FIRST ARMY SHOVES NAZIS BACK

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Weather News

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Max. (July 3) .....84 Min. 50
Precipitation last 24 hours 00
Stream year to date 0.89
Normal .....11.91 Last year 17.78
Forecast: Partly cloudy.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE Fourth is observed in France. Promptly at noon today, every American gun in action there sends a shell screaming into the German lines.

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AMERICANS are popular today all over the world.

The Stars and Stripes are raised in the Piazza Venezia in Rome, directly in front of Mussolini's once-famous balcony. The Fourth of July is celebrated throughout Australia. Even De Gaulle, in Algiers, says kind words about us.

It will be no more than simple prudence for us to remember that AFTER THE WAR it will be quite different. The last war taught us that.

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ON the Cotentin (Cherbourg) peninsula, our Americans (still fighting the weather as well as the Germans) drive four miles southward in the teeth of heavy rains, sometimes wading in water up to their waists.

During most of yesterday, they had NO air support because of thick clouds hanging just above the treetops. Late in the day, the clouds lifted a little, permitting fighter-bombers to get into action. The weather is a little better today, but a floor of cloud hangs over all of France.

The British and Canadians are still making progress at Caen.

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THE Russians TAKE MINSK and roll on 40 miles to the west. They overrun Polotsk, another stronghold to the north and roll westward 40 miles from there.

The battle of Russia is ending. The battle of Poland is BEGINNING.

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AS the crow (and the airplane) flies, the Russians today are about 250 miles from Warsaw and not much more than 150 miles from East Prussia. East Prussia is GERMAN SOIL.

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GUESSING at the number of captives in Minsk (they're pouring in too fast for the counters to keep up), the prisoner bag for the 12-day Russian offensive stands at 125,000 to 135,000. Two more German generals were taken yesterday, raising the total to 21.

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THE Finns say the Russians, with plenty of strength left over from their operations farther south, are opening another big offensive in the Karelian isthmus.

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IN Italy, we're getting close to the Arno line—which, based on the rugged Appennines, is supposed to be strong. Back of the Arno line lies the Po valley, the workshop of Italy, now a German workshop.

If we reach and break the Arno line, we'll learn whether the Germans plan to fight to the last ditch there or get out. Once we're free in Italy, we'll be in position to land in the south of France.

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YESTERDAY'S guess about Noemfoor was sound.

MacArthur LANDS there. We came in through narrow openings in the coral reefs that were supposed to be impassable, and surprised the Japs. Our losses are said to have been "among the smallest" of any Pacific landing. Only 45 Jap dead have been counted so far.

We take one of Noemfoor's three airstrips (it has a 5000-foot runway.)

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NOEMFOOR is 100 miles west of the Schoutens (Biak, etc.) Only 45 miles west of it is Manokwari, the last important Jap base on the northwest tip of New Guinea, which will probably be our next step. The next step after that MIGHT be the Philippines.

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THE Japs say today that planes from an American naval task force are attacking the Bonins—halfway to Japan from the Marianas (containing Saipan.)

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EVERYWHERE (except in China) the news favors our side spectacularly. In Fourth of July speeches all over America, our brass hats warn us not to get TOO confident — that the war won't be over until the last Jap and the last German lays down his gun.

The best job is done by General Somervell, head of our supply service, who points out that

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SIXTH ARMY MEN CAPTURE JAP AIRDROME

Enemy Opposition Light As U. S. Invades

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA, July 4 (AP)—American troops have invaded Noemfoor island off Dutch New Guinea and seized its principal airdrome in a 100-mile swoop toward the Philippines.

Headquarters announced today that units of the sixth army under Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger landed on Noemfoor's western coast, Sunday at 8 a. m.

Overcome Opposition

Within two hours, the green-clad infantrymen overcame light enemy opposition and captured Kamiri airstrip, a 5000-foot landing field badly cratered by allied bombs. The troops found 30 Japanese airplanes there, most of them damaged beyond repair

At last reports the invaders were pushing toward the island's two remaining airdromes, one of them three miles away.

Light Casualties

Murlin Spencer, Associated Press correspondent, said American casualties were among the smallest suffered in any landing operation in the Southwest Pacific. Only 45 Japanese dead were

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Rumanian Oil Fields Targets In Raid

LONDON, July 4 (AP)—Up to 500 American heavy bombers from Italy struck Romanian oil targets for the second consecutive day today while an equal force from Britain smashed anew at German airfields in France.

