

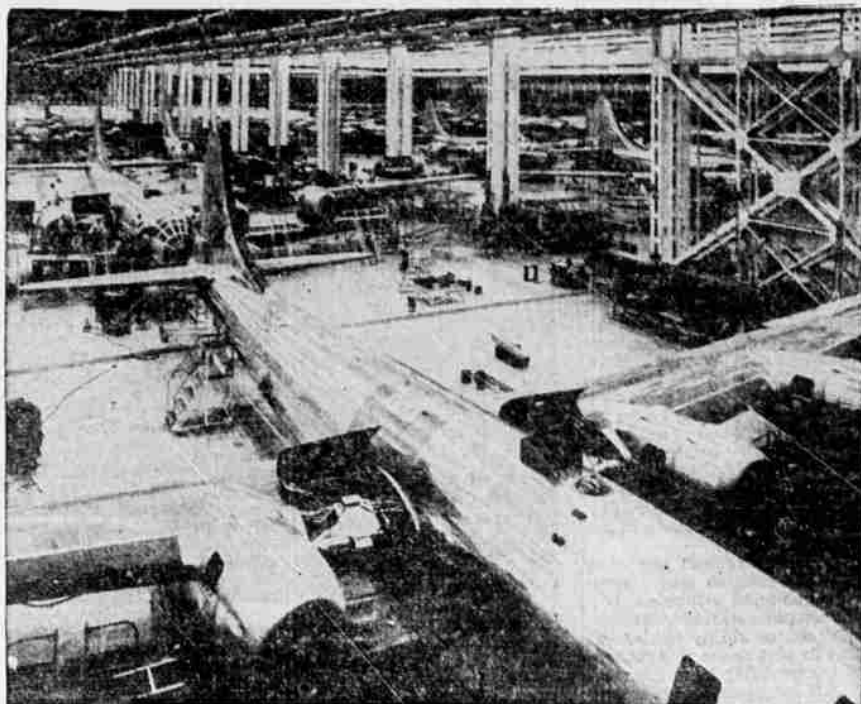
STUBBORN NAZIS SLAUGHTERED IN SEINE DEFENSE

Prisoner Says Two-Thirds
of Company Lost in Futile
Effort to Stop Yankees

By Robert Richards
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With American Forces Be-
yond Seine, Aug. 21—(U.P.)—It
was plain slaughter and it did
not make sense.
But a small force of Nazis,
making fanatical and futile
counter-attacks against Ameri-
can infantrymen who swept
across the Seine in force in the
vicinity of Limay about a dozen
miles north of Paris asked for
it—and were getting it.
I stood behind a stone wall
observation post on a high hill
this afternoon and watched
while the infantry's 105 cannon

hammered a clump of trees
where the enemy was concealed.
Doesn't Make Sense
"It just doesn't make sense,"
said 1st Lt. David W. Hall of
Ridgewood, N. J., forward ob-
server for a cannon company.
"They started coming yester-
day afternoon and they're still
coming. Look at these fellows.
They're either dazed or just too
damned cocky for their own
good."
Through field glasses I could
see five or six German soldiers
staggering along as if still at-
tempting to advance despite
overwhelming odds against them.
Now and then a shell
would splatter the earth near
one of the figures and he would
fall never to rise again.
Directly below us the loud
bark of guns could be heard as
American troops moved against
another group and drove them
steadily back.
One group of Germans at-
tempted to fortify a building
and hold its position. Within a
few minutes it was a smoking
ruin all the occupants either
dead or captured.
"It beats me what they are
trying to do," 2nd Lt. Lawrence
R. Maroon, Cleveland, O., said.
"It's plain murder but they're
asking for it and we'll give it
to them."
Knocked Off Balance
Most of the American officers

Super-Fortresses Roll Off Assembly Lines



Like huge dragon flies ready for flight, these Boeing B-29 Super-Fortresses reach last station of final assembly line at huge Wichita, Kas., plant while dozens of sister ships can be seen at right and in background in various stages of completion. More and more of the giant bombers are rolling off assembly lines throughout the nation in largest production program ever conceived for a single weapon of war.

were convinced the Germans
were knocked off balance by
the rapidity of the American
crossing, made in assault boats
some of which were lashed to-
gether and powered by out-
board motors.
This morning a pontoon
bridge was firmly established
and troops and supplies rolled
across unchecked. There were
no American casualties during
the crossing. Five GIs have
been killed since landing.

