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# AMERICANS DRIVING ON GERMAN BORDER

## Paris Free of Nazi Yoke, But Some Fighting Continues

### DULLES MEETS HULL FOR TALKS



JOHN FOSTER DULLES, foreign affairs expert for Gov. Dewey, Republican presidential candidate, arrives at the U. S. State Department on crates for his discussions with Secretary of State Hull. Dulles, who is recovering from a foot injury, will talk over post-war peace. (International)

### Commander Of Germans Surrenders

Berlin Denies That He Has Capitulated; DeGaulle in Paris

London, Aug. 26 — (AP) — French broadcasts from Paris today declared the capital, symbol of liberty, again was free of the German yoke, although the Nazis declared fighting still was going on.

General De Gaulle proclaimed the liberation of the capital to cheering crowds last night, and Paris radio declared the German commander had surrendered. Supreme Headquarters said only that "more Allied armor and infantry are in Paris, following entrance of the second French armored division Friday morning, and all resistance in the southern and southwestern outskirts has been overcome."

Radio France at Algiers asserted early this afternoon that all Nazi resistance in Paris had ceased.

Berlin broadcasts denied that General Weiden, commanding the Paris garrison, had capitulated, and said troops in the capital area still were fighting Allied columns and the partisans.

De Gaulle announced the liberation three days after the premature report from his London headquarters.

Back in the capital after four years of fighting from exile, the president of the French Committee of National Liberation addressed cheering crowds last night in front of the prefecture of police in Paris.

Paris is free now—freed by the hands of Frenchmen—the capital of fighting France, De Gaulle declared.

The German commander surrendered, the broadcast said, to General Leclerc, commanding officer of the French second armored division, and signed this order:

"The German commander gives orders to the forces under his command to cease fire immediately. Arms are stacked.

"Personnel assembled without arms in places to be indicated, and will wait for orders there. Arms have to be delivered intact."

### TAYLOR RENT CHIEF

AT FAYETTEVILLE Raleigh, Aug. 26 — (AP) — James L. Taylor, Jr., native North Carolinian, of Atlanta, has been appointed director of the Fayetteville rent control district, George W. Fox, Jr., OPA district rent executive, announced here today.

He succeeds Franklin S. Clark of Fayetteville, who resigned to return to private law practice.

whenever and wherever they threaten. But they left themselves uncommitted on specific ways of accomplishing objectives.

The prospect is that the work will be completed in about three weeks, after which the British and American delegates will hold a week-long talk with the Chinese delegation. Out of these meetings, it is hoped, will come a tentative four-power plan.

### Hope of World Security Pact Brightens Sharply

### Mass Raids Are Made In Finn Capital

New York, Aug. 26 — (AP) — Finnish police blocked all roads leading out of Helsinki at dusk yesterday and staged mass raids through the capital until early this morning, the Finnish radio said today, in a broadcast that failed to offer any explanation of the action.

The broadcast, recorded by Federal communications Commission monitors, said "results have been very satisfactory" and that "about 500 people were interrogated, as their identity papers were not in order."

"Since the raids continued into the early hours of this morning, further details will be made known later," the broadcast said, adding that the number of the interior "expressed his satisfaction at the manner in which the raids were carried out."

All ships entering harbors and main anchorage stations were inspected, the broadcast said.

### Leroy Martin Is Named Secretary State Democrats

Durham, Aug. 26 — (AP) — William B. Unstead, chairman of the State Democratic committee, today announced the appointment of Leroy Martin, of Raleigh, as secretary of the committee, and the opening of the headquarters in Raleigh on September 15.

Martin, vice president and trust officer of the Wachovia Bank and Trust company in Raleigh since 1935, served as principal clerk of the State Senate from 1925 to 1935, and has been active in the affairs of the Democratic party, Unstead said.

### ROMANIAN PREMIER IS REPORTED SLAIN

Berne, Switzerland, Aug. 26 — (AP) — A dispatch from the Swiss-Italian border today said Marshal Ian Antonescu, deposed Romanian premier, had been assassinated during the coup d'etat that placed Romania in the Allied camp.

The dispatch came from the Swiss Telegraph Agency, which quoted the Italian news agency Stefanel. There was no confirmation.

### Led Paris Coup



HERE IS A CLOSEUP photo of Lt. Gen. Joseph Pierre Koenig, commander of the French forces of the Interior and Military Governor of Paris. He appeared to the Parisians to safeguard their food supplies and maintain order until a new administration was set up. (International)

### Germans In Bucharest Fight Hard

Berlin Says Envoys Have Been Cut Off By Romanian Forces

London, Aug. 26 — (AP) — "Quarters of the German command in Bucharest, the Romanian capital, are engaged in fierce fighting against Romanian army formations, the German radio announced today.

