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Americans Hunt Nazi Enemy In Their Homeland



As a camouflaged tank opens up on a hidden Nazi position in the town of Roth, Germany, American infantrymen crouch by a roadside fence and hold their machine guns ready. The moment the enemy is flushed out, the guns will begin their deadly chatter. This is an official Signal Corps photo.

Reds Roar Through Estonia

TROOPS ADVANCE NEARER BOLOGNA

ROME, Sept. 25.—(AP)—American Fifth army troops, smashing beyond the core of the enemy's Gothic line, were fighting forward tonight less than 12 miles from the Bologna-Rimini highway, main escape route for German forces still battling desperately northwest of the Adriatic port of Rimini.

The thrust toward the highway—the Via Emilia of the Romans—was made northeast of Firenzuola. Farther west Yank troops continued to advance in the Futa Pass area and reached points roughly 15 miles from the big industrial city of Bologna.

(An Associated Press dispatch from the Swiss-Italian frontier reported American forces were within 12-12 miles of Bologna, a city of 300,000. It said Allied bombings had disrupted all public services in Bologna, including its water supply, and that bloody fighting was in progress in the streets between Italian partisans and fascists.)

In the Adriatic sector Eighth Army troops penetrated 2,000 yards beyond the Rimini-Bologna railway north of Santa Giustina and to within 1,500 yards of the historic Rubicon river, where they were checked temporarily by fierce Nazi resistance.

Enemy parachute troops, infantry and armored forces were fighting desperately to hold a line across the entrance to the wide and fertile Po valley, home of almost half Italy's population. Eighth Army headquarters emphasized that there yet was no indication of a general German withdrawal in the Adriatic area.

Churchill Back Home After Trip On Liner

LONDON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill and Mrs. Churchill have arrived in England from the Quebec conference with President Roosevelt.

The journey both to America and back was made on the liner Queen Mary.

Land Would Cut Up Trade Of Germans And Japanese

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—Vice Admiral Emory S. Land, chief of America's wartime Merchant Marine, swung into the capital's raging argument over German peace policy today with an assertion that the Allies should carve up both German and Japanese foreign trade and divide it among themselves.

Denial of world commerce to the enemy states would mean their end as modern industrial nations, Land made clear, and in advocating such a course he apparently raged himself alongside Treasury Secretary Morgenthau in favoring the return of Germany specifically to an agricultural state.

At the state department Secretary Hull gave virtual official confirmation to an Associated Press story of Saturday night dislodging a cabinet split on German peace

Russian Army Speeds On Toward Riga; Germans Fleeing For Lives

LONDON, Tuesday, Sept. 26.—(AP)—Russian troops on the ninth day of their powerful northern offensive yesterday had virtually freed all of Estonia, winning the Baltic seaport of Haapsalu and a 35-mile strip of the Gulf of Riga below fallen Parnu as they sped on toward imperiled Riga, Latvian capital and Nazi escape bottleneck.

The enemy last night held only a thin belt of western Estonia, about 20 to 25 miles wide and 40 miles deep, as well as a few islands off the west coast and Marshal Leonid A. Govorov's Leningrad army was expected to overrun that area by today or tomorrow.

Germany's fleeing troops had only one evacuation port left to them, Virtsu, and Red army armored columns were bearing down swiftly on it. Soviet planes were bombing and strafing the disorganized enemy, and the Red banner fleet was loose in the Baltic sea for the first time in three years.

Red Army columns were within 65 miles of Riga on the north, 56 miles on the northeast, 40 on the east, and last were reported only six miles from the prize citadel on the south. Soviet artillery was pouring shells into the city.

The Moscow bulletin announcing the increasing German disaster in Estonia and Latvia, where originally 200,000 Germans had attempted to hold off the Russians, also told of the capture of 50 localities in southern Poland, including Bereh Gurne, only three miles from the Czechoslovakian frontier.

Powerful Red Fleet Moves In Baltic Sea

HELSINKI, Finland, Sept. 25.—(AP)—Heavy gunfire from the Finnish gulf echoed in Helsinki today, indicating that the Red fleet had moved in strength into the heretofore German-controlled Baltic sea for the first time in more than three years.

Russian naval forces were said to be firing at all sea-going craft sighted in an effort to smash Nazi attempts at evacuation and may even have engaged one or two German heavy cruisers which informants said were covering the enemy's confused withdrawal from the Baltic states.

It would provide unemployment and sickness insurance; health service; widows pensions; retirement pensions; family allowances; orphans allowance; motherhood grants and death grants.

In reply he disclosed that it is a subject of wide open discussion not only among officials here but also among American, British and Russian leaders.

"The whole question of dealing with the postwar German situation has been receiving attention by each of the governments most interested," Hull said, "and that includes this government and the state department."

