

HUNTING ACCIDENT CLAIMS LIFE

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WERE getting a little news again today.

Herald and News

Weather News	
October 2, 1944	
Max. (Oct. 1)	64
Min.	34
Precipitation last 24 hours	00
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Yanks Smash Against Siegfried Line

2-MILE STEEL WEDGE DRIVEN NEAR AACHEN

Stalemate Ended By First Army Attack

LONDON, Oct. 2 (AP)—The U. S. first army, striking one of the greatest offensive blows of the war in an effort to break a new hole in the Siegfried line, drove a steel wedge two miles deep on a six-mile front north of Aachen today.

Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' infantry and tanks rushed forward toward Gellenkirchen in Germany from the Dutch village of Groenstraat, 10 miles north of Aachen, and splashed across the little Wurm river coursing near the Dutch-German border in the first 45 minutes of the attack.

The assault, made across wooded and pasture land pitted with thousands of foxholes and mine shafts which had been converted into strongholds, was aimed at driving a fourth hole in Adolf Hitler's west wall. The Americans already held three breaches in the line near Aachen.

The attack still was going forward tonight in the face of heavy resistance from enemy pillboxes, and fire from artillery and six-barreled mortars.

The fighting spread along a front of 20 miles and broke out (Continued on Page Three)

Marines Win Palau Group; Jap Ships Hit

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Oct. 2 (AP)—American control was secure over Peleiu and eight satellite islets in the southern Palau today, after 17 days' fighting against stubborn defenders and heart-breaking terrain.

More than 10,000 Japanese troops have been killed in the Palau campaign. Adm. Chester W. Nimitz said today in announcing the islands were "secure," except for two pockets of resistance. One, still vicious, held out in caves on Peleiu's Umorbrogol hill (bloody nose ridge). A second and smaller group of Nipponese remained on Angaur islet, six miles southward.

Southwest Pacific airmen concluded one of their most successful months in the war of attrition against Japanese shipping. In strikes reported today they sank or damaged three vessels, including a 10,000-ton tanker, bringing to 210 their September total of enemy craft of all types sunk or damaged in southern Philippine waters and their approaches.

160 Craft Destroyed (In addition, Adm. William F. Halsey's third fleet carrier planes destroyed 160 surface craft of all types and damaged 200 others during their seven-day thrusts over the Philippines.)

American forces held only the tail of the Palau chain, which includes 26 main islands and a total of 109. But the campaign drove a deep wedge into Japan's strongly-prepared Carolines and gave the Yanks at least two airfields for land-based attacks against the northern Palau and the Philippines, 515 miles westward.

Nimitz reported that "elimination" of the Japanese remnants continues. Marine planes unloaded numerous 1000-pound bombs to "demolish remaining enemy fortifications" on bloody nose ridge. From these positions, northward of the Peleiu airfield, the Japanese held up the American advance for several days, until they were bypassed.

Take Airfield The Americans took a second airfield—a 4800 foot fighter strip—when they occupied Ngesebus islet, northward of Peleiu.

Southwest Pacific bomber damaged the tanker and a coastal vessel off Zamboanga, southern Philippines, Saturday, and sank an 8500-ton freighter-transport in Tiworo strait, southern Celebes.

The September shipping bag included a seaplane tender and two destroyer escorts; 68 vessels ranging from 2000 to 10,000 tons, sunk or destroyed; 38 ships damaged, and 111 barges and small coastal vessels, sunk or damaged.

Chinese Battle Near Kweilin

CHUNGKING, Oct. 2 (AP)—The Chinese command announced an extremely severe fighting today near Kweilin, located the battle four to 12 miles southeast of the rail town of Kwangsi provincial capital.

The American air force has lost its advanced base at Tanchuk, the fourth abandoned in face of the Japanese offensive through Hunan and Kwangsi to split China in two.

World Series to Open Wednesday

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 2 (AP)—The first game of the 1944 world series will start at noon PWV Wednesday with the Cardinals as "home" club for the first, second and sixth games, and the Browns as host club for all others.

Games will be played daily until one club has won four games.

Landlord Registers With OPA



First landlord to sign up at the OPA rent control office opened here Monday was Miles Cox of 1204 Mitchell. He is shown above turning in his registration to Mrs. Lawrence E. Albritton, wife of a marine stationed here, who is a volunteer registrar. In the center is Marvin Hixon, examiner of the Klamath Falls rent office, who reported that 39 landlords had registered 205 housing units by 2 p. m. on the opening day, and that eight rooming houses had been listed.

SECOND DUNSMUIR FIRE CLAIMS TWO

Tragedy struck for the second time within one week in the little town of Dunsmuir when fire claimed two lives.

Dead are Mr. and Mrs. Ted Spores, 100 Oak street, found early Sunday morning in the smoldering ruins of their home where they had a few hours earlier celebrated a wedding anniversary.

