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Report Imminent Fall Of Breslau

Red Army Crosses Oder River Line In South; Apparently Cut Off E. Prussia In The North; Stalin Announces Capture of Gleiwitz

London, Jan. 25.—Red Army forces have broken the Oder River line in southeast Germany and are exploiting the breakthrough while in the north they apparently have cut off East Prussia, Soviet field dispatches have announced.

Moscow broadcasts said the thunderous Soviet winter offensive was at one point a little more than 125 miles from Berlin and that Russian Army units were fighting "on the edge of Konigsberg," capital of East Prussia.

Marshal Stalin announced tonight Russian forces had captured Oels, a communication center fourteen miles northeast of Breslau.

The Red Army also captured Ostrow, 13 miles southwest of Kalisz in Poland and 10 miles from the northern border of Silesia.

Capture of Gleiwitz, big industrial center just west of the Silesian manufacturing towns of Hindenburg and Beuthen, was announced by Marshal Stalin. Chranow, important center in the Dombrowa coal basin, 17 miles west of captured Krakow in Poland, also was taken.

Gleiwitz, 90 miles southeast of Breslau, is the largest German city captured by the Russians. Its 118,000 population was mostly engaged in large coal transshipping business and seven large arms and machinery plants, including a barb wire factory.

German broadcasts said the Red Army had broken into Elbing on the Gulf of Danzig, effectively shutting off East Prussia.

Fall of Breslau, capital of lower (northern) Silesia, and most important industrial city in the eastern Reich, appeared imminent as Marshal Ivan Konev moved his First Ukrainian Army rapidly west of the Oder to encircle the city.

Konev's forces, vanguards of the Russian avalanche, stormed across the broken ice of the Oder in the heart of Silesia at a point southeast of Breslau, Soviet front line reporters said, and shoved on toward the mountains of Bohemia in Czechoslovakia.

TEN FOLD!

London, Jan. 25.—Prime Minister Churchill warned the Germans today that if they used poison gas the Allies would retaliate swiftly "ten fold."

"It is no doubt a realization of this fact and not any real moral scruples on the part of the enemy that has hitherto secured us immunity from this particular form of warfare," the Prime Minister said.

Churchill's statement was contained in a written reply to a question raised in Commons as to whether the Allies were prepared for the possible Nazi use of gas as a last resort.

Workers Needed At Navy Yard

In line with the current national movement to get 4-Fs into war work, C. H. Andrews, Civil Service labor recruiter for the Norfolk Navy Yard, said here today at the U. S. Employment service office that the Norfolk Navy Yard, which is located at Portsmouth, Va., is urgently in need of more than thirty types of skilled and unskilled labor.

He urged men classified as 4-F who are looking for war work to contact him at the Employment Office in Farmville. Excellent wages are paid at the Navy Yard, housing is available and the government pays transportation to Portsmouth, the recruiter pointed out.

In rushing "must" naval construction to completion electricians, machinists, sheetmetal workers, welders and other types of skilled tradesmen are needed, and laborers and helpers are wanted badly.

"We must work now as we have never worked before," Mr. Andrews said, "and the Norfolk Navy Yard offers every man an opportunity to do his part in the war."

He cautioned men already in essential work, however, not to apply.

Mr. Andrews will be at the local U. S. Employment Service office located on the second floor of the Old Citizens Bank Building every Wednesday from 9 til 5 to interview applicants interested in work at Norfolk Navy Yard.

Farmers to Need Neighborly Help For 1945 Crops

"With the farm labor situation more acute than ever, our hope for 1945 lies in the continuation of neighbor helping neighbor and the fine spirit of cooperation that has existed in the past two years," says County Agent T. J. W. Broom of the State College Extension Service.

He explains that Union County growers began to pool their labor resources in 1943 at the first signs of the farm labor shortage. "They organized themselves into groups for the purpose of exchanging work in crises and the plan worked out fine," Broom says. "This same spirit improved church attendance and it seemed that people liked each other better."