The German high command said that repeated attacks "made by traitors" were repulsed and that German troops were engaged in a general retreat in Romania while defending themselves against numerous Soviet attacks.

The German legation in Bucharest has been surrounded by Romanian troops and police forces, according to a Berlin broadcast. It added that "under the circumstances there exists no possibility of direct communications with the German envoy or his staff."

Bucharest reported Romanian soldiers, in increasing numbers, are joining the onrushing Red army and under heightening pressure from the front and rear Germany's whole position in Romania appeared headed toward disintegration.

Meanwhile, Bulgaria was said to be awaiting an early delivery of Allied terms to take her out of the war. Greek insurgents were reported fighting with German occupation forces, and the Nazis tightened their grip on a shaking Hungary.

All of these troubles faced Hitler as he was reported in conference with his military and political advisors.

### Surrender Of Paris Made Friday Night

Paris, Aug. 25 — (AP) — (Delayed) 8:29 p.m. — The final unconditional surrender of Paris was signed at 8 p.m. tonight in a large, dingy baggage master's office in Montparnasse railroad station in Paris.

Seated at this cubbyhole at an ungarbage wicker table was General Dietrich von Choltitz, German commander of the Paris garrison. He first faced Brigadier General Jacques Leclerc, and then a United States corps commander, and signed the order to his troops which said:

"Resistance in the military district and defense points is immediately to be stopped. (Signed) Von Choltitz, General of Infantry."

Copies of the surrender order immediately were given to German officers, who were escorted by American, British and French officers in jeeps to parts of the city where German units were fighting.

### Seine River Crossed At Many Points

Garrison at Brest Being Wiped Out; Yanks Near Calais

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, Aug. 26 — (AP) — General Eisenhower's forces were driving northward and eastward on a 200-mile-wide front toward Germany and Belgium today on the heels of fleeing Germans, who apparently were trying to get out of France.

The Seine had been crossed at half a dozen places.

Allied planes relentlessly hammered the enemy, destroying 93 Nazi planes, 549 vehicles and 58 tanks in the past 24 hours.

Approximately 300 miles behind the main fighting front, another northward and southeast attack was launched on the besieged German garrison of Brest on the tip of the Breton peninsula. This attack by United States troops was supported by hundreds of American and British bombers, and the guns of the famous British battleship Warspite.

United Nations troops were rapidly liquidating the German pocket below the Seine, now turned to a graveyard.

Another trap for the enemy Elbe, 25 miles from the mouth of the Seine. The Canadians are approaching Point-aux-Lacs, 13 miles east and slightly south of Allied-held Brest, at the river's mouth.

The Allied drive north toward the Pas de Calais coast coincided with a lull in the flying bomb attack on London and southern England, but it was not known whether the Germans already were moving their robot launching platforms out of range of Eisenhower's advancing armies.

Allied pilots reported the Germans had pulled out at least part of their forces from the rocket coast fortifications.

Although American tanks in a 25-mile advance, had pushed into Troyes, 130 miles south of the German border at Saar, there was almost a complete blackout of official information at supreme headquarters on how far Allied troops have pushed in the direction of Belgium and Germany.

The start of the long delayed assault on Brest indicated the Allies were hurrying the clearance of that vital port and naval base for the armies waiting across the sea to join in the showdown battle for Europe.

The taking of Brest would be of even greater significance in a military sense than the liberation of Paris, since Brest is needed for the same role it served a quarter of a century ago—the feeding and supplying of American forces.

### WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA Partly cloudy and moderate temperatures tonight; Sunday partly cloudy and warmer.

### ROMANIANS MARCH ON HUNGARY



SWIFTLY FOLLOWING the news that Romania had joined the Allies is the report from London that Romanian troops are marching on Hungary. Bulgaria was expected to follow Romania's lead at any moment, while the Russians pushed into the heart of the oil and wheat belt around Galati and Ploesti with the possibility that large Nazi units in the Balkans might soon be trapped. (International)

### Red Armies Dashing Toward Bucharest; Many Nazis Killed

### Devastating Blows Upon Nazis Pushed

London, Aug. 26 — (AP) — Nearly 1,000 United States Flying Fortress and Liberator bombers carried the smashing new aerial offensive against Europe through the third straight day, most of them battering oil targets in Germany.

Others dealt the besieged garrison port of Brest its third pounding in 36 hours. Up to 700 heavy bombers, with as many escorting fighters, raged over northwest and southwest Germany in a third consecutive blast at Hitler's oil plants.

The daylight assaults followed overnight operations by 1,000 RAF aircraft and 6,450 flights. Friday from British and French bases.

