

FORMOSA HIT BY 1,000 BOMBERS

Weather

Forecast: Partly cloudy to cloudy with occasional rain tonight, Friday cloudy with light rain. Little change in temperature.
Highest yesterday: 74
Lowest this morning: 62
Precip. past 24 hours: 0

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Ickes Meets Hollywood Democrats



Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes (right) joins in a laugh with actress Katharine Hepburn and poet-historian Carl Sandburg at meeting of the "Hollywood-is-for-F. D. R." organization, where Ickes delivered main address.

Gestapo Pistol at German Back Prolonging War Says Eisenhower

Supreme Headquarters, AEF, Paris, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower expressed "complete confidence" today in the home and fighting fronts of the United Nations "to see this war through to final victory" but warned that while victory is certain, "we have a hard job ahead."

Eisenhower, looking fit and confident, discussed the entire war situation at a conference of more than 100 correspondents.

He emphasized that the hard fighting ahead would be made tougher by the fact that the coercion methods of the Nazi hierarchy now are being used more than ever.

If the Gestapo pistol were not now being held at the back of the German people and soldiers, there would not be enough Germans resisting to prolong the war, he said.

Eisenhower said a large por-

tion of the German people want to throw in the sponge, but they are, first, inarticulate and, second, they don't dare oppose the SS and Gestapo standing at their backs with pistols.

He said that while nobody can say the collapse of Germany at any moment is impossible, nevertheless the Nazis can be expected to fight like fanatics, going into mountain hideouts and underground bases at the end.

"In Germany there will be no fraternization," Eisenhower said. "We go in as conquerors. We shall treat them justly in conformity with the civilized standards as exemplified by our governments. We will have nothing else to do with them except in the necessary official relationships."

Praising the morale of all the allied troops on the western front, Eisenhower singled out the airborne forces for special tribute.

NAZIS IN ALL-OUT EFFORT TO STEM BOLOGNA MARCH

Rome, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — German troops, reportedly bolstered by reinforcements from northern Italy, waged an all-out defensive battle in the foothills of the Apennines today in a desperate attempt to halt three American columns driving toward Bologna and the Po valley.

Bitter fighting raged in the southern outskirts of Livorno, less than 10 miles south of Bologna, all but halting the main American force pushing northward on the main highway from Florence.

The Germans, who were believed to have reinforcements from Verona, were fighting desperately as the 5th army offensive neared Bologna and the Po valley's open plains.

Increasing enemy resistance also was encountered by two other American columns east and west of the Florence highway after they had reached points approximately 12 miles from Bologna, gateway to the Po valley and the key point on the superhighway to Rimini.

While the Germans built up pressure against the 5th army front before Bologna, 8th army forces in the Adriatic sector were reported meeting weakening enemy resistance.

Willkie Funeral Awaits Arrival Of Officer Son

Rushville, Ind., Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — The body of Wendell L. Willkie was back in his native Indiana today awaiting final funeral arrangements and burial in East Hill cemetery, not far from the farm where he once hoped to retire.

The sealed bronze casket was placed in the memorial chapel of a Rushville mortuary where it will later be transferred to a crypt until Willkie's son, Philip, a naval officer on Atlantic convoy duty, arrived here for the burial.

Hundreds of persons who knew Willkie not only as the Hoosier-born lawyer and international political figure but also as the Rush county farm operator, were at Dunreith, Ind., when his casket was removed from the train yesterday.

Radio Highlights

Today—Gov. John W. Bricker from Eugene, Ore., 8:30-9:00 p. m.—MBS; Warren H. Atherton, Portland, 7 p. m., MBS.

Friday, Oct. 13, Claire Booth Luce from Chicago, 7:00-7:30 p. m. NBC.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Ken Anthony back on furlough from the army and making plans with Frank Perl for the annual Catfish Derby after V-Day.

Sadie Frazee taking time out to do a good deed, albeit with poor results.

Arlene Espey learning that raisins do not grow on trees, with the help of Jean Tucker and Jane Fitzgerald.

Doughboys Storm Burning Aachen; Nazi Counter Attack Is Beaten Back

CANNON, PLANES COVER ADVANCE OF SHOCK FORCE

Advance Column Aims at Height Commanding City; Capture Neighbor Village.

Supreme Headquarters, AAF, Paris, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — The American 1st army stormed burning Aachen today, overran two industrial districts in a push toward the dominating observatory hill, and beat down desperate efforts by one of Adolf Hitler's finest divisions to pry open a relief corridor to the city.

Covered by dive bombers and artillery, United States shock troops slugged through the Roete-Erde factory district and the Schlachthof (slaughterhouse) area and pressed on against the observatory height which commands the entire city.

Destruction Not Aim

Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' headquarters reported that the air, artillery, and infantry onslaught was designed to drive out or exterminate the German garrison and capture the city rather than destroy it.

United Press Correspondent Jack Frankish in a dispatch from 1st army headquarters said the Nazi command had thrown one of its crack divisions—no misfits and aged, but first class fighting men—into a heavy but futile counterattack northeast of Aachen.

