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February 2, 1945
 Max. (Feb. 1) 52 Min. 34
 Precipitation last 24 hours 0.08
 Stream year to date 5.19
 Normal 6.67 Last year 4.17
 Forecast: Clear and cold.

Reds Attempt to Cross Oder River

By JAMES F. KING

LONDON, Feb. 2 (AP)—Russian forces have made one attempt to storm across the Oder in their onslaught toward Berlin, a German broadcast said today, and other Berlin reports indicated soviet patrols might already have crossed.

The German high command clamped a blackout on news from the sector as one military commentator told of the attempted crossing in the area of Kustrin, 40 miles east of Berlin.

Berlin radio accounts said Marshal Gregory Zhukov had brought up strong forces along the Oder on both sides of Frankfurt and that assaults to reduce the fortress of Kustrin were underway.

The German communique, however, completely omitting mention of the sector, said the Russians everywhere else except in East Prussia, had been checked after hard fighting and Moscow dispatches said Zhukov had run into thick minefields and a hard shell of German armor along the 90-mile front threatening the German capital.

Zhukov's tanks have sliced between German strongpoints to within sight of the Oder and have reached highly important operational areas in the region of Frankfurt and Kustrin, Moscow dispatches said.

STATE HEADS NOTIFIED OF PIT DIVERSION

Rising concern in the Klamath basin over the proposed Klamath water diversion to the Sacramento watershed was called to the attention of state authorities in Salem today, while here work went ahead on preparation of a brief in behalf of this basin in connection with the proposal.

State Senator Marshal Cornett and Representative Henry Semon conferred with Governor Earl Snell, informing him of the seriousness with which the proposal is viewed in this basin. The land use committee of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, which is collecting information for the brief, conferred by telephone with State Engineer Charles Strickland, and he agreed to spend at least one day here prior to the army engineers' hearing on February 20.

Snell Interested
Governor Snell indicated warm interest in the situation and said he will discuss it with army engineers immediately. General Robin, head of the army engineers, is expected in Salem February 12, and it is expected the engineers' activities in this project will be discussed with him at that time.

The land use committee of the chamber, which is headed by Frank Jenkins with Richard Henzel as director in charge, met yesterday and obtained the services of William Wales, well known local engineer, in preparing data for the Klamath brief. The brief, tentatively, is expected to take the form of a declaration against any proposal that might deprive this basin of (Continued on Page Three)

Another day Dr. Robert Ley, leader of the German labor (such as it is) summoned Germans to resist "in the streets" if Berlin should be taken. He said (via German radio) will fight before Berlin, and Berlin—and behind Berlin.

Use of the pronoun "we" is purely oratorical, of course. It is taken after a last-minute defense, the nazi leaders are among the last men to be reported to be moving to Munich, in the interior, to continue the struggle from there. Which is taken, and after the next center of resistance and so on until ALL of any has been reduced to rubble, where will these nazi leaders be? They'll doubtless be sent to the gas chambers, and will TURN TO MUSH—(for communism was after they had lost all (Continued on Page Five)

Logical Answer is that the city, its industrial plant, its income tax base, will be left with nothing. It will be a ghost town. (Continued on Page Five)

No Movie Unions Squabble Over Jurisdictional Rights

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 2 (AP)—Screen Actors union threw out lines around major studios today in a jurisdictional dispute with the Screen Guild over extra players. An spokesman for the guild said members were disregarding picket lines.

The pickets patrolled their lines in drizzling rain, Michael S. SPU business representative, said they were protesting what he termed "the flagrant violation of law and regulation of union's certification by the national labor relations board as bargaining agent for extra players."

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FULL PRODUCTION ASKED OF FARMERS

Klamath county farms and ranches will be called on for another year of full production to help fill the national food production needs which were reviewed Thursday by local farm leaders at a county goal conference held in the chamber of commerce rooms.

Representatives of all the county's farm communities and of all agricultural groups gave consideration to the county's capacity to produce under expected conditions. Goals set reflect this capacity to produce and are believed possible of attainment. Klamath county plantings of main crops equal to 1944 acreages will in general fulfill goals set.