"Last spring, March and April, were exceptionally wet and very little plowing was done. Spring hay crops were ready for harvest and two months' work was piled in one. The weather cleared, cotton and corn were planted, and the hay crops were saved. Tractors ran day and night. Everyone was amazed at the amount of work accomplished."

Larger crops of grain, hay, corn and cotton were saved in 1944 than in 1943 all because of the excellent spirit of cooperation and the plan of neighbor working with neighbor.

Broom states that crop goals can be met in 1945, if the same spirit is used in meeting the problems of this year.

Extension Service Reports Activities

By Julian E. Mann, N. C. State College.

County farm and home agents, working in every North Carolina county, fought the enemy in 1944 with food just as surely as their brothers and sisters made him retreat with shot and shell on the far flung battlefronts of this war.

County farm agents gave 85.6 per cent of their full time to assisting farm families to expand food production through promotion of better farming practices in the production of vegetables and fruits, livestock and livestock products, livestock feed, in more efficient management of farms, and in the teaching of better marketing practices. Basis for the above are annual reports of Extension agents for 1944.

For example, 9,371.4 farm agent-days were given to assistance with production of dairy, beef, swine and poultry products; and 5,744.1 agent-days were devoted to help in the production of feed crops for these livestock.

A total of 167,838 livestock and poultry practices were recommended to livestock and poultry producers alone in an effort to expand and make more efficient the production of livestock food.

White home demonstration agents spent 16,426.9 agent-days giving aid in the preservation, selection and preparation of food. There were 113,627 families assisted with food preservation problems. These families canned 8,211,911 quarts of fruit, 12,232,664 quarts of vegetables, and 1,850,142 quarts of meat and fish; a total of 22,294,117 quarts of food. In addition, 24,894,466 pounds of meat were cured by families assisted by farm and home agents, and 10,141,662 pounds of food were otherwise dried, stored, frozen, or cured by these families.

Of the 278,276 families of farm owners and tenants in North Carolina, white Extension Agents influenced 266,736 to adopt better farm and home practices in 1944 through visits to the farm meetings, demonstrations, circular letters, or other Extension teaching methods. In addition, 896,045 non-farm families were reached with Extension information.

White county home demonstration agents in 1944 gave 43 per cent of their time in assisting families with nutrition and health problems; 26 per cent to clothing problems, family economics, parent education and community life; 20 per cent to planning and organization of Extension programs; and 11 per cent to educational marketing and other activities.

"White county farm agents gave 39 per cent of their time to assisting with crop and livestock production for feed and sale; 18 per cent to assisting with better management of farms; 11 per cent to educational marketing; 10 per cent to planning and organization of programs; 9 per cent to direct assistance in the conservation of soils and other natural resources; 6 per cent to assisting farm families in production of food for the family table; and 7 per cent to general farmstead improvements, economic and other farm problems.

During cold weather, care must be exercised to see that hogs butchered and hung up to chill are not permitted to freeze. A frozen carcass must be thawed out before the meat is put in cure.

Plans Completed For Birthday Ball

All Committees Report Gratifying Response to Appeals For Infantile Paralysis Fund

All arrangements have been made for a gala celebration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's birthday here with a grand ball and a program of special entertainment, which will be held at the Country Club, Tuesday evening, January 30, from 9:00 to 12:00 o'clock, which is now in full swing in an all-out effort being made by the Junior Woman's Club, the sponsoring organization.

Tickets for the grand ball have been printed and are now on sale at the City Drug Co., at \$1.00 per couple. Mrs. Allen reports that canvassing committees are meeting with a ready response and that the collections being taken after every show at the Paramount Theatre are very gratifying. Gilvry Harris, manager, is giving full cooperation to the campaign, and a "heart-touching" short film "The Miracle of Hickory, N. C." with an appeal by Greer Garson, is being run as a supplement to the daily shows. Last year the sum of \$146 was contributed by theater-goers here. In the nation the motion picture theatres collected \$4,500,000, and turned it over to the National Foundation, half of which was sent back to the local communities.

