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Weather Forecast
Few light showers at lower levels and snow flurries over the mountains today. Cloudy tonight. Wednesday, cloudy. Rain west of Cascades.

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U. S. Armored Sweep Breaks Nazi Lines RED FORCES OCCUPY TWO THIRDS OF VIENNA

Soviets Probe Danube River For Crossings

Parliament Building in Old City Seized; Foe Puts Up Bitter Fight

London, April 10 (UP)—Red army forces cleared two-thirds of Vienna today and battled for crossings of the Danube river and canal to complete liberation of the Austrian capital.

Virtually all that portion of Vienna west of the river and canal, including the center of the city, was liberated by Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian army yesterday.

Swept up in the advance were the parliament building, main police station, radio station, central postoffice, state opera house, gas works, and the Central European bank and several factories.

Still in German hands was a 10-square-mile pocket east of the Danube river and canal, mostly factories and the big Prater park.

The Germans were resisting stubbornly, a soviet communique announced, but Tolbukhin's troops cleared block after block in rapid succession. One soviet column was fighting in the Mint district, the enemy's last foothold west of the Danube canal.

The German-controlled Vienna radio went off the air shortly before 10 p. m. BDST, yesterday.

The Third army also broadened its spearhead striking west across Austria with the capture of Berndorf, 21 miles southwest of Vienna.

The Second Ukrainian army under Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky pushed a two-pronged offensive east and northeast of Vienna.

One column, deepening its bridgehead across the Morava river on a 20-mile front, captured Schoenau, one mile east of Vienna.

The other force drove north along a 41-mile front from the Morava east beyond the Vah river and captured 40 towns and villages, among them Zmerdorf, 20 miles northeast of Vienna, and Radimov, 50 miles northeast of Vienna and 40 miles southeast of the Czechoslovak industrial center of Brno.

The advance carried across the Hlohovec mountains to the approaches to Brencin, another important Czechoslovak industrial city. Soblahov, two miles southeast of Trencin and 66 miles south of Moravska-Ostrava, was captured.

More Snow Falls On High Divides

Snow depths continued to increase along the summit of the Cascades today, as snow fell unabated and the forecast called for more throughout the day and tonight. Snow plows battled unceasingly against drifts on both the Santiam and Willamette highways, with traffic encountering difficulty on the latter artery. One way traffic was being maintained for a considerable distance from a point one mile west of the tunnel, according to a report from the state highway department headquarters here.

Snow had piled up to a depth of 110 inches on the Santiam summit—the greatest in recent years—and on the Willamette pass a total depth of 82 inches of snow was reported. Three inches of new snow fell on the Santiam route, and six inches were reported on the Wapinitia and Willamette. Wapinitia reported a total depth of 71 inches.

Roads are icy conditions were reported in the higher places on all three highways, with packed snow covering the pavement for many miles. Temperatures along the crest hovered around 23 degrees above zero.

On Jap Doorstep



(NEA Telephoto)

American invasion forces sweep deeper inland on Okinawa island against stiffening Jap resistance, press reports reveal. Today it was announced from Tokyo that the Americans have made a new landing, on tiny Tsukata island eight miles off the southeast coast. Japan proper is only 362 miles distant from these islands.

Japs Report New American Landings on Okinawa Isles

U. S. Destroyers Enter Nakagusuku Bay, Say Nippons; Invaders Meeting Stiff Resistance

By FRANK TREMAINE
(United Press War Correspondent)

Guam, April 10 (UP)—Tokyo said today that American troops have landed on Tsukata island controlling the entrance to nearly-conquered Nakagusuku bay naval anchorage in southeast Okinawa.

Other troops spearing along the shore of the bay on Okinawa advanced more than a mile and a half to Onaha, on the edge of Yonabaru airfield and a mile and a half north on the port of Yonabaru itself, a Tokyo Domei agency broadcast said.

American destroyers and other warcraft already have entered Nakagusuku bay, the broadcast said.

American sources were unable to confirm the reported east coast developments, but said the greatest artillery duel of the Pacific war was under way in the southwest coast sector as the 24th army corps stormed deeper into defenses shielding the capital city of Naha.

