

TOWNS FALL TO YANK ADVANCE

Bataan Nurses Get Glamour Treatment



Lt. Clara M. Bickford, Tivoli, Tex., one of the 68 American army nurses liberated in Manila and returned to the U. S., renews her acquaintance with the typical American beauty shop in San Francisco after three years of Japanese imprisonment. With her are Lts. Dorothy L. Ludlow (left), Lt. Arlene V. Henson, Long Beach, Calif., released with her in the Philippines.

RUSSIAN TROOPS NEAR BALTIC COAST

By RICHARD KASICHKE
LONDON, March 2 (AP)—Marshall Konstantin Rokossovsky's second Russian army has reached the Stettin-Danzig highway between Koenigsberg and Danzig in Pomerania and only nine miles from the Baltic coast, the German high command announced today.

The 22-mile advance from the Baltic, for all practical purposes, cut Danzig off from the German coast and isolated the coastal belt of eastern Pomerania and northwest Poland fronting on the Baltic and the Gulf of Danzig.

Paralels Autobahn
The Stettin-Danzig railway parallels the Autobahn from one end to the other, about three miles from the sea.

About 90 miles southeast of the Baltic, the Russians are threatening to drive on to Stettin. A 25-mile coastal lagoon north of the Baltic, through which the Oder flows to the sea.

Whether they actually intend to outflank Stettin from the north remains to be seen, however.

et Manager Arrives Here

Col. Paul I. Carter arrived here from Portland Thursday morning to establish a "listening post" to handle problems of World War II veterans.

Col. Carter, manager of the Veterans' administration in this area, and Portland is in charge of the veterans' administration in Washington.

The colonel came here to establish a contact office for collecting veterans' benefits, on which Gen. Hines who has such a measure necessary in this area.

A contact officer will be appointed for the office here which will be opened in the very near future, according to Col. Carter.

The office will handle all problems pertaining to veterans and their dependents, with adequate geographic assistance.

The "listening post" here will be in co-operation with other veterans' organizations including the Red Cross, for the benefit of returning service men.

A contact office of opening will be announced later, when families and service men will be welcome in any problems they have.

News Staff Gets The Bird

The collective face of the Herald and News editorial staff is as red as the breast of a robin, proverbial harbinger of spring.

Yesterday a story was published, stating that a woman had seen the first robin of the year. Since that time, many people, irate or amused, have called, saying that red-breasts have been seen many weeks previous, or, in some cases, that the birds have never left the Klamath area. One irked woman reported that her husband had seen "thousands" of robins on Jefferson street three weeks ago.

Only excuse we have to offer is that the reporter who wrote the story is a recent arrival from sunny California, where weather conditions do not permit robins to leave the entire winter.

The "first robin" report came from a subscriber on Wall street, and obviously it was the first time a robin had been seen in the vicinity of her home. But from the cries of indignation reaching editorial ears today, it is apparent there have been great droves of robins in other sections of the area all winter.

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MacArthur Back on 'Rock'; Palawan Island Invaded

By LEONARD MILLIMAN
Associated Press War Editor
Gen. Douglas MacArthur returned today to Corregidor, from which he fled three years ago, as the B-29s and veteran American invasion forces shifted the Pacific war spotlight southward toward Japan's richest conquests.

Assault forces of the 41st division landed on Palawan at the southwestern tip of the Philippine archipelago Wednesday and were in firm control today of its principal port and two airfields. Palawan points like an accusing finger toward Japanese-held Borneo, Sumatra and Singapore.

Singapore Blasted
Some 150 Superfortresses roaring out of India blasted the Singapore naval base for the third time within 31 days. Their destructive cargo presumably included "electron bombs" and a new phosphorus incendiary with "a high destructive power" which Tokyo radio reported

American B-29s are using with telling effect.

Japanese broadcasts reported a potential invasion fleet of U. S. transports was assembling in the Bonin Islands, between Iwo Jima and Tokyo.

