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# Nazi Line In France Crushed WARSÄW IN FLAMES, SET BY THE GERMANS

## Tropic Gale Raging Off Coast Area

Storm Warnings Up  
From Hatteras to  
Brunswick, Georgia

Miami, Fla., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Weather Bureau ordered warnings displayed along the Atlantic coast from Jacksonville to Cape Hatteras today as a tropic disturbance moved toward the area.

Scattered warnings were received from Jacksonville to Charleston and northeast warnings between Charleston and Cape Hatteras.

Reporting it uncertain just where the storm might hit land, the Weather Bureau here advised that precautions be taken against dangerous winds and high tides.

CAROLINAS ARE IN PATH  
OF TROPIC DISTURBANCES

Miami, Fla., Aug. 1.—(AP)—A tropical storm of gale force swirled off the Atlantic coast today, offering its greatest threats to ports of South Carolina and North Carolina.

In a 1 p.m. bulletin, the Weather Bureau placed the center of the disturbance about 200 miles southeast of Charleston, S.C.

A placement in the forward motion might indicate a change in course, observers said, but they advised caution along the coast line, where storm warnings were flying from Cape Hatteras to Brunswick, Ga.



As the allied armies drive up the Italian boot, military experts predict that Nazi forces will retire to the River Po (charted line) to make their most determined stand in Italy. Although they have undoubtedly fortified this natural barrier heavily, German commandos will probably find it difficult to defend. Up to the present, the battlefield has been geographically short. With the lengthening of the front, and their dwindling supply of manpower, military analysts believe that the Nazis will be hard put to defend the Po River line for any considerable period. Beyond this line is the most important industrial region of Italy and the Allies will quickly throw the full weight of their forces into capturing this area. (International)

## Jap Southwest Pacific Empire Toppled By Fresh Allied Push

## Allies Are Wearing Down German Line At Florence

Rome, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Eighth army troops are making slow, methodical progress in their advance on Florence, against five German divisions fighting a desperate, last-stand battle before the Tuscan capital, Allied headquarters announced today.

South of the city, the Germans charged out with fierce counter attacks along a wide semi-circle attack which now forms their defense line.

"It is clear the enemy is determined to make a real stand as long as he is able, but the eighth army's advance is relentlessly forcing him from successive strong points," headquarters said.

The Germans are using three of the best divisions at their disposal in Italy for guarding the approaches to Florence. They have the support of Tiger tanks and are using a new type of booby trap—grenades set off by wires stretched across roads at a height to catch the wheels of radios equipped vehicles. The grenades themselves are tied to trees and exploded under the vehicles.

The full combat, meanwhile, on the fifth army front, with artillery

### Nazi Rocket Plane Is New Allied Worry

London, Aug. 1.—(AP)—The Germans have taken the wraps off another new weapon—a rocket-propelled fighter—and all Allied fliers who had encountered the planes agreed today they are capable of terrific speed.

Little is known as yet of the effectiveness of the craft. Only seven have been met and they did not stand to fight. But the speed at which they can away underscored the importance they might assume if the Germans manage to produce them on a mass scale.

Berlin has been hunting at rocket-propelled planes for months. The United States air force announced last night that Allied heavy bombers and their convoy of fighters ran into a group of the new planes over Germany Friday.

The Allies have recognized for some time that Nazi jet and rocket-propelled planes, if allowed to appear in big numbers, could challenge Allied air superiority, and it is understood here that is one of the reasons air forces sent 27,000 heavy bombers

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### Clinch Conquest Of New Guinea by Latest Advances

(By The Associated Press) Japan's hold on New Guinea was shattered today by a westward leap of Allied forces that placed General Douglas MacArthur about 600 miles from the Philippines, even as death tragically ended the cherished hope of Manuel L. Quezon to become the first president of the Philippine republic.

Possibility of intensified Allied operations in the southeast Asia area was seen by some authorities in Washington in the action by President Roosevelt in nominating Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell to be a full general in the American army. Stilwell commands the Chinese forces in Burma.

The twin invasions of Guam and Tinian, some 1,300 miles northeast of MacArthur's latest amphibious move, drew near a close. This assured the United States of another springboard from which the Philippines, Japan or the China coast may be assaulted.

Meanwhile Stockholm said the German-controlled Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau had reported from Berlin that 19 Russian divisions, supported by "enormous tank forces," smashed at German positions along a 30-mile Estonian front from Lake Peipus to the Gulf of Finland.

Stockholm also reported that a Finnish dispatch through Helsinki censorship said the Red army was carrying out a "great expansion" on its Finnish front in northeast Karelia.

Moscow, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Driving in from three directions—hundreds of Red-starred planes, Russian and Polish troops today attacked Praga, industrial suburb of Warsaw across the Vistula river, east of the capital.

Martial Konstantin Rokossovsky himself of Polish descent, personally directed the Red army's mammoth assault on the metropolitan area of the Polish capital of 1,255,700, from an advanced quadrangle.

One of the greatest artillery concentrations of the entire eastern front ramped into German entrenchments on the edge of Praga.

Warsaw, first United Nations capital to hear the roar of liberating bombs, dropping up the signs to wipe out the German living bomb arsenals, truck last evening and again last night at two-weeks-separated solo supply depots and a number of mounting sites in northern France.

Some York units turned eastward from the coast and took most of the heavily defended of Reims and another in the Pas de Calais area, while others rained to bombed platforms from which the Germans fire their early morning anti-aircraft guns.

