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## RUSSIANS BREAK INTO NAZI DEFENSES IN EAST PRUSSIA

### Moscow Says Nazi Counterattacks Failing To Stop Russian Advance; Reds Take 80 More Towns In Recent Drive

Moscow, Aug. 9.—The Red Army tightened a noose Tuesday around German Baltic forces once estimated at more than 20 divisions—between 250,000 and 300,000 men—and smashed a deeper wedge through Poland toward German Silesia west of the Vistula.

### WAR IN BRIEF

Americans capture Le Mans, Nantes and St. Malo, drive into Angers; American forward elements within 97 miles of Paris; Canadians and British smash last German fixed defenses below Caen.

### Resolution By The Executive Committee State Board of Health

"In view of the grave situation which exists in North Carolina because of the epidemic of poliomyelitis, of which there have been up to this time, August 4, 453 cases reported in 48 counties since June 1, and which has resulted in 21 known deaths, it is the sense of this committee that the local boards of education and those charged with the administration of all private and parochial schools defer the opening of any and all such schools until September 18, and then only if the epidemic has subsided to such an extent as to permit their opening with safety."

## No New Polio Is Reported In Pitt County

Greenville, Aug. 9.—According to the local Health Department, no new case of polio has been reported to the department since last Friday.

## Urge Purchase Of Winter Fuel Now

Washington, Aug. 9.—Householders and building owners were prompted by the Office of Defense Transportation today to lay in their winter's fuel all supply "while deliveries can still be made."

## Averages On The Border Belt Near \$44 Opening Day

### Farmers Highly Pleased With Prices; Sales Fairly Light; Quality Good

Raleigh, Aug. 9.—North Carolina's 1944 tobacco marketing season opened in seven Border Belt markets yesterday with prices averaging nearly \$44, slightly above this year's price ceiling, and for the first time in many years not a single farmer left the first day's sales unhappy.

### Behind Schedule

Market officials of Lumberton, Fairmont, and Clarkston estimate that from 20 to 25 per cent of the leaf in this area remains in the field.

## Taxpayers Get Refund Checks

Greensboro, Aug. 9.—Declaring that every effort is being made to expedite refunds on 1943 income tax returns, C. H. Robertson, collector of internal revenue, said refund checks are being mailed to taxpayers of the North Carolina District at the rate of 5,000 per week.

## Warn Motorists To Fix Lights, Brakes

Greenville, Aug. 9.—Lieut. Lester Jones in charge of state highway patrolmen in this district, has instructed the patrolmen to bear down on motor vehicle drivers who have defective lights, inadequate brakes and other defects.

## Clincher Blows Fall on Trapped Troops in Guam

### Victory Completed After 20 Days of Battle; Counted Enemy Dead Already Exceeds 10,000

U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Pearl Harbor, Aug. 9.—Japan's hour glass was running out on Guam Wednesday.

## British Lend-Lease From Uncle Sam Tops 2 Billion

### Food Shipments Alone To The British Isles Have Averaged About \$50,000,000 A Month

Washington, Aug. 9.—The United States has furnished Britain about \$2,096,900,000 worth of foodstuffs in the three and a quarter years that lend-lease has been in operation.

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## Large Nazi Force Faces Capture In Central Normandy

### Le Mans, St. Malo and Nantes Reported In American Hands; U. S. Forces Now Only 87 Miles From Paris

London, Aug. 9.—A Canadian offensive, surging more than 10 miles below Caen, smashed the Germans' second defense line guarding the road to Paris Wednesday, and the German high command said Americans had broken into Le Mans, 110 miles southwest of the French capital.

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