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# Kiska Occupied Without Fight

## Sky Battle For Southern Italy Now Under Way

# Reds March Deep In Ukraine

### Konotop Apparent Objective

#### Red Army Troops Storm Into Lebedin In Drive Menacing Nazi Supply Setup

London, Aug. 21—(AP)—Pointing apparently for Konotop, key junction on the Kiev-Bryansk railway 170 miles northwest of Khar'kov, Russian troops today were on the march deep into the heart of the Ukraine.

They stormed into Lebedin, 100 miles northwest of Khar'kov and midway between captured Akhtyrka and Sumy, in a series of smashing tank and infantry attacks. Moscow announced in a special communique, Konotop lies 70 miles to the northwest of Lebedin and its capture would menace the whole Nazi supply setup in the Ukrainian theater.

London reports, meanwhile, indicated that Soviet troops had encircled all but 13 miles of Khar'kov itself.

(A Berlin broadcast, quoted by BBC, said the Russians "are attacking furiously at six widely separated points along a 1,000-mile front" between Leningrad and Murmansk, along the Finnish border in the far north. The BBC broadcast was recorded in New York by NBC. The report, if true, means the Russians are opening a new offensive in the north.)

A total of 6,400 Nazi troops were killed in Friday's fighting on all fronts, according to a Moscow communique received by the Soviet radio monitor.

On the Bryansk front, the Germans were throwing strong forces against the steadily advancing Soviet columns, but the Russian war bulletin said they were forced to fall back to well prepared positions after abandoning valuable war dumps. In the Spas-Demensk offensive the Russians were striking out for Smolensk, another vital Nazi center, 75 miles to the northwest. Here, again, the Russians would not be denied, and pressed on despite fierce counter attacks by fresh German reserves, Moscow said. This advance threatened a whole segment of German defenses between Bryansk and Smolensk.

### Higher Taxes And 'Induced' Savings Urged

Washington, Aug. 21—(AP)—A double-barreled war financing program based on "induced" savings and higher individual and corporate income taxes was advanced today by an influential lawmaker who estimated it would bring in about \$10,000,000,000 a year.

He declared that if the plan were adopted, and at the same time economies were effected, total government spending by \$6,000,000,000 to \$8,000,000,000 a year, "we ought to come pretty close to bringing into the Treasury just about as much money as we are paying out for the war and for civilian government."

Under the plan, taxpayers would have a dollar and cents inducement to put their extra money into non-negotiable bonds, payable only after the war, because they would be allowed, when figuring their income tax, to deduct from their taxable income an amount equal to half of their bond purchases—up to 15 per cent of their income.

### SOVIET ACE SCORES 19TH AIR VICTORY



A GERMAN FIGHTER PLANE plunges down in flames (top) after a dog fight over the Russian front lines. Winner in the aerial battle was Capt. Ivan Tarasov, the Red army's foremost fighter pilot, who brought his score up to nineteen. Standing beside the Nazi plane he has just knocked down, Tarasov is congratulated by Maj. Gen. Eugene Savitsky, who watched the dog fight. (International Radio photo)

### Japs In Headlong Retreat Before Battered Salamaua

#### Nazis Fly Captured Fortresses

U. S. Eighth Air Force Headquarters in Britain, Aug. 21—(AP)—German planes are flying captured American Flying Fortresses over France and Germany, but this far have made no attempt to interfere with our operations, it was disclosed here today.

What the enemy's plan is has not emerged—perhaps the hope is to strand our war ships in the raiding squadrons and open the guns against all those who follow.

The American system of identifying fortresses among each other is being changed at irregular intervals, however, and the formations fly so closely together that there is little opportunity for a successful effort to snipe at them.

So far German-though captured have kept a good distance away.

#### RAID STOPS MOVING OF GERMAN BUREAUS

Berlin, Aug. 21—(AP)—The Gazette of Lorraine said today that transfer of Nazi government bureaus to Vienna had ceased after the bombing of the early city of Vienna, Kienast, August 13 and that the principal ministries now were installed in Plauen, Saxony, 150 miles southwest of Berlin.

The German ministries of foreign affairs, economy and interior, as well as the administrative organizations of major industries were reported moved to Plauen. Members of the diplomatic corps were said to have taken quarters in the suburbs.

#### Heavy Guns are Left In Flight of Japs Toward Last Defense Guarding Air Base

Allied Headquarters in the Southwest Pacific, Aug. 21—(AP)—The Japanese are in headlong retreat before bomb-battered Salamaua.

Their mountain front line cracked wide open, they have abandoned heavy guns in precipitous flight toward the last defenses barring the allies from that highly prized air base on New Guinea's northeast coast.

Bombard almost daily for months by allied warplanes, shelled by accurate mountain artillery and under relentless pressure of American and Australian jungle troops, the enemy at last has been pushed from long held ridge positions to near as two miles from the coveted airfield.

Henceforth the allies have inched forward, now on the right at Tambul Bay, now on the left around Gondul in jungle country crossed only by trails. Yesterday they straggled toward in a general retreat.

The enemy, poorly equipped and in dire need of reinforcements, is in full retreat to his inner chancel of defenses at Salamaua itself, and today's communique from General Douglas MacArthur.

