

PHILIPPINES

SOUTHERN FRANCE

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The WAR NEWS

Chronology of 1944

THE WAR

January

- 1-Russians move to within 27 miles of Polish border.
2-U. S. marines expand hold on Cape Gloucester, New Britain.
3-American troops capture San Galista, Italy.
4-Two new Russian offensives are opened.
5-British blast Magdeburg in 1,000-plane raid.
6-LENINGRAD CLEARED OF NAZIS.
7-Hitler in speech anticipates defeat.

February

- 1-Chinese advance in northern Burma.
2-Marines capture Namur and other islands in the Marshalls.
3-U. S. army takes Kwajalein still in Marshalls.
4-Heaviest bomb load yet dropped hurled on Berlin by British bombers.
5-U. S. naval task force attacks Truk, main Jap base in south Pacific.
6-Japanese cabinet reorganized, following attack on Truk.
7-U. S. naval task force strikes at Marianas islands.
8-All of western New Britain passes to American control.
9-Stalin offers peace terms to Finland.

March

- 1-Record raid on Berlin made by 2,000 planes.
2-First anti-aircraft crosses Bug river.
3-Advancing Russians enter Bessarabia.
4-Russians reach Komanan border.
5-Palau islands, 1,600 miles south of Japan, attacked by U. S. navy.

April

- 1-Russian troops enter Romania. American planes bomb Austria.
2-ODESSA FALLS TO RUSSIANS.
3-Allied troops halt Jap drive near Kohima, India.
4-A thousand U. S. bombers raid Berlin.
5-Japan's mid-Pacific base, Truk, is raided for 38th time.

May

- 1-Allied forces in Italy turn back German counterattack near Anzio.
2-Sevastopol, Black sea naval base, falls to Russians.
3-Chinese launch counter-offensive in western Yunnan province.
4-CASSINO, NAZI STRONGPOINT IN ITALY, FALLS TO AMERICANS AFTER LONG SIEGE.
5-Allied bombers strike at German synthetic oil plants in Leipzig area.

June

- 1-AMERICAN TROOPS ENTER ROME.
2-ONLAWYON OF CONTINENT BEGINS WITH LANDINGS IN NORMANDY.
3-Allies in Italy capture port 38 miles north of Rome.
4-Allies advance into northern France, reaching point 15 miles inland.
5-Chinese take Kamaing, Burma.
6-Week-long German robot bombing reported by British.
7-American anti-air units enter Cherbourg, important French port.
8-Russians capture Vitebsk and Zhlobin.

July

- 1-Minsk falls to Russians as they sweep into Polish territory.
2-Robot bombs, casualties and damage in southern England are admitted to be serious.
3-British and Canadians enter Caen, France, anchor of German lines for weeks.
4-Nazi base, the most important being Lowow, fall to Russians on various fronts.
5-Brest-Litovsk captured by Russians.
6-Allied "breakthrough" registers large gains in France.

August

- 1-Resistance in Tinian island in Marshalls ends.
2-Turkey breaks diplomatic relations with Germany.
3-Guan captured, giving U. S. control of all important islands of Marshalls.
4-A second Allied invasion force lands on southern French coast, between Marseille and Nice.
5-U. S. tank units reach suburbs of Paris.
6-Southern France invasion force enters Toulouse.
7-Romanian capital, Bucharest, is entered by Russians.
8-Russians reach border of Czechoslovakia.
9-U. S. Third fleet attacks Cebu and the Negros islands of the Philippines.
10-Second Quebec conference ends. Plans for quick finish of European war and of marshaling of forces for Japanese front are made.
11-Finnish armistice signed by Russia and Finland.
12-Russians take Tallinn, capital of Estonia.
13-Russians take 60-mile wide bridgehead in Yugoslavia.

September

- 1-Finns and Russians cease fighting in truce.
2-Russia declares war on Bulgaria.
3-British lifts blackout regulations, considering menace from air conquest.
4-American First army pushes five miles into German territory.
5-Romania granted armistice by Allies.
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2-Sieged line breached at Uebach by U. S. Fifth army.
3-U. S. bombers raid Borneo oil fields.
4-Russians cross Hungarian border.
5-East Prussian border reached by Russians.
6-U. S. troops enter Aachen, important German border city.
7-AMERICAN FORCES UNDER GEN. MACARTHUR INVADE PHILIPPINES, LANDING ON LEYTE ISLAND.
8-Moscow conference between Stalin and Churchill ends.
9-U. S. navy meets and defeats huge Jap fleet between Philippines and Formosa.

