

# YANKS PENETRATE SIEGFRIED

## Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
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## Herald and News

In The Shasta-Cascade Wonderland

KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1944

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### Weather News

September 16, 1944  
Max. (Sept. 15) 75 Min. 42  
Precipitation last 24 hours .00  
Stream year to date 10.62  
Normal 12.69 Last year 18.27  
Forecast: Showers.

## ARMY THRUSTS 12 MILES INTO NAZI COUNTRY

Section of Maginot  
Line Taken by  
Troops

By JAMES M. LONG  
LONDON, Sept. 16 (P)—U. S. troops have made several penetrations completely through the Siegfried line below Aachen, putting the whole defense system in peril, and thrust as deep as 12 miles into Germany, front dispatches announced tonight.

Patrols entered the fortress city of Aachen itself. To the south of French soil, third army troops captured part of the Maginot line on the west bank of the Moselle before Thionville, and turned the German-installed Krupp 105-MM. guns on the nazis in an offensive which further threatened the fortress of Metz to the south.

Line Penetrated  
Paris radio declared that big Atlantic port on the tip of Brittany, had been captured with 12,000 prisoners.

Berlin broadcasts suggested an American breakthrough was nearing the Rhine east of Nancy. A new crossing of the reich frontier sent the U. S. first army into a four-pronged invasion of Hitler's home domain.

Supreme headquarters late today declared the Siegfried line had been completely penetrated by forward elements, and an Associated Press front dispatch a few hours later said there were several penetrations south of Aachen "to points beyond the line's last fixed fortifications."

Tanks were beating forward east of surrounded Aachen, it added. The western part of Thionville was cleared of Germans.

U. S. armor which crossed the Moselle struck north, cutting in behind Metz in a threat to outflank that stronghold now torn by American artillery.

Fourth Crossing  
Besides their powerdrive beyond encircled Aachen, a Siegfried fortress, American first army men deepened two other wedges into the fortification system, and made a fourth crossing of the reich's frontier.

The front at Aachen was widened to 15 miles with capture of Lammered, to the southeast. German broadcasts reported street fighting in Aachen.

Fluctuating Battle  
Berlin radio indicating the U. S. third army sweep east of Nancy in the south was approaching the Rhine. A "fluctuating battle" is on in the eastern Vosges mountains which come down to the Rhine, it declared.

A front dispatch last night said resistance far beyond Nancy into the Bogen was the German border, 50 to 70 miles away, was scattered only after a scissors attack had caved in the whole south end of the Germans' Moselle line. The armored drive of the third was underway again, it said, and soon had pushed 10 to 15 miles beyond Nancy.

Complete penetration means that troops have gone through the whole previously-prepared fortified line.

But headquarters stressed that this did not necessarily mean a breakthrough of the (Continued on Page Four)

Pupils Donate  
To Campaign

Collection of contributions from city schools for the community fund took place Friday under the direction of Arnold Gralapp, school solicitation chairman.

Comic books telling the story of the war chest, drawn by the author of Terry and the Pirates, were distributed to all pupils.

Amounts contributed by school children in the various schools were as follows: Roosevelt, \$49.80; Pelican, \$13.52; Conger, \$16.00; Fremont, \$42.35; Fairview, \$29.80; KUHS, \$151.53. The figure for Riverdale's contribution, \$66.24, includes teacher contributions. Faculty donations in the other schools have not yet been recorded.

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## FINNS BATTLE GERMANS; MAY DECLARE WAR

Hitler Says Troops  
Unable to Leave  
By Deadline

By LEWIS HAWKINS  
LONDON, Sept. 16 (P)—Adolf Hitler declared today that German troops in Finland were unable to clear out by the September 15 deadline and Berlin broadcasts indicated fighting already had broken out in Finland between the Germans and Russians.

Finland apparently was on the verge of beginning a new war with her erstwhile co-belligerent, Germany, even before formally concluding peace in her old war with Russia.

A special communique from the fuhrer's headquarters declared the Germans in Finland would continue to "protect their security" against any attackers as Stockholm dispatches reported that Finland apparently was moving toward a declaration of war on Germany.

Detaching Moves  
Berlin broadcasts said German detaching movements were being carried out in Finland despite Russian efforts to interfere.

(A British broadcast recorded by OWI said the Russians already had encircled two German divisions in "fighting their way through Finland.")

Finland is pledged by agreement with Russia to use her own troops, with red army assistance if necessary, to round (Continued on Page Two)

Two Die After  
Solvent Explodes

RIDDLE, Ore., Sept. 16 (P)—Hattie Ruth Watson, 11, and her two-year-old brother, Mel Watson, children of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Watson of Riddle, died at the Myrtle Creek hospital last night from burns suffered Friday evening when a cleaning solvent used by the girl to kindle a fire in the kitchen range at the family home exploded. Because of the illness of the mother, who had returned earlier in the week from a hospital at Grants Pass, the girl was preparing the evening meal for the family.