Brother Lived Here Mrs. Spores, 39, the former Thelma Durst, lifelong resident of Dunsmuir, was the sister of L. H. "Lou" Durst of Medford but employed as box factory foreman for several years by Pelican Bay Lumber company.

Durst left here about eight years ago and is in the lumber business in the valley town.

Spores was well known to railroad men in this area, having (Continued on Page Three)

Service Men Swear Allegiance

Two soldiers, a sailor and two ex-service men took the oath of allegiance in circuit court Saturday making them citizens of the United States of America.

Receiving their naturalization papers were Sue Sheong Tau, native of Canton, China, and now stationed at Camp Tulelake; Ernst Heinz Haeusserman, native of Germany, stationed at Camp Tulelake; Dominic Anthony Varrone, stationed at the naval air base, native of Italy; Frederick Norman Barlow of Malin, native of England and Edward Holm of Eugene, native of Sweden.

Red-Faced Klamath Coffee Drinkers Stock Up; Find Beverage Still Unrationed

A lot of Klamath housewives had red faces but well stocked coffee shelves as they stamped local groceries Saturday night and Sunday morning when announcement threatening coffee rationing sent them scuttling to the nearest store.

But Monday coffee drinkers received assurance from War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes that there would be no resumption of coffee rationing now.

Byrnes said that there is a three and one-half months supply of coffee on hand or en route and that Brazil has given assurance that 1,000,000 bags will be supplied monthly.

American importers had reported that growers in coffee producing countries had been slaying out of the market in order to obtain a price increase, causing the U. S. stockpile to drop. Byrnes issued his statement Sunday after reports had spread that coffee rationing was imminent and housewives in the nation had started to stock up.

Two of the larger downtown stores in Klamath Falls said they had a heavy run on their coffee stocks just before the 6 p. m. closing hour. Neighborhood stores that remained open Saturday night did a land-office business and one store started lading out the coffee as supplies diminished. Another grocer reported a terrific run from 5:30 to 7 o'clock Saturday night and not a few customers bought coffee by the case, remembering the early war days when a pound had to be stretched over a six weeks' period. Coffee came off the ration list in July, 1943.

Rumely Indicted For Failing to Supply Records

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2 (AP)—Executive secretary of the committee for constitutional government, founded by Frank E. Gannett, was indicted today by the District of Columbia grand jury on a charge of failing to supply the house campaign expenditures committee with records of contributions received.

Gannett, Rochester, N. Y., publisher and a candidate for the republican presidential nomination in 1940, told the expenditures committee September 7 that the committee which he founded is an educational, not a political organization.

Pratt, Whitney Workers Strike

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 2 (AP)—A work stoppage halted production of airplane engines at the big Pratt & Whitney plant today.

MEDFORD MAN FATALLY SHOT; WOMAN HURT

Second Day of Season Sees Two Accidents In Bly Region

Deer season was in its second day when two accidents, one fatal, occurred in the Bly country of eastern Klamath county Monday morning.

James E. Warde, 29, Medford radio technician, was killed instantly when struck by a bullet fired by another hunter. State police, the county coroner and other officials left at 1 p. m. for the scene of the tragedy which marred the first week of hunting in this area. Details were not obtainable.

Hunts With Brother Warde was hunting with his brother, David Warde of Portland, in the vicinity of Finley Corral, 20 miles northeast of Bly. He is thought to have fallen about one mile from the Corral proper.

A party of hunters, including Roy Wilson, 18, Lakeview, was wounded, and Federal Game Officer George Tonkin, Klamath Falls, narrowly escaped death late Sunday afternoon, when a bullet crashed through the side of a pickup truck near the Warner Valley junction as Tonkin was conducting a game check.

Tonkin was leaning over to look at an untaged deer when the bullet tore through the left rear of his coat. It had come from a 30-40 Craig which the Lakeview youth said he was unloading. The youth, recently discharged from the navy, suffered a deep flesh wound in the left side and was rushed to the Lakeview hospital. His condition is not serious.

Owner of the deer was charged with having an improper tagged animal and cited into justice court.

The Warde brothers and several others, left Medford Friday night to establish their hunting camp. Word of the shooting reached Klamath Falls at 12:30 p. m. Monday and Ward's funeral home sent a hearse to Bly. Warde was employed by Verl G. Walker, Medford radio concern. He was a wife, Eunice, and two young daughters, Janet and Marilee, at the family home, 310 Haven street. He had been a resident of Medford for the past six years. Warde's mother, Mrs. Otis DePugh of Fairfield, Calif., is visiting her son's family at this time. The father, David Warde Sr., lives in Portland.

Woman Shot First accident of the season was reported early Monday morning when Mrs. Max (Dorothy) DeVaney, 21, Jefferson, Ore., was brought to Klamath Valley hospital from the Bly area with a bullet lodged in her back.

Mrs. DeVaney's condition was said to be good late Monday afternoon but that surgery would (Continued on Page Three)

Hunters Bring In Few Deer, Plants Report

Fewer deer than usual had arrived in Klamath Falls by Monday afternoon after the first day of the current hunting season. Local solid storage plants reported that only about a dozen had been received so far and none were unusual in size.

