

BANK ARMOR DRIVES NEAR PARIS

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TROOPS PUSH INTO 50-MILE DEFENSE ZONE

Censors Tighten News On Whereabouts Of Armies

By GLADWIN HILL
SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Aug. 10 (AP)—American armor was believed to be driving into the last 50-mile zone of defense for Paris today as supreme headquarters announced formation of a revolutionary new airborne army—an announcement presaging new blows for victory.

The Germans themselves, confronted by a powerful 175-mile British-Canadian-American arc, called the fight a "battle for Paris."

They had abandoned without a serious fight the key city of Le Mans, 110 miles from the French capital, apparently giving up all idea of a stand along the Aachen-Le Mans-Tours line and their next comparable system of lateral communications ran from Orleans northward through Chartres—approximately 50 miles from Paris.

The new air-borne organization, consolidating all Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's paratroopers, glider troops and necessary flying personnel into one outfit approximately the size of a full army, is headed by Lt. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, a veteran of the Pacific, Mediterranean and European theaters who formerly commanded the American ninth air force.

This force, with its unprecedented mobile striking power, was believed capable of delivering some of the most decisive strokes of the war.

Whereabouts Unknown
Supreme headquarters, wrapped in official mystery the actual whereabouts of the American spearheads which last were reported by the Germans to be probing points 87 miles from Paris, but one qualified observer declared, "you can be pretty sure they are not just camping outside Le Mans."

At the northern end of the (Continued on Page Two)

British Papers Feature Yanks in War Headlines

LONDON, Aug. 10 (AP)—The majority of British newspapers are going the whole way to give American troops full credit for their breakthrough in France.

The British newspapers which formerly headlined that the "allies" captured this or the "allies" smashed through that, now are featuring the Yanks and doughboys in their biggest type.

Allies Capture Town in Burma

SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, Kandy, Ceylon, Aug. 10 (AP)—Allied troops on the road to Mandalay in northern Burma have captured Taungni, 10 miles southwest of Mogaung, after over-running Sahnaw, allied headquarters announced today.

Sahnaw, about midway between Taungni and Mogaung on the railroad, fell to troops of the third Indian division, who found many Japanese dead and much abandoned equipment in the village, headquarters declared.

In northern India, meanwhile, Indian infantry, supported by tanks and artillery, was reported attacking the rearguard of retreating Japanese forces 12 miles north of the Burma border on the Imphal-Tiddim road.

Mop-Up Starts On Guam After Japs End Fight

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 (AP)—All organized resistance has been eliminated on Guam and American forces now are wiping out isolated groups of enemy troops.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander-in-chief announced this today, 21 days after he disclosed that marines and army troops had swarmed ashore on the western Pacific island.

Conquest of Guam, seized by the Japanese in December, 1941, during their initial surge southward through the Pacific, was completed Wednesday, Nimitz said. The loss of the island to the Japanese was announced by the navy December 13, 1941, in a communique which reported that all communications with Guam had been severed.

Resistance Ends
Nimitz, in his communique today, made only the matter of fact statement that "organized Japanese resistance on Guam island ceased during the afternoon of August 9." He added that marines and army troops "are engaged in mopping up operations."

On last July 26, Nimitz reported that American forces, then still meeting heavy resistance from the Japanese garrison, had formally raised the United States flag on Guam for the first time since the little island fell.

On the Aitape battlefield of British New Guinea, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced, the enemy toll reached 7007 known killed, with reports of an additional 1072 slain during the developing American push east of the Driunior river. Jungle-trained Yanks, driving from the seacoast and inland, had started a "process of systematic destruction" of the trapped Japanese, a headquarters spokesman said.

MacArthur announced a strafing raid against installations on Morota, adjacent to recently-blasted Halmahera, stepladder to the Philippines; and another attack on Yap, recently reported "neutralized," where no aerial or anti-aircraft interception was encountered. Bombing of a 2000-ton freighter off Davao, Mindanao, brought the Philippines into his communique for the second time in 27 months.

Nimitz reported attacks on Wake, Nauru island and bypassed islets in the Marshalls.

Polish Factions To Meet Again
MOSCOW, Aug. 10 (AP)—Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk of the Polish government-in-exile radiated optimism today after a second conference with Premier Stalin. He said the two rival Polish regimes probably would meet in Warsaw again after it is captured to seek the reconciliation agreement they failed to reach here.

"I think Warsaw, which is fighting now a terrible fight, would be the best place," the premier told a press conference. "It would be the easiest place to find an agreement."

British Disperse Nazi Formations
LONDON, Aug. 10 (AP)—Light British naval forces dispersed two German formations just north of Le Havre yesterday in a shifting battle in which enemy ships soon were firing at each other, the admiralty announced tonight.

Three German vessels were torpedoed and one was left burning. The admiralty said British suffered no loss or damage.

