

PATTON'S ARMY REACHES BELGIAN BORDER

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Russians Sweep Across Romania For Junction With Tito's Yugoslavs

Red Strength Awes People Of Bucharest

Nazis in Wild Rout Up Danube Valley; Warsaw Offensive Strengthened

MOSCOW, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Red army flying columns, skirting the southern shoulder of the Transylvanian Alps after marching triumphantly through Bucharest, headed today in the direction of Serbia's northeastern mountains, where Marshal Tito's partisans are battling the common enemy.

A junction between soviet and Yugoslav partisan forces became a prospect of the near future as Gen. Malinovsky's armored scouts approached within 120 miles of the Yugoslav-Romanian frontier.

The soviet leader's forces, which paraded past the rubble of German-bombed buildings in Bucharest yesterday, drove rapidly westward along the Bucharest-Craiova railway.

Front dispatches said the Germans were still in disorderly flight up the Danube valley.

Russian Might Displayed.

Bucharest's war-weary populace saw Malinovsky bare the mechanical power of his army. Huge self-propelled guns, thickly armored tanks and a seemingly endless stream of motorized infantry crossed the city from end to end.

Fall of Bulgarian R Follows Failure to War by Neutrality

LONDON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—The Bulgarian government of Ivan Bagrianov fell today shortly after its failure to win an easy way out of the war by pleading neutrality and amid indications of far-reaching internal developments within the Balkan kingdom.

Simultaneously it was disclosed that the European advisory commission had drafted armistice terms for Bulgaria—a demonstration of British-American Russian solidarity in the terms which the Balkan satellite must meet to get out of the conflict. Russian armies were pushing along the country's northern frontier, ready to send tank columns coursing across her northern plains.

At the same time rumors spread throughout Europe that Hungary was trying to contact the allies on armistice terms.

With Romania already out of the Hitler lineup and negotiating in Moscow for terms on which she might join the allies as a co-belligerent, Hitler's southeastern front thus appeared to be falling apart in three countries.

Badly Mauled Nazis Flee Up Rhone Valley

ROME, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Sharp attacks by American tanks and infantry crumbled Nazi rearward resistance in the upper Rhone valley of southern France today and the Germans fled north west at top speed with the pursuing allies less than 50 miles from the great city of Lyon.

Apparently despairing of ever getting their 19th army out of southern France as an intact fighting unit, the Nazi command has ordered its units "to return to Germany by their own resources," an official report said.

A report from Gen. Patch's headquarters quoted the captured Gen. Otto Richter, commander of the Nazi 19th infantry division, as saying "the 19th army is undertaking to extricate itself from southeast France by any means possible."

Roads along which the Americans and French were pursuing the Nazis gave eloquent testimony that "any means" were expensive. Booty in abandoned trucks, guns and supplies which littered the routes was mounting steadily.

Braze of New Weapon

Richter, an ardent Nazi, demonstrated how well he was indoctrinated with the latest German morale building theme by predicting that "the westwall defense line the Germans will bring out another secret weapon."

The Seventh army command declared the situation remained "unchanged" on the Riviera, following.

Dry Beans, Fruit Butters, Prune Juices Freed From Rationing in September

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—No ration points will be required to purchase dry beans, fruit butters and prune juices between Sept. 3 and Sept. 30, and other changes in ration point values will be minor.

An exception is pineapple juice, which advances from 15 to 25 points for a No. 2 (18-ounce) can. Fruit butters which become free include apple, apricot, grape and peach.

The zero point value applies only to raw dry beans, regardless of variety or color. Ration points will continue on all varieties of canned dry beans.

Changes in point values for processed food included:

Corn, vacuum-packed, whole kernel, 12-ounce can only, 3 to 5 points. Mixed vegetables, such as succotash and carrots and peas, No. 2 (18-ounce can) 1 to 5 points; tomato juice, 7-ounce container, 1 to 2.7-ounce container, 1 to 3, 10-14 ounce container, 1 to 4.

Reich Gloomy On War's 5th Anniversary

LONDON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—The fifth anniversary of world war II today found British-American and Russian armies driving toward a junction in the heart of Germany only a little more than 700 miles apart.

In less than three months of concentrated blows from the east and west the allies have inflicted an enormous casualty toll on the Nazi war machine—more than 1,500,000 killed, captured or wounded, according to the best available figures.

