



MIGHTY U. S. FORCES ROLL INTO GERMANY

ALLIES BLAST BRIDGES TO HALT RETREAT OF NAZIS



HERE IS ONE OF THE REASONS why the German forces couldn't retreat in southern France. Bridges spanning the famous Rhone River at Taronnes were made useless by Allied bombers to hinder the flight of Nazi troops and supplies. Pock marks on one of the islets (right foreground) indicate some near hits. (International)

Assault On The Philippines To Follow Quebec Gathering

Americans to Eat Thanksgiving Meal There, Is Forecast

Quebec, Sept. 13—(AP)—An Allied onslaught on the Philippines before the last echoes of this Roosevelt-Churchill victory conference die away seemed possible today as the British and American commands discussed the shortest cuts to global victory.

The information get together between Roosevelt and Churchill are bound by no geographic limitations, and at the moment Allied armies are slugging into Germany ahead of D-Day schedules. International political relations across the narrow channel between Britain and France, involving the Dumbarton Oaks security talks at Washington, and the future of the British-American-Soviet advisory commission in London, press for swift dispatch of strictly military business.

In the Pacific ocean, air and naval attacks set the pace for events to come. Mr. Roosevelt, General MacArthur, southwest Pacific commander, and Admiral Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander, reviewed strategy for this huge war theatre less than two months ago in Pearl Harbor. Since then, Allied power has mushroomed at terrific speed toward Mindanao, southernmost of the major islands in the Philippine chain.

Some military men say GI Joe will be opening K-rations in the Philippine islands before Thanksgiving turkeys are on their tables back home. Such a stroke, backed by tremendous American naval and air power, would substantially snuff out Nazi Pacific strategy.

The Philippines, Formosa, the Japanese homeland, presumably would be primarily an American show.

India, Burma, Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies would be assigned to British commands—a job given to Admiral Mountbatten at another historic Quebec conference 12 months ago.

On the China mainland, General Stilwell and his forces would form the land-connecting link in territory already integrated in the air by the Superfortresses of General Arnold's 20th air force.

For Britain's part, reports from London relayed through Washington, set virtually her entire fleet—at least 19 battleships, 300 cruisers and destroyers, 100 or more submarines, eight aircraft carriers, plus others of the auxiliary type—at the disposal of the Allied combined chiefs of staff, once Berlin is occupied.

Tokyo Broadcasts Report of Attack On Kurile Islands

(By The Associated Press) The Tokyo radio said today that ten United States heavy and medium bombers had attacked the Kurile islands north of Japan yesterday morning, while another force of Liberators struck at the Japanese base in the Marcus islands on Monday and Tuesday.

The broadcast, recorded by the Federal Communications Commission, said two of the raider's were downed and another damaged.

The Game's Up



TYPICAL of thousands of German prisoners taken in Belgium is this fellow whose face shows clearly that he's had a tough day and is ready to quit. (International)

Four Units Are Heading For Reich

Counter Attacks By Germans Fail; Nearer to Rhine

London, Sept. 13—(AP)—Powerful American reinforcements rolled today into double invasions of Germany carrying within 37 miles of the Rhine, while two or more other United States columns beat to or near the frontier of the Reich's "holy soil."

Supreme headquarters imposed security silence on the two lunges of the United States first army which crossed the Nazi border from Luxembourg to northwest of Trier, and from Belgium east to Eupen. But fresh forces were being poured into these thrusts 65 miles apart.

Other first army forces struck 15 miles beyond Bastogne into the northern tip of Luxembourg, reaching near Clerveaux, three miles from Germany. This was the biggest disclosed gain of the day.

The front dispatch told of a lightning 60-minute thrust from Aumetz to the Our river border of Luxembourg and Germany and within a mile of the Siegfried line. This presumably referred to the United States third army separate from the Clerveaux area.

Still another threat of more crossings into Germany was posed by Americans who captured Malmedy, eight miles from the Belgian-German border.

There was no news of the invasion northwest of Trier since the initial announcement it had carried five miles into Germany.

Twice the Germans counter attacked but they were thrown back or held.

A new American army—the ninth—was disclosed to be fighting in an undesignated sector. The junction of the third and seventh army was strengthened.

The third army—like the first—was knocking at German defenses in multiple thrusts, many of which might explode into a full force onslaught.

General Patton's men had cleared almost all of the west bank of the Moselle and were building a broad bridgehead on the east bank near Nancy.

The British second army steadily was expanding its breakthrough of the Albert canal line into a wedge into Holland. It built up an attack flank within 60 miles of Dusseldorf and Essen.

Lt. Gen. Hodges' first army also was almost on the Dutch border.

Battles continued for the ports of Brest, Boulogne, Calais and Dunkirk.

Democrats Open Headquarters In Raleigh Friday

Raleigh, Sept. 13—(AP)—The Democratic party will open State headquarters Friday in the Sir Walter hotel here, launching its fall bid for election to State, congressional, and United States senatorial offices.

Expected to be in attendance, among others, are R. Gregg Cherry, of Gastonia, gubernatorial nominee; W. B. Umstead, State chairman, of Durham; Mrs. B. B. Everitt, of Palmira, vice chairman; Leroy Martin, of Raleigh, secretary; and W. P. Horton, of Pittsboro, national committee man, and Cherry's primary campaign lieutenants.

Rallies will be held in each of the congressional districts. Senator Joe Blythe, of Charlotte, Jackson Day dinner chairman is expected to head the money raising division.

Tropical Hurricane To Strike Tonight In Wilmington Area

Foreigners In Germany Told To Flee

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, Sept. 13—(AP)—A spokesman for General Dwight Eisenhower told foreign workers in northwest, west and southwest Germany today to flee the Gestapo's manhunt for soldiers and trench diggers and to "leave the factories."