"It looks to me as if these
boys were shooting at were
sent on an old mission to keep
us from crossing," a colonel con-
jectured. "They don't know at
German headquarters we're
crossing yet and think this
small bunch is enough to hold
us on the other side of the river.
One prisoner told us most of
their officers had been killed.
So I can imagine their stubborn
and stupid non-coms telling the
men: 'We're supposed to stop
these guys and we're going to
do it.'"
Another prisoner said two-
thirds of his company had been
slaughtered.

Many of the dead were scat-
tered through the woods,
sprawled where they fell after
attempting a flanking move on
bicycles yesterday afternoon.
Woods Full of Dead
Stretched out on the hay in a
barn, Pfc. Gershell Marshall of
Poteau, Okla., told me:
"I looked through a crack in
the wall and there were five
Jerries creeping along the fence.
I let go with my automatic rifle

and killed a heap of them. But
that didn't faze them. More
Germans kept coming. When
we got through shooting the
woods were full of dead."

Most of the Germans appear-
ed young and probably were en-
gaging in their first battle, the
colonel said.

"But I'll say this for them,
though," he added. "They
haven't much sense but they're
good soldiers. I watched them
through glasses when we were
pouring it to them. They dug
in but as soon as the firing was
over, they got up and came at
us again."

TRUCKS, CARS RELEASED BY ARMY TO CIVILIANS

Washington, Aug. 23—(U.P.)—
The army has released 32,000
light trucks and 7,000 passenger
automobiles for civilian con-
sumption in the last few months,
Maj. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, direc-
tor of army procurement, told
the house committee of postwar
policy today.

Testifying on surplus mater-
ials and equipment in the armed
forces, Clay said the passenger
automobiles and 20,000 trucks
have gone into civilian use and
the remaining 32,000 trucks
were released to the treasury
procurement department in the
last few days and will be avail-
able for civilians soon.

An Icelandic, Thorfinn Karl-
sen, settled for three years in
Vinland in 1003 A. D.

Ashland Sawmill Installing Pond For Log Storage

Ashland, Aug. 23—A mill
pond to hold one million feet of
lumber is being constructed at
the Jansen Lumber company
mill at East Main street at the
railroad tracks. The adjoining
deck will have a four million
feet capacity and the deck and
pond, when full, will hold
enough logs to operate one shift
four months.

The part of East Main street
which passes the mill is being
raised about six feet so that the
logs may be floated under the
street from one pond to the other
on their way to the mill.
Provisions are being made for
unloading at either pond. Deck-
ing of the logs will be done with
a gas shovel.

The street will be resurfaced
and plans call for space to be
provided for the city to place
sidewalks past the mill if they
should care to do so.
At the present time, traffic is
being routed via Garfield street
and California street.

'KING FOR DAY'
Gloucester, Mass.—(U.P.)—Pvt.
Joseph Albert, 28, a former fish-
erman, knows what it feels like
to be literally "King for a Day."
Albert served in that regal cap-
acity at a colorful ceremony
dating back to the 12th century
of Gloucester's Portuguese col-
ony.

OUTPOST RECEIVES INCREASE IN AID

Washington, D. C., Aug. 23—
(U.P.)—An increase of \$1711 in a
previous federal contribution for
recreation facilities for service
men in Medford, Ore., was an-
nounced today by Major Gen-
eral Philip B. Fleming, federal
works administration.

The president's approval has
been given on the increase and
there has been an extension of
the period of assistance for one
year through June 30, 1945. The
total of the fund is now \$8866
and will be used to continue the
operation of a Junior Officers' club
to serve about 500.