November

- 1-All German forces driven from Greece.
2-Rups gain in China, advancing on rail city of Luchow. Meanwhile, British troops drive back Japs in Burma.
3-U. S. planes sink eight Jap warships.
4-British bombers sink Tirpitz, famous German battleship, in Norwegian port.
5-Great Allied drive launched on 300-mile front from Holland to Vosges.
6-French troops reach Rhine river in plunge through Belfort.

December

- 1-U. S. Third army reaches Saar river.
2-Nazis withdraw troops from Norway, leaving only small garrison forces.
3-American armies advance in both Roer and Saar valleys.
4-U. S. Third army enters Saarlautern, as entire Allied front of 450 miles swings into motion.
5-France and Russia sign mutual assistance pact.
6-Greek factional fighting grows in intensity.
7-28th hit Nagoya, Japanese aircraft production center.
8-U. S. tank and infantry units reach outskirts of Duren, key to Cologne region.
9-U. S. Seventh army advances to German border on 35 mile front.

DOMESTIC

January

- 1-Twenty-eight men and two women are indicted on sedition charges.
2-Congress reconvenes.
3-Roosevelt asks for National Service bill.
4-A budget of \$99,769,000,000 is President's estimate of 1944 needs.
5-Army allows induction of loyal Japanese-Americans.
6-Muster-out-pay bill passed providing for a maximum of \$300.
7-Vote's of 450-0 in Missouri, launched, the 45,000-ton Missouri, is launched.

February

- 1-Tax bill sent to White House. It provides for \$2,315,200,000 of additional revenue.
2-Religious authority (WRA) transferred to department of interior.
3-Army announces more than 200,000 men have been returned from the Pacific front on furlough, besides the sick and wounded, and that the rotation furlough plan is in full swing.
4-Selective service orders farm workers reclassified.
5-Tax bill is vetoed as "wholly inadequate."
6-Congress overrides veto on tax bill.
7-Sen. Alben Barkley, Democratic majority leader who resigned in furore of veto, is re-named.

March

- 1-Five veterans' organizations combine in larger organization in last four years amounting to 4,749,000.
2-Nationwide elections held. President Roosevelt reelected by majority of 3,000,000 votes, winning 36 states and 432 elector votes. Twenty Democrats and 13 Republicans state senators. Democrats elect 242 representatives, and Republicans 185. Eighteen Republican and 13 Democratic governors elected.
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May

- 1-Pulitzer prize for novels awarded to Martin Flavin for "Journey in the Dark." Musical comedy "Oklahoma" won a special award for authors.
2-Most meals are removed from rationing. Steaks and beef roasts are principal exceptions.
3-Senate votes to defer most men over 26. Those under 26 are scheduled for early induction. Men 26-29 in war-supporting industries deferred at least six months deferment, and those 30 and over an indefinite stay.
4-Senate voted to delay action on poll tax bill.
5-Communist party votes to disband as a political party but to continue as an "association."
6-Supreme court decision upholds validity of OPA suspension orders.
7-Synthetic sugar suspension orders.
8-University of California. Process is too expensive to be practical at present.

June

- 1-Secretary of State Hull pledges that 12 Negro islands of the Philippines, small nations will be kept on equality with large in every practicable way.
2-War Manpower commission announces that it will take over "absolute control of all male workers over 17 to check turnover in essential industries.
3-Twenty-one brigadier generals promoted to major generals and 63 colonels to brigadiers.
4-"G. I. Bill of Rights" clears Congress.
5-Democrats lose majority in the house with the election of Rolla McMillen, 19th Illinois.
6-Senate passes army appropriation bill of \$49,107,735,755.
7-Republican convention nominates Thomas E. Dewey governor of New York, for President, and John W. Bricker, governor of Ohio, as vice president.
8-Serum to prevent measles has been developed and will be made available soon, the Red Cross reveals.

July

- 1-Treasury reveals that war costs for fiscal year total \$60 billion dollars.
2-The Grumman F-7-F, new two-motored naval fighting plane, is tested, and is called superior to the Heinkel.
3-Charles DeGaulle of France end Gen. Gaullie reported to be "highly gratified" by the news.
4-Vice President Wallace returns from China. He predicts an era of peace in the Pacific, with Russia and China as leaders.
5-President Roosevelt says that he will run again "if nominated."
6-Eric Johnston, president of U. S. Chamber of Commerce, returns from Russia.

