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Max. (Nov. 16)	November 17, 1944	Min.	51
Precipitation last 24 hours			.00
Stream year to date			2.95
Normal	2.90	Last year	1.71
Forecast: Clear			
Saturday Shooting Hours			
Oregon Open	7:30	Close	5:30
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FIRST ARMY DRIVES TWO MILES AHEAD

Ninth Captures Long Lines of Nazi Prisoners

By WILLIAM FRYE
LONDON, Nov. 17 (AP)—German lines sagged under twin offensives in the Rhineland today as the first U. S. army drove forward two miles toward Duren and the ninth army bagged long lines of prisoners.

Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' first army infantry and armor, slashed to a point six miles west of Duren, important industrial town 20 miles west of Cologne, despite sleet and rainstorms.

Germany's western lines rocked to the thunder of hundreds of guns in the Aachen sector, the smash of new armored columns from the Moselle bridgeheads, the weight of increasing attacks in Holland as the allies made a supreme bid for victory.

Two Million Men
Perhaps 2,000,000 men were arrayed in battle on both sides in the critical test of German staying power.

Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's ninth army increased the pressure of the attack in its second day north of Aachen, front line dispatches said, captured several more towns and turned back a Tiger tank counterattack.

Break Made
A German military commentator late in the afternoon said a break had been made in the German lines near Stolberg, and a dispatch from the front said breaks appeared to have been made at several places.

Long streams of battle-shattered German prisoners lined the roads back to American prison-camps.

Flight after flight of Thunderbolt fighters streaked under cloud layers from the front.

Cross Canal
To the north the British crossed the Zig canal, after clearing (Continued on Page Two)

Subs to Launch Bombs to U. S., Rumors Indicate

LONDON, Nov. 17 (AP)—Reports that the Germans have been fitting up submarines with launching devices capable of directing flying bombs against American cities have been current in London and Stockholm for the past 24 hours.

Walter Farr, London Daily Mail correspondent in Stockholm, "broke" the story but the same report was current in London many hours before it could be published. Farr said both surface and underwater vessels were being fitted along the Norwegian coast as robot bomb launchers. The London report mentioned only submarines. Farr said he was informed that both the U-boats and surface craft were fitted to fire robot bombs from their decks "against such targets as New York, Philadelphia or towns farther inland in America."

Executive Group Named for Drive

Myrtle C. Adams, chairman of the 6th War Loan drive, sponsored by the Lions club, and slated to open, November 20, has announced the members of the executive committee.

Andrew Collier, chairman of the Klamath county war finance committee, is chairman ex-officio of the Lions' drive. Other members of the committee are J. Varr Owens, vice chairman; Paul E. Skeen, newspaper advertising; Everett C. Vanderpool, city schools; H. B. Ashley, county schools; Walt Wiesendanger, Bob Henry, Elton Disher, and R. E. Hooker, small businesses and employees; Clarence A. Humble, organizations; A. V. Moore, corporations; E. E. Mullis, special events; E. A. Geary, agriculture; Charles H. Mack, payroll savings; Roy Rakestraw, bond headquarters; George P. Davis, Klamath area suppliers; Robert H. Lamott, Boy Scouts, residential; Paul A. Lee, publicity, newspaper and radio; Dr. Peter H. Rozendal, professional; J. A. Souther, retail merchants; Earl Redman, clean up; Rose Poole, women's activities.

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REDS PIERCE MAIN DEFENSE OF BUDAPEST

Rail Station Taken, Junctions Menaced By Soviet Units

LONDON, Nov. 17 (AP)—Russian troops have pierced the main German defense line 10 miles east of Budapest, capturing the rail station of Byomro, and in a pivot northeast of the besieged capital today threatened the key railway junctions of Godollo and Hatvan.

Far to the northeast other units of Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's second Ukraine army struck to within five miles of Miskolc, Hungary's fifth city, which is now exposed to red army artillery fire.

Cross Railway
Batting along the roads leading around Budapest to Austria, the Russians yesterday crossed the Budapest-Miskolc railway at Yamosgyork in a 12-mile advance from Jaszbereny and were moving toward Hatvan, Moscow announced last night.

The threat to Godollo, less than 10 miles northeast of Budapest, developed when powerful soviet tank and infantry forces swept through a town less than 11 miles southeast. Godollo governs road and rail routes to Vienna and central Slovakia.