Many hunters are still out, however, and many more deer are expected to be brought in soon.

ICC Freezes Refrigerator Cars; Rule Hits Growers

An ICC order "freezing" all refrigerator cars at midnight tonight caused serious concern among potato growers and shippers today, and an effort was immediately started to get a modification of the ruling which County Agent C. A. Henderson said apparently was made without full understanding of the situation in the Klamath basin.

Virtually all of Klamath's huge potato crops are shipped in "reefer" cars, to protect the potatoes against the sharp variations in temperature they are likely to encounter on the way to market through the warm Sacramento valley or elsewhere.

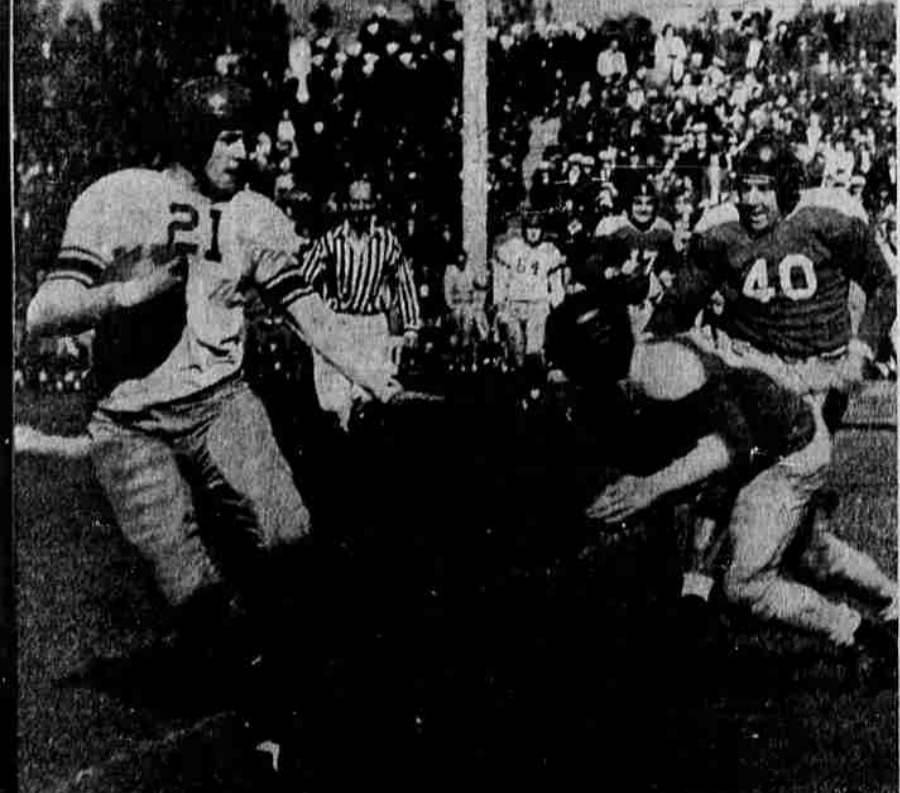
Loadings Impossible The order means that no more loading of potatoes in reefers will be possible after midnight. Farmers and shippers do not regard shipping in boxcars as safe or satisfactory, and a tie-up of shipping at this period may

throw the whole potato shipping season out of line. The biggest shipment in Klamath history is to be shipped this year, and Henderson said that 2500 carloads would leave the basin in October if not interrupted by the reefer ruling.

Henderson and Charles Stark, secretary of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, conferred by long distance with the war food administration at Portland, and WFA promised to look into the situation immediately.

Efforts Underway Efforts to get relief from the order were also underway in the Tulelake end of the basin. The order was believed a result of a serious shortage of refrigerator cars throughout the country at a period when heavy shipment of perishable foods is underway. Henderson said that it appears ICC officials did not realize the necessity for use of refrigerator cars in moving the Klamath crop.

Goodman Picks Up Some Yardage against Marines



Merv Goodman, (21) pass snatcher de luxe and Willamette left end, is shown picking up 19 yards after receiving a pass from Half Back Johnny Augst in Saturday's game at Modoc field with the Marine Barracks eleven, which Willamette won 33-14. Players shown by number: (34) Immons, Navycat fullback, (50) Jacobs, left guard, (40) La Paglia, Leatherneck back, and (17) Taylor, tackle. The referee is Hunt Clark. For complete story see sport page.

Today On The Western Front

By The Associated Press

U. S. first army—Launched a tremendous offensive toward the Rhine from positions inside the Siegfried line at Aachen, ending a two weeks' stalemate.

U. S. third army—Repulsed major German counter attack in four hours of fighting near Jallaucourt, 16 miles northeast of Nancy.

U. S. seventh army—Pushed further toward the Vosges mountain passes, entrance to the Rhine valley, liberating the town of St. Jean Do Manche.