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80,000 GERMANS BELIEVED TRAPPED IN HOLLA Three-Fourths Of Vienna Flames With Battle As Reds Advance

Russians Within Mile Of Heart Of City; Reach Schoenbrun Park

LONDON, April 9.—(AP)—The flame of battle rolled over three fourths of Vienna today and the Germans said the Russians had fought into Schoenbrunn park, site of the summer palace of the Hapsburg monarchs, and also had reached Franz Josef railway station in the northern part of the city.

Japanese Casualties

In Philippines High

30,000 For Americans

ing and wounded.

645 and 108,630.

In the south the Russians were the 325-yard-wide river east of fighting within a mile of the ring, the 325-yard-wide river east of the circular street around the Vienna and the two columns were center. They were reported with- north of the river. in 8 to 12 miles of closing the escape gap on the north side of the tured Pframa, was reported to PVT. R. E. CLARY

reached the Franz Josef railway highway leading north and had March 24, while fighting in Gerstation, depot controlling traffic taken it under long-range fire at northward out of the city, by ad- some places. vancing across the historic Kahlsuburb of Grinzing.

mans said, the Russians were at- of Vienna. tempting to storm across to the MAKE ADVANCES eastern bank of the Danube at Nuzsdorf, a suburb. Moscow dis- who captured Neulengbach, 15 miles patches said it was believed the from the city, were reported to Russians already had crossed far- have advanced several miles to ther out, in the vicinity of captur- within sight of St. Poelten on the ed Klosterneuberg. Other forces had stormed across

Japs Claim U. S.

Casualties On

Okinawa High

"are repulsing enemy forces."

anese losses were placed at 400.

30 ships were sunk including three

cruisers, 10 destroyers, a "large type warship," three minesweepers and 13 unidentified craft.

Japan officially acknowledged the

loss of five warships in the two-day, air-sea battle. The Domei

news agency described them today

as units of a "special attack corps," the Nipponese term for suicide forces. Domei described their par-

and added, "this means that not

only the air force and submarines.

anese naval base" reported:

but every branch of the Japanese

FIVE SHIPS LOST

tanks and 33 guns knocked out and northern Luzon.

16 landing barges destroyed. Jap- LIKE CASSINO

damaged in the Japanese air at- whose 25th division troops have

tack on the American fleet in the been battling for 83 days to clear

Okinawa area last Friday. Adm. the Balete Pass gateway to the

Chester W. Nimitz has announced Cagayan valley. "The enemy, can-

U. S. losses as three destroyers not be blasted out by air or artil-

sunk. The enemy version was that lery, but must be dug out."

heart of the city, and in the north driving toward a junction on the within 1 1-4 miles of the city's Marchfeld, the flat Vienna plain

The eastern column, from caphave pushed within sight of As-Schoenbrunn park is west and pern airport, inside Vienna's city southwest of three railway sta- limits on the northern bank of tions already seized by the Rus- the Danube. Already having cut sians in the southern part of the the railroad leading to Bruenn. Pvt. Ralph E. Clary, son of Mr. city. Schoenbrunn palace rivals Czechoslovak munitions center 65 and Mrs. S. B. Clary of route 3, Versailles in its sumptuous plan. miles north of Vienna, this col- Shelby, who was previously report-The Germans said the Russians umn was driving for the main ed missing, was killed in action on

enberg, a mountain overlooking line running to Prague, Czechosloon the northwest, and vak capital 150 miles northwest, through the famed wine-growing remained open and it was menaced if not cut by the force reported to Just east of Grinzing, the Ger- have crossed the river northwest

West of Vienna Soviet forces



PVT. CLARY

DIES IN ACTION

many, according to a telegram received by his parents from the War Only one railway, the north bank Department. Pvt. Clary was wounded in the early part of January, but the wound was slight and he was soon returned to his company and was fighting somewhere in Germany when he was killed. clary entered the Army in Decemat Fort Jackson before going over-

