

THIRD ARMY PREPARES FOR NEW ASSAULT

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many by land since the fall of France. What has happened since Sunday on the third army front still was under the secrecy of security but it was announced officially that the third army's breaching of the Moselle, last river barrier short of the Rhine itself, had occurred midway between Metz and Nancy, some 40-mile short of the nearest point of the German frontier.

Across Moselle
Headquarters said the third army was across the Moselle in strength. Presumably there was a second bridgehead near Nancy.

What little information did come back to supreme headquarters suggested that stiffened German opposition was being met in the preliminaries to the main battle for the border.

The total American bag of prisoners since D-Day now is more than 205,000, it was announced. The third army has estimated it captured 78,000, wounded 82,250, and killed 19,500 Germans. The U. S. first army reported Aug. 30 that it had captured 115,000 nazis. Since then it has mopped up at least 14,000 in the pocket south of Mons.

Toward Strasbourg
Today the main forces of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's command poured over a firm Moselle river bridgehead near Nancy in a drive toward the French border city of Strasbourg, 70 miles to the east.

Supreme headquarters confirmed that the British second army was driving somewhere in The Netherlands, but did not indicate where or in what depth. It offered no confirmation of a Paris report that the British were advancing within sight of Rotterdam, the great Dutch port 50 miles north of Antwerp.

Namur Liberated
It also was announced that the U. S. first army has liberated the fortified Belgian city of Namur at the confluence of the Meuse and Sambre rivers. Namur is 32 miles from Liege and 55 miles from Aachen in Germany.

The most advanced officially announced American position between Metz and the Luxembourg frontier was 18 miles northeast of Verdun. This would be some 45 miles from Saarbrücken.

In Belgium Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' U. S. first army crossed the Meuse against slight enemy opposition at Dinant, 15 miles south of Namur, and at the French town of Givet on the border. This army drove the nazis from Cherleoir, a city of 27,000, except on and liberated Namur and pushed on toward Liege.

To Go South—Lettie Stewart, who has been visiting in Klamath Falls and vicinity the past month, will leave Thursday for Los Angeles where she plans to accept a position and make her home.

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Latest World News

Major Hansen Lost In Action In China

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and had the first bullet holes in the fuselage.

Took Part in Raids
Major Hansen was made commanding officer of his squadron on July 15, and had taken part in other B-29 raids in the India-China-Burma theater. These included the mission to Sumatra August 10 which, according to the official communique, was the longest bombing mission ever undertaken, a distance of some 3600 miles.

He held the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with Oak Leaf clusters.

Major Hansen visited Klamath Falls a number of times, on one occasion flying over the town before landing for a hunting trip. His wife lived here with Mrs. Black for several months, and his small son was born here. His sister is the wife of Major Neil F. Black, a Klamath Falls physician, who is a flight surgeon in England.

FRENCH APPROACH DIJON IN SMASH

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90 miles southwest of Belfort and the Nazi escape pass into southwest Germany.

Occupation of Dijon would put Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's seventh army within 60 airline miles of American third army units last reported at Bar-sur-Seine, southwest of Troyes. The French swept up a number of towns in capturing Chalons. These included Clunay, famed for its lace, Sennecey-le-Grand, and Le Villars.

Patch on Offensive
The German radio asserted Patch's army had resumed its offensive against the last mountain passes on the French-Italian border "to the upper Italian plains." Three of Italy's greatest industrial cities lie from 42 to 95 miles of the French frontier—Milan, Turin and Genoa.

The German report asserted, moreover, that Field Marshal Gen. Johannes Blaskowitz had extricated the bulk of his 19th army from south France, leaving behind some forces in the Riviera to oppose the push into Italy. Official allied estimates placed captives alone from Blaskowitz's command at 65,000.

American units of the seventh army have captured Louhans and Lons-le-Saunier in the area between the Saone valley and the Swiss border, headquarters said. Louhans is 21 miles southwest of Chalons-sur-Saone. The German garrison in the small principality of Monaco on the Ligurian Sea near the Italian border fled after an American cruiser and destroyer shelled Nazi batteries in the Monte Carlo area, a naval announcement revealed. The Germans destroyed their defenses and took to the hills.

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LOOSENING OF WPB CONTROL SLATED

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from Washington, was outlined today by J. A. Krug, acting chairman of the war production board.

Agreement Cited
Krug said the army, navy, and major war agencies unanimously agreed on the program, intended to provide "maximum employment, just as quickly as possible" after Germany goes down, but at the same time protecting production necessary to fight Japan.

A reduction of about 40 per cent in war production within three months after Germany's defeat and the freeing of 4,000,000 war workers for other jobs is anticipated.

Increase Estimated
Chairman Donald M. Nelson, of WPB, now on a presidential mission to China, has estimated that a 40 per cent cut in war production would mean a 30 per cent increase in the output for civilians.

As specifically explained by Krug the program will allow any manufacturer to use any plant and any materials not needed for war production to turn out anything.

WPB and other government agencies he said, will "do everything within their powers to assist and encourage industry in resuming civilian production and maintaining employment through the use of the 'know-how' of its industry divisions and industry-labor advisory committees."

To Maintain Powers
The production agency will maintain its organization and powers "until it is certain that the war production program is adequate for victory over Japan."

Controls will be continued over such "tight" materials as lumber, textiles, and certain chemicals through a system of allocations designed to assure an equitable distribution based on essentiality.

The extreme emergency AAA preference rating will be retained, and there will be only one other, reserved exclusively for the military programs during the war against Japan. All other production will be "unrated."

First Meeting—The first meeting of the season for county home extension units will be the Poe Valley-Olene meeting this Friday. Christmas gift making will be discussed and new officers will be installed.

Troops Capture Italian Ridge

ROME, Sept. 6 (AP)—Powerful eighth army forces have captured an important ridge running from the key town of Coriano to the Adriatic sea in furious battling below Rimini, eastern anchor of the nazis' Gothic line, but Coriano is still in German hands, allied headquarters said today.

Allied patrols have penetrated the town, but troops have not been able to enter it in force. The Germans were said to be putting up a fanatical defense on high ground to the left of Coriano.

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the industrial development committee, told how the committee's work had developed the fact that

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