British aircraft indicated the battle for Warsaw would be fiercely contested by the German command, which was reported under orders by Hitler to stand without retreat.

Rokossovsky, who has been building up reserves for a week, lashed tonight with a coordinated air and ground bombardment that laid an explosion certain in front of German infantry.

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In neither direction beyond Warsaw nor toward East Prussia—in the German army give further ground without imperiling the whole structure of the Reich's eastern defense, but on both of these fronts the numerically superior Red army is forcing Hitler to scrape up all reserves.

The latest communiqué announced the Russians overran 2,144 localities yesterday, a record for Soviet summer offensives.

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## Manuel Quezon, President Of Philippines, Is Dead

Sacramento, Calif., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Manuel Quezon, 68, exiled president of the Philippine government, which he had headed since 1935, died today at a summer home here from tuberculosis.

The magnetic Quezon, who fled from his native Luzon in a submarine February 20, 1942, after the Philippines fell to the Japanese, died at 10:05 a.m.

He came here late in the spring from Asheville, and lived with his chief and his official family.

His widow and two daughters and one son, Manuel, Jr., were at the bed

side.

Long an advocate of Philippine independence, Quezon cast his lot with the Americans when the Japanese invaded his homeland. Previously, he had opposed occupation both by Spain and the United States.

After his arrival in the United States, he used his waning strength to bring about defeat and ouster of the Japanese.

Speaking to the United States Senate, he said he hoped America would adopt a new war slogan—"Remember the Philippines."

## Soviets And Poles Attacking Warsaw Across The Vistula

East Prussia Is Also Menaced In Three Directions

London, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Warsaw was reported in flames tonight as Russian masses pressed upon its northeast suburbs behind a deluge of shells and bombs.

Farther north other Red army forces forced the Nazi defenders of East Prussia back along a 143-mile front to within 11.8 miles of the prewar frontier of that cradle of German militarism.

Billows of black smoke were reported rolling from the ancient Polish capital, indicating the Germans were putting it to the torch in preparation for evacuation. Moscow said Warsaw was under siege; that three columns were assaulting Praga, eastern suburb across the broad and swift Vistula river.

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### Follows His Dad



Enemy Is Being Hurled Back In Reeling Columns

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, Aug. 1—(AP)—American forces carried the invasion of France into Brittany today and east of the Breton river, a speeding American-British spearhead across the key city of Vire.

Tonight the Americans were driving back the Germans without pause, at the costliest sacrifice of the western theater.

Conditions look north with new fighting on the Paris-pointed east limb of the Normandy line.

The biggest offensive of the invasion hurtled into its second week with augmented power. The Germans' trans-Normandy line was smashed in a dozen places. Disorganized Nazis yielded themselves as prisoners in droves.

Fighter-scouted American columns pushed south of Avranches across the Seine river, the Normandy-Brittany boundary line, four and a half miles to Pontaubault and beyond and through Ducey, six miles beyond the river.

The juggernaut headed for Vire was only five miles away from that key communications center.

The Germans' whole 80-mile front appeared shattered and then disorganized legions were surrendering.

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, Aug. 1—(AP)—Unchecked American armor, spreading out from captured Avranches, enveloped Pontaubault, four miles due south of that key city to Brittany, and overran Ducey, five miles to the southeast, as British troops smashed forward four miles today in the Caumont sector. The Allies were on the move along the whole 80-mile Normandy front.

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Villefranche itself was being hemmed in by American units closing in from both the north and west. The Americans now were within two miles of that Normandy road hub city, which is eleven miles northeast of Avranches. A front dispatch said other units had smashed past the town to the south.

Still farther to the northeast, heavy fighting was going on near Percy and Argentan on the Orne.

Driving across the Seine river, fewer than two miles west of the German stronghold of Beuze Boeze the British had advanced eleven miles south of them Sunday noon-off areas around Caumont and were some 20 miles inland from the English Channel. This was the deepest British penetration of the invasion.

Canadian troops on the left flank east of the Orne river captured a bitterly defended Nazi strong point more than two miles south of Caen. A British column to the westward crossed hands with American forces at a point southwest of the Equeuleau.

At least Major Bradley's tank ad-

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### WEATHER

#### FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Mostly cloudy and moderate day, warm tonight and Wednesday, day with scattered showers and thundershowers mainly in afternoon or evening.

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### Stilwell To Be General For New Pacific Duties

Washington, Aug. 1.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today nominated Lt. Gen. Joseph Warren Stilwell, American commander of Chinese forces in Burma, to be a full general in the Army of the United States.

The proposed promotion, raising Stilwell to a rank held by General George C. Marshall, General MacArthur and General Dwight D. Eisenhower, suggested the possibility of new and

more important work for Stilwell in the Burma-China area.

In the American military organization, he holds the assignment of commanding general of the United States Army forces in the Burma-China theatre. He also holds a top-flight position under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek of China, and has certain staff duties under the Allied commander-in-chief in Southeast Asia, Lord Louis Mountbatten.



WHEN THE GIANT B-29's took off on their spectacular Manchurian raid, Maj. Selby Calkins, intelligence officer who commanded one of the fortresses, needed a code word to notify his base when the bombs had dropped and all was well. The code word was J-U-D-Y—for Judy—his 5-year-old daughter, shown above right, given a hasty white blouse. Mrs. Esther Calkins, of Detroit, Mich., lets 14-month-old Wendy in on the secret of her father's great feat.