The prospect of military disaster, plus political catastrophe, now mocks the ambitions of Adolf Hitler, who five years ago sent his armored legions crashing into Poland and started a globe-grinding world conflict.

When Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's armies landed in Normandy June 6 they were 1,400 miles from the Russian forces before Mogilev.

Now the Russians are at the gates of Warsaw, after covering more than half the distance to Berlin since their offensive began June 23. They are a little more than 700 miles from Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's armor on the Meuse river near the German border.

Signaling the impending loss of the Balkans to Hitler is the



AMERICANS AT BELGIAN BORDER—At or over the border of Belgium and so close to the border of Germany that entry of the Reich by nightfall was deemed a possibility, the onrushing American army led by Lt. Gen. Patton has scored great new gains, according to today's dispatches. The British meanwhile have smashed to the channel coast, location of the rocket bomb lairs. Above map shows the area of World War I battlefields, now in possession of the allies.

Govt. Takes Over Ten Coal Mines

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Ten coal mines in western Pennsylvania were under government control today because of strikes which have made nearly 8,000 miners idle.

President Roosevelt, upon request of the War Labor Board, ordered the seizure yesterday because of "existing and threatened strikes" in the soft coal fields.

The walkouts were called by the newly organized supervisory workers branch of the United Mine workers of America. Operators estimate more than 20,000 tons of coal has been lost during the strikes which started August 16.

The solid fuels administration said in a statement accompanying the executive order that the struck mines will be opened for operation on Monday, sternly adding:

"Every man is expected to be back on the job."

The walkouts involved demands by supervisory workers—numbering less than 300—at the mines for company recognition of the clerical, technical and supervisory employees union, affiliated with the UMW's district 50 "catch-all" union.

Plagiarism Suit Names Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt

PORTLAND, Sept. 1.—(AP)—John M. Holzworth, Florence, Ore., filed a plagiarism suit against Rutherford Montgomery, author of "Big Brownie," and named Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt among other defendants in federal district court here yesterday.

He charged the children's story about Alaskan bears infringed the copyright of his book "Twin Grizzlies of Admiralty Islands." Named in the suit was the Literary Guild, which selected "Big Brownie" as book of the month for May. Mrs. Roosevelt is a member of the selection committee.

Henry Holt & Co., publishers, and the J. K. Gill & Co. book store of Portland, also were named. Holzworth asked \$50,000 damages and an order banning further sales of "Big Brownie."

Truck Rolls Into River, Two Occupants Unhurt

TOLEDO, Ore., Sept. 1.—(AP)—Two men whose gasoline truck careened down a 30-foot bank and disappeared into the Yaquina river are safe today—but neither can remember why.

The truck swerved off a soft shoulder yesterday, and rolled over three times before hitting the water. Rescuers found the vehicle at the river bottom, and the two occupants—Alex Allan, Toledo, and Mac MacNamara, Portland—sitting on the river bank, with no recollection of how they escaped.

Portland Soldier Routs 12 Nazis Singlehanded

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Pfc. Clifford E. Fitzsimmons, Portland, Ore., youth who routed 12 Germans singlehanded, has received the Silver Star for gallantry in action in Italy.

A 12-man German patrol sighted Fitzsimmons when he was separated from his company. When an enemy rifleman was only 10 yards away firing on him, Fitzsimmons shot him.

The Portland youth then demonstrated incredible marksmanship by picking off six more Germans as they came over a ridge. The rest fled, thinking they were facing a strong position.

Fitzsimmons' action enabled his company to regroup and rout the enemy attack, the citation said.

Woman Stabbed to Death, Wounded Husband Jailed

KIRKLAND, Wash., Sept. 1.—(AP)—Mrs. Wynona Jeanne Salkley, 35, was found fatally stabbed and her husband, Moudry, 35, near death from a slashed throat in the Stewart heights housing project last night.

Mrs. Salkley was a Boeing aircraft worker. The couple had been here only a week, coming from Tualuma, and

A butcher knife was found on the kitchen floor.

Salkley was taken into custody when he was seen to jump from a second story window and crumple on the ground as an officer drove up.