Many Guns Used Gen. O. P. Smith, deputy chief of staff for the 10th army, said more battalions of artillery were supporting the ground forces than ever before in the Pacific. The concentration of guns per yard nearly equals the maximum known in warfare, he said. The enemy's shellbursts became so violent at one point that a battalion commander was unable to leave his foxhole to answer an important message on a field telephone five feet away. A signalman had to shout the message.

"It looks like we finally are bucking the Japs' main defense line across the island," one officer said.

Japs Report Landing Domei said American troops landed on Tsukata island some eight miles off the southeast coast of Okinawa Sunday afternoon. The dispatch made no claim that the forces had been repulsed and it was possible the Americans quickly overran the tiny island. Seventy landing craft were used in the invasion, Domei said. Domei also said 5,000 other American troops and 133 tanks landed at Nago on the west coast of Okinawa last Saturday.

Bend High School Gymnasium To Be No. 1 Postwar Project

Bend school districts last night entered into a contract with the firm of Stokes & Alyn, Portland architects, and from now until war's end will be getting plans in shape for the postwar construction program for which a five-year continuing levy has been made. School directors were in session until a late hour in the board room at the high school building, but after execution of the contract with F. Marion Stokes, member of the Portland firm, the meeting was adjourned, to be followed by informal discussion of plans and the examination of prints of school buildings in other parts of the state.

Number one project will be the high school gymnasium, the board made clear. Decision as to its site will be important, Stokes said. Consideration is being

Jap Destroyer, Big Transport Go to Bottom

Yank Airmen Locate 12 Foe Ships Just Out of Swatow Port

By H. D. Quigg
(United Press War Correspondent)

Manila, April 10 (UP)—American troops steadily compressed three big Japanese pockets on Luzon today while airmen caught 12 more enemy ships, including two destroyers, in the China sea blockade.

The heaviest toll in the aerial strikes was taken when Philippines-based Liberators of the seventh fleet intercepted a 15-ship convoy leaving the Chinese port of Swatow, west of Formosa.

One destroyer and an 8,000-ton transport were sunk, while another destroyer and a fourth ship, presumably a cargo vessel, were seriously damaged. It was not disclosed whether the transport was carrying any Japanese troops.

Eight Ships Bagged Fifth army air force bombers accounted for eight other ships, all merchant craft, in far-ranging raids from the Dutch East Indies to Hong Kong and Formosa, where Liberators dumped another 171 tons of bombs on the island's airbases.

Bombers and fighters also provided strong support for the American troops steadily hacking away at the dwindling Japanese forces in north, central and southern Luzon.

Attack planes and fighters of the fifth air force blasted enemy supply dumps at Bagulo and Japanese troops concentrations near Baleté pass, two of the immediate ground force targets in northern Luzon.

Divisions Close In Two U. S. divisions were slowly closing in on Bagulo, Japanese headquarters in the Philippines. One force was reported less than three miles from the southeast, while the other approached within six miles of the northwestern corner of the city.

In central Luzon, the sixth division was moving slowly toward the east coast, although front reports said the Japanese were fiercely resisting from dug-in defenses southeast of mount Matuba.

Town Meeting To Be April 12

Committee reports on their plans for the year will feature a town meeting of the Bend chamber of commerce in the Pine Tavern at noon on April 12, it was announced today in the Chamber's Review. The meeting has been designed to keep members advised of the chamber's activities, and if the attendance warrants, similar meetings will be held each quarter, it was reported.

Ordinarily, the town meetings are featured by an outside speaker and entertainment. "It is going to be interesting to see if the membership will attend a meeting that is designed strictly for the purpose of keeping them informed and not to furnish entertainment," The Review says.

Polio Meeting Set for Friday

The Deschutes county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will meet at 11 a. m. Friday in the office of Ross Farnham, it was announced today.

All members are urged to be present, officials reported, as important business will be transacted.

Spokane, Wash., April 10 (UP)—Three young men accosted Mrs. Dorothy Taylor as she was walking home from a movie late last night.