The explosion set fire to the clothing of the two children and started a blaze in the kitchen. After ablaze from head to foot, the girl carried her baby brother out of the burning room and rolled the fire out of his clothing before attempting to save herself.

Neighbors who heard the explosion and screams of the mother, who was around her bed extinguished the flames in the house and rushed the two children to the hospital, where the girl died about three hours after the accident. Death of the younger child was attributed to poisoning from the cleaning fluid rather than from burns, hospital attendants reported.

Killed In Action

Rollo Cheyne  
Dies in Action

Corporal Rollo B. Cheyne, 21, has been killed in action in the South Pacific, according to word received by his mother, Mrs. Fannie M. Cheyne, of Merrill road. He was in the Marianas islands with the marine corps, according to word last heard from him by his family here.

Cpl. Cheyne entered the national guard in June, 1940, and received an honorable discharge in May, 1941.

He then enlisted in the marine paratroop division and was sent overseas in March, 1933. He enlisted with Keith Gentry and Bob Nelson of Tulelake, and Fred Beymer of Henley, and all four boys have been together since.

His youngest brother, Dale Cheyne, is also in the marine corps paratroops and was shipped overseas four months ago.

Corporal Cheyne had participated in eight major campaigns since being stationed in the South Pacific.

He attended Henley and Klamath Union high schools, being a member of the football and basketball teams.

—Kennell-Ellis

Communications  
With Rio Cut

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (P)—Cable communications with Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, have been cut, a high diplomatic source revealed today on the basis of information received in Washington.

This source disclosed that reports have been received here to the effect that there is some thing unusual going on in Rio.

Earlier a Montevideo dispatch had reported on the basis of unconfirmed information that there was a political disturbance in the Brazilian capital.

## Yanks Menace Palau Drome; Win Morotai

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Sept. 16 (P)—Marine heroes of Guadalcanal drove against 8000 furiously fighting Japanese today on Peleliu in the invaded Palau, closing in on a big airdrome within 515 bomber miles of Davao to the west.

Even nearer that principal city of the southern Philippines, Yank lightning conquerors of Morotai, 375 miles south of Davao, worked feverishly on air bases within fighter plane range of Mindanao.

These coordinated drives of Adm. Chester W. Nimitz and Gen. Douglas MacArthur were launched simultaneously Friday (Manila time) against bases from which it will be possible to spring the all-out push into the Philippines.

Marines of the first division, led by Maj. Gen. William H. Rupertus, of Washington, D. C., hurled back counterattacking Japanese soldiers and tanks to gain a mile and one-half long beachhead on Peleliu near the south end of the Palau islands, a big naval base Japan spent 25 years building and which is defended by an estimated total of 40,000 Nipponese.

From Peleliu airdrome, American planes could prevent reinforcements from being sent to the Palau and could interfere with enemy regrouping attempts among those islands known as "Japan's Singapore." One of two usable airfields in the Palau, its capture would isolate (Continued on Page Four)

8TH ARMY HITS  
ACROSS MARANO

By NOLAND NORGAAARD  
ROME, Sept. 16 (P)—Eighth army tanks and infantry have broken across the Marano river on a wide front, with Greek units pushing to the edge of the Rimini airfield, less than three miles from the town of Rimini guarding the entrance to Italy's industrial Po valley, allied headquarters announced today.

On the western sector the fifth army reported only slight gains in its broad advance against the Gothic line north of Florence.

Stiff Resistance  
"Resistance was stiffened considerably" in the fifth army area and every approach to the Gothic defense zone is bitterly contested and heavily mined, Gen. Sir Harold Alexander's headquarters said.

German defenders on the Adriatic sector—most of which were left without transport and therefore have the alternatives of surrendering, fighting to death or trying to get away on foot—were putting up a terrific fight between the Marano river and Rimini.

A Canadian spearhead was the first to stab across the river engaged in a tough fight with Panzer Grenadiers, and 150 prisoners were taken, including a battalion commander.

Take San Lorenzo  
The Greeks fighting their way up the coast captured San Lorenzo and Intradra, five miles southeast of Rimini, then forged on across the Marano river to the airfield.

British tanks and infantry striking across the river seized (Continued on Page Four)

Bomber Pilots  
Reported Missing

EDMONTON, Alta., Sept. 16 (CP)—Two United States army fliers were reported missing today after their B-26 bomber crashed in heavily timbered country, 65 miles south of Grande Prairie, Gen. Dale V. Gaffney, commanding officer of the northwest service command, announced.

Wreckage of the plane was spotted by aerial search parties which set out after the plane failed to report on schedule.

The announcement said there was no sign of life around the wreckage of the Russia-bound plane but added the two-man crew may have parachuted and set out on foot.

