



# German Resistance Negligible

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### Americans Eight Miles Inland New

French Chetists Are Reported as Far as 29 Miles

Rome, Aug. 16—(AP)—Allied invasion troops have struck eight miles inland at some points in southern France after taking all initial objectives and establishing themselves firmly, headquarters announced tonight.

British and American airborne troops, vaulting behind the front, were credited officially with blocking enemy reinforcements. Great fleets of United States troop carriers winged supplies and reinforcements by glider and parachute into the airborne bridgehead today.

German resistance generally continued feebly weak. Assault forces fought on through the night after overrunning the first big obstacle.

The fighting was generally light, but heavy German fire blocked off the landing craft at one point. The setback was reported by Technical Sergeant Richard T. Wright of Arlington, Va., a Marine combat correspondent. He said the German line at this point, which was not identified, had prevented troops from attacking.

Other headquarters said the operation was proceeding "according to plan." An announcement was offered up, however, that a German account of the fighting was a report that French paratroopers were operating twenty miles inland, officially confirmed. R. B. Jones and Charles, major, said they had the battle of the maritime Alps, as declared in frontier reports, in La Suisse de Geneva to have been captured by the Allies. (The division and Marseille was unmentioned.) A force of 1,000 Allied paratroopers and 1,000 Allied paratroopers.

### Jap Naval Bases Near Formosa Are Attacked by U. S.

Chungking, Aug. 16—(AP)—American Liberators bombed the Japanese naval base of Mako in the Pescadore Islands today in the first blow at those enemy airfields between Formosa and China.

The Formosa harbor of Takao in the southwest portion of the big Japanese island, were bombed at night by Liberators. All the attack planes were from Major General Claire Chennault's United States 14th air force.

No details were given on the Mako attack.

### Leaf Prices Highest Yet In Georgia

Valdosta, Ga., Aug. 16—(AP)—Highest prices of the season were paid for many better quality grades of leaf on the Georgia-Florida tobacco market Tuesday, with demand continuing stronger for medium to better quality grades.

The War Food Administration reported 44 cents a pound paid for good cutters and 43 cents for choice quality leaf. Non-descript and green grade declined \$1 to \$4 per 100 pounds.

On many markets the amount of damaged tobacco increased, and the general quality of offerings was lower.

Monday's average price, reported by WFA, was 36.67 cents, an increase of .78 of a cent over last Friday's average.

**HIGHER ON BORDER.** Florence, S. C., Aug. 16—(AP)—The Border Belt tobacco markets, stimulated by highest average prices of the season earlier this week, were looking to a speed-up in sales today. The War Food Administration reported yesterday that \$42.32 for 4,120,124 pounds was the highest of the season. The market was firm to one cent lower, Tuesday.

CHARNEL PIT OF LUBLIN



Grizzly relics of Nazi cruelty are revealed in this Soviet picture made in Maidanek, a suburb of Lublin, Poland, where the conquering Red Army uncovered a story that has shocked the world. Pictured in the "Camp of Annihilation" in which thousands of victims were tortured and killed and their bodies buried or burned, these skeletons of some that were buried are pictured against the background of the Nazi cremation furnaces where other bodies were reduced to ashes. (International Radiophoto)

## Labor-Backed House Unit Seeks High Compensation

### Think Effort To Win House Hart G. O. P.

Washington, Aug. 16—(AP)—Some southern Democrats today viewed the abortive move of Representative Rowe, Ohio Republican, to force a reorganization of the House leadership as something which harmed the Democrats more than it helped them.

Representative southerners—who would have felt a reshuffling more than other legislators, since they hold most of the committee chairmanships—declared Rowe's one-man campaign "greatly embarrassed" G. O. P. leaders and said it would be a "detriment" to Republicans generally.

Rowe sent telegrams to his party colleagues, urging unseating of speaker Rayburn, Texas Democrat, and other Democratic chairmen, but the plan was quashed swiftly upon the advice of Minority Leader Martin, Massachusetts Republican.