The various local organizations contacted have responded generously and a list of these will be published next week.

The colored section of town is reported to be getting busy under the direction of Prof. H. B. Sugg, and will doubtless make their usual good showing.

The March of Dimes, being conducted under the supervision of J. H. Moore, is reported also as gathering momentum as the days swing along and that a surprisingly large amount will go in from this source to swell the Farmville contribution to the Fund. In Pitt County the March of Dimes campaign will continue until Saturday, February 3.

From all over the county come reports of activities in the schools and communities and it seems well assured that Pitt will raise the quota of \$4,500 assigned.

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TRI-COUNTY S. S. RALLY TO BE HELD IN BETHEL

The Pitt-Beaufort-Martin County Sunday School Rally will be held Sunday afternoon, January 28, at 3:00 o'clock, in the Baptist Church at Bethel. Rev. E. C. Chamblee, pastor of the Farmville Baptist Church, is District Superintendent, and Miss Edna Whitley, of Chocowinity, is secretary.

The theme of the rally will be "Finding People," and the principal speaker of the program will be Rev. Richard E. Hardaway, pastor of Memorial Church, Greenville. Rev. L. D. Holt will conduct the devotional program and the song service will be by the Rev. A. Hartwell Campbell, with a special selection rendered by the Bethel choir.

Featuring the meeting will be an Open Forum, which will be conducted by Miss Ethel Guest, of Williamston, with the subject emphasizing the rally theme, "Finding People."

NEW BOOKS ON SHELVES OF THE CITY LIBRARY

The following new books are now available at the Farmville Public Library:

Kelly—One Man's War; Berry—Hearthstone in the Wilderness; Brown—A Walk in the Sun; Johnson—Woodrow Wilson; Goudge—Green Dolphin Street; Ransom—The Big Six; Willoughby—I Was On Convegidor; Seymour—On the Edge of the Fjord; Cronin—The Green Years; Spring—Hard Facts; Dean—Murder A Mile High; Bromfield—World We Live In; Gibbons—The Bachelor; Graham—Earth and High Heaven; Halsey—Some of My Best Friends Are Soldiers; Rains—Liza Liza; Robinson—Big Boy; Dubois—Banjo, the Crow; Rudolph—Baby Bears; Atwater—The Ski Patrol; McDonald—Flower of the Fortress; Costworth—Trudy and the Tree House; DeAngeli—Turkey For Christmas.

PRISONER OF WAR INFORMATION

Next of kin of any service man from Pitt County, desiring any necessary information or help mail call Mrs. S. S. Roberts 4044 or Mrs. F. B. Haas 3829, Greenville, N. C.

Subscription Rate Goes Up March 1

Subscription rate to the Farmville Enterprise will be increased from \$1.50 per year to \$2.00, beginning March 1st.

If your subscription is due or past due NOW is the time to pay same and subscribe for one or more years in advance at the old price.

WPB To Prohibit Certain Uses Of Electricity First

The War Production Board has, in its nation wide effort to save scarce fuels used in the generation of electricity, issued to the local Water and Light Department, of which W. A. McAdams is Superintendent, Utilities Order U-9, prohibiting certain uses of electricity.

Under Paragraph C of the prohibitive Order are:

- (1) Outdoor advertising and outdoor promotional lighting.
- (2) Outdoor display lighting, except where necessary for the conduct of the business of outdoor establishments.
- (3) Outdoor decorative and outdoor ornamental lighting.
- (4) Show window lighting except where necessary for interior illumination.
- (5) Marquee lighting in excess of 60 watts for each marquee.
- (6) White way street lighting in excess of the amount determined by local public authority to be necessary for public safety.
- (7) Outdoor sign lighting with limited specified exceptions which is specified in the Order.

The mandatory provisions become effective on February 1, and any consumer violating the Order is subject to penalties prescribed by Federal Law, which may include the discontinuance of electric service at the direction of the War Production Board.

