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Precipitation last 24 hours 01
Stream year to date 7.40
Normal .....8.63 Last year 5.98
Forecast: Occasional rains.

More Islands In Philippines Won By Yanks

By LEONARD MILLIMAN
Associated Press War Editor

American armed forces have formally ended 55 years of Japanese rule on Iwo Jima and liberated two more Philippine islands.

Twenty-fourth division infantrymen seized Romblon and Simara islands from surprised and unprepared Nipponese garrisons in night landings in the central Philippines. Twenty-three Philippine islands are either entirely or partially under American control.

Without waiting for the 25-day-old battle of Iwo to end, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz established American military government over the rocky fortress "and other Volcano islands"—the first recognized part of the Japanese empire to fall. Previously Japan had lost only mandated islands or territory acquired in this war.

Nimitz conservatively estimated Japanese dead, either slain in battle or entombed in their underground fortifications, at 20,000, but again failed to mention the unquestionably high marine casualties.

4000 MARINES DIE

ABOARD ADMIRAL TURNER'S FORCE FLAGSHIP, IWO JIMA, March 15 (AP)—(Via Naval Radio)—Vice Adm. Richmond Kelly Turner said today that American marine deaths on Iwo Jima were less than one-fifth of those of the Japanese, an indication that around 4000 marines had lost their lives in capturing this island 750 miles from Tokyo.

Turner and Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith, marine commander in the Pacific, today reviewed the capture of the island.

Turner said it was "unbelievable" that the marine deaths were so low.

Iwo was a political subdivision of Tokyo, 750 miles to the north and now alive with air and invasion defense preparations. Tokyo radio reported formation of a "civilian special attack corps," perhaps a step in the promised arming of every man, woman and child to resist invasion.

Japanese air defenses were revised and evacuation of major cities speeded. Broadcasts reported Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya, Yokohama and Kobe—favorite Superfortress targets—would be evacuated by everyone except war workers.

Arsenal Blown Up

Maj. Gen. Curtis Lemay of the 21st bomber command said the Osaka arsenal, one of Japan's largest, was apparently blown up in Wednesday's B-29 raid. Explosions were so violent the attacking bombers were blown about like feathers.

One was bounced a mile higher in the air, turned over, sent into a slow roll and fell about two miles before the pilot regained control.

Japanese boasted that daily-raided Formosa was impregnable, a statement strangely reminiscent of pre-invasion claims of Philippine defenses.

Villages Taken

While the 24th was seizing two more islands along the Manila-United States navigation route, the 41st division captured five more villages on Mindanao island as infantrymen spread out in three directions from Zamboanga.

YANKS WIN 4 TOWNS; WIDEN BRIDGEHEADS

By JAMES M. LONG

PARIS, March 15 (AP)—American forces east of the Rhine captured four towns and extended their bridgehead to an area 11 miles by six today and the Germans said the new U. S. 15th army had joined the assault from the Remagen foothold.

The enemy reported that 100,000 Americans now were across the Rhine and had cut the Frankfurt-Ruhr Autobahn while the U. S. 9th army had made an attempt to cross the Rhine north of Duisburg, 55 miles north of Remagen.

To the south the U. S. 7th attacked along a 50-mile front in the Saar and gained up to three miles in the first few hours against light to moderate resistance.

Cross Moselle

Just south of the Rhine bridgehead, the U. S. third army crossed the lower Moselle on a nine-mile front within eight miles of besieged Coblenz. It won domination of a 10-mile stretch of the Rhine above Coblenz.

This spearhead, less than three

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Fred Daniel Hurt in Action

S/Sgt. Fred E. Daniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Daniel of Klamath Falls, was recently awarded the Bronze Star medal for meritorious service in action against the enemy, according to information issued today by the war department.

Young Daniel is serving in France with the 775th field artillery battalion and was reported wounded in action, according to the latest casualty list issued by the office of war information. Next of kin have been advised as to any change in status.

Prohibitions on Political Spending Ineffective, Says Chairman of Investigators

WASHINGTON, March 15 (AP) Senator Green (D-R. I.) told the senate today that approximately $25,000,000 was collected and $23,000,000 spent in last year's political campaign.

The chairman of the senate campaign investigating committee contended in a prepared address that federal prohibitions had been ineffective in preventing large expenditures. The committee recommended elimination of present ceilings.

"The basic theory underlying the recommendations is found upon the conviction that the amount of campaign contributions is not the most important matter, but that the sources of these contributions and the manner in which they are expended are more important," he said.