Thousand-Plane Raids to Blast Japan, U. S. Air Chief Says; Formosa, Area of Philippines Targets of Fresh Attacks

(By the Associated Press)

Thousand-plane raids on Japan were forecast by the U. S. army air commander for the Pacific, as allied bombers slashed at Formosa, key to the area he named as potential bases.

The attack on Formosa, off the China coast, was made by China-based bombers, Tokyo radio reported today.

Other members raked the perimeter of Japan's defense from the equator to Paramushiro in the north Pacific.

Heaviest blows centered around the southern Philippines. Davao, largest city of the southern Philippines, was left ablaze in the eighth raid in recent weeks; four Japanese ships including a destroyer were sunk or crippled in the Dutch Celebes to the south; Palau and Yap to the east were hit in daily softening up raids.

The regularity of these raids extending over 4,000 miles emphasized Lt. Gen. Millard F. Harmon's promise of "unrelenting bombing" of the Japanese industrial empire, spread over Japan, Korea and Manchuria. He indicated the attacks in force would come after Formosa, the China coast and some of the Ryukyu islands, reaching out toward Nippon, have been seized.

With the main Nipponese armies and defensive air forces still to be engaged, Harmon predicted the Pacific war would last at least a year after Germany is defeated.

Harmon expressed to interviewers the belief Japan would not surrender but "must eventually be occupied and overrun by our forces."

In southwest China, American-made flame throwers, rifles and machine guns aided Chinese in knocking out a half dozen enemy strong points in the Burma road sector.

Experience Angle Stressed in Truman Notification Talks; Speech-Making Campaign Announced by Republicans

(By the Associated Press)

The democratic drive to re-elect President Roosevelt for a fourth term in the nation's first wartime presidential campaign since the Civil war, is officially on.

The president's running-mate, Senator Harry S. Truman of Missouri, completed political formalities last night with a nomination acceptance speech at his birthplace, Lamar, Mo.

Even as Truman was declaring that the nation's efforts to make a permanent peace were "very definitely in midstream," and cautioning against entrusting such efforts to "those who are not familiar with world affairs," republicans were announcing an intensive campaign of speech-making.

Gov. John W. Bricker, the G. O. P. vice presidential candidate, disclosed plans for speeches at Bangor and Portland, Maine, on September 22. He will make other addresses on an eastern tour starting September 18, and will make a month-long tour of the West in October.

Truman also will stump actively, with his next appearance a Labor day address in Detroit Monday.

Truman was notified by Sena-

Congressmen to Talk On War Against Forest Fires

Congressman Harris Ellsworth of Roseburg and William M. Colmer, representative in congress from Mississippi, will be heard at 1 to 1:15 p. m. Saturday over Radio Station KRNR. The two congressmen will discuss America's war against forest fires in a national broadcast over the Mutual Broadcasting system. The program will be originated in Washington and will be released on the Pacific coast through the Don Lee networks.

Thief Gets Fishing Tackle

ASTORIA, Ore., Sept. 1.—(AP)—It was to be a fishing holiday, so Walter Earl, Tillamook, took four rods, reels and miscellaneous tackle to the beach. But before he managed to wet a line a thief stole all his equipment.

Children's Fire Costly

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 31.—(AP)—Fire early today destroyed a hop warehouse on the Horst ranch 12 miles south of Salem, the loss being \$25,000.

Sparks from a fire built by children on the Willamette river bank caused the fire.

Coast Grid Czar Dies

SANTA MONICA, Calif., Sept. 1.—(AP)—Edwin W. Atherton, commissioner of the Pacific Coast intercollegiate football conference, died last night at Santa Monica hospital as a result of complications from a gall bladder operation five weeks ago. He was 47.

Drinking Orgy Followed By Slaying of Woman

SEATTLE, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Third woman slain hereabouts in the past four days, Mrs. Marguerite G. Anderson, about 45, was bludgeoned to death in her bed last night. The tragedy was discovered by her 14-year-old son, George. Coroner C. L. Harris said she had been dead about six hours in the wildly disordered chamber.

Detective Capt. Marshall C. Scraftford said the boy told him, tearfully, his mother had been drinking heavily for several days. He said he had heard no disturbance during the night.

Scraftford said Mrs. Anderson's room was littered with bottles and other articles and that the draperies at an open dining room window had been torn down.

