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Red Armies Hurry Southward For East Prussia Campaigns After Fall Of Port Of Riga

Jap Army In Philippines Is Cut Off

U. S. Troops Advance Further Into Aachen, Fighting Nazis By House-To-House Tactics

Baltic City Not Wholly Destroyed

Germans Deny City Has Been Captured; Silence On Hungary

London, Oct. 11—(AP)—The German radio denied today the Russian announcement of Riga's capture. The Transocean agency's version was that the Germans evacuated the eastern part of the Latvian capital, but still held the western part.

Moscow, Oct. 11—(AP)—The fall of Riga, Latvian capital and last Baltic city that remained to the Germans, released two powerful Russian armies today for a thrust southward toward East Prussia.

On the Red army's southern flank, silence cloaked decisive operations in Hungary.

The Soviet drive in Hungary now may be compared to operations a year in Italy, during which General Montgomery's British eighth army marched up the Italian peninsula for six days after crossing the Messina Strait.

Announcement of the Red army's entry into East Prussia in force from the frontier belt twelve miles north-east of Tilsit may be made tonight.

Riga, a city of 385,000, whose capture by troops of the second and third Baltic armies was announced last night by Marshal Stalin, was taken by storming the port area on the mouth of the Dvina river, after the Russians crossed supposedly impassable swamps on the northeast. But the Soviet forces blocked a German plan for a seaborne evacuation.

A correspondent of Red Star, Soviet newspaper, said the enemy tried to burn Riga, and had demolished centuries-old St. Peter's church. However, a swift Russian breakthrough prevented complete destruction of the city.

The Russian assault toward the Latvian capital reached a defense zone of more than 25 miles in depth. The Soviets estimated that "several dozen" enemy divisions have been beaten in the area, and a considerable number of these were destroyed in the offensive against Riga itself.

Bulgars Go To Moscow For Terms

London, Oct. 11—(AP)—A Bulgarian armistice delegation has left Sofia for Moscow at the invitation of the Soviet, British and United States governments, the Ankara radio said tonight.

The radio said its information came from an official Bulgarian announcement.

Bulgaria ended a short-lived technical state of war with Russia on September 9, after the Soviet government declared war on the Balkan kingdom to force her withdrawal from Nazi partnership. The kingdom had declared war on the United States and Britain, but not on Russia.

The Bulgars have been maneuvering to win concessions involving Greece, Thrace and Macedonia, however. The Greeks have served notice that the Bulgars must withdraw from Greek territory, and the British and American governments are reported to have backed them up.

Prime Minister Churchill recently announced that the Bulgars have demanded active Bulgarian participation in defeating the Nazis as a condition to an armistice.

HUNGARY ACCEPTS ARMISTICE TERMS

London, Oct. 11—(AP)—The Paris radio, quoting an unauthenticated report from Bulgaria, said today "the Hungarian government has accepted the preliminary conditions of an Allied armistice."

It offered no details as to the source of the report or the conditions of the reported armistice.

XMAS GIFTS FOR TROOPS POUR IN



MORE THAN 123 CARLOADS of Christmas gift mail for our service men, coming in from every section of the nation, has already arrived at the new Army Post Office in Long Island City, N. Y. Here is but a small portion of the packages being tackled by New York City's Postmaster Albert Goldman and some of his workers who are assisting military personnel in supervising the task of distribution. (International)

Formosa Bombings Play Havoc With Island Defenders

U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Pearl Harbor, Oct. 11—(AP)—Japan's army of 150,000 in the Philippines, sorely harassed by guerrillas in advance of the anticipated American invasion, is believed cut off from its main source of reinforcements at Formosa, which B-29's blasted today after two days of carrier plane attacks.

An Associated Press war correspondent said that news was taken here of official reports showing a report of 1,000 United States carrier aircraft sunk or damaged, 63 ships, wiped out 396 planes and wrecked Formosa's railway system in four days Wednesday and Thursday within 100 miles of the China coast.

Tokyo radio, while telling Japan of the raid, claimed six carriers and four warships were sunk. But Admiral Nimitz said last night that the Japanese air force failed even to damage the fleet units in their Wednesday night torpedo and bombing attack.

Pearl Harbor correspondents were permitted to speculate that the non-landing force, which in four days accounted for 104 ships, 65 smaller craft and 125 B-29 bombers, at Formosa, Ryukyu and the Philippines, still may be in action against Japan's great defense area.