"It would serve no purpose to say more at this time except that the higher officials of the governments concerned will reach mutual understandings, I hope, at an early stage. It is very necessary that we wait until we know the true conclusions they reach."

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COUNTY MAY AID CITY DRAIN AREA

A step to help the U. S. Public Health Service eliminate mosquito breeding areas was taken by the board of county commissioners in its weekly meeting yesterday when it moved to take under consideration a plan proposed by J. A. Loughlin, city engineer, by which the city and county would join in furnishing the machines for the drainage of the area on lower Third St.

Under this plan the city and county would furnish the machinery and the public health service would do the work, in the draining of that area west of Greenfield lake from the river to Third street.

Loughlin suggested that the city and the county have the expense of the project. Further action is expected to be taken next Monday by the county.

Sometime ago the area was drained by the Works Progress Administration. The plan now under consideration proposes to open up the main canal and the lateral drainage into that canal from the railway crossing west to the Cape Fear river.

The board voted to request the state to take the action requested in a petition signed by 30 residents of Myrtle Grove sound and living on the road leading from Roger's landing to the Carolina Beach loop road. This petition requested that the board have installed a cement culvert through and under the road and to replace a bridge now on the road which is in such bad condition, due to heavy rains that the road is now impassable.

A letter was read from Col. Adam E. Potts, commanding officer of Camp Davis, thanking the board and through it the citizens of New Hanover county for the splendid cooperation he has received during his stay here.

BRITISH DISCLOSE NEW SECURITY PLAN

LONDON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—The British government made public tonight on the eve of the reconvening of parliament, a tremendous social security plan affecting every man, woman and child in Britain and the government's answer, at least in part, to the controversial Beveridge plan of a year ago.

During the first year it is estimated the plan will cost \$2,600,000,000, compared with \$2,788,000,000 for the Beveridge plan. It covers human needs from the cradle to the grave.

It would provide unemployment and sickness insurance; health service; widows pensions; retirement pensions; family allowances; orphans allowance; motherhood grants and death grants.

Committee Considers Contempt Proceedings

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—The House campaign expenditures committee today postponed until tomorrow action on a recommendation of its counsel that it institute contempt proceedings against Edward A. Rumely for refusal to turn over records of contributions to the Committee for Constitutional Government.

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Great Battle Rages In Holland; Plane Sinks 3 Jap Warships; Dewey Calls F.D.R.'s Record Bad

GOP NOMINEE BLASTS AWAY AT PRESIDENT

Quotes Senate In Effort To Discredit Regime On Prewar Defense

OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 25.—(AP)—Assailing President Roosevelt's record in office as "desperately bad," Gov. Thomas E. Dewey tonight hit back sharply at his opponent's opening campaign speech with this statement:

"He jokes about depressions—about the seven straight years of unemployment of his administration. But he cannot laugh away the record."

The Republican nominee, patently aroused by Mr. Roosevelt's Saturday night assertion that the GOP campaign has been marked by "fraud" and "falsehood," quoted from Senate records in an attempt to show the White House was responsible for the "shocking state of our defense program four months before Pearl Harbor." But, he said:

"I shall never make a speech to one group of American people inciting them to hatred and distrust of any other group."

Shouting "he has asked for it—here it is," Dewey then re-quoted Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey as saying "we can keep people in the army about as cheaply as we could create an agency for them when they are out."

"But, says Mr. Roosevelt, the War department thereafter issued a plan for 'speedy discharges,'" Dewey said. You can read that plan from now until doomsday and you cannot find one word about speedy discharges."

"It is, in fact a statement of the priority in which men will be discharged after the war. It does not say whether they are to be retained in service a month or years after victory. That will be up to the next administration."

Declaring Mr. Roosevelt tried to "laugh off the problem of jobs after the war, Dewey said:

"Let's get this straight. The man who wants to be president for 16 years is indeed indispensable. He is indispensable to Harry Hopkins, to Madame Perkins, to Harold Ickes, to a host of other political job holders."

"He is indispensable to Sidney Hillman and the political action committee, to Earl Browder, the ex-convict and pardoned communist leader."

"He is indispensable to America's leading enemy of Civil Liberties—the mayor of Jersey City. He is indispensable to those infamous machines in Chicago—in the Bronx—and all the others."

This was in reply to Mr. Roosevelt's statement, in his opening campaign speech for a fourth term Saturday night, that it was a "malicious falsehood" to say he ever had represented himself to be indispensable to the nation.

Dewey then declared: "Let us look at the closely supervised words of the hand-picked candidate for a falsehood that he said of my opponent: 'The very future of the peace and prosperity of the world depends upon his re-election in November.' I have not heard Mr. Truman repudiated by Mr. Roosevelt as yet."

He referred to Senator Harry S. Truman of Missouri, Mr. Roosevelt's vice presidential running mate.

