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FIRST, NINTH ARMIES SLASH INTO GERMAN LINE

AMERICANS DEFY RAIN TO CLOSE IN ON TRAPPED JAPS

General MacArthur's Headquarters, Philippines—(AP)—Slogging forward through tropical rains today, American troops on Leyte were within small arms range of the Ormoc road behind the Japanese forward line and were threatening momentarily to cut off the enemy spearhead.

With American long-range artillery hammering the 26-mile corridor which remains to the Japanese, and American air fighters ranging the skies overhead, enemy dead mounted steadily.



Dramatic photographs of the flight of terror-stricken Chinese civilians before advancing Japanese armies appear on page 10 of The Tribune.

Phone Strike Halts Calls in 3 Ohio Cities

Dayton, O.—(AP)—Union-affiliated telephone operators walked out early today in a sudden protest against employment of out-of-town personnel and two hours later operators at Columbus and Toledo quit work in an expression of sympathy.

Paul Denning, commercial manager at Columbus, said at least 50 per cent of his long distance operators were absent at 8:30 a. m. (central war time) and operators said they were accepting emergency calls only.

Miss Jeanette Reedy of Dayton, president of the southwestern area council of the Ohio Federation of Telephone Workers, an independent union, said about 600 of Dayton's operators were affected.

There was no immediate indication of how generally the strike would affect service. Automatic equipment was operating as usual in both cities.

FIVE BOYS EARN EAGLE AWARDS

Five tri-city Boy Scouts of the south Wood county district of the Samoset council, Robert Vidal, Troop 73; Kenneth Burmeister, Troop 69; Dan Teas, Jack Molsberry, and Jim Kruger of Troop 72, will become Eagle scouts during court of honor ceremonies at the Elks club at 7:30 Saturday evening.

Bob Fancher and Bob Gamroth of Troop 77; David Smith, Troop 73; Harlem Buss and Jerry Lutz of Troop 69 will be awarded the emblem of second class scouts.

33 ARE GIVEN FINAL PAPERS OF CITIZENSHIP

Upon recommendation of Fred Campbell, Green Ray, naturalization examiner, Judge Herman J. Severson granted final naturalization papers to 33 applicants at the Wood county court house today.

The following people of German descent received their citizenship papers: Carl William Becker, Friedrich Christner, August Janka, whose name was officially changed to August Teves, Boris Lewy, changed to Peter Boris Borlew, Moritz Cahn, Jacobine Johanna Cahn, Theophilus Cahn, Bertha Mathilda Yandt, Elizabeth Piepenburg, Alexander Abraham, Johanna Abraham, Anna Weinfurter, Wilhelmina Anna Deigmann.

Italians granted papers were Maria Ehrnsberger (Sister Mary Heriberta), Justine Scheuring (Sister Mary Sila), Barbara Himmeler (Sister Mary Theodina), Anna Maria Schuster (Sister Mary Smerentiana), Theresa Meyer (Sister Mary Humiliana), Theresa Kohl (Sister Mary Rovindia).

Those of Austrian descent receiving citizenship papers were Fred Schneider and John Zalabsky; Agnes Busch (Sister Mary Nounita), Canadian; August Bogs and Waleriya Chrapla, Polish; Cornelius Balkanende, Netherlands; Angellus Routsis, changed to Angil T. Routsis, Greece; Thomas Knudson, Norway; Esther Elizabeth Knudson, Sweden; Eloff Sidor Moltenberg, changed to Sidor Miller, Sweden; Maria Dimitri, Albania.

Road Junction In Italy Taken By Fifth Army

Rome—(AP)—Fifth army troops have occupied Modigliana, important road junction nine miles south of the Bologna-Rimini highway town of Faenza, in the wake of a surprise German withdrawal after a week-long vigorous defense, allied headquarters announced today.

Several previous allied assaults on the town had been thrown back by separately fighting Nazis.

Air Medal Presented to Mother of Local Soldier

As directed by the president, Major Q. F. Mortorelli, air corps adjutant at Truxex Field, Madison, came to Wisconsin Rapids in person on Armistice day to present the mother of Flight Officer LaVerne David with the Air Medal awarded him May 16.