The Philippines, by many signs, appeared open to invasion. Not a Japanese plane took to the air since Manila's many airbases Tuesday to express carrier planes which ceased ten to fifteen grounded enemy aircraft on Luzon, the Navy said last night.

CARRYING ULTIMATUM TO AACHEN



HERE'S THE DRAMATIC SCENE outside Aachen, Germany, as a trio of Americans marched toward the Nazi lines carrying a flag of truce and the surrender ultimatum to the enemy commander. The men are (l. to r.): Lt. William Boehme, New York City; Pvt. Kenneth Kadin, LaGrange, Ill.; and Lt. Cedric Lally, Emsburg Falls, Va. This is an official U. S. Signal Corps Radiophoto. (International Soundphoto)

Foe Unable To Bring Up New Forces

Germans Fighting Bitterly In Holland; Enemy Loses Tanks

London, Oct. 11—(AP)—United States troops, routing out Germans with fire and explosives, pressed deeper into Aachen today in a house-to-house battle against strengthening resistance, and guns and planes again thwarted Nazi attempts to reinforce the besieged garrison.

The Aachen escape gap was not "as good as closed," an officer at the front said.

But some German reinforcements possibly had slipped into the burning city, and a front dispatch estimated 2,000 Germans were left there, fighting back more desperately now. In five days an American division has taken 1,000 prisoners.

Germans fought bitterly in Holland. Canadians blockading the escape route for the enemy on two islands in the northern Schelde estuary were forced on the defensive.

In the east in Holland, British forces tapped out a gap of more than a mile in their sector above Aachen, but progress was slow.

Doughboys, using flame throwers, grenades and machine guns, advanced slowly but steadily in Aachen. An attack on the northeast had narrowed the line from the city. Field artillery and planes hit repeatedly at German reinforcements trying to move to the east, and prevented any major counter attack to relieve Aachen.

Eighty-four German tanks had been knocked out in 48 hours through Friday.

Germans in Aachen had to be squeezed from pillboxes and dug from wells and cellars of ruined houses.

Four miles north of Aachen, tank-reinforced Germans threw in stronger presence, but several counter attacks were dispersed by Allied planes and artillery. Doughboys moved forward slowly.

Allies Gain In Italy From Nazi Forces

Rome, Oct. 11—(AP)—British and American troops, supported by low-flying fighters and lighter bombers, hammered out small gains in furious fighting yesterday against a fanatical German defense of the Po valley.

Allied headquarters announced that fifth army troops seized new hills in the central sector south of Bologna, while eighth army forces to the east forced the Germans back along the entire battle line except in the Adriatic coastal sector.

At the same time it was disclosed that another contingent of Brazilian troops had arrived in the battle zone.

The original Brazilian expeditionary force, which has been operating in difficult country on the west bank of the United States fifth army push to Bologna. The fresh Brazilian force more than doubled Brazilian troops in Italy, and included the first Brazilian air force to arrive in Italy.

Russians Arrive In Belgrade, With Tito, Says Report

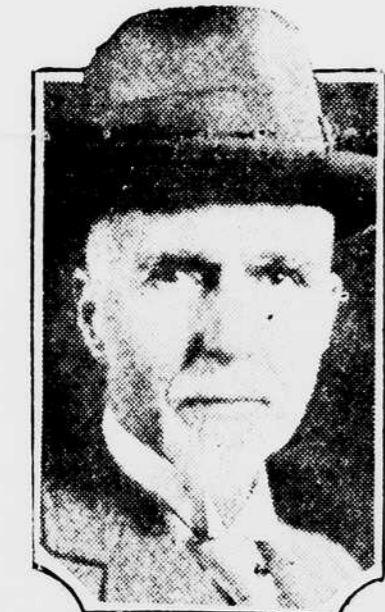
London, Oct. 11—(AP)—A Berlin broadcast said today that strong motorized Russian columns "reached Belgrade this morning," and Marshal Tito's headquarters said Soviet troops were fighting the enemy in the streets of the Yugoslav capital.

An earlier communique said Soviet troops had advanced west of Subotica, and were clamping an iron ring around Belgrade.

Liberation of the Yugoslav capital appeared imminent.