"Here are the words of Boss Kelly of the Chicago machine," Dewey went on, "the manager of that fake third term draft of 1940: The salvation of this nation rests in one man." V. that statement, he was repudiated by Mr. Roosevelt. No, it was rewarded by increased White House favors."

"And was it a falsehood that one of the first acts of Mr. Roosevelt's newly selected national chairman was for a fourth term and—that he

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Reopen Embassy



Smiling as he prepares to raise the French Tricolor over the French Embassy in Washington is Henry Hoppenot, chief of the delegation of the French Committee of National Liberation. It was the first time the flag has flown over the building since it was closed in Nov. 1942, when the U. S. broke relations with Vichy.

MINISTERS BACK CLOTHING DRIVE

The Wilmington Ministerial association, at the request of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration decided yesterday to take part in a national campaign next week to collect 15 million lbs of clothing to meet the urgent needs of war-stricken people in liberated countries during the coming winter.

People are asked to deliver any new and good serviceable used clothing to the churches throughout the city.

All clothing will be distributed free to needy men, women and children in liberated areas, through UNRRA.

Those types particularly needed are infants' garments (especially knit goods), men's and boys' overcoats, topsuits, suits, jackets, shirts, work clothes, sweaters, underwear, robes and pajamas and women's and girls' coats, jackets, shirts, sweaters, dresses, underwear, aprons, jumpers, smocks, robes and nightwear.

Blanket, afghans, sheets, pillow cases and quilts are also urgently needed.

Clothing need not be in perfect repair, but must be such as will be useful. Cotton garments should be washed but need not be ironed. Rags, evening clothes, shoes and rubber goods are not wanted in this collection.

The need for clothing in Europe today is second only to the continued need for actual materials of war, according to authoritative statements. Food stockpiles have been created to take care of

SECOND SECURITY TALK IN OFFING

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—The Anglo-American-Russian phase of the Dumbarton Oaks world security talks is about to conclude and it is now virtually certain that the Big Three will have to have another discussion on the same subject.

It was learned authoritatively today that the three powers have reached a number of agreements, totaling a document of about 20 pages, but they have failed to determine the voting powers of large nations in the future international peace organization.

Delegates of the three powers are expected to wind up the present talks tomorrow or Wednesday, and Britain and the United States will go into conference with Chinese representatives.

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FLYING BOAT SETS RECORD ON BOMB RUN

Two Destroyer Escorts, Seaplane Tender Sunk In Davo Harbor

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea, Tuesday, Sept. 26.—(AP)—A Catalina flying boat sank three Japanese warships off Davao, headquarters reported today.

A Nipponese seaplane tender and two destroyer escorts were destroyed with a single bombing run.

This was one of the most singular feats reported during the consistent bombing of Davao harbor in southern Philippines.

The Catalina was on patrol over the important Japanese base which has been under almost constant American aerial surveillance for weeks.

The attack was made during Saturday night and Sunday morning. In other Allied raids, a 10,000-ton Japanese tanker was sunk and a 3,000-ton freighter damaged in Dutch Celebes.

A total of 122 tons of bombs were unleashed on airdromes on Celebes and Ceram, in a continuation of neutralization raids.

When the Catalina roared over Davao gulf, crewmen discovered the seaplane tender fueling the two destroyer escorts, one on each side of the mother ship.

"In a single bombing run," said the communique, "all were hit, resulting in tremendous explosions. The smaller vessels sank almost immediately and the tender later was observed to capsize and sink."

The ships were sunk with four bombs. The explosion lifted the plane 300 feet into the air. The crew jubilantly claimed a world's record for tonnage of shipping destroyed by a single plane in a single run.

Meanwhile, Richard C. Bergholz, Associated Press war correspondent, reported from Morotai island, in the Halmaheras, that the Americans had reached all tactical objectives and combat patrols had encircled the island at selected points.

Although no Japanese opposition had developed, the patrols reported finding installations capable of accommodating large forces. Morotai, 375 miles southeast of Davao, was invaded Sept. 15.

BIDDLE SAYS CIO POLITICS LAWFUL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—Attorney General Biddle reiterated today that investigations have disclosed no violation of election law by the CIO Political Action committee or the National Citizens Pac.

He explained that the former organization confined its activities to primaries, and that the latter financed itself through individual contributions.

On Senator Moore's (R-Okla.) contention that the Hatch act had been violated by contributions amounting to more than \$5,000, Biddle wrote that his investigation showed that the Pac had stayed within the limit on each contribution to a candidate or committee. He added that provisions of the law apply only "when in fact real contributions are made to particular political committees and candidates."

2,000 Planes Hammer At German Factories

LONDON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—More than 2,000 American planes, including nearly 1,300 Flying Fortresses and Liberators, hammered home Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's warning today to foreign workers to leave German plants or face the gravest danger.