"Machine guns and artillery were abandoned along with more than 350 tons of loot. Our troops are mopping up."

#### WAR LOSSES

Washington, Aug. 21—(AP)—The war labor board, reporting a report by the Montgomery Ward and Company, Inc., that the South-Central Act is unconstitutional, last night ordered union security, voluntary dues check-off and arbitration of grievances at the company's retail stores in New York, Detroit and Denver.

#### Axis Imposes New Measures On Frenchmen

London, Aug. 21—(AP)—German authorities in France ordered new measures of security today and increasing surveillance at the prospect of allied invasion of the continent.

An ultimatum has been issued to Frenchmen to hand over their firearms and the axis has announced a new law is being prepared to provide a special trial which may inflict the death penalty for the destruction of crops.

The ultimatum, as quoted by the agency of information from a Paris broadcast, warned Frenchmen that if they have not handed over arms and ammunition by Tuesday they will be liable to the death penalty.

The ultimatum said it is known by authorities that extensive stock dumps exist all over France, and added that "all other things have repeatedly disappeared and material."

#### NO PRISON LABOR

Columbus, S. C., Aug. 21—(AP)—There is practically no chance that state prisoners' inmates will be called upon to do work except this year at South Carolina Governor Olin D. Johnston said today.

#### WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA slightly warmer this afternoon, tonight and Sunday forenoon.

### Rail Lines Are Targets Of Bombings

#### Day and Night Raids Sweep Naples Area; American Warships shell Peninsula

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, Aug. 21—(AP)—The sky battle for southern Italy has fully begun, with the allies shifting the focus of their overwhelming bomber power to the objective of knocking out the strategic railway connections with the north.

While American warships, moving at will along the Italian toe, poured concentrated fire into the left side of the "hell's triangle" of the lower peninsula, allied headquarters announced today that heavy new blows were struck by day and night bombers at already battered railway life lines of the defenders in the Naples area.

The American naval unit, again called fortified points and railway targets at Gioia Tauro on the Gulf of Gioia, 20 miles northeast of Messina, in a blasting of the mainland, while British sea forces sank seven landing craft off Scala in a night action.

American bombers and V-1s, in the Naples area, were swept by waves of medium bombers and fighters in day assaults, and by B-17s and Canadian Wellingtons striking at night.

In the main operation American Warhawks, in a slash at the enemy's air force, bombed the vicinity of Monopoli, 40 miles to the southeast of Salerno.

Meanwhile fighter bombers and interceptors held their dominant position in the sky over the remaining Italian sea, attacking trains and small units of land troops.

The naval command said that after the capitulation of the Lipari islands north of Sicily by an American aerial expedition on August 17 it was found that the islands "had been used by the Germans for military purposes."

All German military personnel had departed a few days before the surrender, however.

#### GRAUD VISITS MALTA

Valletta, Malta, Aug. 21—(AP)—General Henri Graud, commander in chief of the French armed forces, has arrived in Malta today.

### Indian "Quisling"



DECLARING that the Allies are preparing for a thrust into Burma within three months, Jap puppet Subhas Chandra Bose, above, has announced that he will fight on the side of the Japs with a Malay army under him. (International)

### Quebec Meet Nears End

#### Pattern for Victory Appears Cut; News Of Blow at Japan Is Expected

Quebec, Aug. 21—(AP)—The Quebec conference, which opened today to have been cut by the Allies, is drawing to a close.

Meaning as the conference neared the state of public pronouncement by its principals, an air of expectancy pervaded this temporary allied war capital and word spread that news of a new blow against Japan might be forthcoming soon.

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### Troops Find No Japanese On Island

#### U. S. and Canadian Troops in Landing On Aug 15 After Bombardments

Washington, Aug. 21—(AP)—American and Canadian troops today occupied Kiska without opposition at what once strong Japanese garrison and submarine base at the Aleutians.

In reporting this victory today, the Navy said landings on the barren beaches of the rocky island were made on August 15 and "no Japanese were found."

Indications were, the Navy said, that the Japanese only recently had fled from their positions laboriously built on the rocky terrain and along the beaches.

"It is probable," the Navy's communique said, "the heavy bombardments by our ships and planes, that have been carried on for some time and the danger of their supply lines, by our capture of Attu made the enemy position on Kiska untenable."

The Japanese, who were among the last to be driven from an enemy position in the Pacific.

Army and Navy bombing planes during the night of August 15 to August 16, the Navy said, struck the island's main base after ten hours of intense fighting at Kiska.

Sources participating in the landing of the Allied troops, standing at attention and firing shells from their big guns into the island in a salute to the victors.

How the Japanese escaped from Kiska under the heavy bombings and bombardments was not explained. The Navy said, however, that it was possible that enemy surface ships, taking advantage of the heavy fog of the north Pacific, slipped in to evacuate remnants of the garrison estimated at one time to have included 10,000 Japanese troops.

Expanding the scope of its campaign, the Navy said that its surface command, in the latter part of July, had destroyed Japanese radio stations, cutting Kiska off from communication with the enemy's command.

Any mention of the progress of the campaign, the Navy continued, would have revealed information in the enemy which otherwise would not have had.

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