Last night the RAF sent 1,000 bombers against Germany. Their main objective was the huge Opel motor plant at Kassel. The industrial and railway center of Darmstadt, between Frankfurt and Mannheim, also was attacked while Moscow's bombers again attacked Berlin. The RAF led 27 planes in all of its operations.

The Allied air forces lost 78 planes in their extensive operations yesterday and throughout the night. These included 17 bombers, seven fighters for the United States, eight air force and 10 planes for the United States with air force.

Against these losses, the Allied aircraft lost 144 German aircraft, destroyed in the air and on the ground.

### Remanians Capture Many of Germans In One Pitched Battle

Moscow, Aug. 26 — (AP) — Romanian troops were reported turning on the Germans, killing and taking them prisoners as the Red army sped through the Galati Gap today toward Bucharest at a pace which, if maintained, would carry Soviet spearheads to the Romanian capital by tomorrow night.

The charging Russian troops last were reported little more than 100 miles from Bucharest, and barely 75 from the Ploesti oil fields. The Soviet river was crossed twenty miles south of captured Tecuci.

A Red Star dispatch said a pitched battle between the Romanians and Germans was witnessed by Soviet forces.

In this fight, the first reported episode here of the Romanians carrying out their announced intentions to fight with the United Nations, the Romanians captured 250 Germans.

The dispatch made clear the Romanians attacked their former comrades in arms after the division was badly mauled by the Russians. The dispatch said the Romanians were merciless as they slashed into the Nazi ranks and that as a result the Germans lost "many soldiers."

In a continuation of the lightning-like drive through Romania, that has lost the enemy nearly 205,000 killed or captured in six days, the second Ukraine army established a bridgehead across the Siret river, in the vicinity of Nanesti, a little more than 100 miles from Bucharest, front dispatches said.

It appeared that the Galati Gap defense zone guarding both the Romanian capital and the Ploesti oil fields was virtually lost to the reeling foe.

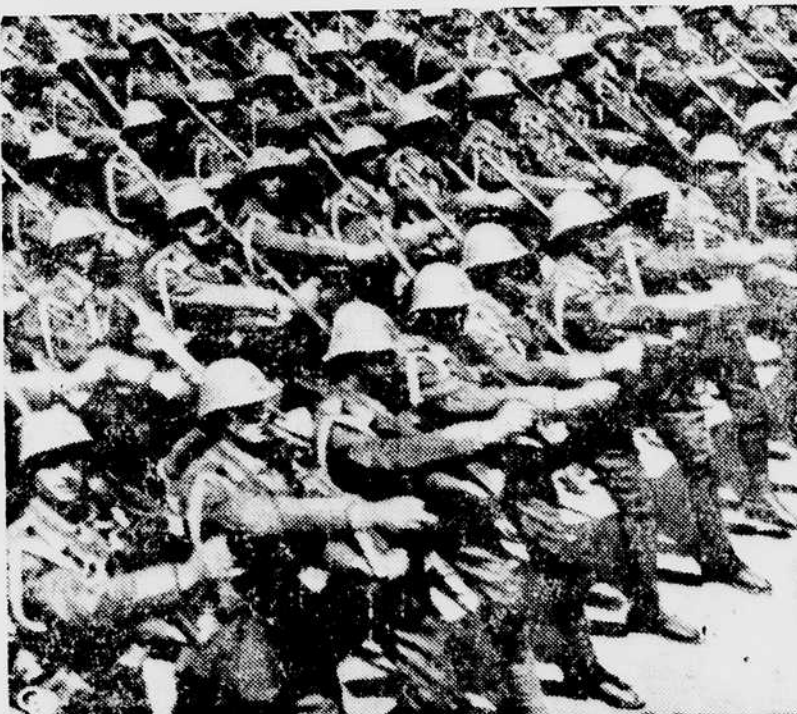
### ALSACE-LORRAINE IN MILITARY AREA

New York, Aug. 26 — (AP) — General Dwight Eisenhower broadcast an order today to the French in Alsace-Lorraine bordering Germany, telling them that already they are in the "rear area of military operations" and they should be in the theatre of war, the British radio said. The broadcast was recorded by CBS.

### GERMANS REPORTED LEAVING BULGARIA

London, Aug. 26 — (AP) — The Ankara radio today said the German army had left Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria, and that it is only Germans left were two liaison officers.

### REPORTED ON WAY TO HUNGARY



ROMANIAN TROOPS, according to the Bucharest radio, are actively aiding Allied forces and are reported to be marching against Hungary. Following the break with Germany, widespread battles broke out between Nazis and Romanians in the rich oil and wheat kingdom. (International)