"You are in danger," he said in a broadcast, "but in the next few days you may have the greatest opportunity for action. In a desperate effort to eliminate Allied support among the workers, Hitler plans to repeat in the west what he and the Gestapo have already done in the east."

"Workers there have been sent to man the fortifications. Thousands of other workers, including potential leaders and women, have been herded into concentration camps as hostages.

"Workers in the Ruhr and Rhineland are at this moment under threat of the same danger.

"Here are your instructions: follow them, for your own lives, and for aiding the Allied cause.

"Leave all German factories at once.

"Go underground.

"Go into hiding, either in the towns or on the lands. You must act immediately, so leave the factories now. The safest place is on the land. German farmers are in need of labor. Many will give you food and shelter. The Nazis have the men to spare to search for you or to control your movements.

"Further instructions will be given to you by radio and by leaflets dropped from Allied planes."

Nazi Troops Are Bombed At Frankfurt

London, Sept. 13—(AP)—A great armada of 3,000 planes converged on Germany from the west and south today, less than 24 hours after General Eisenhower promised "devastating bombing" of the Ruhr and Rhineland.

More than 1,500 were heavy bombers, and they struck at Frankfurt and Stuttgart, and Berlin still burned from massive RAF night blows.

The overnight raids upon Frankfurt, now less than 90 miles behind the German front lines, was carried out in particularly great strength and was aimed directly at matching the flow of Nazi reinforcements to the front.

The RAF bomber command, it was disclosed, originally had planned to strike another target 40 miles east but changed its plans when it was learned that the rail yards at Frankfurt were jammed with military materials headed west.

Romania Accepts Armistice Terms From the Allies

Moscow, Sept. 13—(AP)—Romania, Hitler's erstwhile Balkan ally, whose troops now are fighting beside the Russians, formally concluded an armistice agreement last night with the United Nations, the Soviet government announced today.

Terms of the agreement were not immediately made public.

Finns Given Peace Terms By Soviets

Stockholm, Sept. 13—(AP)—Prime Minister Hackvall of Finland is expected to return to Helsinki from Moscow within 24 hours, bearing Russian armistice terms, it was learned today.

An authoritative Finnish source said the terms would be presented to Parliament for approval, probably tomorrow.

The agreement probably will be published immediately by Moscow, or in a point Russian-Finnish announcement, if approval is voted. The terms are understood, in effect, to constitute peace, with the exception of a few details, which would be settled at some general peace conference later.

Southern Finland, this Finn said, virtually is cleared of its three German divisions and German civilians. A "big proportion" of the seven divisions in the north was reported evacuated toward Germany through southern Finnish ports. The informant declared, however, that it was impossible technically for all the Germans' northern army, to withdraw by the September 15 deadline set by the Russians, thus placing upon the Finns the responsibility of disarming those remaining.

Already Finnish troops are moving northward and occupying those areas vacated by the Nazis.

"Today's German communique said: 'In central Finland, the Soviet tried to make thrusts into our disengagement movement. They had to be repelled with losses in manpower.'"

Volume Low With Stocks

New York, Sept. 13—(AP)—Some sections of the stock market today extended the advance of the previous session, but volume remained low.

Leaders given fair support included General Motors, American Telephone and Standard Oil N.J. Southern Pacific and Santa Fe were lower.

Bonds and commodities were irregular.

Beach Residents Told To Get Away Before Nightfall

Wilmington, Sept. 13—(AP)—Paul Hess of the Wilmington Weather Bureau said at noon today he believed the hurricane now in the Atlantic would strike the Wilmington vicinity "some time tonight."

He recommended that residents of nearby Wrightsville and Carolina beaches move inland before nightfall.

At 1 o'clock, E.W.T. Hess estimated the storm was 375 miles south or southeast of Wilmington, and moving north or northwest.

"It will get very close to Wilmington some time tonight, and we ought to be prepared," he said. He said the tides and winds would be very high here tonight.

Hess said he thought the hurricane would strike the nearby beaches and Southport.

NO NAVY PLANES ORDERED TO EVACUATE AT NORFOLK

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 13—(AP)—No Navy planes have been ordered to evacuate coastal areas of the 10th naval district, a spokesman said today in reply to a query as to whether the hurricane off the Atlantic coast had caused issuance of such an order.

If close approach of the hurricane should necessitate the declaration that evacuation conditions exist, aircraft will be flown inland, the spokesman said.

Miami, Fla., Sept. 13—(AP)—Storm warnings were hoisted today along the Carolina and north Georgia coasts today as a great Atlantic hurricane moved close to the threatened points.

At 10:30 a. m. Weather Bureau advisory placed the storm about 300 miles east of Titusville, Fla., and forecast a course which would "bring the center close to the coast of the Carolinas."

Meteorologist Grady Norton noted, however, a tendency for the big hurricane to turn more to the northward, or even to the northeastward and thus spare the east a dangerous blow.

"If the storm is to miss the Carolina coast," he said, "it will have to turn within the 18-hour period which began at 8 a. m. today. There is still a good chance that it will swing away, but I strongly urge persons in the warning area to keep in closest touch with developments."

NEW U. S. MISSION LOCATED IN PARIS

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, Sept. 13—(AP)—General Dwight D. Eisenhower announced that Major General John T. Lewis of the United States Army, Lewis is newly active supreme headquarters mission to France located in Paris, as of today.

Major General H. Redman, of the British army, was named deputy. The mission will represent the supreme Allied commander with the French government.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Thursday cloudy, moderate to heavy rains in eastern portion; moderate temperatures; strong winds and gales along the coast.