DR. W. A. SMART **OPENS SERIES**

Prophets Of The Old

Latest Count Sets Total At 314,854, Against Around Dr. W. A. Smart, of Atlanta, Ga., conducting services this week at the Central Methodist church began a series of discussion this morning on the lesser known prophets of the Old Testament. He opened MANILA, April 9.—(AP)—The count of Japanese killed and captured in the Philippines reached 314,854 today as his discussions with a talk on the Gen. Douglas MacArthur added 6,495 dead and 179 prisoners Book of Amos which he declared reached a high peak in the moral U. S. Officers Making Inand religious progress of the day. There was no new announcement of American casual-"Amos did more than any other ties-by latest previous report around 30,000 killed, missprophet of his age to make religion

moral," Dr. Smart declared. Dr. Smart spoke twice at Cen-MacArthur's communique also MacArthur's communique also tral church yesterday. On yester-disclosed an impressive toll of day morning he talked on "The Japanese shipping - nearly three Coming Kingdom of God", and at quarters of a million tons sunk or the vesper hour spoke on "God, the damaged-in the American air source of all Goodness."

blockade of the South China Sea Dr. Smart will speak each mornduring the first three months of ing and evening this week. In the official said represented Ger-1945. morning the service will last from Blockading planes of the Fifth 10 to 10:45 o'clock and he will Army Air force and attached na- speak each evening at 8 o'clock.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—(P)— val aircraft, the communique said. A Japanese imperial communique sank 345,179 tons in the three reported today that American remonths, probably sank 116,965 Jap Columns In inforcements were still pouring into tons and damaged 274,295 tons. the U. S. army's southward drive on For March alone corresponding Honan Withdrawing Okinawa but that Japanese troops tonnage was listed as 221,492; 44,-

CHUNGKING, April 9 .- (A)-Two A broadcast version of the com- Ground fighting in the Philip-Japanese columns were reported munique recorded by the federal pines, which MacArthur announcwithdrawing into Honan province of the hoard. communications commission claim- ed yesterday had virtually comed, without confirmation that 3.- pleted liberation of southern Mintoday after suffering setbacks at the hands of Chinese forces de-600 American casualties were in- danao, continued particularly bitflicted in the first week, 102 U.S. ter in the Balete Pass sector of fending the Shensi border.

A Chinese communique said more than half of one column had been wiped out when it was surrounded "This battle should be compared The imperial communique claim- with Cassino," (in Italy) declared in southwest Honan barely 30 miles ed 49 U. S. ships were sunk or Maj. Gen. Charles L. Mullins, from the Shensi frontier, and that Chinese forces were pursuing the remnants eastward.

The second Japanese column, striking toward Shensi from north- American dollars. western Honan, was reported routed after six hours fighting in which tary treasure hundreds of price-400 of the invaders were slain. Chi- less works of art were found hidnese forces pursuing the withdraw- den in the mine. Dr. Paul Rave ing enemy were said to be near- curator of the German state muing Japanese-held Chang-Suichen seum and an assistant director of on the Lo river 70 miles from the Berlin's National art gallaries, said

RAF Heavy Bombers Blast Suzuki Calls In forces. Domet described their participation as "highly significant," Submarine Base, Oil Plant Hiranuma For Talks

LONDON, April 9-(A)-An ar-| Heavy bomber raid on that obnavy is now carrying out special heavy bombers blasted the Blohm-One Domei dispatch from "a Jap- burg and the Lutzekendorf syn-"The imperial navy has been night while fleet mosquitos rock-mobilized for a grand offensive and ed Berlin with another dose of

In Southern Luzon, 14th

corps cut the last land escape

route for Japanese in the Bi-

col Peninsula as they captur-

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for the last few days this base has two-ton blockbusters. been resounding with one roar of The raids followed up sweeping the special attack corps planes assaults on Germany yesterday by which have been taking off for the more than 1,950 planes of the U. S. Eighth Air force, which bomb-

mada of more than 900 RAF jective within a week. The plant, which was described by the air Gen. Baron Kantaro Suzuki, went Voss submarine yards at Ham- ministry as probably the most im- into a huddle over "important burg and the Lutzekendorf synthetic oil plant near Leipzig last
night while fleet mosquitos rocknight wh fabricated submarines.