The incident prompted Minority Whip Ross, Georgia Democrat, one of the leaders who might have been relegated to a minority post, to comment: "I've been told the matter greatly embarrassed Governor Dewey, the Republican presidential candidate, as well as others high up in the party. Assuming responsibility was the last thing they wanted now. Why, then, they wouldn't have been able to complain about the administration at all—people would just say, you are in control, why don't you do something about it."

### Most Armor Pulled Out Of Pocket

Number of Germans Still in Trap May Be Around 50,000

U. S. Third Army Headquarters, Aug. 16, 11:15 a. m.—(AP)—The German seventh army is breaking up into roving guerilla bands and appears today to have passed the point where it is able to mass its remaining men and supplies for a breakthrough to the Seine river to join other broken and disorganized units fleeing beyond Paris.

Demoralized by shattering artillery and aerial bombardments, the Nazi army within the narrowing steel ring in Normandy is disintegrating daily, and is trying to escape from the squeezing pocket in groups of fifteen to fifty men.

Third army officers expressed belief the bulk of the German seventh army is caught in the gigantic trap whose only gap is an eight-mile exit between Falaise and Argentan. All escape roads through this corridor of death are "interdicted," an army term meaning they are controlled by strong fire power, although not straddled by troops.

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, Aug. 16—(AP)—Field Marshal Von Kluge has pulled most of his armor from the dwindling Nor-

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### Dewey Will State Views About Labor

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 16—(AP)—Governor Thomas E. Dewey, criticized by an American Federation of Labor publication for sending its invitation to a special message, said tonight in a preliminary radio address that he will state his views on the labor problem in a regular radio Day message on the state of New York.

James C. Hoge, the governor's executive assistant, said reports the Republican presidential nominee had addressed to him by a general statement to Philip Reed, AP's publisher, since weekly column is distributed to 300 labor new papers.

"There will be a Labor Day message in the form of the regular program for the state of New York," Hoge said. "The governor does not issue special messages." Reed wrote that his remark, addressed to Hoge, had been turned down with the explanation that, because of the pressure under which Dewey was working, it would be impossible for him to furnish a special message at this time.

"Thank you, governor," Reed wrote. "But we may be permitted to wonder when, and we wonder how much time Mr. Dewey will be able to spare for labor if and when he is elected President, since he has himself too busy even as governor to follow the courtesy of issuing a labor Day message."

There was no word from Dewey himself regarding Reed's comment.

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## Nelson Will Tell House Group Of Plan For Civil Production

Washington, Aug. 16—(AP)—Donald M. Nelson, who thinks the country can get back to prewar standard of production even while Japan is still fighting, was called before a Senate committee today with a "tell us more" assignment.

The War Labor Board chairman was invited by Chairman Meade of the war investigating committee to supply the "low down" on whether there is any security in sight for the armed forces.

Senator Ferguson, Michigan Republican, added that "we want to

know more" about Nelson's plan for making things for civilian use. The plans on some occasions have been strongly resisted by the military.

Nelson told a news conference

### WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Partly cloudy and warm tonight and Thursday, with scattered afternoon thundershowers.

TANKS LINE UP FOR DAY'S DRIVE



BRITISH TANKS stand ready at a starting point, south of Caen, where they were pictured as the Allied storm broke on the Nazis at that vital eastern hinge of their line in Normandy. Advancing from here, the British and Canadians drove toward a junction with the Americans to trap the enemy. Signal Corps Radiophoto. (International)

## Russians Making All-Out Fight To Occupy Warsaw

Terrific Losses By the Germans Claimed by Reds

Moscow, Aug. 16—(AP)—The Red army appeared today to be making its real, all-out bid for Warsaw against bitter resistance in the Praga district, just across the Vistula from the besieged Polish capital.

Another success in the German defense system appeared before East Prussia, where Soviet troops were driving through a 15-mile salient held by the German 10th Army at Lasko, in the East Prussian Mezzelubie region.