End of Two Looms
Marines broke through ingenious enemy defenses on Iwo again, surging over one end of the island's third, but uncompleted, airfield. Associated Press War Correspondent Morris Landberg reported "the end of the bitter campaign" is "definitely in sight."

Third division marines, spearheading the attack, were slightly more than 2000 yards from the end of the five-mile long island. Most of the remaining fight will be downhill, but the Japanese still hold dominating heights in front of each of the three Yank divisions.

The fifth, on the left, captured one strongly defended "hill 362" on the west in an attack which AP Correspondent

Hamilton Faron said "broke through what is believed to be the last major line of enemy resistance." Another "Hill 362" on the east held up the fourth division.

The Palawan landing represents the westernmost advance of American ground forces. It was accomplished against light resistance by Maj. Gen. Jens A. Doe's 41st division which has participated in more invasions—16 spanning the entire length of island warfare—than any other combat outfit in the Pacific.

They struck at Puerto Princesa, the island's capital and best port, behind a two-day bombardment by cruisers, destroyers and land-based planes. The town was abandoned when the Yanks entered. They swept on to two nearby airfields. The port, in the center of the narrow, 275-mile long island, was immediately put to use.

Tokyo, which was first to announce the invasion, made no further report, indicating it may

have lost contact with the Palawan garrison.

Palawan is strategically situated across Japan's southernmost shipping lanes and within bomber range of the enemy's richest conquests. It is only 90 miles north of Borneo. The invasion was the first southward turning in MacArthur's north-west advance.

Accompanying MacArthur back to Corregidor were 11 staff officers who left the fortress island with him aboard a PT boat in 1942. MacArthur ordered Old Glory raised to the same masthead from which the Japanese tore it down with the words:

"Hoist the colors to its peak and let no enemy ever haul them down."

Nipponese still held out in one Manila building. To the east, fighting steadily intensified in the city's Marikina watershed where the sixth division smashed back three counterattacks.

NINTH ARMY WINS STAND ALONG RHINE

Western End of Ruhr
Captured, Trier
Seized

By JAMES M. LONG
PARIS, March 2 (AP)—The American ninth army won a stand on the Rhine today and captured the western end of the Ruhr with its large cities of Krefeld and Neuss, the latter a suburb of Duesseldorf.

Germany's whole western front before the Rhine was collapsing.

Far to the south, ancient Trier fell to the American third army which thus opened the gate of the Moselle valley leading to the middle Rhine cities of Coblenz, Mainz and Frankfurt.

Second Most Bombed
Cologne, largest and most important of all cities in the Rhineland, was placed under artillery fire again while the American first army fought less than five miles away on plains as flat as Kansas. Nearly 1000 British heavy bombers spread new rubble in the metropolis, second only to Berlin as the most bombed city on earth.

The first also beat within 15 miles of Bonn and seven of Euskirchen, important Rhineland transit center.

Germans Routed
The first, ninth and third armies were waging the greatest all-American offensive in history and scoring the greatest victory since the British breakthrough. The broken German army was routed in sectors; segments had been trapped.

Yemo and Roermond, Dutch bastion cities on the Maas (Meuse) fell with scarcely a shot. The ninth and Canadian first armies were within ten miles of (Continued on Page Two)

Argentina May Attend Confabs

MEXICO CITY, March 2 (AP)—Approval of plans to set up a new Pan-American union governing board on May 1 opened the way today for Argentina to attend union meetings again whether or not the other American republics recognize the government in Buenos Aires.

The new board will consist of special delegates instead of ambassadors to Washington and the secretary of state, as at present.

Argentina has always been a member of the Pan-American union but Buenos Aires announced several months ago that her delegates would not participate in meetings of the governing board. The Buenos Aires move came after the Argentine request for a special inter-American meeting on Argentina's case was turned down.

Brophy Approved As Indian Head

WASHINGTON, March 2 (AP)—The senate Indian affairs committee approved today the nomination of William A. Brophy, Albuquerque, N. M., to be Indian commissioner.