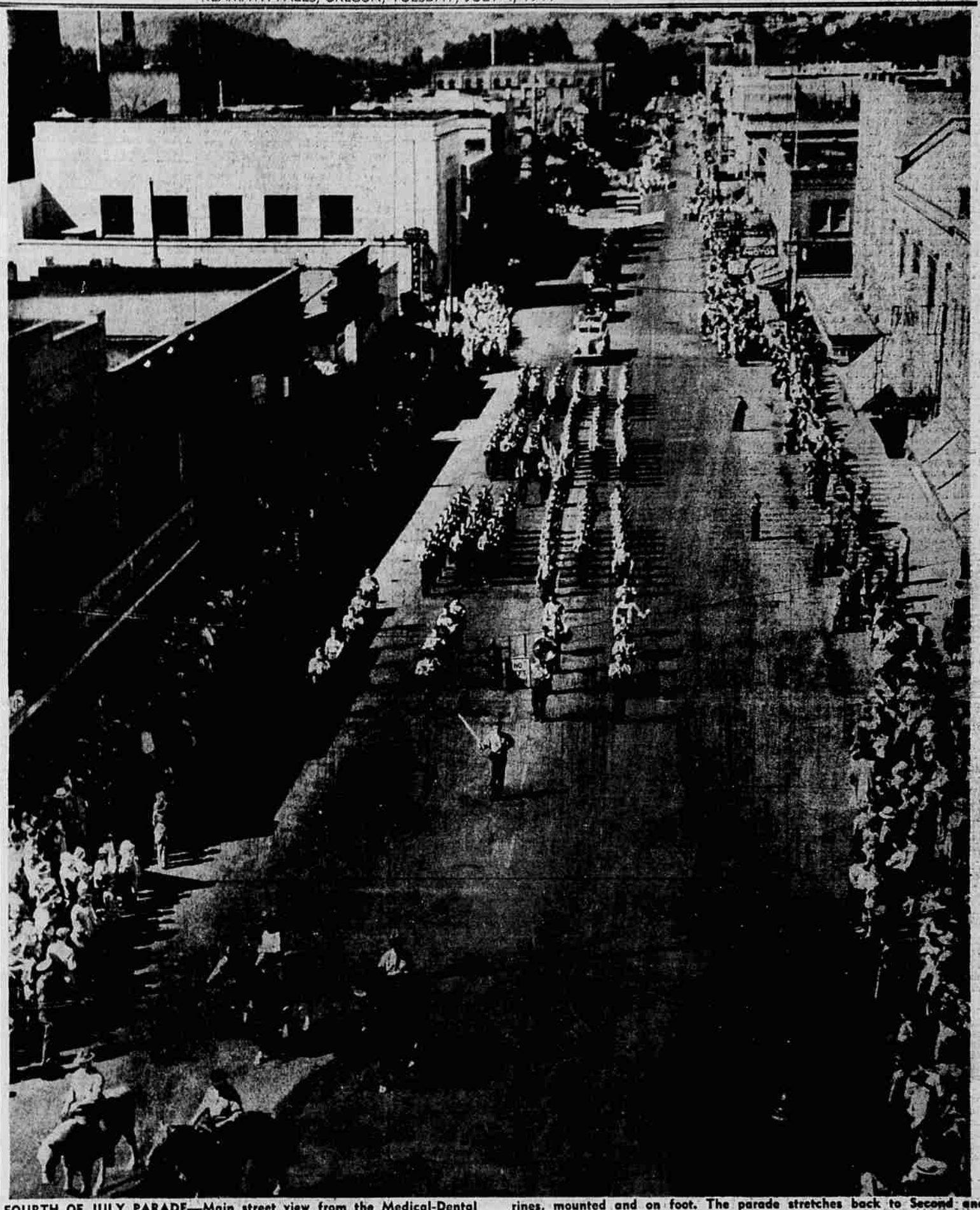
Improving weather permitted the first heavy air action in France in several days. Airdromes and northwest France were bombed by instrument through heavy cloud layers. USAAF headquarters did not specify targets. Lightnings, Thunderbolts and Mustangs flew with the bombers through varying intensities of flak which felled two bombers and four fighters.

Objectives of the Mediterranean forces were at Brasov, 85 miles north of Bucharest, and at Pitesti, due west of Ploesti, the Romanian oil capital. Flying Fortresses bombed the Photogen refinery at Brasov leaving it enveloped in smoke.