They frisked her purse and pockets and returned her money, compact, ration books, valuables—kept her cigarettes.

Lions: This Can Also Happen in Bend



(NEA Telephoto)

The Los Angeles Lions club really rolled out the barrels in its all-out drive for donations to the United national clothing drive, as this picture illustrates. Note the clubman draped in a tablecloth. He was caught in the barrel shortage. In Bend today at noon, Lions denuded three of their members, covered them with blankets as a protection against a chilling April wind, and marched them to the local clothing depot.

Byers Brothers, Pilots, Visit Bend

Bend's noted brother fighter pilots, who probably have the distinction of being this country's only brothers with "twin careers," flying the same P-38 bomber on alternate missions, are here on a brief visit. They are Lt. James F. Byers, of 70 missions over France and Germany, and Lt. William E. Byers, who flew 68 missions over the same enemy territories.

Both fliers plan to leave Bend tomorrow. Bill to visit his wife in Portland before reporting to Great Falls, Mont., to ferry bombers to Russia; and Jim for Myrtle Point to visit his mother, Mrs. Nora Byers. Jim plans to return here soon and complete his 21 day leave, "doing a bit of fishing."

Football Star The Byers brothers are both former members of the Bend fire department, and Jim was an all-state football star, when he played with the Lava Bears as full-back in 1940 to win the state championship. He was graduated with the class of 1941. He also was a star in the freshman football squad at the University of Washington.

Both boys enlisted on May 16, 1942 after being employed at the Brooks-Seaton Lumber Company Inc. plant here. Together they trained through four flying schools, and after a separation for five months rejoined in the same squadron in England 13 months ago.

In England the Byers brothers were assigned to the same plane, a P-38 dive bomber known as "Detroit." But the plane did not detonate in any sense of the word, according to the brothers' record of downing eight Messerschmidts and Fock Wolves between them.

Nazis Active Contrary to the belief in this country that the German air power is crippled, the brothers reported that they flew recently for 37 days in a row and were "jumped" by enemy fighters. Both doubted whether the Germans would withdraw from the war for "a long time yet."

The brothers reported meeting other Bend folks while overseas. In Paris while on a leave, Bill said that he met Lt. Francis Brest, pilot of a B-26 bomber. In England, they met Margaret Simmons, a Wac serving as a telephone operator. And Bill said that he enjoyed a telephone conversation while in England with Lt. Ingles Thompson, also a B-26 pilot.

To Be Reassigned Bill was retired from combat flying and came to the United States two months ago. Following expiration of his leave, Jim is to report to the army air base at Santa Ana, Calif., for reassignment.

Both brothers won their wings at Williams field, Chandler, Ariz., in October, 1943.

Two Small Boys Break Fifteen Window Panes

Two small boys were named today by city police as the vandals who late yesterday broke 15 window panes out of the garage at the home of A. Seif, 714 West Twelfth street. Officers learned the identity of the boys, and suggested that the victim obtain a complaint against them in juvenile court.

Papers, Movies Burned in Bend Trucking Mishap

Central Oregon was without Portland newspapers today as a result of a large semitruck and trailer of the Bend-Portland Truck service being involved in a wreck, according to reports reaching here. Local headquarters of the line had only meager information, which did not give the location of the wreck. It was understood that after the truck suffered its mishap, it caught on fire, but what the extent of the damage was could not be readily learned. The driver escaped injury.

Officials of the line were said to have left Portland, for the scene of the wreck. Films for tonight's showing in local theaters were included in the loss. Portland film offices rushed duplicate films to Bend in order that the showhouses could function.

Railway Shed Is Burglarized Here

Fearing that small children might have broken into the storage shed two blocks north of the railway station, taking a number of articles, including track torpedoes, S. P. & S. railroad officials here today reported the burglary to Bend police.

They said that the torpedoes are dangerous, and that children handling them might become injured. Besides the torpedoes, signal flares, a pair of goggles, some tools and other articles were taken on raids the past two nights, it was reported.