Supreme headquarters announced that southeast of Aachen the Yanks captured the village of Vossenack, in the Hurtgen forest eight miles inside Germany, and turned back a counterattack against it.

Germeter Held

Front dispatches said the Americans held firmly to Germeter, near Vossenack, but gave up some ground to a counter-blow in a neighboring sector today.

Thunderbolts and lightning dive-bombed and gunned fortified villages on the edge of Aachen, as well as dug-in tanks guarding roads in the outskirts. One formation hit a group of 15 tanks surrounded by earthworks in northeast Aachen.

Heavy fighting was reported in the streets of Haaren and around Warselen, the anchor posts of the two jaws of the U. S. pincers clamped on Aachen.

Local Gains

The American 7th and French 1st armies scored local gains in the rugged terrain northeast of Epinal and east of Remiremont on the approaches to the Belfort gap.

In the northern tip of Belgium, the Canadian 1st army reinforced its schedule estuary bridgehead, while allied bombers pounded German batteries near Knocke on the Belgian coast.

Six Ward Suits Against WLB Are Erased By Judge

Washington, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — Six suits brought by Montgomery Ward & Co. in its fight against enforcement of war labor board directives on maintenance of membership and a checkoff were dismissed late yesterday by Federal Judge Matthew F. McGuire.

The suits involved Montgomery Ward stores in Oakland, Calif., Portland, Ore., Chicago, St. Paul (two suits) and the Hummer Mfg. Co., a Ward subsidiary at Springfield, Ill.

The government had asked the dismissals on the basis of an appeals court ruling that war labor board orders are not subject to court review. The supreme court last Monday refused to review the appeals court decision.

Polish Settlement Effort, Hungary Capitulation Hint Fruit of Moscow Conference

Moscow, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — First fruits of the Stalin-Churchill conferences became evident today with a series of diplomatic developments which included an 11th hour effort to achieve a Polish settlement, the apparently imminent capitulation of Hungary, and the acceptance by Bulgaria of preliminary armistice terms.

PAC SUBVERSIVE, BRICKER CHARGES IN PRESS CONFAB

Portland, Ore., Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — Gov. John W. Bricker of Ohio today charged the CIO political action committee was "subversive" and said that, in his opinion, an "honest opinion by the attorney general would rule PAC's campaign activities a violation of the law."

The Republican vice presidential candidate, on a western campaign swing, told a press conference at nearby Vancouver, Wash., "The political action committee is a real subversive organization. It marks the first time

we've had a political force based on a subversive philosophy from other countries in our campaign," Bricker said.

Didn't Elaborate

The candidate did not elaborate his charges against PAC, which generally supports the Roosevelt administration, but added, "If we had an honest opinion from the attorney general of the United States, it would rule the PAC a violation of the law."

Bricker today for the first time listed eight states as in the Republican "sure" column: Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota and Iowa.

Regarding Washington's eight electoral votes, Bricker said: "I was much surprised and encouraged by reactions here because polls had indicated the state would go Democratic. I gauge these reactions after speeches, when seven or eight persons voluntarily come to me and say they're always voted Democratic, but are switching this time, it's a pretty good indication of the trend."

Includes New York

Pressed for further predictions on states he believed the GOP would carry, Bricker touched New York indirectly: "I haven't been to New York. Tom Dewey has and says it will go Republican."

Bricker came to Portland after the Vancouver visit, during which he told an audience that the present "new deal candidates should be judged by the company they keep—Sidney Hillman and Earl Browder."

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ASK COLLIER OUSTER

Gallup, N. M., Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — Sixty-two residents of the Twin Lakes community north of Gallup today signed a letter to the House Indian Affairs subcommittee asking for the removal of Indian Commissioner John Collier because of "many blunders, failing experiments and waste of money."

RED ARTILLERY OPENS FIRE ON PRUSSIA FRONT

Transylvanian Transport Center of Oradea Captured — Open Strong Offensive.

LONDON, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — Moscow reported today that the Red army had captured Oradea, big Transylvanian transport center near the Hungarian frontier, and had opened an artillery bombardment of east Prussia along a 50-mile front.

Premier Josef Stalin issued an order of the day announcing the fall of Oradea to Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's 2d army of the Ukraine, the left wing of the Red army, sweeping against Budapest after capturing Szeged, Hungary's second city.

Stalin described Oradea as "an important communications and economic center and powerful Transylvanian defense base."

Earlier Moscow reports told of a powerful Soviet offensive along the border of east Prussia in conjunction with the artillery bombardment of Germany's home soil.

The Nazi-controlled Scandian telegraph bureau reported from Berlin that the Russians had driven into the great Baltic port of Memel, and violent house to house fighting was going on.

Hungary is on the verge of capitulation, United Press Correspondent Henry Shapiro reported by telephone from Moscow.

Radio Moscow said the Red armies of the north had struck out in a three-way drive toward the Latvian port of Liepaja (Libau), Memel, and the east Prussian stronghold of Tilsit.