Armour Arrives From Argentine

WASHINGTON, July 4 (AP)—Ambassador Norman Armour arrived at the Washington airport this morning from Buenos Aires to report to State Secretary Hull and President Roosevelt on the tense situation between this country and Argentina. He had arrived at Miami last night and left shortly afterward for Washington.

Met at the airport by state department representatives, Armour spoke only briefly with reporters. He said that he had no information as to whether his recall was permanent as had been reported in diplomatic circles. He also expressed ignorance of plans to name him director of the office of American republics affairs, whose present Director Lawrence Duggan, has previously expressed intention of resigning.



FOURTH OF JULY PARADE—Main street view from the Medical-Dental building at 10:10 a. m. today. In the foreground, the United States marines, mounted and on foot. The parade stretches back to Second and Main.

THREE KILLED IN NAVY BOMBER CRASH

The three occupants of a torpedo bomber which crashed yesterday at Drew's reservoir were instantly killed, according to announcement at the Klamath naval air station today.

Victims of the accident were: **Lt. Max Louis Weinberg**, Wife,

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Military Atmosphere Given To Buckaroo Days Parade

Led by four marines on horseback, the marine band, and marching units from the Marine Barracks, Klamath's annual Fourth of July Buckaroo Days had a decided military atmosphere as it wended its way down Main street Tuesday morning.

Colorful riding costumes with a few service uniforms lent color to the proceedings. Queen Shirley Flescher and her court rode ahead of the main unit of horses and were applauded down the length of the street. Also appearing were the sheriff's posse from Jackson, Lake, Siskiyou and Klamath counties.

Makes Debut

Making its debut was the Klamath Saddle club, which appeared for the first time in snappy blue uniforms. The Rogue River riding group also made a large showing.

Marching units included Klamath Falls' Commandos, the Tulelake Cadettes, and the Oregon Women's Ambulance corps.

The Commandos sponsored a float with a marine, a soldier and a sailor featured. Another float was presented by the Townsend club.

Lone Ranger

Making its annual appearance was the ancient Ford driven this year by Vern Moore of the Balsiger Motor company. Tonto and the Lone Ranger also drew comments from the large crowd which lined both sides of the street.

Close to 1000 horses are estimated to have been in the parade, according to Bill Hooper, in charge of parade arrangements.

During the proceedings, planes from the Klamath naval air station flew over the town, adding even more color to the occasion.

Tokyo Radio Reports Attacks

By The Associated Press

Tokyo reported that aircraft from a naval task force this morning attacked Iwo Jima and Chichi Jima, in the Bonin islands less than 500 miles southeast of Japan, and declared that "at present heavy fighting is in progress."

There was no immediate allied confirmation of this report, but on June 15 planes from an American task force delivered a heavy blow to airfields on the two islands.

ALLIES PENETRATE WIDTH OF ITALY

By NOLAND NORGAARD

ROME, July 4 (AP)—The allied armies surged forward across the width of Italy today, with the Americans penetrating to within 15 miles of Livorno (Leghorn) on the west coast and the eighth army advancing to within eight miles of the inland communications center of Arezzo.

The Americans were reported within big gun range of prepared enemy positions constituting part of the so-called German Gothic defense line running from Pisa to Rimini on the Adriatic.

Cleared of Enemy

The whole area immediately north of Lake Trasimeno was cleared of the enemy as the Germans there fled northward avoiding combat with the eighth army whenever possible. This flight, however, came only after some nazi units had fought and perished in stubborn rearguard battles.

Typical of this type of defense was the fighting for Magione on the east side of the lake where an official source said the Germans fought "to the last man and the last round."

The heaviest battles, however,

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Fifth Oregon Drowning Occurs

LEBANON, July 4 (AP)—Oregon's fifth reported drowning over the holiday weekend occurred yesterday when Amos Smith, about 40, drowned while attempting to help some small children who were beyond their depth in a gravel pit near here.

It was the state's eighth accidental death for the holiday period.

BRITISH PUSH TOWARD CAEN; TAKE VERSON

La Haye Du Puits Expected to Fall

By WES GALLAGHER

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, July 4 (AP)—The American first army smashed the Germans back one and one-half miles on a 13 to 20 mile front today, driving within one and three-quarter miles of the communications junction of La Haye du Puits, whose fall appeared imminent.

Matching the American advance, the British joined the Canadians in attacking west of Caen, advancing on a two and a half mile front and taking Verson, three miles south of Carpiquet, newly captured by the Canadians.