Trap Threatens
The capture of Yamosgyork, where several trains and ammunition stores were seized, also threatened the entrapment of German and Hungarian forces still clinging to the central section of the Budapest-Miskolc trunk line.

In the frontal assault east of Budapest, the Gyomro rail station was captured in a bitterly-contested three mile advance. Gyomro village, a mile to the south and described by Berlin as the southeastern anchor of the axis defense arc around Budapest, was under violent attack, Berlin reported.

Meanwhile, a midnight soviet air force had begun to track down the German fleet hiding (Continued on Page One)

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24th Division Menaces Limon, Key to Ormoc

By C. YATES McDANIEL
GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Philippines, Nov. 17 (AP)—Stubbornly defended, shell blasted Limon, key to the Ormoc road, was within grasp of weather beaten units of the 24th U. S. division today as they took virtual control of dominating Breakneck ridge.

Fred Hampson, Associated Press war correspondent with the 24th, reported American units coming down the slopes of Breakneck ridge from the west had advanced to within 1000 yards of the Ormoc valley village.

Other American units on the east were held up by Japanese strongly entrenched in ravines and gullies.

Another 24th division force is behind the Japanese on the Ormoc road, two and a half miles south of Limon, but has not been able to cut the road entirely because of heavy Japanese concentrations on a hillside commanding the highway. The Japanese have not been able to use the road either, because the Americans are keeping it under continual mortar and machine gun fire.

LOW BID MADE BY BRENNAN, CAHOON HERE

Brennan and Cahoon, contractors, were low bidders on the Marine barracks expansion with a bid of \$1,026,833. Bids were opened at 2 p. m. Friday at the U. S. navy construction office here.

Second low bid was submitted by Morrison-Knudsen-Twatts with \$1,075,400. Other bids are as follows:

Waal-Camplan, \$1,156,480; MacDonald and Kahn Inc., \$1,185,760; Johnson, Drake and Piper, \$1,217,433.

Lt. J. M. Babcock, navy officer in charge of construction, said Friday that all bids will be forwarded to the bureau of yards and docks, Washington D. C., where they will be subject to check. Awards should be made within 10 days and the navy offices here will be notified immediately.

Floor Put Under Sale Price of Hitler Pictures

NEW YORK, Nov. 17 (AP)—A Berlin dispatch in the Swedish newspaper Tjningnen declared that under a new decree pictures of Hitler "may not be sold for less than 45 reichsmark (\$11 prewar rate)."

The dispatch reported today to the office of war information, said the measure was taken since offers to sell Hitler pictures "have been particularly numerous during recent weeks."

Tri-Power Meet Takes Priority

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17 (AP)—President Roosevelt made clear today that his projected meeting with Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin would take priority over his hope of visiting Paris.

He indicated also that his Churchill-Stalin meeting might be at some point far removed from the French capital.

Mr. Roosevelt told his news conference he hoped some day to accept an invitation from Gen. Charles de Gaulle to visit Paris. But at the present time, he said, it is more important to see the prime minister and there is a question of geography which comes in, too.

Japs Saved, War Prisoners Sunk

LONDON, Nov. 17 (AP)—The Japanese saved their own nationals from a sinking transport off Singapore in September but left 1300 British and Australian prisoners of war to die in the sea, War Secretary Sir James Grigg told the house of commons today.

American submarine crews which torpedoed the transport risked their lives to save the prisoners, he said. One hundred and fifty survivors have arrived in England.

A news magazine (Time), describing the president's visit to the polling place, said:

"From the green-curtained voting booth came a clank of gears as the main control lever jerked irritably back and forth. Then a voice, familiar to all of the U. S. and to most of the world, spoke distinctly from behind the curtains: 'The god-damned thing won't work.'"

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Mrs. Short Finds Stranger's Body

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 17 (AP)—Mrs. Mae K. Short, Klamath Falls, was recovering today from the shock of visiting her brother.

She walked into his home yesterday to find a stranger—whom neither she nor her brother ever saw before—lying dead on the bed.

The dead man was identified as Aubrey C. Nanny, shipyard worker, and Mrs. Short's brother, Thomas Kemp, said he must have walked into the house for protection against the rain. An autopsy was ordered to determine the cause of death.

Paasikivi Named Finnish Minister

HELSINKI, Nov. 17 (AP)—R. Paasikivi was named prime minister of Finland today in a shakeup of the cabinet.