Supt. McAdams is urging immediate voluntary compliance with the prohibitive Order, effective February 1, and maximum conservation in other uses of electricity.

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INDUCTED FOR SERVICE

The following white men reported for induction into the Armed Forces January 18:

James W. Knauff, Land E. Roberts, William M. Langley, John Elks, Jr., Walter C. Davenport, Wallace R. Roberson, Enoch H. Forbes, Alton E. Brand, Garland T. O'Mary, James L. Rouse, Donald C. Davis and Joseph C. Bryant.

Lewis R. Ayers failed to report. Anyone knowing his present address please notify this board. The last address given is 23rd St., East Ocean View Shore Drive c/o J. T. Sumner, Norfolk, Va.

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SGT. LANG PROMOTED

15th AAF in Italy.—S/Sgt. James T. Lang, of 304 Belcher St., Farmville, N. C., whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland O. Lang, reside at the same address, was recently promoted from the grade of sergeant. Sgt. Lang is an aerial gunner with a B-24 Liberator heavy bomber group of the 15th Air Force.

After graduation from Farmville High School in 1941, he attended the University of North Carolina until his entry into the Army Air Forces on April 1, 1944, at Ft. Bragg, N. C. He received training at Keesler Field, Miss., and Harlingen, Texas.

BRITISH ARMORED UNITS TAKE SIEGFRIED FORTRESS

WAR IN BRIEF

Soviets capture Oder River fortress city of Oppeln; Berlin says Poznan, 137 miles from German capital, under siege from east and south; Red Army four miles from Breslau; reported crossing of Oder River unconfirmed.

British break into Siegfried Line against savage resistance; four German counterattacks against First Army hurled back; Third Army within four miles of border east of Houffalize.

MacArthur's troops capture Banban with important air field; now 51 miles from Manila; Japanese casualties total 14,000 for campaign against 3,145 American killed, wounded and missing.

Superfortresses bomb Japanese air base island of Iwo without opposition; Tokyo indicates carrier planes hit Formosa-Okinawa area for third successive day.

Americans and British in Burma set twin traps to annihilate thousands of Japs in Ledo-Burma Road sector and Arakan-Kaladan area in west.

In Italy, Fifth Army patrols encounter heavy enemy fire toward Bologna; British observe German demobilizations in Alfonso, indicating enemy preparing to evacuate town.

VETERINARY MEET

A distinguished company of medical men, educators, research experts, outstanding veterinarians will deliver lectures and present demonstrations at the seventh annual North Carolina veterinary conference at State College January 23-26, it was announced Saturday by Dr. C. D. Grinnell, veterinarian of State College.

Attention will be focused during the conference on the latest methods of controlling death-dealing animal diseases and the promotion of the further development of North Carolina's growing livestock industry. Dr. Grinnell said. A large portion of the programs, Dr. Grinnell stated, will be devoted to the role of veterinarians in aiding farmers and livestock producers in increasing the nation's food supply.

Dr. G. L. Gilchrist, local veterinarian, is attending the conference.

Crop Reports Required By Feb. 15

"Performance reports" must be filed by February 15 if growers are to receive payments to which they are entitled covering 1944 operations, says the AAA office at State College.

There are two classes of farmers who are entitled to payments under the 1944 AAA Program. First is those who carried out unlimited practices. The second group consists of those who did not take up all of their farm allowance in conservation materials but carried out approved practices.

There are many growers in North Carolina who have not filed their performance reports for 1944 and this should be done at the earliest possible moment because February 15 is the deadline and after that will be "too late," according to the AAA officials.

Many farmers did not obtain the maximum farm allowance established for their farms in conservation materials furnished by the A.A.A. but carried out practices specified in the program to conserve and build up the fertility of their land. These growers, and also those who carried out unlimited practices, have earned payments and will receive payments, if performance reports covering 1944 operations are filed by February 15.

