

Russian Juncture With Britons, Americans May End War

By WES GALLAGHER
MAGELIN, April 10 (AP)—A juncture between British-American and Russian forces may well be the time chosen by the three powers to declare all organized warfare with Germany at an end. Such a declaration would give German soldiers one of two choices—they could either surrender and be treated as prisoners of war or continue fighting and be hunted down as franc-tireurs guerrillas, having no legal military status.

For example, the ninth army spearheads driving east toward Berlin since bypassing the Ruhr have not encountered a single organized German division. They have been met only by convalescents, anti-aircraft crews and some several hundred odd units ordinarily found only in rear areas.

The Russians or the western front allies will advance and then halt, waiting for the forces opposite to move up and join them. DISORGANIZE NAZIS
This meeting, no matter where, probably will end what might be called organized resistance in the Reich, military authorities believe. A meeting by the U. S. third army and the Russians would cut Germany into two isolated sections, while a meeting between the ninth army and the Russians near Berlin would accomplish a similar feat, making it impossible for the German high command to conduct any sort of organized war.

that there will be no formal peace. They say the nazis will never make peace and there is no other German group strong enough to do so.
They say the German soldier would like to stop fighting, but that he will not give up until he knows he can surrender without danger of retaliation from the nazis.
The nazis, with organizations such as the "Werewolves," are trying to capitalize on the situation by attempting to throw Germany into a state of anarchy.
Some sections of the German population have been terrorized by the Werewolves, but thus far they have been a flop as effective guerrilla opposition to the allied armies. A check of the various allied armies disclosed there has been almost no sabotage of military effort or assassination of allied soldiers.

15TH ARMY CAPTURES HANNOVER

The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
GERMANY takes the spotlight today. Here the "twilight of the night" of which the nazis have been prating is beginning to dawn into the shades of night.

WES GALLAGHER, AP correspondent at the front, is permitted by the censor to draw the curtains and give us a view of the end.
Western Germany, he says, is not in name only. There is a real German front left in the west. Except in the Ruhr pocket (led by fanatical nazis) the resistance encountered by the American armies pushing eastward is UNORGANIZED and amounts to little more than guerrilla opposition.
Military men, he adds, feel Germany is INCAPABLE of mounting ANY front in the west. Perhaps a short stand on the Elbe and immediately thereafter.

Other dispatches add that our "clanking about" the front is virtually at will. Ninety per cent of German heavy industry is in allied hands.
GALLAGHER says that a JUNCTION between us and British on the west and the east may be the chosen by the allied high command to declare ORGANIZED WARFARE WITH GERMANY AT AN END.
Such a declaration, he adds, would give German soldiers one of two choices—to surrender and be treated as prisoners of war or continue fighting—and be hunted down as guerrillas (free shooters).
GALLAGHER says that judging German morale of the past weeks there is little doubt to which course they will go—as those now willing to for the fuhrer are few and far between.

It says that most Germans, officers and civilians alike, have agreed that there will be no formal peace, as the nazis will surrender and no group is strong enough to think the German soldiers LIKE to give up, but until they know they can surrender without danger of retaliation by the nazis.

much for northern Germany. Let us turn now for a moment to the south, where Hitler had planned to hold his last "twilight of the night" stand.
The Russians today are already BEYOND VIENNA and UP THE DANUBE for Prague and LINK UP with Patton is reported on the march again and seems to be headed toward the Russian front.
Vienna itself has been bypassed, and Moscow says today its fall is imminent. The nazis in the city (apparently dead nazis following Hitler's lead) are fighting to the death and street barricades. Only a few of them have surrendered in the past day and night of bloody extermination battling. That the nazis are nowhere as good at dying in a hole as the Japs.