Make Progress

The twin allied attacks made "steady and satisfactory" progress, Shaef said tonight.

The Americans reached Blanchelande, one and three-quarter miles northeast of La Haye du Puits. They occupied La Poterie, three miles east of La Haye, and St. Remy des Landes, three miles west of the communications hub.

Celebrate

Making their advance under dripping skies, the doughboys took time out to celebrate the Fourth of July by firing every gun at noon.

Lightnings, Mustangs and Thunderbolts of the ninth U. S. airforce smashed enemy gun positions and troop concentrations on the western side of the Cherbourg peninsula. More than 200 planes participated in the attacks between Coutances and Lessay and in the vicinity of St. Lo.

British Advance

The British troops protecting the Canadian flank advanced along the north bank of the river Odon. Verson, which they took is four miles southwest of Caen.

The British advance coupled with the Canadian drive turned what was a dangerous allied salient subject to constant German

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Citizenship of Disloyal Japs May Be Withdrawn

WASHINGTON, July 4 (AP)—President Roosevelt today signed legislation to withdraw the citizenship of Japanese born in this country whose loyalty to the enemy marks them as Japanese nationals.

Attorney General Biddle said the law was needed to deal with the problem of 300 of 1000 Japanese at the Tulelake relocation center who, he said, "assert their loyalty to the emperor of Japan and their desire to renounce their United States citizenship and to be recognized as Japanese nationals."

By making it possible for this group to abandon American citizenship, Biddle told congress, "they could thereupon be dealt with as alien enemies under the applicable statutes."

One Injured in Collision

Hurrying to a Klamath Falls hospital to beat the stork, a car driven by G. F. Madison of Bly collided with a car driven by Clifford Frost of Beatty on highway 66 near Hildebrand late Monday night.

Frost was seriously injured in the first major holiday traffic accident and is receiving treatment at Hillside hospital. Madison was uninjured.

According to state police reports, Madison was coming toward Klamath Falls and Frost was going toward Beatty when the cars sideswiped. The Madison car stayed on the road and the other car turned over, pinning Frost inside.

The Madisons are the parents of a baby boy born early Tuesday morning at Klamath Valley hospital. Mother and son are reported doing well.

Enthusiastic Crowd Watches Second Day of Rodeo Swing Into Limelight

By IRIS NELSON

An enthusiastic, continually cheering crowd Monday witnessed a fast eventful show as the second day of the Klamath Buckaroo Days rodeo got into full swing. Considerably speeded up over Sunday, the roundup was a continual round of excitement from the opening grand entry to the final Brahma bull riding climax.

As winners for Monday's as well as Sunday's shows were announced, it appeared today that Gene Rambo, a Californian well known in rodeo circles, would walk off with most of the honors. Sunday he won first prize purses in the calf roping, bronc riding and steer team roping events. Monday Rambo was again on the first steer roping team and tied for second in the bronc riding event.

Other winners in Monday's show were as follows:

Calf Roping

Carroll Brunton, Klamath Falls, first prize.

Ben Meyers, Sonoma, Calif., second.

Hugh Jones of Chowchilla, Calif., and Joe Richardson of Reno tied for third and fourth.

Bronc Riding

Earl Inks of Angeles Camp, Calif., first.

Gene Rambo and Jack Dalton, Escalon, Calif., man, tied for second.

Jack Conlan, Bidwell, Calif., third.

Steer Team Roping

Bill McFarlane of California with Gene Rambo, first.

Bill Erickson and Al Coelho, both of Fresno, second.

Al Coelho and Hugh Jones, Fresno, third.

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Ten-Percenters to Receive Tickets to War Bond Show

Tickets to the big bond show will be available to all payroll deduction people who put 10 per cent of their wages in bonds and who also fill their Fifth War Loan quota. Tickets are also given with every purchase of a $100 war bond or more with loge seats costing a $500 war bond.

The show is to be staged at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, July 5, at the Pelican theatre. The principal attraction is a one act, three-scene play entitled "The Call of Freedom." Actors consist of WACs and soldiers of the WPRC unit of Camp White in Medford.

Military bands from the Marine Barracks and Camp White are to play at the show. In addition to these, Jack Teagarden and his famous "blues" band have been scheduled for 20 minutes of special numbers.

There will be a prominent place on the program for the presentation of five-star mothers who have five or more children in the service. The grand finale of servicemen will top the evening off. The servicemen will be from Klamath county and many of them have been over seas and have seen a lot of action