Brophy was nominated by President Roosevelt after the resignation of John Collier, commissioner since 1933.

Senator Hatch (D-N.M.) said the committee's action was unanimous. The nomination now goes to the senate for its action.

Brophy, a former government attorney for the Pueblo Indians of New Mexico, has been chief of the interior department's Puerto Rican division since 1943.

His nomination was protested by numerous Indians from Oklahoma, Montana, Wisconsin and a few from New Mexico, who asked instead that an Indian be named.

Senators Row Over Re-Districting Bill

FARMER INDUCTION CLAUSE TIGHTENED

WASHINGTON, March 2 (AP)—The senate amended a pending manpower bill today to tighten restrictions against induction of farmers into the armed forces.

The proposal, by Senator Tydings (D-Md.), removed from the bill, however, a provision under which 4-F agricultural workers would be subject to a five-year prison term and a \$10,000 fine for leaving farm jobs.

Tydings' amendment, adopted by voice vote, prohibits the drafting of "essential agricultural workers."

Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.) termed the draft of labor "the last step toward complete totalitarian and authoritarian government."

Advocating passage of a senate military committee substitute for the house-approved work or fight May bill, O'Mahoney declared the latter applied the principle of compulsory labor.

Just before he spoke, Senator Tydings (D-Md.) called up for consideration a farm labor amendment, temporarily supplanting a compromise substitute for the entire manpower bill.

Wallace Sworn Into Position

WASHINGTON, March 2 (AP)—Henry Wallace officially became secretary of commerce today with the words "You're in" spoken by Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black after Wallace had taken the oath of office.

The former vice president promptly announced that the commerce department will "do its full part to facilitate maximum cooperation between the nation's employees, investors, business, agriculture and government to the end that all America, our assets and our people may be busily and profitably employed."

He appointed a committee of businessmen to make suggestions for enabling small business to do its full share in providing maximum employment after the war.

Casualty



Pvt. Carl E. Hollingworth

BOMBERS SHATTER GERMAN TARGETS

LONDON, March 2 (AP)—Close to 2500 heavy bombers from Italy and Britain shattered German and Austrian targets today with Cologne and Dresden, immediately ahead of the American and Russian armies, as the chief targets.

For the first time since January 14 the German air force came up in strength to give violent battle on this 19th consecutive day of the giant allied air offensive. At least 62 enemy planes were shot down in battles over Germany. Twenty more were destroyed on the ground.

Hollingworth Dies at Sea
Pvt. Carl E. Hollingworth, 26, was listed by the war department as among those prisoners lost at sea September 7, 1944, with the torpedoing of a Japanese prison ship.

Word of their son's death reached Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hollingworth, 2124 Gars, late this week. Information from the war department advised the Hollingworths that the vessel sailed from Davao, Mindanao, the Philippines, on August 20, 1944, with 760 prisoners of war aboard. The ship was sunk off the western shores of Mindanao with the loss of all but 83 of the men.

Carl was born in Boise, Idaho, December 1, 1918. He attended school in Boise and at Keno and was employed by Weyerhaeuser Timber company before enlisting in the army June 18, 1940. He received his training at Hamilton Field, Calif., going overseas September 28, 1941. Carl was taken prisoner at the fall of Corregidor and held at Camp 2, Mindanao. In addition to his parents, he is survived by a brother, Ralph, serving with the United States navy somewhere in the South Pacific, his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. VanVoorhis, of Boise, Idaho, and other relatives in Boise, Baker and The Dalles.

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GOV CRITICISM OF YALTA TALK AIRED

By JACK BELL
WASHINGTON, March 2 (AP)—Republican criticism of President Roosevelt's Yalta report muffled somewhat today democratic predictions the senate is ready to go all-out on international peace plans.

While leading republicans complained that Mr. Roosevelt gave them "no news" on Big Three agreements at a joint session of congress yesterday, democrats generally credited him with having scored heavily in his plea (Continued on Page Two)

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