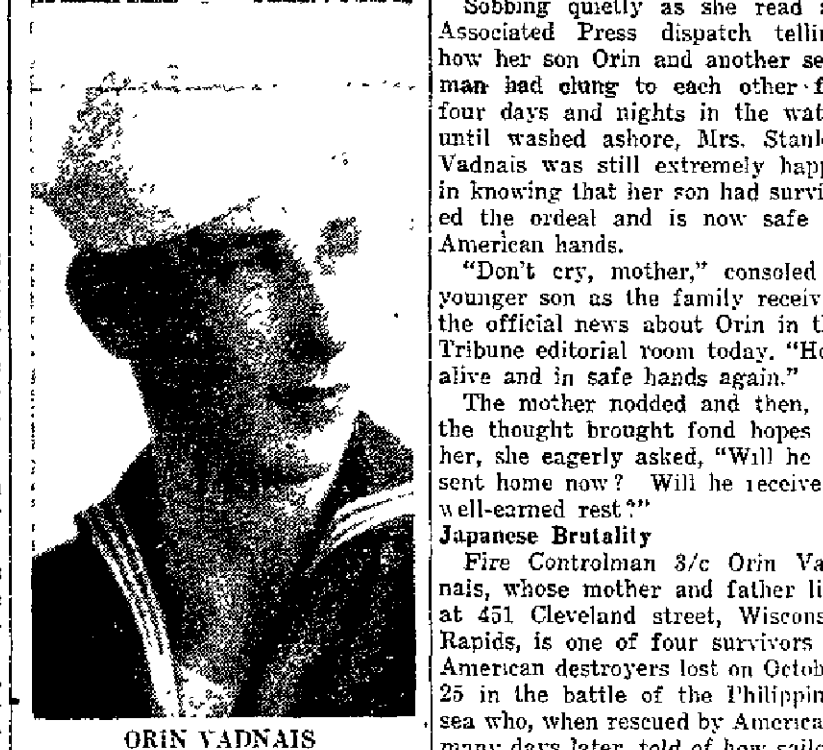
War Mobilizer Byrnes, joining an official campaign against what officialdom regards as a lack of public war-consciousness, declared shortages of material and weapons might "prolong the war" unless quickly remedied.



HELD IN MUTILATION SLAYINGS—Otto Steve Wilson (right) turns to Detective Lt. Lloyd G. Hurst to answer a question while being booked on suspicion of murder in Los Angeles for the mutilation deaths of two women whose bodies were found in separate hotels. Hurst said Wilson had confessed the slayings.

His Ship Sunk By Japs, Orin Vadnais Survives 4 Days, Nights in Sea

A Wisconsin Rapids mother, smiling bravely through tear-filled eyes, received the wonderful news this morning that her son had escaped death after his ship had been blasted and sunk by Japanese fire off the Philippines in the Pacific theater of operations.



PAASIKIVI HEADS FINNISH CABINET

Stockholm—(AP)—J. K. Paasikivi was named prime minister of Finland today in a shakeup of the cabinet.

Former Resident Here Is Promoted to Major. A nephew of Mrs. Bert Smith, 241 Fifth street north and of Mrs. Ed Philco, Tenth street, was recently promoted from the rank of captain to major.

Halt in Reconversion Threatened by Public's Lack of War-Consciousness

BY STERLING F. GREEN Washington—(AP)—The laying down of plans for making all those things civilians miss probably will be held back until German collapse is assured.

Battle Through Sleet, Rain In Great Offensive to Smash Enemy Resistance This Year

RUSSIANS PIERCE NAZI LINE; RAIL CITIES MENACED

London—(AP)—Russian troops have pierced the main German defense line 10 miles east of Budapest, capturing the rail station of Gyomro, and in a pivot northeast of the besieged capital today threatened the key railway junctions of Godollo and Hatvan.

The threat to Godollo, less than 10 miles northeast of Budapest, developed when powerful Soviet tank and infantry forces swept through Dany, less than 11 miles southeast. Godollo Germans road and rail routes to Vienna and central Slovakia.

Threaten Enemy Entrapment

The capture of Vamosgyork, where several trains and ammunition stores were seized, also threatened the entrapment of German and Hungarian forces still clinging to the central section of the Budapest-Miskole trunk line.

SENATOR COTTON ED SMITH DIES

Washington—(AP)—Democrat Senator Ellison DuRant (Cotton) Ed Smith, of South Carolina, dean of the senate and uncompromising anti-New Dealer, died today in Lynchburg, S. C.

Light Naptha Goes On Rationing List Beginning Nov. 20. Light naphtha, a petroleum product used principally for cooking and lighting, will be rationed beginning Nov. 20.

Commentator Boake Carter Dies Suddenly

Hollywood—(AP)—Sudden death has claimed Boake Carter, 46-year old commentator, whose frequently provocative programs won him thousands of friends and opponents.

Dr. Elmer Belt said Carter came into his office complaining he had been suffering from a kidney ailment and that he had the first such attack eight days ago in Kansas City.

He began his career on the airwaves in Philadelphia but kept his job as a rewrite man on his newspaper until he became a full time news commentator. In 1924 he married Beatrice Olive Richter, assistant society editor of the Philadelphia Bulletin.

Officer Telephones His Family From Hawaiian Islands

Mrs. Harold Wooddell, 1120 Thirtieth street south, had the thrill of hearing her husband's voice coming to her by trans-oceanic phone from the Hawaiian islands earlier this week.

The husband, Petty Officer 2/e Harold Wooddell, stationed at Barber's Point, Hawaii, talked to his wife, his small daughter Nancy, and to his mother, Mrs. Ada Wooddell, for six minutes during the long distance call.

THE WEATHER

For Wisconsin: Partly cloudy and cold tonight. Saturday fair and warmer. Today's Weather Facts: Maximum temperature for 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m., 40; minimum temperature for 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m., 25; temperature at 7 a. m., 30.

