

ITALY BATTLE COST 109,163 GI CASUALTIES

WASHINGTON, May 3 (AP)—The conquest of Italy from the time of the allied landing in September, 1943, until April 28 cost the American fifth army 109,163 casualties.

Secretary of War Stimson, reporting this today, said the total included 21,577 killed, 77,248 wounded and 10,338 missing.

At the same time, Stimson disclosed that army casualties in all theaters since the beginning of the war have reached 848,089 on the basis of names compiled here through April 21. With navy losses of 102,383, this pushed the losses for both services since Pearl Harbor to 950,472—an increase of 21,099 since last week's report.

Stimson said that the unconditional surrender of German armies in Italy had brought complete victory in a "long, arduous" campaign which had knocked Italy out of the war, gave allied forces a toe hold on the continent, opened the Mediterranean and provided additional bases for aerial assaults against the Luftwaffe and German-held territory.

"In the last year," Stimson said, "there were times when it seemed to some people that this (Italian) front was being forgotten, but its effect in draining the strength of Germany was always operating, and pride in our troops and their accomplishments was never lacking."

The allied campaign in Italy, the secretary said, pinned down and "fought apart" German forces which would have been of the "utmost importance" in defending the French channel coast or in counterattacking after the Normandy landing.

ALBERT A. LANE TAKEN BY DEATH

Albert Augustine Lane, 72, since 1934 a resident of Klamath Falls, died at his home, 2725 Kane, at 1:45 p. m. Tuesday, May 1. Mr. Lane had been in failing health for the past three years.

Mr. Lane was born October 11, 1872, in Springfield, Vermont. He was married to Mabel J. Hoselton on February 21, 1894, at Bellows Falls, Vermont, and they came to California in 1923 where they resided until 1934 when they moved to Grants Pass, coming here four years later. In addition to his wife, two daughters survive, Mrs. Bernice L. Parret and Mrs. Alberta McKaig; two grandchildren, Mrs. Esther M. Owens and Wesley Albert McKaig; one great-granddaughter, Sue Ann Owens, all of Klamath Falls, and one brother, Frank A. Lane of North Springfield, Vermont.

Bonneville Workers Get Wage Agreement

PORTLAND, May 3 (AP)—A collective-bargaining agreement covering trades and crafts employees of the Bonneville power administration paid an hourly wage was in effect today.

Signed by Columbia Power Trades Council, the agreement sets up an apprenticeship system and establishes cooperative committees and an arbitration board to determine pay rates, promotions and working conditions.

The agreement, effective through 1946, does not include employees subject to the 1923 classification act.



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The War At a Glance

By The Associated Press

The Western Front: British and Russians link up near Wismar, 29 miles southwest of captured Rostock. German army proclaims Hamburg an open city and British enter great port; Germans term Prague a "hospital city," indicating the Czechoslovak capital will not be defended; U. S. third army drives toward Pilsen; U. S. seventh army approaches Innsbruck.

The Eastern Front: Russians occupy Berlin and with the British split the nazis in the north into separate pockets; other soviet forces race westward through Czechoslovakia toward Prague.

The Italian Front: Fighting ceases in northern Italy and western Austria where Germans surrendered unconditionally; New Zealand troops occupy Trieste.

The Pacific Front: British troops enter Burmese capital of Rangoon; American Superfortresses attack Japanese home island of Kyushu; Americans on Mindanao island in the Philippines appear about to enter Davao; Americans gain in southern Okinawa drive.

BUILDING PERMITS SHOW INCREASE

Reports of the number of building permits issued in Klamath county showed a definite increase for the month of April, with remodeling heading the list. The permits do not include the housing projects which are being erected in this area.

One permit was issued for new businesses at \$4000, while 13 were given on remodeled businesses at a total of \$19,421.50. Remodeled residences brought \$4905 with 15 permits, while two permits were considered for new garages and residences at \$300. One permit for temporary construction amounted to \$500, while four poster panels brought \$200.

The grand total of these figures amounts to 36 permits and \$27,326.50.

In the steel industry, a "monkey boss" has charge of drawing off molten slag from the blast furnace.

Nazi Occupation Of France Described As Terror Reign

By ROBERT WILSON

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, PARIS, May 3 (AP)—The German occupation of France was described by supreme headquarters today as a reign of terror filled with brutality and cruelty "on a scale unequalled in history."

The indictment was made in a documented study by the psychological warfare division "to convince possible skeptics that German atrocities are not just a lot of propaganda."

The study consists of 13 volumes of reports on German crimes throughout France, collected by American and British officers with the help of the French intelligence service. It will be published soon in the United States and Britain.

Confessions Given
In some cases confessions have already been obtained from Germans who were subsequently taken prisoner.