Flour Subsidy Rate On Pacific Coast Decreased

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—(AP)—The Defense Supplies corporation today announced a September flour subsidy rate of 11 cents a bushel on hard wheat ground outside the Pacific coast area, a reduction of 2 cents from the August rate.

A rate of 17 1/2 cents was posted for all wheat ground in the Pacific coast area, a decrease of one-half cent from August.

The new rates are effective today.

Yankee Tide Rolls Through Sedan, Verdun

Entry Into Germany is Imminent; Nazi General Captured by British

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Sept. 1.—(AP)—An American avalanche of men and tanks passed over the historic fortress cities of Sedan and Verdun, rolling up to or across the Belgian border and threatening to spill over into Germany before nightfall today.

On a 70-mile front Americans had stabbed to or across the Belgian border in the vicinity of historic Sedan, reached within 49 miles of the German frontier at Verdun, and in an eastward thrust to Commercy had advanced to within 58 miles of Germany's Saar.

War Area Occupied

They had crossed at a jump the famous Argonne forest and the Meuse where Gen. John J. Pershing's doughboys fought for six bitter weeks in 1918, and driven through or past some of the most important works of the old French Maginot line.

With Lt. Gen. Hodges' First U. S. Army on the left and Patton's forces on the right the Americans were driving a huge spike into the same vital area where in 1918 Pershing's penetration across lines of escape out of northern France and Belgium forced the November armistice.

Front line dispatches last night told of the drive across the Meuse between Sedan, historic battleground of 1870, 1918 and 1940, and Charleville, and to the outskirts of Sedan itself. Sedan is but five miles from the Belgian border.

Belgians Flee to Liberty

The flags of Belgium already flew over the government's buildings in London in anticipation of the arrival of the allies at the border and the imminence of liberation, and the Germans admitted that the fight for northern France was as good as over.

The British were within 65 miles of Calais where German guns have barked at Dover across the narrowest part of the channel for more than four years.

While the British reared in Dunkerque, the Canadians to the southwest worked off another grudge, driving into Dieppe where 3,000 Canadians were lost in the raid of 1942.

Still farther south, waves of American Marauders pounded forts and gun positions at the besieged port of Brest in Britain.

Boys Steal Guns, Shoot Through Home, Kill Dog

HILLSBORO, Ore., Sept. 1.—(AP)—A 10 and a 12-year old boy, accused of stealing three guns to begin a career of banditry, were under arrest here today.

Juvenile authorities said the boys were arrested after shooting through the doors and windows of the home of a woman shipyard worker, Mrs. Alta Robins, "because we were mad at her." One bullet killed the woman's dog.

Restrictions on Oregon Beaches Are Removed

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 1.—(AP)—Restrictions on ocean beaches have been revoked by Governor Snell, his office announced today.

The restrictions, which went into effect shortly after Pearl Harbor, had prohibited loitering on beaches at night, use of flashlights and other signaling devices, and bonfires at night.

Snell said the western defense command advised him that restrictions no longer were necessary.

J. K. Shepherd Fined \$100 For Drunken Driving

Pleading guilty to a charge of drunken driving, James K. Shepherd, 48, Roseburg, paid a fine of \$100 in the Roseburg justice court today. Judge Thomas C. Hartfield reported. A 30-day jail sentence was suspended.

Fines of \$10 each were paid by Oscar R. Whiteford on charges of overwidth load and no operator's license.

Ex-Senator Norris Weaker

McCook, Neb., Sept. 1.—(AP)—Former Senator George W. Norris "has lost all consciousness" and is growing "progressively weaker," Dr. E. F. Leininger, attending the 83-year-old veteran legislator, said today.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Rasmussen

With both major parties angling for his outspoken endorsement, Wendell Willkie doubtless appreciates the fact that he is for far more important politically while on the outside looking in than when he was on the inside looking out.



YANK RETURNS WITH 946 PRISONERS!—Milling about in a 45th division prisoner of war camp in southern France are the 946 Germans, including 17 officers, who surrendered to Lt. Clarence E. Coggins (right) of Poteau, Okla., whom they had captured a short time before. The fast-talking, 24-year-old Oklahoman persuaded the Nazi commander to "give up" by telling him that his men were surrounded, then took the surrender offer over to allied headquarters to make arrangements for the Germans to lay down their arms and come in their own vehicles.