the weekend as 192 of its carefully rationed planes were shot out of

Americans Meet First Reverses On Okinawa, Forced To Withdraw

GUAM, April 9.—(A)—Japanese charging with fixed bayonets in their first counterattack of the Okinawa campaign drove American troops off a dominating hill as tanksupported Yank infantrymen hammered at strongly defended caves and pillboxes beneath a developing artillery battle.

and crags on Southern Okinawa when Japanese tanks, artillery and mortars began blasting at five they've used heretofore. These U. S. tanks lumbering through a batteries kept up a swelling, roundfield studded with 500 pound the-clock duel with superior U. S bombs which had been converted into land mines. The Japanese showered the tanks with Molotov cocktails and then charged Red

Three American tanks were lost. The Third battalion of the 184th regiment withdrew from the hill. Americans reformed last night, expecting strong opposition in their attempt to retake the

Nipponese were strongly dug on Southern Okinawa, 325 miles 590 enemy warplanes were from Japan. Behind them was the largest concentration of ar-

Nipponese poured out of caves tillery encountered in the Pacific campaign, with heavier guns than IN THE NORTH

Lightly opposed Marines were swarming through northern Okinawa, cutting off Motobu Peninsula with its former enemy submarine and torpedo base at Un-

Ground resistance was about all Japan had to offer in the way of a defense. Its mighty 45,000-ton, super-battleship Yamato and five lesser warships were sunk Saturinto crags, hills, ravines and caves to the infantry's rescue. In all,

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ber, 1943, and received his training at Fort Jackson before going over-Lt. Epes For Murder

Indictment Charges Mary Lee Epes Came To Death | The Silver Star was awarded posthumously to Lt. Yarbrough for By Poison And Suffocation: Buried Alive

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 9.—(P)—Lt. Samuel C. Epes, Discusses Lesser Known 29, member of a prominent Richmond, Va., family, was indicted by the Richland county grand jury today for the murder of his wife by "poison and suffocation."

STORE SEIZED

ventory Of Gold, Works Of Art

MERKERS, GERMANY, April 9 -(P)-U. S. army officers toiled in the depths of a German salt mine 2.100 feet underground today to inventory a captured hoard of gold and money which a Reichsbank many's entire gold reserve.

More than 4,000 bags of gold bullion-each weighing 25 pounds and worth \$14,000—already had been counted, but there still were tempt tons of treasure yet to be inven- LOVE ANGLE

There were indications that the 000,000 estimate which Dr. Werner Erfurt district, placed on the value

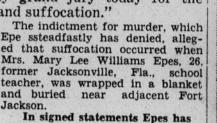
The inventory was begun yesterday after U. S. Third army engineers under Lt. Jack McFarlane of Hollywood, Calif., had blasted a hole through the thick brick

wall protecting the treasure. Corridors leading to the main treasure room were lined with huge stacks of bags containing Reichsmarks and the money of various other countries, including

In addition to the great monetwo-thirds of Germany's art treasures were cached there.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9-(A)-Japan's new premier, 77-year-old

The meeting with Hiranuma The German air force suffered premier in 1939-40, was reported recorded by the federal commun-



related that he found his wife dead early on the morning of January 28 after Mary Lee had taken several tablets of a sedative, and that in panic he took her pody from their apartment in a car and buried her in an abandoned foxhole. The next day he told police she

was missing, and two weeks later, as he was being treated at the for hospital for a dog bite, he told officers that he would lead them to her

shallow grave, army officials said, Mrs. Fred E. Yarbrough, of 409 he slashed his throat and wrists West Graham street. S/Sgt. Bumin what they termed a sucide at-