For several days it has been ennobled by Tito's patriots, who reported that the German commander and his staff had fled to the north.

Dies in Chapel Hill



ROBERT W. WINSTON

Chapel Hill, Oct. 11—(AP)—Judge Watson Winston, Chapel Hill judge and author, died in his hotel room here this morning.

A native of Winston, N. C., Judge Winston was 64 years old.

He was born September 12, 1890, and re-entered college at the age of 69 to fit himself "to interpret the New South to the nation and the nation to the New South." He prided himself for being, as he said, "the University's oldest freshman."

He served as superior court judge from 1889 to 1895, when he retired from the bench. He was particularly interested in history and in 1897 served as president of the North Carolina Historical Society. He wrote upon a variety of subjects, but his best known books were biographies of Andrew Jackson, Jefferson Davis and Robert E. Lee.

Battle For Kweilin May Change War

Chungking, Oct. 11—(AP)—Outcome of the battle for Kweilin, key defense center for southeast China, will be the turning point of the war with Japan, the Chinese deputy chief of staff said today in an interview on the Kwangsi province front, and he predicted that the defenders would make the city China's Stalingrad.

(The Japanese news agency broadcast a South China dispatch today claiming Japanese forces on Thursday morning completely overtook Kweilin in the drive into southern Kwangsi province.)

A communique of the U. S. 14th air force said Kweilin was bombed and strafed and that Japanese positions both north and south of that city were attacked from the air.

Corfu Nazis Surrender Without Shot

Rome, Oct. 11—(AP)—Allied troops have captured the fertile Greek island of Corfu in the Ionian Sea after the German garrison of only sixty men surrendered without firing a shot, it was announced today.

At the same time, Albanian partisans on the mainland occupied an inland road center above the port of Sarande, which previously was captured.

The fall of Corfu and Sarande eliminated both the Albanian coastal road and coastal waters as avenues of Nazi escape northward from Greece. The comparatively light opposition encountered in the area indicated that the Nazis no longer attach high value to these routes.

Earlier it had been reported that the Germans had garrisoned Corfu with a regiment of troops. The island is approximately 38 miles long, with a width varying from three to twenty miles. It has an area of 275 square miles and a population of 108,000.

Superforts Again Smash At Formosa

Washington, Oct. 11—(AP)—A large task force of Superfortresses attacked Okoyama, on Japan's island of Formosa, the twelfth heavier bomber command announcement today in a communique which identified the city as "the most important air target south of Japan proper."

The communique said that "none of our aircraft so far has been reported lost."

The mission was carried out from bases in China, the communique said. The largest attack yet made by the Superfortresses followed on the heels of the carrier-borne air attack on Formosa.

Because Formosa is much closer than the targets of some of the earlier Superfortress attacks, it was presumed the giant bombers each carried a much heavier load of explosives than on the larger missions.

The largest known flight of the B-29's was last August, when the Superfortresses attacked Japanese oil production centers at Palembang, in Sumatra. That flight was launched from a base outside China, near the equator, indicating that the sound trip covered about 2,600 miles.

Cologne Is Bombed By Night Raid

Two-Way Assault Follows By Day as Americans Attack

London, Oct. 11—(AP)—Mesquite bombers carried out a raid last night on the German industrial city of Cologne, less than 40 miles from Aachen, on a straight road to Berlin, preliminary to what looked like a cruching, two-way air attack on the Reich today.

Before noon the German radio reported Allied bombers were north-western Germany and Austria.

At the same time, the Nazi radio said a new type plane known as "Luft Heilmann" soon will be used against Allied air attacks, and "will change the face of aerial warfare."

While the main force of Mesquites was hitting Cologne, a key railroad center, others were attacking unspecified targets elsewhere in western Germany. All aircraft returned.

Revised RAF reports yesterday showed their second Nazi field headquarters in three days. Both were located in Holland. The second attack on those large buildings in the center of a country estate was timed for 11 a. m., at which time the German commander was said to hold a daily conference with his top officers.

Yesterday that conference ended promptly and violently: the air ministry said, "The explosion pit in its appearance at 11:45 precisely, taking 500-pound bombs and rockets in the party. Within a few minutes all three houses had been open to the ground."

RAF fighter bombers based in France and Belgium sank eight barges and damaged 21 others which the Germans were trying to evacuate from the Schelde estuary.