HERE is a significant little paragraph in the Austrian press. The Russian force that moved to the southwest at Neustadt (south of Vienna) and headed through the passes of the Alps for the hideout is reported to be only 133 miles from (Continued on Page Three)

Missing

Cpl. Hamilton Reported Missing
Cpl. Bertrand W. Hamilton, 15th air force, who has been serving in Italy, is reported missing in action according to word received by his mother, Mrs. Dorothea McNulty, 518 Klamath.
Cpl. Hamilton entered the service, March 30, 1944, and took his basic training at Amarillo, Tex., and Las Vegas, Nev. He was sent overseas in January, 1945 and served as tail gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress.
His wife, Melva, and son, Jerry, make their home in San Bernardino, Calif.

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Britons Cross Senio In Big Italian Push

By NOLAN NORGAARD

ROME, April 10 (AP)—The British eighth army, supported by a bombardment of hundreds of guns and the heaviest allied air assault ever carried out in Italy, has crossed the Senio river in a campaign to destroy as much as possible of the opposing German army before it can withdraw into Germany's southern mountain redoubt.

Great forces of U. S. 15th air force bombers and fleets from the U. S. 12th air force and the RAF were aloft, resuming the blasting of a path through German defenses for the attacking ground forces.

Shortly after noon, 3400 100-pound high explosive bombs and 180,000 fragmentation bombs were poured into two small areas between the Senio river and the Santerno river. The eastern end of the Italian front burst into flame at 7:30 o'clock last night when hundreds of heavy guns opened up. Bridgeheads were established on a broad front on the north side of the Senio in the vicinity of Lugo. More than 1000 heavy bombers, plus hundreds of lighter planes which flew thousands of sorties, had thoroughly drenched the German defenses with bombs and fire, and the crossings were accomplished quickly against relatively light opposition.

The smash across the Senio brought to an end the prolonged winter lull on this front.
Endanger Nazi Posts
A strike beyond Lugo would endanger Nazi strongholds upstream along the Senio into the northern Apennines, and the comparatively easy manner in which bridgeheads were established, together with the display of an allied material superiority, suggested that the 25 German divisions, plus six Italian fascist divisions estimated to be in Italy would not be able to withstand the pounding for long.

The attack came after Field Marshal Albert Kesselring, expert in delaying tactics, had been called away to take charge of the Germans' western front. His place is reported to have been taken by Col. Gen. Friedrich von Vietinghoff, credited with a leading role in constructing the defenses of Cassino.
Tough Going
Ahead, however, lay tough going for the British tackling what is apparently meant to be the last battle for northern Italy.

Senate Extends Lend Lease Bill
WASHINGTON, April 10 (AP)—The senate passed and sent to the White House today legislation continuing lend lease operations until June 30, 1946.
Passage came on a vote after republicans failed in an effort to strip from the measure a house provision permitting the foreign liquidation of war supplies after hostilities end.

Jury Trial Not Planned in Case
The case of the United States vs. Clarence C. Hard and involving the perpetual easement taken by the federal government across a part of Hard's home property in the vicinity of the Marine Barracks, Klamath naval air station and Camp Tulelake completing the group.
On motion of Councilman Harvey Martin, the appointments were confirmed.
First major problem facing (Continued on Page Three)

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Other cases, in which a fair market value has been taken, include United States vs. Edith Smith, \$30; United States vs. William Nichols, \$26; United States vs. Norman E. Johnson, \$25.
In these three cases the point involved is the continuation of the easement above and below Hard's property.
The court adjourned at 10 o'clock this morning. Testimony on remaining cases in the land condemnation suits will be submitted Thursday morning.

A Little Extra Given

A Herald and News carrier aids this elderly man by polishing his glasses for him and making it possible for the invalid to read his evening paper.

JAPS GIVE GROUND SLOWLY ON OKINAWA

By LEIF ERICKSON

GUAM, April 10 (AP)—Well-armed Japanese defenders of southern Okinawa, hurling bayonet-wielding squads at the Americans in futile counterattacks, gave ground slowly today amidst the heaviest artillery duel of the Pacific war.
Infantrymen of Maj. Gen. John R. Hodge's 24th U. S. army corps were limited to small local gains against savage resistance along a battle line within four miles of the capital city of Naha, but to the north Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger's third marine amphibious corps swept ahead virtually unchecked.