Melvin Sauers Back in States

Chauffeur for a segment of the third wave of marines storming ashore on Iwo Jima, Melvin Sauers, seaman 3/c, with the U. S. navy, has docked at a Pacific port and called his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Sauers of 425 River-

The navyman who piloted an amphibious attack boat in the Iwo Jima invasion, entered the service last June and since that time has served on two overseas trips. He is a 1944 graduate of the Bend high school.

Adriatic Wing of Nazi Defenses in Italy Crumpled as British Race Into Po Plain

Rome, April 10 (UP)—A new British Eighth army offensive crumpled the Adriatic wing of the German defenses in Italy, carried over the Senio river on a broad front, and today spilled out over the eastern Po plain between Bologna and Ravenna.

Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander of allied forces in Italy, announced that the Eighth army attacked yesterday evening after a pulverizing air assault in the Senio sector by almost all of the air forces in this theater.

'Hoarding' Lions Stripped of Garb

Three members of the Bend Lions club, co-sponsor with the Elks in the city's United Nations clothing collection, today were forcibly made to contribute to the stack of war-relief clothing after the regular gathering of the members at a noon-day luncheon in the Pine tavern. Other members of the club had complained that the trio had not yet taken active part in the campaign, so—

Loren Carter, Doug Ward and Del Hale were forcibly stripped of their garments, were swathed in blankets, and made to walk from the Pine tavern to the clothing depot beneath Leedy's at Wall street and Oregon avenue. Appropriate signs, telling of the trio's misguided efforts in the drive, and designed to serve as a warning to other persons, hung from the blankets. Eager photographers snapped bulb after bulb to preserve the record.

Officers Assist All this was strictly "legal," too, it was pointed out. Because a committee of Bend policemen held court on charges that the three Lions were "hoarding," and found them guilty, imposing the embarrassing penalty.

Before the "trial and punishment," Clarence Bush, chairman of the clothing campaign, told of its purposes, and how destitute people of European countries are since the nazis have stripped them. He urged residents and fellow-Lions to turn in every garment not needed by themselves, and either to turn them over to the depot or to an Elk or Lion.

Group Introduced Ray Dahl, chairman of the publicity committee, introduced Bush, Loyde S. Bakley and Maurice Hoover as other members of the Lions clothing committee.

Linton Cady, vice-president of the club, presided, and introduced Wayne Overholser, coach of the Bend high school symposium team, who presented three members of the team. Rosella Knight made an after-dinner speech on "Love"; Verdun Russell gave an oration on Wendell Willkie, and Kenneth Fretwell talked on "American Heritage."

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Both attacks were rolling swiftly forward behind a blazing Allied aerial bombardment that reached back almost to the gates of Berlin.

In an explosive burst of power that threatened momentarily to cave in the Germans' entire northern flank, the Americans broke loose on the main Hannover-Brunswick-Berlin superhighway less than 16 miles from Brunswick and 55 miles from the Elbe river line that forms the enemy's last big defensive barrier in the west.

Hannover Seized Doughboys of the 84th infantry division swarmed through the streets of Hannover, Germany's 12th city, after a sudden breakthrough from the north.

Simultaneously, the Ninth army's fifth armored division stabbbed 23 miles northeastward to cut the superhighway at a point mid-way between Hannover and Brunswick.

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London, April 10 (UP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower told the people of North Germany's maritime cities today that resistance in the west has collapsed and the power of the men behind the nazi fanatics is crumbling.

London, April 10 (UP)—Six American airmen took a low-level joyride over Berlin today in perfect weather and reported that they drew not a single burst of fire from what appeared to be a "dead city."

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Lugo, 27 miles east of Bologna and 18 miles west of Ravenna. The eruption in the eastern sector of Italy set both ends of the long dormant front in motion. The U. S. Fifth army was plugging northwestward along the Liguria coast in a close-in against Massa, big outpost of the La Spezia naval base.

Clark's armies now were pressing in against one of the last industrial areas left to the nazis after the overrunning of the Ruhr and Silesia. This is the once rich production zone of northern Italy, centered around Milan.

The Eighth army offensive closely followed an amphibious operation which secured the sandspit between Lake Comacchio and