Cotton Closes Slightly Down

New York, Oct. 11—(AP)—Cotton futures opened unchanged to ten cents a bale lower, and closed unchanged to 17 cents a bale lower.

	Open	Close
October	22.03	22.08
December	21.45	21.84
March	21.80	21.84
May	21.75	21.79
July	21.55	21.55

Middling spot, 22.38, off three.

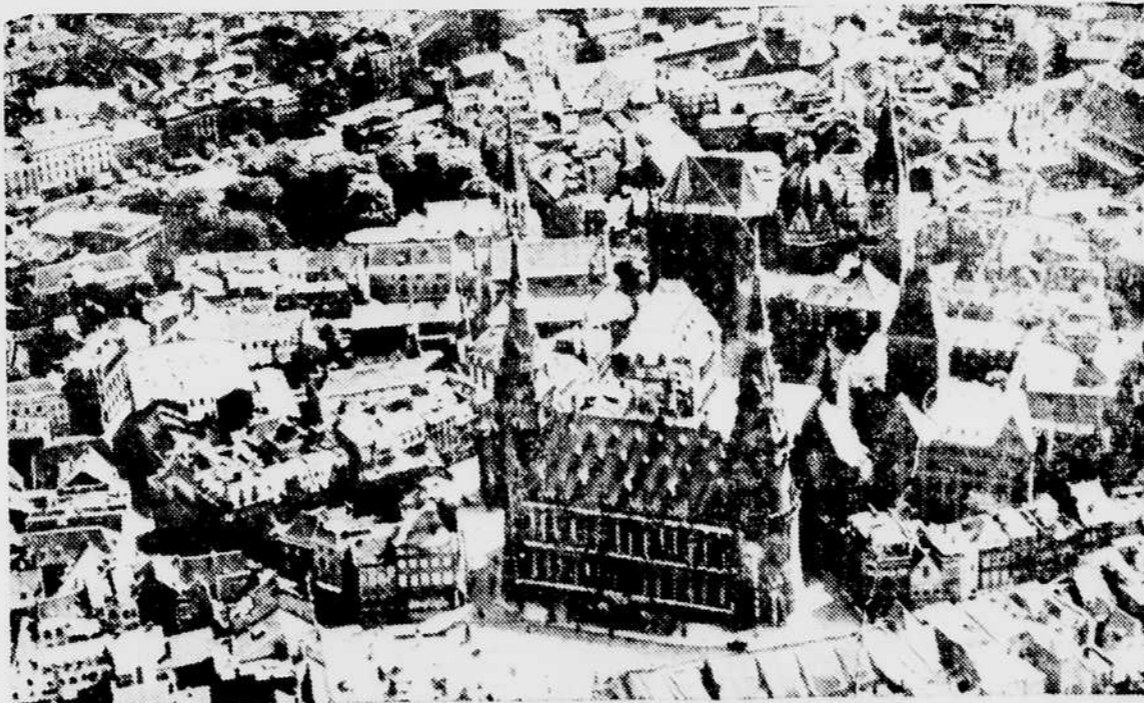
U. S. BOMBERS BACK OVER NAZI SILESLIA

Rome, Oct. 11—(AP)—U. S. Flying Fortresses and Liberators returned to German Silesia today, blasting a synthetic oil refinery 75 miles southeast of Dresden, in a plant nearby, while other heavy bomber formations hit communications in Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Yugoslavia.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Clear and slightly cooler to night, followed by fair and mild Sunday.

HISTORIC AACHEN NOW BATTERED BY ALLIES



THIS AIRVIEW OF AACHEN, now being pounded by artillery and air barrage, shows such historic spots in the doomed German city as the City Hall (The Rathaus is in the foreground) built on the site of Emperor Charlemagne's Palace. When the German command, trapped in ancient Aachen, refused to surrender the devastating bombardment began and the city is in flames while German forces seek to evacuate. (International)

United Authority For Poland Being Framed in Moscow

Moscow, Oct. 11—(AP)—Leaders of the rival Polish regimes of London and Lublin were reported to be reopening negotiations for a combined government today.

They had heard from Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin of the importance attached by the Allies to a united Poland.

The premier of the London Polish government in exile conferred today for two and a half hours with Churchill, Anthony Eden and British Ambassador Sir Archibald Clark Kerr.