CHARLOTTE HOSPITAL TO BUILD POLIO WING

Charlotte, Jan. 18.—The Charlotte Memorial Hospital soon will award a contract for a new building which will house the 146 polio patients now hospitalized at the Hickory Emergency Hospital, Carl I. Fish, Memorial Hospital administrator said today.

Work on the building is to begin at once, with patients due for reception early in March.

Dr. Robert Bennett, director of the Warm Springs, Ga., hospital operated by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will divide his time between the local hospital and Warm Springs.

RECEIVES CITATION

Staff Sergeant Francis S. Wood, who married the former Miss Fannie Cobb Barrett, of Farmville, is a member of a United States chemical warfare processing unit in France, which has received a citation from the commanding general of the infantry division, which they supported, for their outstanding work, close on the heels of D-Day, according to a dispatch received here.

Britons Push Ten Miles Into Reich On Holland Front. Germans Reported Shifting Men From Western Front To East

Paris, Jan. 25.—British Second Army tanks, reaching 10 miles inside the Reich, captured the Siegfried fortress of Heinsberg Thursday against thinning enemy resistance, and it was disclosed that for three days German railroads have been jammed with men and weapons shifting from the west to the Eastern Front.

At Heinsberg, Field Marshal Sir B. L. Montgomery's Tommies were within 15 miles of the twin Rheinland industrial centers of Munchen-Gladbach and Rheydt—extreme artillery range—and were just 29 miles from the metropolis of Dusseldorf on the Rhine.

Nazi Fight Hard.

Desperate to hold the West Wall while their eastern ramparts were cracking, the Germans fought back hard against Montgomery's spearheads but in far fewer numbers due to the drains of the two-front war. The effective house-to-house resistance which characterized the battle of Aachen was missing as the British advanced as much as four miles across "holy" German soil.

Fighter-bombers of the Second Tactical Air Force, attached to Montgomery's 21st Army Group, have since Monday been pounding German troop trains traveling eastward to Hanover, junction point of the railroads to Berlin and thence on to the Russian front, it was learned. Pilots reported a steady stream of filled trains was moving east and empties were returning for new loads.

In that period, a second report revealed, the planes have destroyed or damaged more than 210 locomotives and over 700 railway cars, a heavy inroad into the Reich's strained supplies of rolling stock.

First and Third Army troops hacked out gains of from one to three miles from the base of the punctured Ardennes bulge on a 35-mile front, meeting resistance mostly from German rearguards stranded near the German frontier by the Ninth Tactical Air Force's record onslaught Monday and Tuesday.

The Third Army captured eight more towns, clearing all but a 60-mile-square strip of northeastern Luxembourg, and put a pincer around a German pocket at the Luxembourg road junction of Clearvaux.

Seventh Armored Division tanks of the First Army beat off four fruitless counterattacks against newly won St. Vith and pounded beyond the town in a drive for the Reich frontier, three and one-half miles away. The Third Army struck within four miles of the border at Binsfeld due east of Houffalize.

In Alsace, French First Army troops with American units attached stormed across the river Ill seven miles north of Colmar and cut the Colmar-Strasbourg rail and highway in a drive to wipe out the German Rhine bridgehead south of Strasbourg.

G. C. HONOR SOCIETY PICKS 13 MEMBERS

Greensboro.—The senior honor society of Greensboro college welcomed 13 new members at their annual formal dinner meeting last night in the college dining room.

Proceeding the dinner, the society met in the East drawing room for a brief business meeting presided over by Miss Mary Virginia Heilig, Salisbury, president. Miss Annie Pegram, faculty advisor of the club, welcomed the new girls into the group. Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college, congratulated new members and spoke on the value of scholarship.

The new members are Misses Sarah Foster, Mocksville; Mary Henry Wolfe, Shelby; Sarah Alexander, Clinton; Betty Foster, Hickory; Marie Johnson, Mocksville; Julia Owen, Asheville; Ann Spargo, Dallas; Mabel Cornelius, Monroe; Katy Higgins, Greensboro; Martha Ann Hoyle, Lincolnton; Ann Ingram, Lenoir; Carolyn Moser, Gastonia, and Alice Harper Parker, Farmville.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

Mrs. Tony Melton has been notified by the War Department that her husband, Pvt. Melton was wounded in Belgium the 20th of December. Pvt. Melton sustained injuries to his right arm and has been awarded the Purple Heart. Late reports state that he is recuperating rapidly.

