

Allies and Russians Meet In Heart of Nazi Germany

Washington, April 27 (AP)—Following is the text of President Truman's announcement of the juncture of Anglo-American and Soviet forces in Germany:

The Anglo-American armies under the command of General Eisenhower have met the Soviet forces where they intended to meet in the heart of Nazi Germany. The enemy has been cut in two.

This is not the hour of final victory in Europe, but the hour draws near, the hour for which all the American people, all the British peoples and all the Soviet people have toiled and prayed so long.

The union of our arms in the heart of Germany has a meaning for the world which the world will not miss. It means, first, that the last faint, desperate hope of Hitler and his gangster government has been extinguished. The common front and the common cause of the powers allied in this war against tyranny and inhumanity have been demonstrated in fact as they have long been demonstrated in determination. Nothing can divide or weaken the common purpose of our veteran armies to pursue their victorious purpose to its final allied triumph in Germany.

Canada's Prime Minister at Conference



A guard of honor greets Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King, leader of the Canadian delegation to the World Security Conference, as he arrives in San Francisco.

Norden Bombsight No Longer Secret; Gadget Put on Display

By Frederick C. Othman (United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, April 27 (AP)—I guess the war's nearly over, all right—even though the man did say "go easy with that thing, it's delicate."

He was talking about the Norden bomb sight, which six months ago was the hush-hushiest, top-drawest, most super-secretive thing this nation owned. Now it is sitting on a table in the senate caucus room, with a couple of hundred people staring at it and butter-fingers Othman being warned not to bust it.

It is difficult to describe the Norden bomb sight. It is a black widget about two feet tall, with silvery bumps on it and two built-in telescopes. It looks like it is about to bite. I barely touched it. Even so, it snapped at me.

The senate's small business committee ordered it up for display at hearings on the machine tool business, as an indication of what incredible things automatic machinery can do.

John W. Shipman, engineer of the Victor Adding Machine Co., which helped build it, told how the bomb sight was accurate at altitudes to 45,000 feet.

"That's like standing on top of the Empire State building," he said, "aiming at the point of a pin on the ground and hitting it right on the button."

He then went to work on the Norden sight with a screwdriver, so senators and bystanders could see the interior ganglia; he told exactly what made it tick. I listened carefully. I jotted down one of his statements, thus:

"There is a two one-thousandths backlash clearance on the rear head speed disc."

That is, he added, when you take into consideration all five gears.

So much for the technical side of the Norden sight and its 3,800 parts. You'll probably be more interested in the army air corps captain, with battle stars on his chest and a shooting iron on his hips, who was assigned to guard it.

"This kind of makes me blink," he said "Overseas we had to guard these things with our lives. Now look. Hey, you (he was talking to a photographer), go easy with it. Anyhow, we had to keep the sights covered at all times and when we went aloft the bombardier had to swear that he would destroy it if there was a chance of a crash. So there was a pal of mine, bombardier on a bomber. He thought he was a goner over

War Briefs ---

(By United Press)

Eastern Front—Germans reported preparing death snare in center of Berlin against encircling red army columns.

Western Front—Americans invade Austria and smash to west-ern edge of Bavarian redoubt.

Italy—Fifth army troops capture Piacenza, 33 miles from Milan, and drive into Alps foothills.

Pacific—Japanese resistance cracking on southern Okinawa; B-29's blast Kyushu airfield against Americans battle toward center of Baguio on Luzon and reach within 20 miles of Davao gulf on Mindanao.

ROAD STILL CLOSED

Contrary to a report yesterday that bus service was being resumed over the South Santiam highway, indicating that mountain road was again open to traffic, the route still remains closed to traffic, due to a landslide, it was reported from the state highway office here today. Yesterday's report that the South Santiam was again open was from a source other than the local highway office.

Buy National War Bonds Now!

Sisters

Sisters, April 26 (Special)—Norma Ensore of Redmond, visited at the home of her friend, June Dobkins, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ireland and family were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dobkins.

Mrs. Etta Brockett spent a few days at the home of her parents at Powell Butte.