August

- 1-Strike of Philadelphia transit workers is referred to President.
2-Governors' conference ends, after issuing statement defining limits of state and federal powers.
3-Philadelphia street cars and busses operate under army control.
4-Newly developed calculating machine that will solve problems in reading mathematics is announced by Harvard university.
5-President returns from visit to Hawaii and Alaska.
6-British delegation arrives for talks on postwar security.
7-Strike of midwestern truck drivers ends, following government seizure of lines.
8-Army ends censorship of soldiers' reading matter.
9-U. S. department of justice files anti-trust suit in Lincoln, Neb., against 47 western oil companies.
10-Secretary of State Hull and John F. Dulles, representing Dewey, discuss foreign policy.
11-Senate reconversion bill to take care of government surplus sales.
12-Republican campaign opens with radio speeches by Governors Warren of California, Green of Illinois, and Baldwin of Indiana.
13-Navy reports the construction of 65,000 ships of all types since September 1, 1939.

September

- 1-Joe Baksi defeats Lee Savold in 10-round heavyweight fight.
2-Yankie wins the Hambletonian harness race.
3-Miss Dorothy Germaine retains title of Western Amateur golf title.
4-Bob Hamilton wins the Professional Golfers' association title.
5-Trapsporting championship goes to Pepp for breaking 97 targets out of 100.
6-Byron Nelson wins the All-American golf championship.
7-Chicago Bears professional football club defeats the College All Stars, 24-21.

October

- 1-The Williams outpoints Sammy Angott, former lightweight champion.
2-Baltimore captures the International League pennant.
3-Nashville wins the Southern league American league pennant.
4-St. Louis Cardinals clinch National league pennant.
5-Rep. Doerr, second baseman of Boston American league club.
6-Little world series of International League won by Baltimore.
7-Francisco Segura wins Pan-American tennis title for third straight time.

November

- 1-St. Louis Browns win American league pennant.
2-San Francisco takes Pacific league four games to two.
3-ST. LOUIS CARDINALS WIN WORLD SERIES, FOUR GAMES TO TWO.
4-10 most valuable baseball players, chosen by Sporting News, are Martin Marion, Cardinal shortstop, and Bobby Doerr, second baseman of Boston American league club.
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SPORTS

- 1-Southern California U. wins annual Rose Bowl game, defeating Washington U. 29-0.
2-Jug McSpaden wins the Los Angeles Open golf tournament with a score of 278.
3-Byron Nelson wins San Francisco Open golf tournament with 275.

February

- 1-New manager of Boston Braves, Bob Coleman, named to succeed Casey Stengel.
2-Joe Baksi outpointed Tony Mauriello in ten-round heavyweight battle.
3-Sammy Byrd wins the New Orleans Golf tournament with 285.

March

- 1-Bob Montgomery regains the lightweight title, as recognized in New York, by outpointing Beau Jack.
2-U. of Michigan wins the Big Ten indoor track and field meet at Chicago.
3-Gilbert Dodds bettered his own indoor mile mark in Chicago, with a time of 4:06.4.
4-Avan Ford establishes a new world record for the 100-yard free style swim at 49.7 seconds.
5-U. of Utah captures the N.C.A.A. basketball title, defeating Dartmouth, 42-40, in New York.

April

- 1-Montreal Canadiens defeat the Chicago Blackhawks for the fourth successive time in the Stanley cup professional ice hockey championship playoff.
2-Major league baseball season opens.

May

- 1-Charlie Grimm becomes new manager of Chicago Cubs.

June

- 1-Pensive wins the Kentucky Derby. Broadcloth is second, and Stir Up third.
2-The Preakness race was won by Pensive.
3-U. of Michigan wins western conference outdoor championship track meet.
4-Francisco Segura of Ecuador wins the national clay court tennis title.
5-Mrs. Mildred ("Babe") Didrikson Zaharias defeats Miss Dorothy Germaine to win the Women's Western Open golf championship.
6-A new world record for the two-mile run set by Gunder Hagg in Sweden. His time was 8:46.4.

July

- 1-National league team wins the All-Star game, 7-1, in Pittsburgh.
2-Wille Pep outpoints Manuel Ortiz, world bantamweight champion, in a round-robin fight in Boston.
3-Miss Ann Curtis improves the woman's 880-yard free style swimming record with a mark of 11:08.6.

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DEATHS

- 1-Thomas E. Campbell, 65, former governor of Arizona, died in Phoenix.
2-Joseph B. Eastman, 61, director of Office of Defense Transportation, died in Washington, D. C.
3-William H. Thompson, former mayor of Chicago, Ill., died at 74 in Chicago.
4-Stephen B. Leacock, 74, international ally famous author and economist in Toronto, Canada.

DISASTERS

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RECORD HARVEST

- 1-A bus plunging through a guard rail of bridge over the Passaic river in New Jersey drowns 19 persons.
2-An explosion in a coal mine near Shinnston, W. Va., kills 16 miners.

