail on the charge, after his dog had been picked up on Delaware avenue.

One dog, brought to the police station by a small girl this morning, "hoyke jail" shortly after he had been placed in the pound, officers reported.

THEFT COUNT FACED
San Francisco, April 6 (UP)—Herbert Larson, civil service inspector and a former county administrator of the Washington state department of public welfare, was held today on a charge of stealing and selling seven typewriters from the old Mint building here.

About 100 pounds of milk, 50 quarts, are required to make nine pounds of American cheese if the milk tests 3.5% butterfat.

'Human Nature and the Peace' Program Drawn By Scientists

Washington, April 6 (UP)—A representative majority of the nation's psychologists have agreed upon a 10-point program of "social engineering" as a necessary part of any design for enduring peace, it was announced today.

The program, entitled "human nature and the peace," was drafted by a committee of 13 American psychologists and submitted to members and associates of the American Psychological association. Of the 3,500 replies, there were only 13 dissenters.

The program warns that neglect of the 10 principles "may breed new wars."

It favors immediate creation of a new league of nations.

Here are the 10 points:

1. War can be avoided: War is not born in men; it is built into men. Social engineering can reduce and redirect the frustrations and conflicting interests causing aggressive wars.
2. In planning for permanent peace, the coming generation should be the primary focus of attention.
3. Racial, national, and group hatreds can, to a considerable degree, be controlled. Prejudices can be reformed through education and experience.
4. Condescension toward "inferior" groups destroys our chances for a lasting peace. Equal participation of all branches of the human family is needed for collective security.
5. Liberated and enemy peoples must participate in planning their own destiny.

6. The confusion of defeated people will call for clarity and consistency in the application of rewards and punishments.

7. If properly administered, relief and rehabilitation can lead to self-reliance and cooperation; if improperly, to resentment and hatred.

8. The root-desires of the common people of all lands are the safest guide to framing a peace.

9. The trend of human relationships is toward ever wider units of collective security. Progress from families into clans, into states, into nations—is now ripe for regional and world organization.

10. Commitments now may prevent postwar apathy and reaction. Regression to postwar provincialism must be prevented.

Shaniko Red Held On Morals Count

Burns, Ore., April 6 (UP)—A long-time rodeo performer, Thomas James Dunn, Sr., known as Shaniko Red, was held in Burns today for California authorities.

The 43-year-old cowboy was arrested by federal bureau of investigation agents and Harney county officers at Wagonville. A federal warrant charges him with unlawful flight from Stockton, Cal., Oct. 6, 1944, to Burns to avoid prosecution. A California warrant charges him with attempted rape.

He has been working on a ranch near Little Juniper mountain. Bond of \$5,000 was recommended.

War Briefs ---

(By United Press)
Western Front—American and British troops cross Weser river and converge on Hannover, 136 miles from Berlin.
Eastern Front—Moscow reports Vienna three-quarters encircled and soviet forces fighting in east outskirts.
Pacific—Invasion of Okinawa island moves into bloody stage; planes from Philippines blast Hong Kong.
Air War—More than 1,250 American planes attack Leipzig and other targets in central Germany in support of third army.
Italian Front—Eighth army troops capture four islands in Lake Comacchio; Fifth army troops capture important positions in Ligurian coastal area.

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