The marines, scoring gains up to 4000 yards, cut off the big Motobu peninsula, and fanning westward, occupied about half of it yesterday. They overran the western shore of Katena Kio, onetime site of Japanese submarine pens.
Adm. Chester W. Nimitz' communique today said the marines still found only "scattered and ineffective" opposition.

Troops Concentrated
But it was a different story on southern Okinawa, where the enemy has concentrated the bulk of a defense garrison estimated at more than 60,000 troops.
The Japanese may be using more and heavier artillery than they have mustered before, but (Continued on Page Three)

245 Nazi Planes Destroyed by U. S.
LONDON, April 10 (AP)—Fighter pilots of the U. S. eighth air force today destroyed at least 245 German planes—227 of them on the ground—and set an all time record for fighters.
The score was made as more than 2150 American bombers and fighters, carrying a massive aerial offensive on German airfields into its fourth straight day, struck at enemy jet-plane bases in the Berlin area, following a night attack by 600 RAF bombers of Germany's largest submarine assembly yard at Kiel.

Farm Deferment Clause Stiffened
WASHINGTON, April 10 (AP)—The senate military committee today approved a resolution stiffening the provisions of the draft law on the deferment of farm workers.
The committee wrote into the house-approved resolution a clause which had been drafted for the manpower control bill, now conceded to be dead.
The clause specifies that local draft boards in-classifying farm registrants shall make their determination "solely and exclusively on whether the registrant is necessary to and regularly engaged in an agricultural occupation or endeavor essential to the war effort and whether a satisfactory replacement can be obtained," without reference to the registrant's relative essentiality in any other occupation.

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Rescue workers said a number of persons working in the warehouses were trapped.
Docked passenger and freight vessels and the Spanish cruiser Canarias, were moved into the harbor.
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Above and Beyond Duty
Here is an instance on the home front when service extends beyond the line of duty.
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At one address he rests his bicycle, takes the paper inside, wakes the subscriber, Henry Bagley, finds his spectacles, wipes them and fixes them over his nose. Then he unfolds the paper and hands it to Bagley. Bagley is over 90 years old and is confined to his bed and wheelchair. All day long he looks forward to seeing the paper in the evening, and always looks at the headlines first.
Clawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Clawson of Dayton, carries more than the news; he carries pleasure to an elderly man, contact with the outside world and courteous attention—all included in the price of a paper.

Basketball Coach



Dwight "Dutch" French, above, was named head basketball mentor at Klamath Union high school at a meeting of the school board last night.

FRENCH TO HEAD KUHS BASKETBALL

The previous policy of the school board here to maintain separate coaches for basketball and football was reestablished last night at a meeting of the board with the naming of Dwight French as head KUHS basketball coach in the event that Wayne Scott, former cage mentor at the high school, is not released from the service by the time the next season begins.
The position of football coach was declared vacant and steps are being taken to fill the assignment, according to Arnold Gralapp, superintendent of schools. Dell Scott of Ontario, Ore., has made application for the position, Gralapp said.

French has been on the high school faculty here for 20 years. He has had a vast amount of experience in the coaching field and served as basketball coach here for 17 years and took the Pelicans to the state tournament 11 times. He now holds the position of dean of boys and will continue to hold that post along with his coaching assignment.
In a short interview, French stated that high school basketball games here used to draw tremendous crowds in the old gymnasium, but ever since the new one was built the turnout has been pathetically small.

Hope Expressed
He also expressed high hopes for a successful season next year (Continued on Page Three)

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Weather News

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Max. (April 9) 38 Min. 28
Precipitation last 24 hours 0.00
Stream year to date 8.10
Normal 9.54 Last year 8.21
Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight and Wed.