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Neil Mayfield Reported Missing

PFC Neil W. Mayfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mayfield, 2043 Hope, has been listed as missing in action in France since January 8, according to a telegram received by the war department on Tuesday, January 30.

Young Mayfield, a 1943 graduate of Klamath Union high school, was a football all-star. He entered the service in June, 1943, and was sent first to Camp Buckley field, Colorado. Mayfield was then transferred to Elisenburg, Washington, and finally to Camp Adair for further training. In December, 1944, he received overseas orders, and has been in France since that time.



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Timber Fallers In Shevlin Shot

Claude Powell, 27, timber faller, was in a critical condition in Lumbermen's hospital at Bend from gunshot wounds, in the right groin and arm, and John Hayter, his partner, was held by Deschutes county state police in connection with the alleged attack.

Officers said that Hayter would be turned over to Klamath county authorities. The shooting was said to have occurred at the logging town of Shevlin, 55 miles south of Bend and in Klamath county, at 9:30 a. m. Friday.

Powell has a wife and four children and has been employed by the Shevlin-Hixon Lumber company at Bend which operates a logging camp at Shevlin. State police at Bend said Hayter and Powell had come to Shevlin recently from the John Day company and worked together as fallers.

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Immediate Approval Urged For Plans to Rule Reich

BY JOHN A. PARRIS
LONDON, Feb. 2 (AP)—On the basis of reports indicating the possibility of early political and perhaps military disintegration of large sections of northern Germany, Prime Minister Churchill will urge immediate approval at the Big Three meeting of plans for ruling the reich.

This information came today from an entirely reliable London source. It was emphasized that this statement should not be interpreted to mean that Germany as a whole would collapse in a matter of weeks, or that a quick surrender of nazi diehards could be expected.

Nevertheless it was made clear that a sense of real urgency has been lent to the Big Three session.

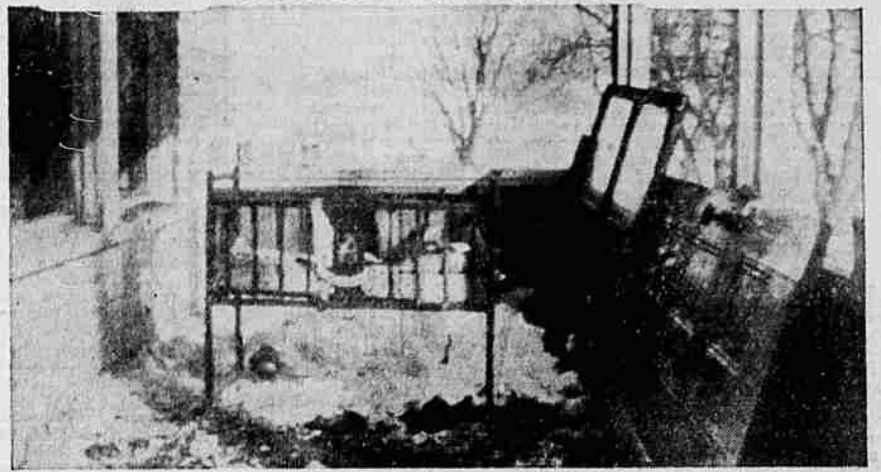
Inside Reports
This source said Churchill was operating on the basis of reports from inside Germany that

much of the political machinery already had broken down in the northern areas and that the process of decay would be accelerated by war developments.

These reports came from sources which hitherto have insisted that the gestapo grip was too powerful to allow a political breakup.

But there seemed every reason to believe large portions of the German army would fight on, even if the civil population went to pieces.

16 Babies Die In Maine Fire



Scene at the fire in Auburn, Me., where 16 babies died in smoke and flame when fire swept a boarding house for war workers' children. On the porch is a crib in which one of the babies burned to death, with charred timbers of the house in the background.