The conclusion of allied officers who visited scores of French villages, interviewed witnesses and collected photographs of atrocities was: "The whole thing was part of a fixed policy of brutal repression if not extermination."

The study embraced these categories of crimes: mass execution of hostages, mass execution of resistance movement members or suspects, mass reprisals, indiscriminate shooting and sacking of towns, routine methods of interrogation by torture, rape and miscellaneous.

Surrendered, Killed
It said that in August, 1944, French resistance troops captured a German garrison near Pleubian, Brittany, and other Germans brought up mortars and artillery and forced the French to retreat. Twenty-one French surrendered. Ten days later their bodies were found in a trench.

"The state of these bodies proved without a shadow of a doubt that the men had been tortured and beaten with inhuman ferocity before being killed," the study said. "No international law can justify such brutality and sadism."

The report said that the German method of dealing with the organized French maquis "was to punish the innocent."

Beaten, Tortured
"Men and women arrested on suspicion were beaten and tortured in public after mass executions," the study said. "They would burn farms and whole villages over wide areas, sometimes shooting the inhabitants on sight."

An example of the Nazi torture methods was cited in the

case of 17 French resistance members taken from a prison at St. Brieuc last August, whose bodies were later found in a wood:

"Many had their eyes torn out, their tongues cut out, their fingernails missing, welts and bruises all over their bodies and their skulls broken, etc. At least one man was found to have some dirt in his lungs—a sign he had been buried while still alive."

H. H. Ogle Appointed To KFPA Position

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Klamath Forest Protective association Tuesday, May 1, H. H. Ogle was officially appointed as secretary-treasurer of the association.

Ogle has been acting as secretary-treasurer since his brother, Charles Ogle, resigned the position in April.

Workman Killed In Fall From Scaffold

PORTLAND, May 3 (AP)—David Scott Kay, 58, Sherwood, was knocked from a scaffolding at Beaverton grade school by a 16-foot steel pipe being moved by another workman.

He was pronounced dead on arrival at a hospital here last night.

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HIGH SCHOOL News Notes and Comment

By JUANITA SHINN

Irregular classes all day made it possible for students to attend the student body play, "You Can't Take It With You." It will be given again tomorrow evening at 8:15 for townspeople. Admission prices are 30 cents for students and 60 cents for adults.

Senior cards and announcements have been received and are being distributed to seniors in their home rooms.

Following a slightly different procedure, no deposit was made but were paid for in full when received.

The traditions committee members have been elected and notified. They are as follows: Sally Mueller, Effie Botens, Dorothy Dewey, Barbara Roskamp, Donna Brotherton, Ted Reeves, Fred Reeves, Rodger Vanderhoff, Dee Nelson, George Zupan, and Jim Howard.

NEW YORK, May 3 (AP)—Police were searching the waterfront today for a 100-year-old retired seaman, William S. Clark, reported missing from Sailor's Snug harbor here.

Officials of the home suggested to police he had run away to join the merchant marine.

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R. H. JACKSON NAMED COUNSEL IN WAR TRIALS

WASHINGTON, May 3 (AP)—Associate Justice Robert H. Jackson of the supreme court was designated Wednesday as chief counsel of the United States on the proposed international tribunal to prosecute major war criminals of the axis powers.

President Truman announced the order appointing Jackson at a news conference.

Mr. Truman commented that the deaths of Hitler and Benito Mussolini had removed the two principal war criminals—and naturally these would not have to stand trial.

He added he was glad they were out of the way.

The president said he hoped the international tribunal would be set up soon and its work completed by next October when

Four-H News

In recognition and appreciation of the contribution to the war effort "certificates of appreciation" have been received at the county extension office from the quartermaster general's office.

4-H club members receiving this distinctive award are: Wayne Guber, route 2, box 442, individual potato club project in the Henley district; Dorothy Hagelstein, route 3, box 1253, Klamath Falls-Algoma individual garden club; Dale Webber, 5125 Walton drive, Henley beef club; Betty Brandelsky, route 1, box 470, Henley garden club; Dick Smith, Bonanza, Bonanza potato club; Edgar Hoffman, route 1, box 575, Klamath Falls-Henley potato club; George Stevenson, route 2, box 810, Klamath Falls-Henley potato club; Jim Nisley, Malin, Malin potato club; Ralph Dixon, Bonanza, Bonanza potato club; Darrel Johns, Merrill, Merrill potato club; Ted Gordon, Malin, Malin potato club, and Bob Schmor, Bonanza, Bonanza potato club.

the supreme court reconvenes for its full session.

Jackson will continue on the court while serving in his new capacity.



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Anyone expecting to be in Portland on that date, or Klamath residents now in Portland, is requested to the chamber of commerce, so their names be included in the guest list noon Thursday.



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