MUNICH, PRAGUE NEXT FOR REDS

By RICHARD KASISCHKE

LONDON, April 10 (AP)—Russian forces beyond Vienna headed today for Munich and Prague and a line-up with the allies in the west as soviet storm units within the Austrian capital battled the Germans for the last few blocks of the city.
Moscow radio said "The fall of Vienna is imminent."
Far to the north other Russian troops along the Baltic coast had captured the East Prussian capital of Koenigsberg after a massive 33-hour barrage had softened three lines of fortifications surrounding that cradle of Prussian militarism. The seizure of Koenigsberg was hailed in the Russian press as one of the great victories of the war, comparable to the breaching of the Siegfried line in the west.

"Startling Progress"
A Moscow dispatch said Marshal Fedor I. Tolbukhin's third Ukrainian army "was making startling progress" for its drive west of Vienna toward Linz and Munich. The army's exact position was not given, however, since the Germans in many sectors were unaware of the scope of the Russian advance.
Below Vienna another wing of Tolbukhin's army had thrust within 133 miles of Adolf Hitler's mountain retreat at Berchtesgaden.

150 From Reds
Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges new first army drive was punching across the narrowing waist of Germany toward the Russian siege lines in the east, at last reports no more than 150 miles away in some sectors. His tanks headed down a corridor by-passing the towering Harz mountains on the left.
Pilots reported the Germans were sending air transports into the shrinking Ruhr death pocket by night in attempts to salvage what they could of the 100,000 or so nazis sealed off between the first and ninth armies.

Reach Salzburg
The Germans said Americans who bypassed Hannover had reached Salzburg—115 miles from Berlin and 17 from the big aircraft center of Brunswick. Salzburg is the site of the sprawling Hermann Goering Iron Works.
The enemy also said that the British had crossed the Ailler river and captured Verdun and started a race for Hamburg, 50 miles distant.
The battle of the Ruhr already had turned into a German military disaster. By last midnight the first and ninth armies had taken 36,566 from the trap and there were thousands more still inside. At the present rate, some 100,000 will be taken.

Vernon Branhan Hurt on Luzon
A telegram from the war department informed Mr. and Mrs. Van Branhan of 521 Oak, that their son, PFC Vernon Branhan, has been wounded in action.
Branhan was with the 7th cavalry on Luzon when he was wounded. The telegram indicated the wounds were not serious, Mrs. Branhan says.
Branhan, who attended high school here, worked on the maintenance crew of the Oregon state highway prior to entering the service in September, 1943. He went overseas in March, 1944.

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Near Mountains
First army armor to the south advanced 24 miles to the Harz mountains, reaching a point 60 miles from the Elbe river just south of the large supply base of Nordhausen, which is 115 miles from Berlin.

The third army advanced to within two-and-a-half miles of Erfurt, 63 miles from Leipzig, and within three of Coburg, 50 miles from the Czechoslovak frontier.

150 From Reds
Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges new first army drive was punching across the narrowing waist of Germany toward the Russian siege lines in the east, at last reports no more than 150 miles away in some sectors. His tanks headed down a corridor by-passing the towering Harz mountains on the left.
Pilots reported the Germans were sending air transports into the shrinking Ruhr death pocket by night in attempts to salvage what they could of the 100,000 or so nazis sealed off between the first and ninth armies.

Reach Salzburg
The Germans said Americans who bypassed Hannover had reached Salzburg—115 miles from Berlin and 17 from the big aircraft center of Brunswick. Salzburg is the site of the sprawling Hermann Goering Iron Works.
The enemy also said that the British had crossed the Ailler river and captured Verdun and started a race for Hamburg, 50 miles distant.
The battle of the Ruhr already had turned into a German military disaster. By last midnight the first and ninth armies had taken 36,566 from the trap and there were thousands more still inside. At the present rate, some 100,000 will be taken.

Vernon Branhan Hurt on Luzon
A telegram from the war department informed Mr. and Mrs. Van Branhan of 521 Oak, that their son, PFC Vernon Branhan, has been wounded in action.
Branhan was with the 7th cavalry on Luzon when he was wounded. The telegram indicated the wounds were not serious, Mrs. Branhan says.
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