Americans, French Break Into Colmar; Clear Rhine Bank

By JAMES M. LONG

PARIS, Feb. 2 (AP)—American and French troops broke into the town of Colmar, provincial French capital 40 miles south of Strasbourg, at noon today after clearing 30 miles of the left bank of the Rhine and laying siege to the Neufbrisach bridge from a mile away.

The Paris radio interrupted a broadcast early tonight to announce that French troops had captured Colmar.

At 6 p. m., supreme headquarters said the allies had reached the center of Colmar and were fighting in the streets. On the central front where the American first and third armies were assailing a 40-mile sector of the Siegfried line, the second division advanced three miles eastward toward the village of Schoonebein, 10 miles inside Germany and 20 miles southwest of the important traffic center of Euskirchen.

Defenses Stiffened
German defenses however were stiffening. The doughboys crossed the German border south of Monschau and fought into the streets of Udenbreth, a village in the Siegfried line itself. Nearby Ramstheid and Neuhof were captured. The Germans started fighting from some of the thick concrete pillboxes, many of which had been abandoned.

The best weather in 10 days allowed hundreds of fighter-bombers to batter German railroads from the Ruhr to the Black forest opposite the Colmar pocket.

Complete Conference
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Rescued Prisoners Want Health, Home, Chance to Strike Again at Japs

By FRED HAMPSON
EVACUATION HOSPITAL.
Luzon, Philippines, Feb. 2 (AP)—They want their health back. They want to see their folks. Then they want to come back and fight the Japanese.

Those are the prevailing sentiments of the 486 Americans and more than a score of allied prisoners who were rescued by a picked band of fighting men

Tuesday night from a stockade near Cabanatuan. They have bitter memories of capitulation at Bataan and Corregidor. Many had to undergo the "Death March" from Bataan. For nearly three years as prisoners of the Japanese, they subsisted largely on a rice diet.

Want to Fight
Yes, many would like to fight again. "Their memories goad them. 'The Japs always liked to slap us and sometimes they'd give us a pretty stiff beating," recalled Pvt. Travis W. Flowers, of Scranton, N. C., an aviator engineer captured on Corregidor. Another prisoner recalled how the Japanese guards tried to lure the Yanks to the fence with of (Continued on Page Three)

Fire Partially Destroys House

A two-family dwelling was partially destroyed by fire early Friday morning as flames swept through a residence at 8th and Lincoln and quickly consumed the entire roof.

The property is owned by Mrs. J. I. Beard, and occupied on one side by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson, and on the other by Calvin Simms and Noel Stoddard.

The fire department, called at 7:47 a. m., reported the flames apparently started from a defective flue, burned through the partition and spread to the attic. The Wilsons, roused from bed by the cries of neighbors, said there was no fire in their apartment at the time.

BUILDING PROGRAM SENT TO SENATE

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.

SALEM, Feb. 2 (AP)—The state board of higher education's program to build \$2,237,000 worth of new buildings in the two years beginning July 1 was introduced in the senate today by Sens. Rex Ellis, Pendleton, and Earl T. Newberry.

Rep. C. L. Lianailon, Pendleton. The program, which is the starter of the board's 10-year building program, was pruned to \$1,000,000 in the governor's budget.

The bill provides that the \$2,237,000 be taken from the \$5,000,000 property tax reduction account of the state general fund under the 1943 Walker plan which reduces income taxes and gives money to schools; \$5,000,000 is set aside for eventual reduction of property taxes. None of this money has been spent.

Not Bloodless
It wasn't a totally bloodless landing as was Monday's invasion of the Zamboanga coastline to the north. A half hour after the first tanks were ashore, Japanese in caves to the north brought machine-gun and 77 mm fire to bear on the landing beach. This was quickly silenced by naval gunfire and mobile artillery.

Lt. Gen. Robert Eichelberger, the eighth army commander, originally planned the Batangas foray as a reconnaissance move, planning to pull out if the opposition proved great. Three hours later, he changed it to a full-scale invasion.

On Good Road
Nasugbu is on a good road 21 miles west of Tagaytay ridge, from which an excellent highway leads to the Cavite naval base and Manila itself.

