

Road To Berlin

By United Press
The nearest distances to Berlin from advanced Allied lines today: Eastern front: 31 miles (from Zaackertick).
Western front: 270 miles (from east of Linz).
Italy: 524 miles (from Po Di Pri-maro river).

The predecessor of the roller bearing appeared first in 1100 B.C. A picture painted on a rock at El Bersheb in that year shows workers placing cylinders of wood in the path of a great slab of stone as other men pull it forward.

JAPANESE NAVAL

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Japanese homeland.
Kobe, 160 miles east of Kure, still is digging out from the smoldering debris left by a 2,300-ton B-29 Superfortress raid 48 hours earlier when the swarms of carrier planes struck yesterday. Kobe is Japan's biggest port.
Other objectives in and around the island sea also were attacked. The Pacific fleet communique said. The inland sea is bounded by northeast Kyushu, northern Shikoku and southwest Honshu.

Report On Damage From Ohio Floods

Red Cross Aiding Affected Families

Cincinnati, O., March 20—(UP)—More than 22,400 families were evacuated from their homes and almost 24,000 buildings damaged or destroyed in the Ohio river's recent flood, initial tabulations from the flooded area disclosed today.
Joseph L. Carter, director of the central headquarters of the American Red Cross Ohio valley relief operations, said that rehabilitation of more than 22,400 families was in progress where the overflow waters had receded.

Actually, some 47,611 families were affected by the flood, Carter said although less than half that number were forced to flee their homes.

On the basis of preliminary tabulations, the director announced that 58 homes, 60 barns and 89 other buildings were completely destroyed in the area's worst flood in eight years.

A total of 2,709 additional homes, 607 barns and 2,639 other buildings were damaged, he said, exclusive of unaccounted losses in still inundated areas.

Carter said that 13,369 persons were housed in 125 Red Cross shelters during the flood while 17,419 were fed in 75 emergency canteens set up by the organization.

Members of the Red Cross medical staff as well as 135 Red Cross nurses have remained on duty in

devastated areas, aiding local health department officials to fight disease and possible epidemics, Carter reported.

SENATE VOTES

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posed that the investigators look into "the extent to which meat is being stockpiled by other nations at the expense of citizens of the United States."

War food administrator Marvin Jones acknowledged in a radio address (Blue network) last night that many important food items were in short supply. But other items, he said, are plentiful and if properly distributed will assure the people a "good wholesome diet."

In both the house and senate, resolutions gaining favor were sponsored by Democrats, but generally the drive for congressional action was spearheaded by Republicans.

In a series of one-minute speeches in the house yesterday Republican speakers accused the administration of "interfering with, harassing and hopping on our farmers."

There were charges that the administration "has done everything possible to discourage food producers, to drive him out of business and create a food shortage."

One hundred years ago, when the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. of Newark, N. J., was founded, it was customary to cancel a policy if the holder joined the Army or Navy without the consent of the company.

Democrat Want Ads Get Results

Helps Dodge Plans Fort Wayne Factory

Plan Big Addition To Plant Facilities

New York, Mar. 20—(UP)—Phelps Dodge Copper Products corporation today announced plans for the construction of a \$4,500,000 wire and cable plant at Fort Wayne, Ind., which will expand the company's permanent production facilities.

The new plant, which will be built by the corporation without government assistance, will be fully equipped for copper rod rolling and for wire drawing, stranding and insulating on a tonnage basis.

The company already has acquired 31 acres for the project and has started operations preliminary to actual construction.

"The engineering work is practically finished," Wylie Brown, president, said, "and building will begin just as soon as government restrictions allow. When completed, the plant, we believe, will be the most modern in the country and will employ about 4,000 persons at full production."

Brown emphasized that the new mill is not primarily for increased production of war materials but will be a permanent addition to the nationwide manufacturing facilities of the company. It will not be an addition to the present

Fort Wayne INCA division, but will be operated as a separate division of the corporation.

"This expansion," the president said, "was decided upon because of the certainty of increased post-war demand for the products we manufacture and to enable us better to serve the industries and utilities of the great mid-western area."

CARL KLEPPER TO BE

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candidacy several weeks ago.

The new Rotary governor was born in Decatur and became a junior member of the local club in 1928, and was elected president in 1933. He was elected president of the Huntington club in 1941 and re-elected the following year.

Mr. Klepper is prominent in business and civic affairs in Huntington, and in addition to the posts mentioned, is a member of YMCA endowment board, and chairman of the Purdue agricultural alumni association of Huntington county.

Mr. Klepper married Miss Marie Smith of this city. They have three children.

Placement of veterans by the United States employment service during 1944 more than doubled the figure for 1943. During the 11-month period from January to November last year 728,400 veterans were placed, as compared with 317,600 for the same period of 1943.

Wild-Life Restoration
The apportionment of \$805,500 among the states for the restoration and development of their wildlife resources during 1945, under the terms of the Pittman-Robertson act, is the smallest since the act became effective in 1938.