Stress Publicity

"Consequently, it is felt that greater emphasis should be placed upon publicity—full and timely publicity. When the public knows where campaign funds are coming from and for what purposes they are spent, then the public is in a position to resist effectively any attempt to purchase a federal office."

The investigators split sharply over a republican proposal to prevent future political spending by unions.

CIO-PAC Funds

The committee said final reports of the CIO political action committee and its affiliated national citizens' political action committee, which supported the fourth term campaign, showed total contributions received of $1,405,120 and expenditures of $1,327,775.

The investigators agreed there was "no clear cut violation" of the corrupt practices act by the CIO committees in the 1944 campaign, but a suggested revision of the act proposed by Senators Ferguson (R-Mich.) and Ball (R-Minn.) drew democratic majority dissent.

Seek Prohibition

The republicans sought a prohibition against "expenditures, as well as contributions, made in connection with any federal election by a corporation, bank or labor organization."

Chairman Green and Senators Stewart (D-Tenn.) and Tunnell (D-Del.), disagreed on the grounds that such an extension of the corrupt practices act might limit freedom of speech, press and assembly and that prohibitions and sanctions fail to prevent "pernicious political activity."

Killed In Action

RM 3/c Bob Roy Burgess

Bob Roy Burgess Killed in Action

Bob Roy Burgess, 20, radioman 3/c, United States navy, was killed in action in the Philippines on January 24, according to word received late Tuesday by the youth's mother, Mrs. W. J. Burgess of Wocus. Bob had previously been reported missing.

Burgess was born in Klamath Falls September 19, 1924, went through the grades at Pelican school and was graduated from Klamath Union high school with the class of 1943. During summer months, while he attended school here, he was employed by J. C. Penney company and Western Union. Burgess was also an Eagle Scout, member of Troop 9.

Following boot training at Farragut, Ida., young Burgess was sent to the navy's radio school at the University of Idaho, Moscow. He received his assignment to sea duty from there.

In addition to his mother, Burgess is survived by his father, William J. Burgess of Sacramento, and one brother, Billy, and one sister, Janey, both of this city.

REICH SHATTERED BY 11-TON BOMBS

LONDON, March 15 (AP) — Some 2100 American bombers and fighters devastated the Berlin vicinity with 3500 tons of explosives today, knocking out the German army's general staff headquarters at Zossen, 20 miles south of the capital, while RAF Lancasters dropped their new 11-ton super-bombs on the western reich.

A fleet of 1350 American bombers from Britain attacked a number of targets, including the Oranienburg freight yards seven miles north of Berlin, and heavy bombers from Italy smashed at the Ruhland oil refinery, called the "most important target in Europe," 65 miles south of the capital.

6000 to 7000 Bomb

From 6000 to 7000 planes participated in the attacks on the 31st day of the continuous offensive.

Oranienburg, seven miles north of Berlin, is virtually a suburb of the battered nazi capital which has been bombed on 23 successive nights by RAF Mosquitos.

Viaduct Knocked Out

The first use of the new 11-ton bomb by the RAF yesterday was credited with knocking out the important Berlin-Ruhr railway viaduct at Bielefield, 80 miles east of the Rhine.

Oranienburg, attacked on the 31st day of the allies' sustained aerial offensive, is on the main highway and one of the two main railways to the Baltic coast where Russian armies are operating against Stettin, and on the Have river, which connects with a large freight canal.

An air force spokesman said recent reconnaissance showed the Oranienburg yards were extremely active.

MP's Present Dishes to Paige Family

This might be called a photo finish of the promotion race story below—except it was made before Mitchell Paige, Congressional Medal of Honor winner, and his wife, Genevieve P. Albers, chief navy nurse, were promoted to captain and full navy lieutenant, respectively, keeping them on an equal rank basis. The couple, married March 2, are shown with a set of dishes given them by Klamath marine military police who work under supervision of Captain Paige as assistant provost marshal. At upper left are letters to Captain Paige from President Roosevelt and Admiral Nimitz, given him in connection with theMedal of Honor.

Solution to Salute Puzzle

This rank business is getting to be a horse race in the Mitchell Paige family.

They were even up when Paige, Congressional Medal of Honor winner and assistant provost marshal of the Marine Barracks, and Genevieve P. Albers, chief navy nurse at the Barracks, were married on March 2. He was a marine lieutenant, she a navy lieutenant, junior grade.

But on Tuesday, Mrs. Paige received notice of promotion to full lieutenant, putting her a step ahead of her new husband.

Her rule of the household was short-lived. Late yesterday, Paige was notified of his promotion to captain. This gave him equal rank with his wife, but his date of rank was listed as February 28, one day ahead of hers, which gives him seniority.