During the period of his arrest France. on a magistrate's warrant charging Lt. Yarbrough was awarded the final total might exceed the \$100,- murder, civilian officers to whom Silver Star posthumously by order the case had been turned over by Vieck, Reichsbank director for the the Army, made extensive investi- acts of valor in Italy on December gations. One trail led to a Louisiana 12, 1943", when he was killed in Epes had corresponded, but that to his parents, Col. Fox said, "This angle was soon dropped in the in- star in no wise atones to his parvestigation

> murder of pretty, auburn-haired to him, had he lived, at a special Mrs. Mary Lee Williams Epes al- troop formation." leged that Epes administered sodium UNDER ENEMY FIRE seconal, a pain-relieving barbiturate, to his wife January 27 "and did

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STUDENTS FLAG TRAIN TO SAVE SCHOOL BUS

Students of No. 3 high school acted with quick thought Saturday afternoon when they flagged a freight train which was approaching a crossing where a No. 3 high school bus had stalled on the

The train was held up about 30 minutes at the crossing near the Byers airport while the bus was pulled from the tracks. Miss Olene McSwain was driver of the school

In the meantime, W. V. Reed, ications commission as Suzuki for- ed vehicle. He was uninjured and selving—whom Hitler recently sub- the Hitler youth service to help administration as pro-Fascist. Of-There was nothing further to indicate a new naval action might be brewing.

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There was nothing further to indicate a new naval action might be brewing ficials between Berlin and his car was not seriously damaged. The school bus suffered only slight on the sky by Eighth Air force gundless that the sky by Eighth Air force gundless th



LT. YARBROUGH

Silver, Bronze Stars To Lt. Yarbrough (Deceased), Sgt. Bumgarner

In impressive ceremonies held at the homes of their respective parents here Sunday afternoon, two oung men of Shelby, Lt. Raymond Earl Yarbrough, 24, (deceased) and S/Sgt. Arbuth O. Bumgarner, 22, were cited for gallantry in action in the service of their country and were presented high awards by Wilbur W. Fox of Camp Croft, S. C., on special orders by the Pres-

courageous action in Italy and was



S/SGT. BEMGARNER

Before leading officers to the received by his parents, Mr. and garner was presented the Bronze Star for exceptional and meritorious service behind the enemys' lines in

of the President for "deeds and woman war plant worker with whom action. In presenting the medal ents and his relatives for his loss The bill of indictment charging and it would have been presented

> The citation read by Col Fox was: "Under enemy fire, Lt. Yarbrough secured prompt and effective support from his men during an attack on Hill 1205. He located an observation post, identi-

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Last Rail Link To Netherlands **Cut By Americans**

PARIS, April 9.—(A)—The allies, having exacted 500,-000 casualties from the Germans in ten days, cut the last railway from western Holland today, trapping the bulk of 80,000 more Germans believed still in the Netherlands.

The American Ninth and British Second Armies fought within sight of the shelled and burning north German cities of Hannover and Bremen. They were within 50 miles of the Elbe river at Hamburg and 70 of the stream at Madgeburg. The Elbe is the last water barrier on the flat country leading to Berlin and flows within 50 miles of the capital.

ALLIES CLOSING IN ON MASSA

Crack Japanese-American Infantry Spearheading Advance

ROME. April 9-(A)-Fifth army troops battling their way up the Italian west coast are closing in on Massa against scattered enemy resistance after capturing 3,000- both. foot Monte Belvedere, two miles quarters announced today.

Elements of the 442nd regiment, out enemy

and east of the main highway ten days. leading to La Spezia. of the 92nd Negro division stabbed Americans within 94 miles of forward to the village of Porta Munich and 170 of Hitler's mounand captured Montignoso, about tain fastness at Berchtesgaden. two miles southeast of Massa as CANADIANS ADVANCE

NAVAL SUPPORT

west coast highly effective fire tion of Meppel, ten miles from the At the eastern end of the front Eighth army units were mopping

southwestern fringes of the Comacchio lagoon. Prisoners in that locality totaled 250. Brisk patrol actions were reported on the Senio river line across the southeast corner of the

up remaining enemy units around

Po Valley and in the mountains a

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WHAT'S DOING

7:30 p.m.-State Guard drill

at armory. 8:00 p.m.-Called meeting of Cleveland Lodge 202 A. F. & A.M. at Masonic Temple for work in second degree.