Pvt. Melton, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Melton, was associated with Williams Grocery here prior to entering the service, and is well known and held in high esteem by the community. News of his being wounded has been received with deep regret.

LOCAL MERCHANTS TO JOIN IN PLAN TO CONSERVE FUEL

Saturday Closing Will Be At 7 P. M. Instead of Nine, Beginning February 3rd

In an effort to conserve fuel in the present emergency the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association have taken action, which is explained in the following letter:

"To all fellow Merchants:

By a majority vote 95 per cent of the merchants in Farmville have expressed their desire to close their stores at 7:00 Saturday evenings beginning February 3, 1945.

"Because you stated that you would abide with whatever the majority decided to do it is important that you lock your store door promptly at 7:00 every Saturday night. Of course it will take some time to wait on the customers that are in your store but the important thing to remember is to lock that door—pull down front shades and turn out front lights promptly at 7:00 each Saturday night.

"New signs for your windows are being sent you for advising that the new store closing hours are 6:00 p. m. weekdays and 7:00 p. m. on Saturdays. Please see that these signs are displayed promptly in your windows so that our customers will be well informed of our actions.

"Because they are considered separate units Barber Shops, Cafes and Drug stores will automatically work out their hours among themselves as is the usual custom.

"You may advise your customers that the stores will revert back to the 9:00 Saturday night hour for about two months during the season the farmers are putting in tobacco and find themselves unable to do their shopping before night. The exact dates of this change will be announced by the Merchants Association in the near future.

"No attempt for unity is successful without the full cooperation of each unit. You are a unit. Your store is expected to cooperate. Please make it a special point to see that you do.

Your very truly,
Farmville Merchants Association,
J. W. Menden, President.

"P. S.—Greenville Merchants Association just advised in their stores begin closing Saturday nights at 7:00 on January 27th."

SERVICE MEN'S CENTER

Visiting the Center during the week end were:

Pfc. T. E. Drake, Jr., U. S. M. C., Cherry Point and Coffeyville, Kansas. Guests of Miss Tabitha M. DeVisconti, Friday night and Saturday.

Pfc. Carlos Patterson, U. S. Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune and Huntersville, Alabama.

Sgt. Salvatore G. Carfi, U. S. Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune and Tarrytown, New York.

Sgt. C. S. Jankowski, Camp Lejeune and South River, N. J.

Herbert M. Moore, Seaman, U. S. Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Md., and Walstonburg, N. C.

Mrs. W. J. Turnage and Mrs. Robert D. Rouse donated salted pecans; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Norman and Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Wooten, milk; Ashl Trays by Monks Warehouse and a large number of State magazines by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stocks, of Greene County. Chocolate cake, native ham, boiled, tomatoes, lettuce and fruit were also given.

AT HOME ON LEAVE

Lt. Bernice Benjamin Turnage, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Turnage, is at home on leave after 12 months service in the South and Central Pacific Theaters of operation. Lt. Turnage flies a Corsair plane as a fighter pilot of the 4th Air Wing, Group 21, USMCR, and has seen considerable action in the Guam and Bougainville combat areas.

The Lieutenant, 23, who is a graduate of Farmville High and Davidson College, entered service with the Marine Corps in June 1942, immediately after graduation, and went overseas in December 1943.

Lt. Turnage expressed his appreciation of the peace and quietude that prevails here in the old home town, and his pleasure at being united with his family again and renewing acquaintance with his many friends from whom he is receiving a cordial welcome.

When his leave of 90 days is over, Lt. Turnage will go to Corpus Christi, Texas, for assignment of new duties.

When you lend a friend a book you keep the friend but lose the book.