"If there's anybody around here who clicks heels and stands at attention, you know who it is," said Captain Paige.

Both Paige and his bride are veterans of long service in the Pacific area.

Churchill Predicts V-Day By End of Summer in Europe

By ALEX H. SINGLETON

LONDON, March 15 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill said today that victory over Germany might come "before summer ends or even sooner," and promised Britain its first general election since 1935 as soon as possible after Hitler is beaten.

He served notice that he intended to guide Britain in the trials of peace and pledged his party, the dominant conservatives, to promotion of free enterprise in the postwar period.

"Victory lies before us, certain and perhaps near," he told the conservative party conference. He said the war in Europe might conclude "before the summer ends or even sooner."

The 2000 delegates gave their leader a tumultuous ovation as he concluded his 45-minute address.

Cautions Party

He cautioned the conservative party against "humbug and blandishment" and against bidding for votes and party popularity "by promising what we cannot perform."

His temper obviously taut after recent sharp exchanges with leftwing critics in commons, the prime minister struck out at "our socialist friends" and their program "for nationalizing all the means of production, distribution and exchange."

He asserted that would imply "not only the destruction of the life of the whole of our existing system of society and life and labor, but the creation and enforcement of another system or systems borrowed from foreign lands, and alien minds."

Famed Brewer Dies in Canada

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 15 (AP)—Fritz Sick, 85, who established a brewing empire in the Pacific northwest and western Canada after landing at New York from Germany with only $5 in his pocket, died in a hospital here today following a lenghty illness.

Watch On the Rhine—1918

This picture was taken by Frank Bell, well-known Tulelake man, on the bank of the Rhine river in 1918, opposite the town of Remagen and near the Remagen bridge, prominent in the war news of the last few days. Bell's picture showsa buddy standing by an old-time Dodge car. The bridge is just out of the picture to the right. The Herald and News would like to have more snapshots from World War I veterans taken at spots in Germany showing up in the current news. Amateur snaps are preferable to professional photos.

Germans Sued For Peace In Propaganda Move, Say Britons

STOCKHOLM, March 15 (AP)—An unofficial British statement today confirmed reports that a German approach to allied representatives was attempted here a few days ago with a view to a possible armistice, but said it was immediately rejected.

"An approach was attempted a few days ago through a third party to a junior member of the legation staff," the unofficial British statement said.

"The third party was at once told that the British legation was not in the least interested in any such approach."

Apparently the German effort to make contact with the allies came only through the British because the American legation denied that any feeler had been attempted there.

The third party mentioned in the unofficial announcement apparently was a Swedish business man who, other informants said, was approached by a minor nazi official in the hope of using him as a medium for talking to the allies.

Propaganda Plan

Responsible allied officials generally regarded the incident as a carefully planned German propaganda maneuver in an effort to split the allies by causing misunderstandings and suspicions of double dealing.

The Stockholm newspaper Svenska Dagbladet, which reported the attempted contact earlier today, said the Germans had urged the allies to begin negotiations for an armistice while Germany was still strong enough to act as a bulwark against the "bolshevik menace."

Svenska Dagbladet said the

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BALTIC SMASH SLICES NAZI COAST UNITS

LONDON, March 15 (AP)—The red army has smashed its way to the coast of the Frisches Haff along the Baltic, cutting the German grouping on the East Prussian coast into two parts, the soviet communique announced tonight.

MOSCOW, March 15 (AP)—Sporadic Russian attacks from the mouth of the Oder to the vicinity of Frankfurt improved Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's first White Russian army springboard positions today for a new offensive as operational silence prevailed along the crucial Berlin front.

(There were persistent German reports that the Russians have thrust across the Oder in

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SALVAGE DRIVE PROGRESSING HERE

The current salvage drive on tin cans throughout Klamath county which started Monday, March 12, and will continue to Sunday, March 18, is doing well, but salvage officials feel that more progress is possible.

It was pointed out by Paul Lee, central salvage chairman, that a similar drive is also being conducted in Jackson county and that it behooves all Klamath county residents to come to the fore in their donation of tin cans in order to keep pace with the neighboring county.

It was also explained by Lee that the main salvage depot at 532 Market, which was constructed voluntarily by members of the Carpenter's union, AF of L, is now open to both residents of outlying and suburban areas and city residents alike. Persons have the opportunity to deliver their salvage there at any time and it will be taken care of, he said.

The present need for tin by the armed forces has reached a

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Klamath County Men Wounded

Two Klamath county men are listed as wounded in action, one in the European theater, and the other in the Southwest Pacific. Next of kin have been advised as to any change in status.