Churchill, Roosevelt Close Conclave  
With Pledge of Heavy Attacks on Japs

By W. L. BEALE, JR.  
QUEBEC, Sept. 16 (P)—President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill pledged today a devastating assault on Japan, with all the resources of their two mighty nations, as soon as Europe is out from under "the corroding heel of nazism."

The American chief executive and his British partner closed out today their second Quebec war conference at a news conference at which they said they had reached quick and complete unanimity on plans for bending Japan into submission.

Date Not Specified  
Mr. Roosevelt asserted that he and the prime minister were not yet ready to put a specific date on the downfall of the enemy in Europe, but when it comes, he said, the allies will do the fastest possible job on Japan.

The British empire, Mr. Roosevelt asserted, is, of course, looking forward to participation.

Pledge Offensive  
And Churchill, himself, formally pledged that the armies, air forces, and naval power of his tremendous empire would be thrown into an offensive against the Pacific foe when the fighting in Germany is over.

Churchill has decided to return to London, a British official indicated, leaving further talks to another time and place. The prime minister's movements will go off-the-record after this afternoon's press conference, the official said, "until his return home."

The president's movements as well as Churchill's are to be "blackened out" late today, it was announced.

A formality taking place before a press conference was an award of degrees to the president and prime minister by McGill University of Montreal. Roosevelt was awarded a doctorate of honoris causa in law, and Churchill a doctorate of honoris in letters.

Sensational Reports  
A reporter asked Robin Cruikshank of British information if he could say anything about "sensational reports" from London about the reason for the presence of British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden.

The newsman said the reports were that a crisis had arisen in Polish-Russian relations and there was no official comment for security reasons.

Europe Next  
With the Pacific military pattern charted on the Anglo-American council table, the next conversations turned primarily to ward s'redding the nazi crazy-quilt in Europe and on postwar clamps on Germany and her kin.

These major topics have occupied this week's meeting: 1. Japan and the Pacific war. The United States military staffs brought here a minutely woven war plan, drafted in Washington (Continued on Page Two)

## RED PATROLS CROSS VISTULA INTO WARSAW

Soviets, Poles Hurl  
Back Attack by  
Nazis

By EDDY GILMORE  
MOSCOW, Sept. 16 (P)—Red army patrols have crossed the Vistula from captured Praga and scouted German positions at Warsaw while Russian and Polish troops hurled back the first big nazi armored attack upon their positions in the east bank suburb, field dispatches said today.

Eleven localities north of Praga were declared seized by Russian and Polish units, increasing the pressure from Warsaw.

The patrols were reported to have brought back information on the disposition of nazi defenses in the besieged Polish capital, but Moscow had no information on whether a crossing had been accomplished in force.

Most Severe Battles  
Tank warfare in the Praga sector is becoming the most severe of the entire war. Most of the 110 tanks which the mid-night Russian communique reported destroyed were in the Praga area.

The army paper Red Star said the blazing smoking city of Warsaw was in full view of the Russian forces on the banks of the Vistula at Praga.

Buildings Gutted  
First photographs flown back from Praga to Moscow showed that many of Warsaw's buildings were shattered and where the flames and smoke were not billowing the buildings looked gutted and ruined.

Meanwhile there was reason here to believe that violent fighting was breaking out in many new sectors of the eastern front, with the initiative completely with the red army.

Winter Plans  
Preparations were said to be completed for the Russians' autumn and winter campaign. It was believed to be only a matter of days before German forces from Finland to Yugoslavia will bear the brunt of drives by veteran Russian armies refreshed and eager to march into the reich.

Moscow reports said the (Continued on Page Four)

War Bulletin

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Sept. 16 (P)—The U. S. first army has made a "narrow penetration" in the Siegfried line at Brandescheid in the Prum area against very heavy opposition, it was disclosed tonight.

This was set afire Thursday, where good penetration with fairly strong forces already had been reported 12 miles inside Germany.

New fires sprang up in Berlin. Improving weather today gave promise of a resumption of grand scale allied air attacks. The German radio interrupted morning programs and reported that fighter formations were penetrating to central Germany.

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Mrs. Arthur Robinson is shown getting her paper on the street for the lunch chamber of commerce waste paper drive Sunday. Trucks will pick up paper on every street inside the city as well as in Pelican City, Shippington, Lakeshore drive, Stewart-Lenox addition, Weyerhaeuser, St. Francis Park, Shasta way and Summer lane. The drive starts at 9:30 a. m. Sunday morning and all householders are asked to get their waste paper out early. Sound trucks covered the city today reminding citizens that Sunday would be the only day on which paper would be collected.

## Kiel Naval Base Struck By Tons of Explosives

LONDON, Sept. 16 (P)—More than 800 RAF and Canadian heavy bombers unloaded tons of explosives and incendiary bombs on Kiel, Berlin and Lubek in the greater part of them going to the naval base of Kiel where fires still smoldered from an attack earlier in the week by the U. S. eighth air force.

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