

HILL 386 BATTLE 3 WEEKS IN HELL SURVIVOR AVERS

Stand By 3rd Army Men
Saved Vital Bridgehead
One of War's Bravest

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With the 3rd Army on the Moselle, Oct. 2—(U.P.)—Wraith-like men came out of the foxholes on Hill 386 today after an epic three weeks stand that saved a vital bridgehead.

It had been three weeks in hell. But they didn't look much different from other mud-caked doughboys—that is, until you looked into their crazed eyes and their matted beards and their feet, red and swollen in shoes whose heels and soles had rotted off in the stagnant water of the foxholes where they had been living and dying.

Death Beside Them
1st Lt. Donald Phillips, platoon leader, of Cadillac, Mich., was calm. His hands hardly shook at all as he traced the course of his gallant comrades across a map, from the west bank of the Moselle near Arnville to the blood-soaked hill called 386.

"I guess you won't believe me when I tell you what we have been through," Phillips said wearily. "Unless you have lived with death sitting right beside you in your foxhole. I guess you wouldn't understand."

"We crossed the river in assault boats at midnight three weeks ago. The Germans knew we were coming because while we were still huddled in the boats on the west bank we started getting it from 88's."

Hell Breaks Loose
"We finally got to the other shore and started up a hill. Some of us were pinned down by German mortar fire until dawn but we got up the hill anyway."

"Then all hell broke loose. Germans from an uncleaned area across the river pumped 88's into us from the rear. German artillery screamed at us from both sides and from up ahead. Our own artillery from across the river was pounding into the area. Nobody knew which was which or which way to duck."

"The little village of Arry was at the base of the hill and tanks started out both ends of main street. Some Mark IV's punched holes in a stone wall and fired point blank at us with just their muzzles sticking out. Other tanks tried to hit us from the sides."

"German Infantrymen followed the tanks out of the village. We had a few Bazookas and the boys fired them until they burned out."

"German Infantry tried to storm the hill four times from the cover of an orchard next to the village but we drove them back with rifle fire."

Nazis Slaughtered
"At 3 o'clock the next morning the Germans attacked with a strong force. We slaughtered them. The Jerries came sneaking out of the woods and we held our fire until they were within 75 feet. Then we cut loose with rifles, machine guns and mortars. Dead Germans stacked up two deep."

"I don't know whether it was true but one of the few Germans we captured said only eight men survived out of three companies."

"The next day was worse and it didn't get any better for six days when our armor came up. It was horrible. The foxholes filled with water and our shoes rotted off."

"When we came out today one boy told me couldn't eat hot food anymore because something happened to his stomach up there."

"In all truth, we were pretty disorganized and it is a miracle we held. But we did, by God, and we saved the bridgehead too."

WEATHER
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Griffin Creek, Hillcrest, Howard, Medford precincts, Orchard Home, Perrydale and Roxy Ann at clerk's office, county court house.

Election Date
November 7, 1944.

Polio Sufferers Given New Hope By Nerve Crush

Philadelphia, Oct. 4.—(U.P.)—A new treatment for restoring muscular power to infantile paralysis sufferers, which enables many patients to leave the hospital within five days after their operation, was described today to the ninth annual assembly of the U. S. chapter of the International College of Surgeons.

The new treatment, the Billig-Van Harreveld method, was outlined by Lt. Cmdr. H. E. Billig, Jr., a researcher at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

According to Dr. Billig, the treatment begins with an operation which crushes motor nerve branches in the paralyzed limb by mechanical separation of the muscle fibers.

The fibers respond to the separation by generating new growth which gives the limb new muscular power.

The mongoose, a small carnivore from India, has become a great nuisance in the Caribbean Islands where it was introduced to reduce rats and mice.

DEWEY PROPOSES 6-POINT VICTORY PLAN FOR TAXES

Republican Nominee Assails
'Waste and Extravagance
Of Demo Administration'

Albany, Oct. 4.—(U.P.)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey continued his attack on the Roosevelt administration today as he placed before the voters a six-point victory tax program "under which America may once again live and grow."