Mrs. Walter Boardrow is quite ill at her home.

George, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Boardrow, who has been ill for so long, is now better and is learning to walk again. He is 10 years old.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Wolfe of Portland, are visiting friends and relatives at Sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ulleman and Mrs. Della Ulleman were in Portland last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Olmsted of Seaside, Ore., are visiting this week at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Gail Miller.

Willis, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Chandler, was ill for a few days.

Lucille McKenzie spent a few days in Portland last week.

Those who cut wood for the Sisters Townsend club Sunday to help raise funds for the Townsend daily paper were the president of the club, W. F. Glover, V. H. May, Aurora May and Alma May. James Chandler hauled wood and his brother, Dale Chandler, piled wood. Those who cut wood both days for the club were W. F. Glover and V. H. May. Mrs. Perit Huntington furnished the lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Beougher of Bend, were Sunday visitors in Sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Johnson are constructing a nice home in Sisters. They were former residents

Individual Limit Placed at \$5000

Clarifying the belief of many war bond buyers who now hold the limit of \$5,000 in series E bonds as co-owners, that they are restricted to this amount, A. L. O. Schueler, chairman of the Deschutes county war finance committee, today explained that each individual in such a partnership may own the \$5,000 limit.

For example, Schueler explained, some families of four persons have already bought \$5,000 worth of E bonds, and have refrained from further purchase because of the belief that this is all they may buy. Each member of the family, however, may buy up to \$5,000 maturity worth of this type of bonds, Schueler said.

Lewis and Clark Official Coming

Morgan O'Dell, president of Lewis and Clark college in Portland, will be the guest speaker at the First Presbyterian church Sunday morning at 11. He will also talk to the Westminster Fellowship of Youth Sunday evening at 6:30.

In addition to the 9:00 a. m. Sunday service in Redmond Presbyterian community church and the afternoon gracing service at Tumalo at 2:30, Dr. O'Dell will have a 9 o'clock high school assembly in Redmond, a meeting with Bend high school interested seniors and the message at the Bend Kiwanis club Monday noon.

Dr. and Mrs. O'Dell will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Longballe while in Bend.

LAKE CHARGE FACED

Earl McKean of Lakeview was arrested yesterday by Sheriff Claude L. McCauley on a charge of obtaining property under false pretenses, as a result of a complaint from the Lake county court. McKean, who was buying horses in the Central Oregon area, was arrested at Redmond. He was released yesterday on \$1500 cash bail.

Berlin Battle

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what front they were shifting from.

Some 60 miles south of Berlin, Marshal Ivan S. Konev's First Ukrainian army either already has or was about to link up with the American First army after capturing Torgau, on the west bank of the Elbe river 16 miles from the American lines.

A CBS correspondent broadcast yesterday that he had crossed the Mulde river, driven with other newspapermen through the streams of German refugees to the Torgau, crossed the Elbe briefly and then returned to the American lines without a shot having been fired.

Russians on Move

North of Berlin, Marshal Konstantin K. Rokossovsky's Second White Russian army spilled out across the Mecklenburg plains 135 miles from British Second army forces below Hamburg after capturing Stettin, Germany's third port.

In the west, the Russians captured the ruins of Sienstadt, site of what before the allied air offensive was the largest electrical equipment works in the world.

CHAMBER OFFICIAL DUE

Earl C. Reynolds, assistant manager of the western division of the Chamber of commerce of the United States, San Francisco, will be in Bend next Tuesday to confer with directors of the Bend chamber of commerce, it was announced today. Reynolds, who is former manager of the Klamath county Chamber of commerce, was expected to discuss national legislation.

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Check on Brakes Started in Bend

Approximately one-third of Bend's automobiles have faulty brakes, it was indicated today as the city police check-up on cars in connection with a month-long traffic safety campaign swung into its fourth day. Out of 17 cars stopped and checked thus far, police said they found six of the vehicles with faulty brakes.

Drivers of automobiles who commit minor traffic violations are halted by officers, who check the brakes. If found to be unsatisfactory, they are instructed to have them repaired.

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