A veteran peace envoy and former (1918) premier who participated in the negotiations in Moscow-Helsinki armistice, Paasikivi succeeds U. C. Aren as Baron Carl Gustaf Maierheim's first minister.

Aid Safety Program



Putting up one of the numerous safety posters on display throughout the city this week are, left to right, Sid King, Adam LeFor, Charles Finch and L. R. Thompson. King and LeFor are here from the Oregon traffic safety division in Salem to assist Finch, junior chamber of commerce director in charge of safety, and Drive Chairman Thompson in putting over the annual Jaycee traffic safety week.

BOAKE CARTER TAKEN BY DEATH

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 17 (AP)—Sudden death has claimed Boake Carter, 46-year-old radio commentator, whose frequently provocative program won him thousands of friends and opponents.

He appeared to be in good health but complained of feeling ill after his daily program for Mutual Broadcasting system yesterday. Taken to a doctor's office, he suffered a stroke and died shortly after he was admitted to Hollywood Presbyterian hospital.

Dr. Elmer Beit said that Carter came into his office complaining he had been suffering from a kidney ailment and that he had the first such attack eight days ago in Kansas City.

Had Convulsion
The physician said that while Carter was being examined and was on an X-ray table he had a convulsion.

Carter was a frequent commentator on the radio and was a member of the Hollywood Junior Chamber of Commerce.

JAP CRUISER SUNK IN RAID ON MANILA

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Nov. 17 (AP)—Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, revising previous figures upward, announced that third fleet carrier planes sank a cruiser, four destroyers and 11 cargo vessels and oil tankers in their November 12 raid on Manila.

The light cruiser previously reported as damaged was known to have sunk, Nimitz said in a communique yesterday. Returning pilots also originally reported only two destroyers sunk and said the merchantmen were either destroyed or left sinking.

Four torpedoes also were sent into a floating drydock, believed to be the 500-foot Admiral Dewey, which the Americans scuttled before Manila's fall. The Japanese evidently raised it.

The Pacific commander reported a series of aerial strikes from Haha and Iwo islands, in the Bonin and Volcano groups, to by-passed islands in the northern Palau. A bomb hit was scored on a small cargo vessel at Iwo and a possible hit was made on a medium-sized merchantman at Haha. The latter island is some 650 miles south of Tokyo.

Third Woman May Have Been Victim

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 17 (AP)—Otto Steve Wilson, 31-year-old janitor, was held incommunicado today in the mutilation slayings of two women while police attempted to determine if he had planned to lure a third woman to the same fate.

Detectives said they would question a woman who was seen chatting with Wilson at a bar shortly after the bodies of the two other women were discovered Wednesday. While talking to the third woman Wilson was handcuffed and arrested by a patrolman.

Capt. Thad Brown, head of the police homicide bureau, said Wilson, discharged navy pharmacist's mate, told him he "didn't know what I might have done to her." Her name was not disclosed.

Iceland's Queen Ship Downed

REYKJAVIK, Nov. 17 (AP)—Iceland's largest passenger ship, the 1542-ton Godafoss, has been sunk by a German U-boat in Icelandic waters with loss of 24 lives, it was announced today.

Election Officials Deny Use of Profanity by FDR

HYDE PARK, Nov. 17 (AP)—Five election officials denied today that President Roosevelt used profanity when a voting machine jammed while he was casting his ballot here on election day.

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Too Many Calls To Barracks

Due to heavy traffic on the Marine Barracks switchboard, and the general inconvenience to officers and men, the post signal officer requested today that calls to the Barracks be limited to emergency use only.

Business has been greatly retarded and important official communications have been held up in the past due to unnecessary personal calls, it was asserted. Compliance of the public is requested.

600 Affected

Jeannette Reedy of Dayton, president of the southwestern area council of the Ohio Federation of Telephone Workers, an independent union, said about 600 of Dayton's operators were affected. There was no immediate count on the number out at Columbus.

Miss Reedy said she had "assurances" that other locals of the federation would quit work, too.

Fields Near

Dayton and Columbus are in the heart of the vital industrialized midwest, and the army air forces two important fields—Wright and Patterson—are just outside Dayton.

There was no immediate indication of how generally the strike would affect service. Au- (Continued on Page Two)

PAC to Continue Under CIO Ruling

CHICAGO, Nov. 17 (AP)—The CIO executive board unanimously recommended today the continuation of the CIO political action committee and designation of its chairman, Sidney Hillman, and other officers to continue in their present positions.

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