The Republican presidential nominee proposed the tax revision program last night in a nationwide radio address from the state executive mansion— from the same room Mr. Roosevelt used as his study when he was governor.

Waste Assailed
Assailing "waste and extravagance" of the present national administration, Dewey said personal income levies must be lowered and the nation's tax structure simplified if the country is to prosper in the postwar era.

He said it was "far better" to have low taxes and a national income of \$150,000,000 rather than high taxes and \$76,000,000,000 national income "as we had under the new deal at its peaktime."

The Roosevelt tax policies, he said, have discouraged business and high wages and were responsible for prolonging the depression. The "highest new dealers," he continued, "at last admitted that this administration has created an impossible condition which urgently needs repair."

Program Given
The New York governor's program included:

1—Revision of personal income taxes "so that a man who makes as little as \$11 a week no longer has an income tax taken out of his pay envelope."

2—Lowering of personal income tax rates to "speed recovery along."

3—Revision and lowering of income taxes on incorporated businesses until the taxes "no longer acts as a drag upon production and a barrier to jobs."

4—Elimination of all so-called excise or "nuisance" taxes excepting those on alcoholic beverages, tobacco and gasoline.

5—Complete overhauling of our "existing, confused and complicated tax laws."

6—Establishment of a "consistent, national tax policy—one directed toward achieving full employment and a rising national income—one that will assure us of a solvent nation and the

New Super-Liners Ordered



Fifty four-engined planes will be added to the United Air Lines equipment in the immediate post-war period, according to information made available through Jack Y. Meyer, Medford station manager. Above is shown one of the huge super-liners, product of the Douglas Aircraft Co.

ultimate reduction of our national debt."

Face Huge Debt

"In the years ahead we face a national debt of \$300,000,000,000," he said. "We face an annual cost of government including adequate armed forces, far above the level of pre-war years. Just to meet the interest on this debt and the cost of government we shall need large federal revenues. But it is stupid to suppose that we can support our government by levying heavy taxes upon a dwindling national income."

"Our first aim must be to increase our national income by putting to work all of the productive resources of our country—industry, labor and agriculture. We want a thriving, progressive country with jobs for all. We want our tax laws to be stable and understandable so they will no longer be a road block in the way of progress. We want them to be levied sensibly, with understanding for the human needs of our people."

Dewey said he had proof that a representative of the treasury department had discouraged high wages in one factory and had stated that "a man who works with his hands should not be paid \$5,000 a year." He also charged that the intricate tax laws had prevented persons from starting new business enterprises.

BANK DIVIDEND
San Francisco, Oct. 4.—(U.P.)—The Bank of California today declared a dividend of \$1.50 a share, payable October 16 to stockholders of record Oct. 10.

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361ST REGIMENT HAS FINE RECORD ON ITALY FRONT

Sgt. Eloy Cordova, now with the 91st Infantry division in Italy, recently sent a clipping to his wife, Mrs. Eloy Cordova, 1018 West 10th street about activities of the 361st Infantry regiment which is commanded by Col. R. W. Broedlow, and formerly stationed at Camp White.

Sgt. Cordova has been overseas since May 31, 1944 when the 361st landed in Italy and within two days the division was taking part in active fighting. The division participated in fighting which won Albano Hills, Harquinia, Montalto and Magliano. The unit reached the Arno river in July and was one of the first units, according to the clipping, to reach that natural barrier.

The clipping continued "Although a relatively recent arrival in General Clark's 5th army, the 361st has participated in bitter fighting, made spectacular advances, took all assigned objectives and never gave ground once gained, an enviable record for an organization whose battle baptism came within 48 hours of landing."

The 361st Infantry regiment is a part of the 91st Infantry and Col. Broedlow and wife resided at 1306 Reddy avenue while in this city.

The committee is sponsored by the Yale university plan for alcoholic studies which had released results of a survey showing that there are 3,000,000 excessive drinkers in the United States, 600,000 alcoholics and 45,000,000 persons who take a drink occasionally. One out of 20 of the latter group will probably become excessive drinkers, the study showed.

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