TUESDAY 7:00 p.m.—Lions club meets at Hotel Charles. 7:30 p.m.-C. A. P. members meet at armory. 7:30 p.m.—Regular meeting

Shelby chapter 110 Order of

Eastern Star at Masonic Tem-

9:00 p.m. - Masonic Fellowship club meets at Masonic

THE WAR TODAY: Allies Continue To Meet Light Resistance In Reich

By DeWITT MacKENZIE, AP Writer The Allied offensive out of the thing from the wreckage-is hav-Rhineland continues its eastward ing a hard time squeezing juice sweep of enerclements and anni- out of the lemon his Fuehrer hand-

Here and there the Nazis are in any event is to delay slightly by Secretary of State Cordell Hull fighting fanatically, but these is- the final collapse of a Nazidom who initiated non-recognition of school bus mechanic who had been lands of resistance lack the co- which today is said by the official the Buenos Aires regime of Genits worst defeats of the year during carried by Tokyo home radio and called to the wreck, turned his car hesion to make them more than German news agency to be calling eral Edelmiro Farrell and in subover going to the scene of the stall- locally effective. Field Marshal Kes- up 10-year-old boys and girls for sequent statements assailed the

Hannover and Bremen both were five miles from Allied infantry and tanks. An entry into both was imminent, although the Germans were

fighting hard for Bremen, one of their greatest ports and shipbuildin centers Great and small cities and towns all over northern Germany burned mysteriously, even though Allied bombers stayed away from most. Flames were reported specifically in Hamburg Hannover, Brunswiick and

Luebeck. Of these, Luebeck and Brunswick had not been raided recently. Tanks bypassed both Bremen and Hannover, hopelessly outflanking

Ninth army troops stormed into south of the town, Allied head- the streets of the great Ruhr industrial cities of Essen (660,000). Crack Japanese-American in- home of the Krupp Works; Dortfantry troops were spearheading mund (537,000) and Gelsenkirchen

(313.000). At least 38,600 prisoners were composed of American-born Jap- captured yesterday, 37,500 to Gen. anese, beat off German counter- Omar Bradley's four American attacks northeast of Monte Bel- armies in the center. Bradley's

pockets south of Monte Folgorito ualties at 50,000 a day for the past To the south, the Seventh army Meanwhile tank-supported troops capture of Crailsheim placed the

well as Strinato to the north of Canadians pushed eight miles northeast of Zwolle and made contact with Allied Airborne troops to For the third straight day the wrest control of the north Holland British destroyers Marine and communications. The junction was lookout gave the Americans on the established close to the rail junc-

Zuider Zee. There the last rail line

was snapped and the last rail

bridge was blown. The Germans

exploded dikes flooding 400 aquare At supreme headquarters, officers said up to 80,000 Germans

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U. S. Resumes Relations With Argentina Today

WASHINGTON, April 9- (AP) The United States resumed "normal diplomatic relations" with Argentina at noon, eastern war time. today.

The action was announced by Secretary of State Stettinius who said it was taken in conjunction with the 19 other American republics represented at the recent inter-American Conference at Mexico City.

It follows a declaration of war by Argentina against Axis countries and her adherence to the resolutions adopted by the Mexico City Conference March 27 and other steps called for by the conference.

Stettinius declined to discuss whether Argentina would be invited or would ask for United Nations membership, whether that subject had been discussed with Soviet Russia which has been highly critical of this, Argentine government or whether eventually Argentina would participate in the San Francisco Conference on an international organization,

hilation across the Reich without ed him. Kesselring is desperately