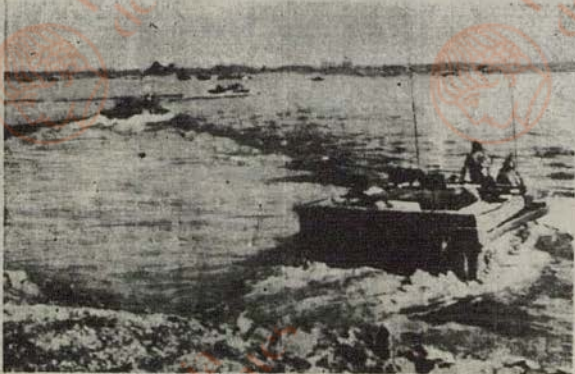


PATTON 40 MILES PAST RHINE, 9TH, 1ST ARMIES NOW IN OPEN



BRITISH CROSSING RHINE IN BUFFALOS—East bank of Rhine is visible in background as British Second Army troops cross near Xanten.

British Push 8 Mi. East; 3d Army Across Main; Foe Wilts, 40,000 Taken

PARIS, Monday, March 26 (AP)—Three U. S. armies surged toward Berlin in breakthroughs yesterday, with Third Army tanks setting the pace in a 27-mile sweep that carried 40 miles beyond the Rhine and across a captured bridge over the river Main possibly 235 miles from the enemy capital.

2 RED ARMIES IN BIG DRIVE FOR VIENNA

Sweep on Unchecked
On 90-Mile Front in
Industrial Hungary

LONDON, Monday March 26 (AP)—Red Army spearheads raced within 20 miles of Austria and 77 miles southeast of Vienna yesterday, as a second mighty Soviet army joined Russia's Vienna-bound offensive sweeping unchecked across industrial western Hungary on a 90-mile front.

White Marshal Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian Army gained up to 18 miles overnight, Premier Stalin announced that the Second Ukrainian Army, under Marshal Malinovsky, had joined the battle, and had gained 28 miles in the initial phases of an offensive along the main bank of the Danube.

9TH BREAKS THROUGH IN OPEN

The U. S. Ninth Army broke out into the open through the enemy's Rhine line, crashed eight miles or more beyond the Rhine, with nearly reaching distance of a Berlin superhighway, and was but 10 miles from Essen, industrial heart of the Reich.

The U. S. First Army burst the bonds of its Remagen-Erfel hedgehog between these two fronts in a general assault on a 35-mile front that ground nine miles east in a massive attack on the road to Berlin and was racing on unchecked.

The Third Army sprang at least two new crossings of the Rhine south of Coblenz and was seizing a junction with the First Army forces beyond the river. They last were reported 11 miles apart.

British Push Eight Miles Onto Plain

The British Second Army heightened the power of the grand western front offensive by pushing eight miles north of the Rhine onto the German plain, hurdling one river barrier on the Berlin road and slashing across a superhighway running to northern Holland.

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ALLIES SENSE REICHSWEHR'S END AS ARMY

4th Armored's Rush
Captures Darmstadt;
3d Again Hops Rhine

By DEW MIDDLETON
(Special Staff Writer, The Associated Press)

PARIS, March 25.—The war with which Gen. Patton's breakthrough was effected in the south, a premier tool of close to 40,000 yesterday along the entire front, and a lack of concerted enemy resistance or powerful counter-measures on any front, all indicate the Reich's days as a field force are numbered.

It may take months to clean up Germany and round up story units but the final defeat of the German army in a cohesive military organization cannot be far away.

CROSS THE MAIN

The Fourth Armored Division, leading a Third Army offensive for the third time this week, swept out of Patton's spearhead west and south of Darmstadt and smashed northwest in two parallel columns to capture a bridge over the Main river east and across the stream.

Darmstadt, a city of 115,000 population, was taken by dawn of the 26th. Third Army troops have now captured or cleared 10 miles east of the Rhine.