The invasion, fashioning the jaws of a trap north and south of Manila, came as the fast-rolling American sixth army spearhead—still unchecked—reached the Angat river 25 road miles north of the capital city.

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Duane Cassidy Held Prisoner

BLY.—Relatives and friends were happy to receive an official announcement from the prisoner of war information bureau, that S/Sgt. Duane A. Cassidy, reported missing in action on November 2, is now a prisoner of war in Germany.

Cassidy was a gunner on a B-17 with the eighth air force, and his official address is: United States prisoner of war, number 4416. Stalag Luft 4, Germany.

This camp is located somewhere near the Baltic sea, in territory believed to be overrun by the Russians and it is presumed that the prisoners of war have been moved deeper into Germany.

Young Cassidy is a former employee of the Ivory Pine Lumber company at Bly, and enlisted at Klamath Falls in December of 1941. His first of kin is Mrs. Florence Cassidy of Gooding, Idaho.

Prisoner

As names of American prisoners, released in the daring commando raid ordered by General Douglas MacArthur last Tuesday night, filtered over the wire, another Klamath county man was listed as freed.

Pvt. Willis C. Vincent, nephew of Walter Vincent, DIGIGOR Fruit corporation employee, was one of the infantrymen who was moved from the Jap camp and his uncle, when advised Friday morning by the Herald and News, said he was "happy to hear the news."

Vincent was born in Klamath Falls in 1915. His father, Harvey C. Vincent, was killed while employed by The California Oregon Power company in 1918. The mother died in 1917. Vincent, left an orphan, was sent to his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Lottie Vincent of Medford, with whom he lived until her death in 1937. Vincent returned to Klamath Falls and lived with his uncle. He farmed in Malin and other parts of the county and entered the army infantry one year before Pearl Harbor.

Walter Vincent received a card from his nephew 10 days ago, the message dated May 6, 1944. At that time Willis was at Japanese military prison camp, No. 1. First word that a Klamath man was among those rescued came yesterday with announcement of the release of Capt. Denton J. Rees, former local dentist who was taken prisoner at the fall of Bataan. Mrs. Rees, in Milwaukie, Ore., was officially advised 1 a t e yesterday by the International Red Cross that her husband was "well and in good shape."

TROOPS FORM PINCHER GRIP ON CAPITAL

Japs Caught Unaware By Landing On Batangas

By RICHARD C. BERGHOLZ
GENERAL MAC ARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Luzon, Feb. 2 (AP)—Manila is in a deadly American trap today.

U. S. eighth army invasion troops fashioned pinchers on the Philippines capital Wednesday morning by landing on the Batangas province coast 87 road miles southwest of the city while sixth army spearheads drove to within a bare 20 miles on the north.

Sweep Ashore
The eleventh airborne division swept ashore from landing craft virtually unopposed along five miles of Batangas beach near Nasugbu and quickly pressed eastward toward 2000-foot Tagaytay ridge, which commands fine highways leading to Manila and the Cavite naval base in Manila bay, 32 miles away.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur reported today that this third Luzon invasion—the second by the newly-formed eighth army in 48 hours—again caught the Japanese by surprise.

No Losses
"We landed without loss," he announced, explaining that the landing "largely seals off the possibility of the enemy troops south of Manila joining those in the north, and definitely outflanks the enemy's defense lines in southern Luzon."

The first wave of Maj. Gen. J. M. Swing's eleventh division troops hit the shore without firing a shot at 8:30 a. m. and took the town of Nasugbu where happy Filipinos welcomed them with offers of hot coffee, wine and rum.

The new buildings provided by the bill and the costs follow: University of Oregon—Classroom and laboratory building, \$600,000. Oregon State college—Agriculture building, \$370,000; electrical engineering building, \$200,000; industrial building, \$100,000. University of Oregon medical school—General hospital, \$750,000; heating plant and laundry, \$100,000. Oregon College of Education—Finish third floor of administration building, \$17,000. Southern Oregon College of Education—Women's dormitory, \$100,000.

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