

Fair, lowest temperature 60 degrees tonight; Tuesday partly cloudy, with scattered afternoon thunder showers and moderate temperature.

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ITALY BECOMES NAZI RETREAT ROUT

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5TH ARMY RACES WEST OPPOSED ON HIGHWAYS

Isolated Bands of Germans Fleeing on Foot and in Farm Carts, Battle Each Other to Death for Trucks and Cars in Race to Escape

By ROBERT V. MERRILLON Allied Headquarters, Naples, June 11.—(UP)—The triumphant Allied 5th army raced almost unopposed over the coastal and mountain highways 51 to 70 miles above Rome today and a headquarters spokesman announced that the German 14th army, which once numbered 150,000 veteran troops, "has ceased to exist" as a fighting force.

All semblance of organized resistance vanished in the path of the 5th army columns and official reports said the Nazi retreat had become a chaotic rout. Isolated bands of Germans were fleeing on foot and in horse-drawn farm carts, battling each other to the death for trucks and cars in a panicky race to escape.

Some enemy rear guards never more than one or two companies strong attempted vainly to stem the Allied advance but were annihilated by Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's tank crews and riflemen.

Simultaneously, British 8th Army columns drove the battered German 10th Army off a headlong retreat on a broad front extending from the east bank of the Tiber 30 miles above Rome to the mouth of the Pescara river.

With their right flank exposed by the collapse of Nazi General Eberhard von Mackensen's 4th Army, the 10th Army appeared to be pulling out all top speed to escape encirclement by British and Eastern Allies.

American tanks and infantry forces on the coastal flank led by the 4th Army were pushing the German rear. Official reports covering the action through yesterday afternoon said they were approaching the port of Orbetello, 70 air miles northwest of Rome and about 90 miles above the capital by road.

At the same time another Allied force was reported driving down on that city over the four-mile causeway linking Sardinia with the mainland.

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To Officially Open 5th War Loan Drive

Sec. of Treasury Morgenthau, Jr., and Galaxy of Movie Stars to Put on Show

Washington, U. S. A., June 12.—(UP)—This is "D-Day" and Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., and a galaxy of movie stars, headed by Actor-Producer Orson Welles, will go on the air here tonight to ask the nation to purchase \$100,000,000 worth of war bonds to put the Fifth War Loan drive over the top.

The hour-long radio show, which will be broadcast from this typical American town being part of the "D-Day" idea, will be broadcast from Washington and Leopol Stokowski will conduct an all-Mexican orchestra from Mexico City as part of the program which will be broadcast by short wave to all the world.

In addition to Welles, Hollywood stars appearing in the show will include: Charles Laughton, Joseph Cotten, Gloria Jean, Agnes Moorehead and Keenan Wynn.

Morgenthau, who will fly here today from Hot Springs, Ark., said the "D-Day" idea was conceived by him and has caught on all over the country and countless communities are taking the fight to the streets to touch off the campaign.

The overall goal represents the largest war financial plan ever authorized for any purpose. Individuals' Goal \$1 Billion. Total Goal \$100,000,000.

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Cleveland, June 12.—(UP)—Capt. Don S. Gentile, pilot of a plane which destroyed 20 enemy aircraft in the Balkans, today appeared at the mechanical construction of the Standard Building.

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Back the Attack!



Buy MORE BONDS

Jack Rathbone, New President of Standard Oil Co. of N. J.

Prominent Former Parkersburg Was Head of Standard Oil of N. J.

Son of Mrs. M. J. Rathbone of This City 23 Years With Company

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Investigating \$50,000 Fire at Cincinnati

Cincinnati, June 12.—(UP)—Fire department officials today investigated to determine the cause of a fire which destroyed three storage sheds and a large quantity of equipment and materials of Frank Messer and Sons, Inc., contractors at a loss estimated unofficially at \$50,000.

The Standard Oil Company of Louisiana as a draftsman. His rise was rapid with the company, culminating with his election as president in 1936. A large Standard Oil refinery is located in the Mississippi was named the Jack Rathbone several years ago.

Mr. Rathbone's connection with the Louisiana company, he has resided at Baton Rouge, La., where one of the world's largest refineries is located. He was responsible for many of the innovations made at the Baton Rouge plant, which not only refines crude oil but also produces many petroleum chemicals.

Many Developments Among the developments at the Baton Rouge refinery during his tenure with the company were the introduction of high pressure hydrogenation for large scale production of synthetic gasoline blending agent and the commercial production of synthetic rubber and synthetic fibers from petroleum.

Wood County Buys Bonds

Wood county, along with the rest of the nation, starts its Fifth War Bond selling campaign today. A lot of good citizens are giving their time to make this drive a success.

The Fifth War Loan drive is your loan. The securities on sale fit your purse. Always keep in mind that your sacrifice is only temporary because you are not giving your money when you buy a War Bond—you are merely lending your money at a good interest rate.

Keep these facts in mind about Series "E" Bonds: They sell for 75 per cent of their maturity value. They pay \$4 for every \$3 invested if held to maturity, which is ten years from the date they were issued.

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U. S. Columns Are Within 12 Miles of Cherbourg

Report Bitter Hand-to-Hand Fighting in Outskirts of Cherbourg with Crack German Forces Who Had Rejected a Surrender Ultimatum

Allied Supreme Headquarters, London, June 12.—The Germans announced the abandonment of Cherbourg to the north and south swept to within less than a dozen miles of Cherbourg itself and pushed into the Cherbourg forest on the approaches to St. Lo.

The German Transascan agency said the garrison evacuated Cherbourg "in order to continue the fight in terrain not so strongly opposed by naval artillery."

Less than an hour later the German high command confirmed the evacuation of Cherbourg and the ultimatum which said the city was evacuated after heavy fighting.

The invasion was made under the cover of a heavy fog. The weather was bad and it must have shaken up the support of the ground forces.

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JAPS BEATING DOWN CHINESE RESISTANCE

Chungking, June 12.—(UP)—Two powerful Japanese armies were reported beating down desperate Chinese resistance at both ends of a 250-mile gap in the Canton-Hankow railway to aid Mai Gen Claire L. Chenault, commander of the U. S. 14th Air Force, warned that an enemy victory might cut China off from her western allies and prolong the war against Japan for years.

The northern wing of the two-pronged Japanese drive, spearheaded by 8,000 Japanese troops, broke into the outskirts of China's main Hunan province base at Chungking.

At the same time, other columns and American troops tightened their siege line around Chungking in Northern Burma, and the great enemy armadas of Kamaing and Mogawine. Allied units captured the Lonkin jade mines 23 miles northwest of Kamaing while another column drove 15 miles southeast of Kamaing to within nine miles north and west of