Combat Command B of the Fourth Armored advanced on the north with Colonel Command A pushing on a parallel line to the south from Oberkassel. The nightfall found the tanks over the Main 24 miles east of the Rhine.

The two columns sent on many prisoners this week pasted over (Continued on Page Two)

Tokyo Says Yanks Invading Ryukyus, 325 Mi. from Japan

PALM RITES DRAW THROUG

Thousands Solemn on
Holy Week Opening

Overseas Division, which thronged yesterday with thousands who gathered to commemorate the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and the beginning of Holy Week, solemn climax of the Lenten season.

Servants in Catholic and Protestant churches intoned the Passion and distribution of palm fronds, traditional of Palm Sunday throughout the world.

At the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Thomas R. (Continued on Page Six)

Mighty U. S. Task Force Is Reported off Okinawa

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25 (AP)—Japan's Domei news agency reported without confirmation tonight that American troops, supported by intensive bombardment, had "attained a landing" in the strategic Ryukyu Islands Sunday morning (Japanese time) and fierce engagements were taking place.

Domei said the landings began at 7:10 A. M. on Akajima and Tokashiki islands near the main island of Okinawa.

"The enemy landing attempt was made," Domei said after continuous aerial bombing attacks and heavy bombardments by the enemy took place since the morning of March 24 against Okinawa, main island of the Ryukyu group, as well as Miyakojima and Kerama Jima."

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RHINE CROSSED BY CHURCHILL

Hails U. S. Engineers
In Bridgehead Visit

WITH ALLIED FORCES EAST OF THE RHINE, March 25 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill crossed the Rhine today for an inspection of British and American bridgeheads and came within 50 yards of being struck by a German artillery shell while standing on the shattered western end of the bridge at West.

Churchill, described as looking "extremely well and pleased" during his tour of part of the British front, entered positions occupied by the enemy as recently as 36 hours previously.

SNIPER FIRE CLOSE

The Prime Minister's party, quartered in an hour with U. S. Ninth Army troops on the west bank (Continued on Page Three)

RED CROSS FUND NEEDS LAST MINUTE AID TODAY

Despite unprecedented appeals by Archbishop Cushing, Bishop Sheen, Gov. Tobin, Mayor Kerrigan and other religious and civil leaders yesterday that resulted in additional pledges and gifts, the Greater Boston Red Cross War Fund goal of \$1,000,000 still was several hundred thousand dollars short last night.

This money must be raised before tonight if the drive is to succeed.

LAST CALL TODAY

You can still contribute to the Red Cross War Fund which ends tonight. Telephone your pledge to Room 6225 and help make the campaign a success.

Poor Planning High on List Of Food Shortage Causes

By W. E. FLATFAR

Nobody is going to starve or even be in the list of famine, the next eight months will be a time of food shortage in certain sections of some areas. He might have been right. The country's food supply is not as plentiful as it once was. It is a fact that the average American family is getting less food than it did a year ago. The country's food supply is not as plentiful as it once was. It is a fact that the average American family is getting less food than it did a year ago.

SHORTAGE CRITICAL IN THIS AREA

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All kinds of waste paper can be used for re-processing. The in three bundles; newspapers in one; magazines in a second; cardboard and other wrapping paper in a third.

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TWO NEW U. S. BREAKTHROUGHS—In 27-mile sweep Third Army has captured Darmstadt and crossed Main river nearly 40 miles east of Rhine. Ninth Army smashed into open north of Ruhr. British plunged eight miles east and U. S. First Army more than nine.

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Paging Sidney Sibel!
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Now, plugging for the local Chamber of Commerce, Sidney?

WE MEET AN ENTHUSIASTIC READER . . .
AND WE MAKE THE NOBBY NEWS

The man with the beard . . . and the grin . . . is JOE LA FAUCI, GM3, c, Roxbury, Mass., boy who has been 17 months in the Pacific. He wrote a very complimentary letter about the mini-edition and tucked in the snap. Thank you, Joe, and it was nice meeting you. And now about the clipping . . . **SIDNEY SIBEL** sent it to us!