A wire from Sen. Guy Cor-
don to the Jackson County Re-
creation committee two days ago
stated that the fund had been
allocated by the works adminis-
tration. The application was sub-
mitted early in April and had
been pending since that time.

COMMANDS AT BEND

Ft. Douglas, Utah, Aug. 23—
(U.P.)—The ninth service com-
mand reported today that Maj.
William Clegg has assumed tem-
porary command of the service
forces ordnance shops at Bend,
Ore., succeeding Capt. Wayne E.
Bailey, now temporarily assign-
ed to ordnance shops in Oak-
land, Cal.

Use Mail Tribune Want Ads.

Wednesday, Aug. 23, 1944 MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE—FIVE

Perfect Wife Of Moving Pictures Divorces Second

Hollywood, Aug. 23—(U.P.)—
Myrna Loy, the perfect wife of
innumerable movie dramas, re-
turns to the film capital today
from Cuernavaca, Mexico, where
she announced a surprise ending
to her second marriage yester-
day by filing a suit for divorce
on grounds of incompatibility of
character.

She and her husband, John
Hertz, Jr., New York advertis-
ing executive and car rental
magnate, had agreed to separate
amicably, she said, and did not
elaborate on the incompatibility
charge.

Her first husband was Film
Producer Arthur Hornblow, Jr.,
whom she divorced only six days
before marrying Hertz.

1,000 Pints Blood To Europe Daily

Washington, Aug. 23—(U.P.)—
The Red Cross announced today
that 1,000 pints of whole blood
are now being flown to Europe
each day to meet an "urgent"
army-navy request for blood to
supplement plasma treatments
to seriously wounded service-
men.

The first of the daily ship-
ments of the whole blood, col-
lected at Red Cross donor cen-
ters in Washington and New
York, went out by air yesterday.
The Red Cross said the blood

was intended for overseas pa-
tients who need the red blood
cells discarded in processing
plasma.

D-Day Closing Is Plan For Taverns

Sacramento, Aug. 23—(U.P.)—
James H. Quinn, member of the
state board of equalization, to-
day disclosed he has requested
tavern owners in Alameda and
Contra Costa counties to follow
a general closing of retail es-
tablishments planned for the
day of the announcement of the
end of the war with either Ger-
many or Japan.

TRAVEL HAZARD

Chicago, Aug. 23—(U.P.)—Mrs.
J. H. Schissler, 613 W. San Ber-
nadine St., Covina, Cal., told
police today that someone pick-
ed up her suitcase, the contents
of which she valued at about
\$1,000, as she was paying a cab
driver in front of a railroad sta-
tion.

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"The earth must have more than a
thickness of ten miles of air around it
... that isn't a year's quota for me!"

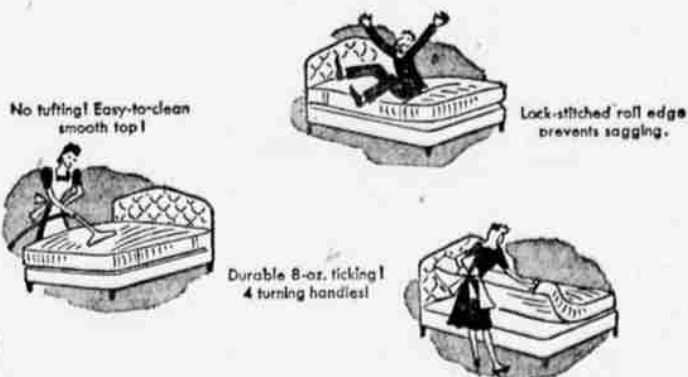
"ALL I DO from morning
to night is pump air into
these blocky blank tires!"
snorted Joe Smith, who works
for a Gilmore Independent
Dealer. "The more tires, the
more air—the more air, the
more tires—I'm in a rut."
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you, and at times he's secretly

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