Marshal Rokossovsky's army group has been within that area of Warsaw since late July. For the first time in many days the Soviet communiques mentioned the Warsaw battle, disclosing the destruction of 22 Nazi tanks and 200 troops in a counter attack in the battle of Praga.

Troops were completely cut off and plunged into a retreat, although they had been ordered to hold. The German threat to the night, and today was talking to the heart of the enemy defense zone before Warsaw. Implications were that the struggle on the east side of the Vistula was a final fight.

Seasoned Russian and Polish troops now are strongly dug in in a semi-circle around Praga, a great industrial district, and their massed artillery and planes were straying the battleground with

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### 10,000 BRITON CASUALTIES

London, Aug. 16—(AP)—July 27 marks the United Kingdom's first early 1940 civilian casualties, the ministry of home security announced today. Of the number 2,441 were listed as killed or missing and 7,167 injured and detained in hospitals. Presumably most of the casualties were the result of flying bomb attacks.

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### U. S. Troops Are Pouring Into France

Air Umbrella Is Hammering Nazis Without a Let-Up

Rome, Aug. 16—(AP)—Allied invasion troops drove steadily into southern France today from secure beachheads, still meeting only negligible German opposition, as convoys poured a constant stream of reinforcements ashore.

The operations are proceeding "according to plan," Allied headquarters announced.

Although details of this new thrust against Hitler's Europe is cloaked in official silence, it became known that the French area, 33 miles southeast of Nice, and Cap Negro, 23 miles east of Toulon, were two of the points where the thousands of assault troops, mainly American and French, began going ashore yesterday morning.

Dispatches from correspondents referred to three separate Allied beachheads, but the location of a third was not disclosed.

Another dispatch said the Germans began some heavy shelling, forcing landing craft to hit the beaches behind dense smoke screens.

In general, however, reports indicated opposition on this second day of the fourth front was much less than anticipated. No air attacks have yet been reported on the landing parties.

The Mediterranean Allied air forces, which yesterday broke all previous records for one day's individual flights flown in this theatre, still were holding a protective cover over the ground troops this morning in great force.

An activity during the night included an attack on the Valencia airbase in the Rhone valley. By both day and night German communications leading to the battle area are believed to have been cut off.

Three enemy aircraft were destroyed in operations in the past 24 hours, and 20 Allied planes were lost.

The weather still held good. Today's ground communication, issued at noon (6 a. m. EDT), said merely that the operations were going ahead as planned. But the announcement that reinforcements were moving in steadily was in itself evidence that the areas along the coast were firmly in Allied hands.

### Farmers Asked To Hold Off Their Cotton

Washington, Aug. 16—(AP)—In one of a series of moves intended to force cotton prices upward, Senator Bankhead, Alabama Democrat, urged producers today to hold their crop off the market until parity had been reached.

Telegrams to governors and commissioners and Farm Bureau presidents, urging their aid, followed a call by Bankhead and cotton manufacturers on War Mobilization Director James Byrnes.

Justice Byrnes assured the full cooperation of his office in carrying out the directives in the so-called Bankhead-Brown cotton amendment that cotton prices and other farm prices be raised to parity. Bankhead said in a statement.

An earlier conference in a group of cotton manufacturers, Bankhead said a number of specific steps intended to raise cotton prices were considered, including the use of 97 1/2 to 100 percent of parity loans in the event that other actions contemplated does not accomplish the result.

It was agreed, he said, that the OPA should finish the task of re-investing and establishing adequate textile ceilings under the Bankhead-Brown amendment as soon as possible. There is no question that this would remove a factor which has had a depressing effect upon the cotton market, he declared.

Bankhead added he would meet next week with representatives of the cotton merchants looking to their cooperation in an overall program. He said the mill representatives were "in full accord" with the proposals.

### ARMY SETS UP NEW SUPPLY SERVICE

Rome, Aug. 16—(AP)—To support the great army which has landed in southern France a big new service and supply organization—a continental base section—has been set up.

Its work includes the rebuilding and operation of ports, operation of maintenance shops and countless rear establishments and handling of the enormous supply lines.