We think we should explain to 'Nobby' that Sidney is not an ex-fellow worker (nor are the other service men mentioned). He is just one of many who take the time to write us and say 'thanks' for the mini-editions. Sidney isn't a Sea-bee either (that was OUR mistake), he's straight navy, and his pals have been riding him about the 'switch'. We don't apologize, because both services are tops, but we did want to straighten it out for the Nobby News. And incidentally, thank YOU, Nobby, for (we quote) 'Boston's Big Store' . . . we are, truly, New England's Largest Store, and awfully pleased at the opportunity to say so.

LT. EDMUND BURKE, with the Air Corps in the ETO . . . Thanks for the clipping from Stars and Stripes. It sure makes bronco-busting look like a vicer's pastime. Good luck to you and the Flying Colonels.

SGT. ELLIOTT BESPOLKA, with the Air Corps in the Mariannes . . . Congrats on the promotion . . . AND we'd like to see that clipping we heard about in a roundabout way from your brother WASEL in France. Incidentally, he's been promoted, too.

CAPT. JAMES L. LANCASTER, CHAPLAIN in the Philippines . . . Your description of your chapel was interesting . . . AND your makeshift music, too. It's good to know that the boys get such good care. Good luck to you.

IRVING ANSHEN, in the Navy, somewhere in the States . . . thanks for sending your note of appreciation. And don't apologize for the delay. Important things keep all you service men pretty busy.

PFC. DOMENIC CALABRUSO, with AAA in ETO . . . It was good to hear from you . . . the we don't know how you find the time to write. According to the newspapers now, you're moving so fast that "liquid front" doesn't even express it. Good luck to you always.

DAN J. LUCKY, with a carrier in the Pacific . . . we saw that movie you recommended and it was a humdinger. We have a new and healthy respect for the carriers and their work . . . and we KNOW the NIPs have.

Reichswehr's End Sensed

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unable to care for them and lack of food and shelter. The Reichswehr is the last of its kind in the world, and its end is sensed.

OTHER RHINE LEADS
Juppelheim, Mannheim and Pirmasens, all eight to 10 miles south and west of the Rhine, were captured by the German division last night and are now under German control.

The Third Army's soldiers had been ordered to leave the Rhine in two miles deep and 14 miles long area. The soldiers were ordered to leave the Rhine in two miles deep and 14 miles long area. The soldiers were ordered to leave the Rhine in two miles deep and 14 miles long area.

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Mosbach, a threat to the great city of Frankfurt on Main is developing. The Fifth Infantry Division, which is pushing eastward on a six-mile front from Dornstadt to the north, west after clearing the city.

NEW RHINE CROSSING
With the elements of three divisions, Fourth Armored and Fifth and 90th Infantry thrusting out from the bridgehead west of Dornstadt, Patton sent a message to the Rhine south of Coblenz last night. They met stiff resistance from well-armed German troops on the east bank, who 'killed the cannon' with the 200-millimeter cannon. His reports have just been received from the division commanding the present position.

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Tribute Paid to Greece's Role in War Against Axis

Hundreds of thousands of Greeks, he said, might require decades to pay tribute to their nation's role in the 18th anniversary of the Greek revolution of 1821, which secured Greece's independence and was passed by the United Nations.

U. S. Sen. Theodore F. Green of Rhode Island declared the right of Greece against Nazi tyranny had won the admiration of the free-loving nations of the world and called for a tribute to the Greek people.

With roles of her merchant fleet and her cities and towns reduced to rubble, Alexander C. Sotgiu, New York Times foreign correspondent, noted Greece still is the "birthland of democracy."

"But," he added, "from now on it must also consider Greece as a child—our child."

Other speakers were Rep. Clarence A. Burder, Colby Foster, Bishop of Albany, N.Y., and Rep. John W. McCauley of New York. The ceremony was presented.

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