PFC Harold E. Brown, son of Mrs. Ruby Brown, 2323 White avenue was reported wounded while in action in the Pacific, and PFC Emery Parker, husband of Mrs. Esther W. Parker of Beatty, suffered wounds while on duty in the European area.

ELECTION SLATED ON TAX PROPOSAL

By PAUL W. HARVEY Jr.

SALEM, March 15 (AP) — A special election June 22 to provide new taxes to raise $10,000,000 for college and state institution buildings and $2,000,000 a year for public schools was assured today after the senate voted for the house program.

The measures on the ballot will be a 5-mill, 2-year property tax, which will be cancelled by surplus income tax revenues, to raise $4,000,000 for college and university buildings and $6,000,000 for state institution buildings; and a cigarette tax of 2 cents a package to produce $2,000,000 a year in new school revenues.

Accepts Amendment

The house accepted a senate amendment providing that no other measures shall be on the ballot.

The senate also passed the house measure to give school districts $8,000,000 a year for the next two years to reduce property taxes. This annual amount has been $5,000,000 for the past two years.

Fag Tax Close

The senate's vote on the cigarette tax was 19 to 11, but the rest of the program was approved unanimously.

In addition to these amounts, the legislature appropriated outright $1,000,000 for higher institution buildings and $3,000,000 for state institution buildings.

Higher education leaders, with Sen. Rex Ellis of Pendleton leading the attack, sought to get the cigarette tax thrown off the special election ballot, fearing it would drag the property tax proposal down to defeat.

Charles Clark Reported Missing

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark, 924 Jefferson, were advised this week that their son, PFC Charles Ray Clark, has been reported missing in action since February 24, somewhere in Germany.

PFC Clark was serving with the 28th infantry, medical detachment, at the time he was listed as missing. He enlisted in the armed forces May 12, 1941, and was sent overseas December 5, 1943. A native of Campti, La., PFC Clark's wife lives in that state. He has visited here frequently with his parents. The Clarks have a second son, Cpl. Ray E. Clark, who is with the United States army third engineers regiment, somewhere in Germany.

the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

MOST of us who live in the "country" — which, according to the typical New Yorker's way of thinking, includes everything in the nation outside the borders of Manhattan—have an idea of the American metropolis that isn't justified by fundamentals.

New York is something like the elephant. We are so impressed by its mere size that we are apt to overestimate its real importance in the general scheme of things.

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NEW YORK, for example, is a producer in only a limited sort of way. Clothing is its chief manufacturing industry. As a primary producer, it can't be compared with Philadelphia or Detroit or Chicago or Akron or St. Louis or Atlanta or Birmingham. Even as a processor of raw materials it is surpassed by dozens—perhaps hundreds—of cities in the United States.

It is, of course, a great port, one of the world's most important, and naturally has a heavy concentration of those industries, such as warehousing and distribution, that grow up where land and water transportation meet. It has been and still is (for what matter that may mean in the world of the future) the nation's banking center.

It is outstandingly the nation's entertainment center. It is the home of the theatre. It is in New York that the nation's plays are born. New York is the home base of the night club, which is a major feeder of the theatre by eating and drinking, those active twins of the entertainment world, flourish expensively.

Entertainment is indeed New York's most notable industry. It is perhaps its most basic industry, especially in these days, when people come to New York from all over the country to be entertained, and while in the city they transact incidental business.

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THE entertainment industry in New York is just now at the peak of the boom of all booms. The sheer, glittering swank, the boom may have exceeded even the 1929 boom was distinctly an upper bracket boom. It one extends through ALL markets. In this particular period, large numbers of all classes of people are nigger-rich, feeling a kick out of tossing money around recklessly.

They have been brought up to think of New York as THE place to toss money away, and now that they can afford it they are coming here to do the tossing. They are coming in numbers larger than even New York can accommodate. They wait in line to get into the hotels. They wait in line to get into the night clubs. They wait in line to get into the simple beaneries where they go on those occasions when they want only nourishment unaccompanied by display and jazz.

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THEY'D wait in endlessly long lines to get into the theatres if it were not for an institution that is typical of New York—a combination of ticket speculator and ticket broker.

In other large cities of the United States you can and often buy your theatre tickets at the hotel, but you do it as a matter of convenience and time-saving. Normally you read the papers to see what is in town, you drop past the theatre to see the placards and look at the pictures and decide whether it's worth the price and wind up by buying your tickets at the box office.

Not so in New York. Here,

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Missing

PFC Charles Clark