

THE TROOPS STEAM OUT OF GERMANY

Last Allied Roundup Of Nazi Captives Nearing End

Moscow Victory Salute Sounds

LONDON — (AP) — The European war — most devastating in all history — bowed out last night by the deafening roar of 30 volleys from 1,000 Moscow guns, and all that was left of it today was a series of sporadic outbursts of fighting and the monotonous processing of endless streams of German prisoners.

Last Commander French General Weygand Arrested

PARIS — (AP) — Gen. Maxime Weygand, last commander in chief of France's Army before the fall of the republic in 1940, was arrested in the night, police disclosed today. The charges still are unspecified. Gen. Weygand, one-time tennis champion, also was taken to custody.



WEYGAND

Both recently were rescued from German prison camps in the Alps. Gen. Weygand succeeded Gen. Maurice Gamelin in 1940 after the German breakthrough and was French commander at the time of surrender. Previously and afterwards he commanded the French Army in North Africa.

Bitter Mindanao Fighting Rages

MANILA — (AP) — Unopposed American invasion of Samar Island, just off captured Davao City, was announced today as bitter fighting raged on the Mindanao mainland, where doughboys sought to outflank a Japanese force which already has virtually isolated a Yank battalion.

Japan's Oil Supplies Hit

GUAM — (AP) — Japan's dwindling stock of oil supplies were being used for the first time today by a record fleet of more than 400 B-29's. Smoke columns, 15,000 feet high from wreckage of oil storage and fuel manufacturing centers on Hoshu, main Japanese island, and returning Superfortresses, were seen reported "excellent."

A Public Statement Associated Press Expresses Regret

PHILADELPHIA — (AP) — Robert McLean, president of the Associated Press, issued the following statement today: "The Associated Press profoundly regrets the distribution on Monday of the report of the total surrender in Europe which investigation now clearly discloses was distributed in advance of authorization by Supreme Allied Headquarters."

Rain, Mud Slow Fight On Okinawa

U. S. Casualties Hit 16,425

By AL DOPKING
GUAM — (AP) — Their ranks reduced by 16,425 casualties, Doughboys and Marines of the U. S. Tenth Army slogged through mud and rain today in their weary battle on the Southern Okinawa front.

Bloes Split Parley Big Test Forced By Small Nations

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
Associated Press Diplomatic News Editor
SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — The United Nations Conference faced its first big test today on a small nation bid for greater voice in the proposed peace-enforcing Security Council.

Coal Shortage Continues

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A solid fuels administration spokesman said today that a coal shortage persists despite a decision by the War Production Board to lift the ban on private coal mining.

Nazi U-Boats Sail Into British Ports

LONDON — (AP) — RAF Coastal Command planes up to dawn today had sighted six German submarines in the Atlantic, the Royal Air Force Ministry statement said.

Weather

Considerable cloudiness today and tonight with scattered showers. Friday mostly cloudy, clearing in the afternoon. Continued light S. breeze, becoming cooler Friday.

Berlin Ruins Combed Goebbels' Body Found But Hitler Search Inconclusive

By JOSEPH W. GRIGG JR.
Representing The Combined American Press
BERLIN — (AP) — At least four bodies, any one of which may be Adolf Hitler's, have been found in the ruins of Berlin. None of them; has been identified as being definitely that of the Nazi Fuehrer.

Casualties Near Million

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The fighting in Germany during April cost American ground forces 34,900 casualties, Secretary of War Stimson reported today.

How It Works

In its announcement the War Department said: "To illustrate how the points system works, let us suppose that a soldier has been in the Army 36 months, has served overseas 18 months, has won the Silver Star and Purple Heart and participated in three campaigns and is the father of a child under eighteen. He would receive 36 points for service, 18 points in overseas credit, 18 points in combat credit and 18 points in parenthood. His total score would be 90 points."

News Prize Floors Our Mr. Boyle

U. S. FIRST ARMY, Germany — Hal Boyle of the Associated Press learned today that he has won the Pulitzer prize for distinguished coverage of the war.

Sure Hitler Is Dead

By HOWARD COWAN
SALZBURG, Austria — (AP) — Field Marshal Albert Kesselring, the last commander of the German armies in the West, is "most surprised" that Hitler did not lead his Nazis into a planned hold out in the fortified underground tunnel of the Salzburg-Breitholz garden area.

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