In the month's heaviest attacks on Reich targets, the heavy bombers dropped nearly 4,000 tons of bombs, ripping apart two large freight yards at Frankfurt, Germany's tenth largest city; warehouses and railyards at Coblenz, at the confluence of the Rhine and the Moselle; and railyards and synthetic oil-chemical plants at often-bombed Ludwigsafen farther down the Rhine.

Hay Foot



An ancient marching theme of Army rookies, "Hay-Foot, Straw-Foot," has new meaning for Pvt. Patrick J. McDonald, of Grand Rapids, Mich., ever since he acquired the straw boots he wears in the photo above. The old footgear was part of equipment left behind by fleeing Germans somewhere in France.

CHEST CAMPAIGN GETS UNDER WAY

Following a breakfast meeting yesterday morning at St. Paul's parish house, where Harry Collins Spillman, noted public speaker addressed some 200 War Chest workers attached to five unit divisions. Chest solicitations began in earnest among the city's industries, commercial establishments, public utilities, schools, and governmental agencies, according to Randal Stewart, general chairman of the current drive.

The workers, who expect to consummate their divisional duties by the end of the week, are pressing toward the campaign goal of \$164,838. Next week workers of the general solicitation program will take over and continue the vigorous drive for funds.

Spillman's message to the Chest leaders was one that emphasized the importance of accomplishing the War Chest goal, an act that will indicate the measure of Wilmington's interest in a better postwar society, one that will provide no soil for the roots of dissension, unemployment, ill-

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ENEMY HURLS MANY TROOPS AT BRITISHERS

Nazis Violently Attack Second Army In Drive To Free 'Lost' Men

BULLETIN SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Tuesday, Sept. 26.—(AP)—Parts of three to four German divisions, smashing repeatedly at the valorous little band of British paratroopers holding a precarious foothold on the north bank of the Neder Rhine, were reported early today to have gained control of one end of the highway bridge at Arnhem, Holland.

A dispatch from the front said the British airborne units had finally been forced to quit the north end of the bridge after holding it desperately for three days while surrounded.

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Sept. 25.—(AP)—A great battle raged on eastern Holland's approaches to Germany tonight with the enemy hurling elements of three to four divisions against a valorous British band clinging stubbornly to its foothold north of the broad Neder Rhine just west of Arnhem.

The British Second Army, throwing a bridgehead across the river barrier, also was under violent attack as it strove to drive up to the beleaguered airborne force which has fought alone for nine days. Its supply lane stretching 50 miles southward was under assault.

Still supplies came through, still sea-going trucks and assault boats crossed the stream in a hail of shell and machinegun fire, and an officer declared "the situation is not critical," although only a dribble of men and supplies was reaching the cut-off forces.

Meanwhile, the Allies swung guns and troops from Holland into Germany at two points some 15 miles south of this fighting, driving ahead to within eight miles of the Siegfried line's northern terminal at Kleve, keeping up the relentless pressure on the enemy's more vulnerable northern defenses.

Supreme headquarters joined in with a call to the 12,000,000 foreign workers inside the Reich to take up arms, indicating climatic battles were at hand.

Southwest of Kleve the British Second army was moving out east of its Dutch base at Eindhoven on a 13-mile front and advanced elements knifing into Deurne were about 18 miles from the German frontier.

Supreme headquarters said Allied forces had entered the forest of the Reichswald, which screens the fortress of Kleve on the southwest, and front dispatches said

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Disaster Faces Germans Throughout Balkan Area

ROME, Sept. 25.—(AP)—The Balkans were described today as "a morass which threatens to engulf all of the enemy forces that are left," with chaos spreading among the Germans in southern Greece, Albania and Yugoslavia.

The Allied air command disclosed that since the summer of 1942 more than 5,000 tons of guns, ammunition and other supplies had been flown to Yugoslav partisans and patriot forces in other central and southern European countries.

"Without this vast variety of supplies," the report stated, "the partisan armies would most likely have remained guerrillas, their losses would have been heavier, and the Balkans would have remained a German bastion, instead of a morass which threatens to engulf all of the enemy forces that are left."

German forces in the Balkans are said to lack coordina-

tion with individual groups shifting for themselves, surrendering or fighting more or less on their own responsibility, according to reports from Cairo. Experts expressed belief a similar pattern of chaos would appear in Germany when the Wehrmacht disintegrates.

The about-faces Romania and Bulgaria, and the swift advances of the Russians to the frontiers of Hungary, Yugoslavia and Greece placed the outflanked Germans in an untenable position.

Air blows coupled with partisan activities have disrupted enemy communications throughout the Balkans.

The air command reports said secret landing fields have been laid out in Yugoslavia, Greece, Albania and other countries, and that the number of such airports "would astonish the Germans."

Victory Will Increase Need For A Bigger War Chest