THREE MEXICANS HURT IN SMASHUP

Three Mexicans were taken to Community hospital about 3 o'clock this morning following an accident near Eagle Point in the Coker Bottle district, when the pickup in which they were riding left the road, according to state police. Another occupant, whose name is unknown, was evidently uninjured.

State police stated the injured men were brought to Community hospital by K. W. Griffith, 710 North Riverside avenue. They received medical attention for head and shoulder injuries. They were Samuel Alducin Rendon, Jose Gutierrez Rodriguez and Refugio Aguado Patten, all of Camp Prescott. Rodriguez was released to return to the camp.

The pickup, in which they were riding, was taken from Camp Prescott early this morning, apparently without authority, according to the police. The car was evidently traveling at a high rate of speed when it left the highway near the P. F. Red path residence and turned over several times before coming to a stop.

Further investigation is being continued today by authorities.

GUATEMALA PRESIDENT REPORTED OVERTHROWN

San Salvador, El Salvador, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — Reports from Guatemala said today that a military uprising had overthrown President Federico Ponce de Leon and serious disorders occurred.

The Guatemalan minister here said he had been advised that a "revolutionary movement" had broken out in Guatemala City, but he was unable to confirm the report that Ponce had been overthrown.

Marries Jan



Eugenie Sperling, 19, of Spokane, Wash., who married Japanese-American Pvt. Masao G. Kuroki, in ceremony performed by Army chaplain at Fort Lawton, Wash., despite parental objections.

BULGARS STREAM OUT OF GREECE

London, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — Bulgarian occupation troops streamed out of Greece today, paving the way for a formal armistice between the Sofia government and the Allies, and Hungary also appeared about to quit the Axis camp.

Moscow dispatches said Hungarian resistance seemed on the verge of total collapse as three Red army columns pressed toward Budapest. Observers in Moscow expected Hungary momentarily to follow the example of Romania and Bulgaria in surrendering.

(Roundabout Turkish reports broadcast by the London radio said panic was gripping Budapest as the Russians neared the city. Countless refugees were said to be pouring into the capital from the east.)

FERTILIZER SUPPLY CUT

Washington, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — The Department of Agriculture said today that recently increased military requirements have reduced the supplies of nitrogen and phosphate fertilizers available for use in planting of 1945 crops.

F.R. Would Build Solid Foundation For Peace Organization at Once

Washington, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — President Roosevelt, in a Columbus Day address to a gathering of Latin-American diplomats, called today for establishment of "solid foundations" of an international peace organization "without further delay, and without waiting for the end of hostilities."

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STUNNING BLOW DELIVERED NEAR JAPS' HOMELAND

Nips' 'Pearl Harbor' Possible Refuge of Elusive Fleet Is Target of Raiders.

By United Press

Radio Tokyo reported today that 1,000 American planes, the greatest air fleet ever massed in the Pacific, attacked Formosa, Japan's "Pearl Harbor," and possibly the refuge for her elusive fleet, as allied bombers hit again at enemy oil supplies in the Dutch East Indies and ground forces seized a 10th island in the southern Palaus.

The Formosa attack began at 7 a. m. (Tokyo time) and was continuing eight hours later, an imperial communique said. It claimed 100 American planes were shot down in the first six hours.

Rail System Target

The raiders apparently concentrated on the Formosa railway system but Tokyo said the bombers also ranged "far and wide" over the island, 600 miles from the Japanese homeland.

The attack presumably was another step in the American campaign to neutralize Japanese bases preparatory to the promised invasion of the Philippines.

Long range Liberator bombers hammered at an oil refinery and airdromes at Balikpapan on Borneo for four hours Sunday in an offensive to destroy one of Japan's major fuel sources. Radio Tokyo reported today that nearly 100 Liberators, escorted by fighters, raided Balikpapan again Tuesday. The broadcast claimed that 25 bombers and seven fighters were shot down but admitted only the loss of several Japanese planes and "some damage" to the oil center's installations.

Other bombers carried out attacks on widespread enemy bases through the central and southwest Pacific.

American troops of the 81st division occupied the small island of Baira Kaseru in the southern Palaus without opposition Tuesday. Its occupation came 24 hours after the troops had seized Garakayo, seven miles to the southeast.

Marines were reported making progress in eliminating isolated bands of Japanese on Umurbrogol mountain on Peleliu. Revised figures showed that 10,305 Japanese had been killed on Peleliu through Oct. 10 and that 1,165 had been killed on nearby Angaur island.

The invaders also took 284 prisoners on Peleliu and 11 on Angaur.

Brownell Confident Dewey Will Carry Pennsylvania Vote

New York, Oct. 12 — (U.P.) — Herbert Brownell, Jr., Republican national chairman, is confident that Gov. Dewey will carry Pennsylvania November 7.

Brownell, on his arrival by plane last night, said "I have just returned from a very encouraging trip to Pittsburgh. I spoke with Gov. Edward Martin, and he also felt that Pennsylvania will go for Dewey."

The Republican chairman left early this morning for Washington, D. C., where he was to address the National Press club off the record.

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