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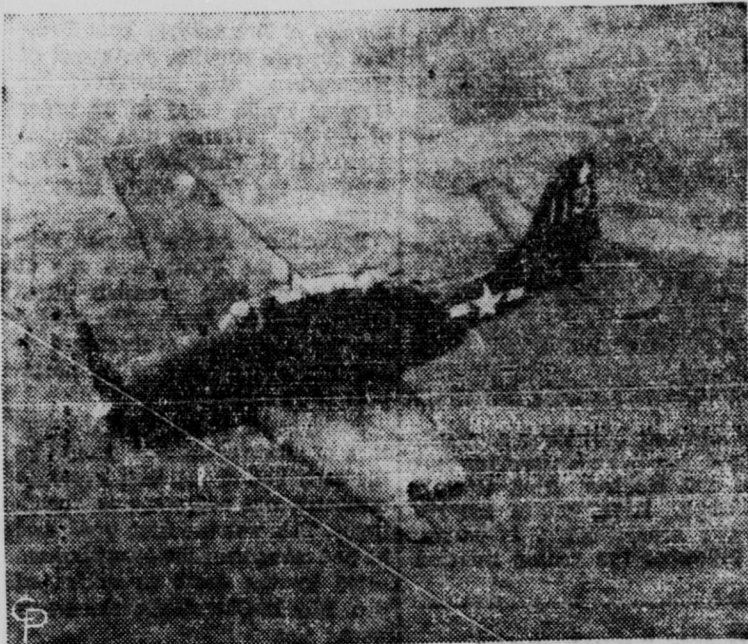
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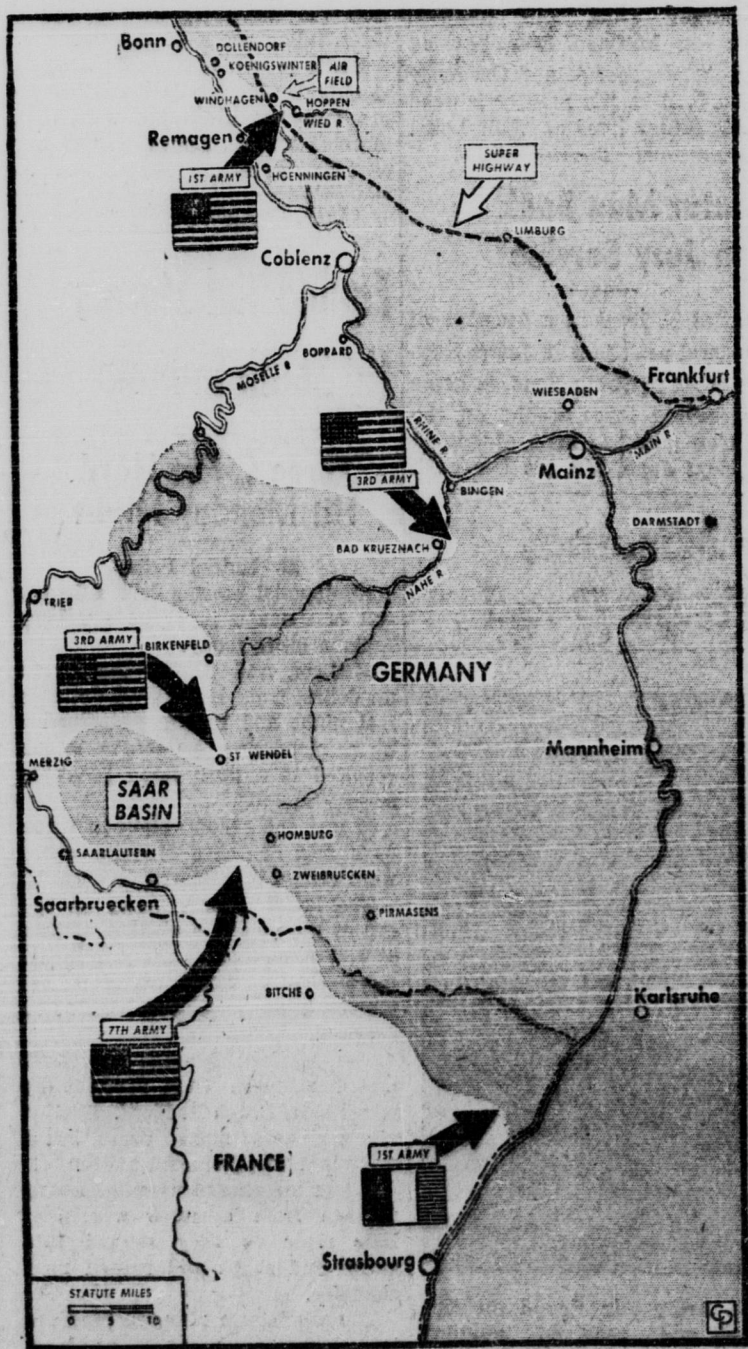
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ON A 30-MILE eastern segment of the western front, American troops with their French Allies along the Rhine are rapidly chasing the Germans from their last foothold on French soil. U. S. Third Army tanks and troops, overrunning one-third of Germany's doomed Saarland, swept unchecked across the Nahe river 21 miles southwest of Mainz, vital exit for 80,000 enemy troops in frantic retreat to the Rhine, while the U. S. Seventh Army was smashing through the Saarland's Siegfried Line on a 20-mile front effecting a pincer movement by advancing within 25 miles of the U. S. Third Army's forward thrust. At the same time the U. S. First Army widened to six miles its hold on the superhighway east of the Rhine, capturing an airfield south of Windhagen, seven miles northeast of the Remagen crossing. (International)

A TRIO OF YANKS stands amid the rubble strewn the floor of the interior of historic Cologne Cathedral and inspect the damage caused by the bombardment that preceded the capture of the Rhine city. The Gothic vaulting within the Cathedral was virtually unmarred although some bombs and shells had struck the roof. (International)

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