FRANCE LIBERATED

- 1-Albert B. Fall, secretary of Interior in Harding administration; at 83, in El Paso, Texas.
2-Maj. John Griffith, commissioner of intercollegiate athletics of Western conference, at 67, in Chicago.
3-Lupe Velaz, 24, movie actress, kills self in Hollywood, Calif.
4-Released by Western Newspaper Union.

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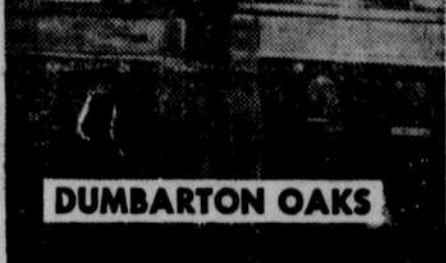
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CHAMBERS NEWS

(Continued on page four) of 1942 and since has worked with her parents and is well versed in the art of home making. The groom, a farmer, a young man of sterling qualities is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schlecht, near Clearwater, where the young couple will make their home. They received many beautiful gifts. Victor is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walter.

INMAN ITEMS

Murl Keyes, Reporter The Y. M. Club held a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gannon. Word has been received by Mrs. Lyons that her grandson, De Wayne Stevens, who is in Italy, has been injured again. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith and family, Mrs. Eva Murten, Mrs. Anna Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Lein Tompkins were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Tompkins and family Christmas day.

Miss Marjorie Rouse, of Omaha, arrived here Saturday night to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rouse. She returned to Omaha Monday afternoon. Audrey Brunckhorst, who is a Cadet Nurse at St. Vincent's hospital, Sioux City, returned to her work Thursday. The L. L. Club met with Mrs. George Kivett Wednesday afternoon.

A Christmas dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hansen, with the following guests: Mrs. C. D. Keyes, and Mildred, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rouse and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gerold Risor and family of O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. Ermand Keyes, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Keyes and Murl. Mr. and Mrs. Gerold Risor and family, of O'Neill, spent Sunday and Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rouse. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Conger, jr., of Omaha, visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Conger for the holidays. Ira Watson returned Saturday from Lincoln, where he had been to see his father, W. W. Watson, who has been ill. Returning home with him were Mrs. Clifford Opper, of Chicago and Ruth Jeanette, who is a Cadet Nurse at the Immanuel hospital in Omaha, to spend the holidays. Mrs. Opper returned to Chicago Tuesday and Ruth Jeanette returned Monday night to Omaha. Mrs. Arlen Castor, of Stuart, visited Mrs. Myrtle Castir Sunday evening. Monday Mrs. Arlin Castor and Mrs. Myrtle Castor went to Randolph and Norfolk. Mrs. Myrtle Castor returned home Monday night. INMAN METHODIST CHURCH Rev. E. B. Maxcy, Minister Sunday School 10:00 A. M. Preaching 11:00 A. M. Youth Fellowship 7:00 p. m.

Master Sgt. Harold Grass was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Kopecky Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brittle, of Oakdale, J. T. from Norfolk and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Cooper, Orchard, spent Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson. The Inman schools are closed this week for the Christmas vacation. Earl Watson left Monday for Lincoln, to see his father, W. W. Watson. Earl returned home Wednesday. Mrs. Bill Harte and Jean, Mrs. Lizzie Colman, Miss Bea Gallagher and Joe Gallagher spent Christmas at Sheldon, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Parker were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moor. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Moor. Miss Catherine Sobotka, who is going to school in Lincoln, was home for the holidays. The following guests were entertained at dinner Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McGraw: Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Crosser, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Faye Brittle and family, Mrs. Merle Crosser and Keith McGraw. The L. D. S. church members entertained a few friends at a supper Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Jacox. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Conrj, of Neligh, and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Brittle and family of Elgin, were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coleman. Mr. and Mrs. Levi Morsbach, of Neligh, spent Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morsbach. Mr. and Mrs. Merwyn Youngs and daughters visited their parents over the week end. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moor entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bergstrom at Christmas dinner.

EMMET NEWS

A large crowd attended the program held at the Emmet school by the pupils of Emmet. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Beckwith and family were dinner guests at the John Hickman home Monday. The total amount received from the sale of tuberculosis seals by the pupils of Emmet school was \$17.00. Mr. and Mrs. Bart Malloy and family were dinner guests at the C. E. Tenborg home Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Welch, of Chambers, were visitors at the Dan O'Connell home Monday, to spend Christmas. Mrs. Bill Kramer, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fox. Mrs. Lloyd Johnson and Mrs. Charles Prussa were callers at (Continued on page eight)