Treason Case Sent to Jury

DENVER, Aug. 10 (AP)—The government's treason case against three Japanese-American sisters accused of helping two German prisoners escape last October from internment camp went to a jury at 12:29 p. m. (Mountain War Time) today.

"This is a very important case," U. S. District Judge J. Foster Symes declared in his jury instructions.

Before the jury, preponderantly Denver businessmen, is the question of the women's guilt or innocence of two charges. One is treason, and the maximum penalty on conviction is death. The other is conspiracy to commit treason, and the maximum penalty on conviction is \$10,000 fine and two years' imprisonment.

Naval Vessels Reported Lost

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 (AP)—Loss of two American naval vessels—the mine sweeper Osprey and the submarine chaser PC-1261—in European waters, was announced by the navy today.

No details were given as to how or where the two craft were sunk by enemy action.

The losses bring to 133 the number of American naval craft lost since the war started. In addition 32 are listed as overdue and presumed lost and nine naval craft were destroyed to prevent their capture.

B-29's Strike Third Blow

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 (AP)—B-29 Superfortresses of the 20th bomber command struck a double blow at Japan today, hitting in medium strength at the industrial city of Nagasaki on the Japanese mainland and smashing at an oil refinery at Palembang on the Netherlands Indies island of Sumatra.

Nagasaki, one of Japan's most important ship building and repair centers and a major military port, is on the island of Kyushu, in the highly industrialized area already twice hit by Superfortresses based in the Orient and the principal source of aviation gasoline for the enemy.

REDS DRIVE AGAINST NAZI BALTIC FLANK

Vistula Bridgehead Extended Despite Stiff Fight

By DANIEL De LUCE
MOSCOW, Aug. 10 (AP)—Soviet tanks, supported by bombers, rumbled forward toward the Latvian port of Liepaja today in a new drive that carved additional chunks out of the nazis' Baltic flank.

At the same time Marshal Konstantin K. Rokossovsky's forces, despite the bitterest German resistance of the entire summer campaign, extended slowly but inexorably their Vistula river bridgehead below Warsaw, and exploded a troublesome nazi salient northeast of the Polish capital.

Prepares Offensive
Rokossovsky, held at bay within artillery shot of Warsaw, shoved the Germans back northwest of Siedlce, seemingly in preparation for an offensive to by-pass Warsaw and head for East Prussia.

LONDON, Aug. 10 (AP)—Soviet troops plunged across the river Narew, where the Russian lines were broken in the First World War just 20 years ago. (Continued on Page Two)

Two Injured in Head-on Crash Near Henley

A head-on collision on highway 39 near Henley late Wednesday evening injured two people and wrecked two cars, according to state police who investigated the accident.

A car driven by C. E. Killitz of Pelican City was said to be coming toward Klamath Falls when it was forced to swing into the other traffic lane by a car parked at the side of the road without lights. In swerving to the other lane, the car struck one driven by Robert Baty of Klamath Falls. The fronts and sides of both cars were demolished.

Mrs. Killitz and daughter Veale were injured in the accident.

After the collision, the car which had been parked left the scene, but not until Killitz had had time to take the license number. While state police were investigating the accident, a car driven by Leo Connor Byrne almost struck a police officer when it was stopped. Byrne and two women companions were taken to the county jail on a charge of being intoxicated.

Upon check of the license plates of the parked car and the car driven by Byrne, it was discovered that they were similar. State police are now investigating the possibility that Byrne had "returned to the scene of the crime" and was the driver of the car that had been parked without lights on the road.

There have been sea clashes in the English channel with German convoys—one from the island of Jersey, one coming OUT OF HAVRE.

Why should the Germans try to get out of Havre by sea?

WEVE taken the Breton port of St. Malo, but are said to be still fighting there. We're believed to be fighting WITHIN BREAST. We're "thought" to have REACHED Nantes, at the mouth of the Loire.

THE news from Russia is similarly vague. The Germans speak of a NEW Russian offensive along the Narew river—which seems to shake them greatly. The Russians, following (Continued on Page Four)

ica's Pacific war goals: to retake and free the Philippines and to drive Japan to unconditional surrender.

The chief executive coupled with his conferences detailed visits to Pearl Harbor and other military installations, converted from the Japanese-wrought havoc of December 7, 1941, into an island bristling with land, sea and air fighting power. He termed the conversion the "most amazing change" he had ever seen.

Board Ship
Admiral Nimitz and General MacArthur—the latter wearing a leather field jacket—went aboard the president's ship to

Goebbels Bans Public Meetings

LONDON, Aug. 10 (AP)—Propaganda Minister Goebbels banned all public meetings and entertainments in Germany and directly connected with the war today in a series of sweeping decrees seeking troops for the reich's depleted armies.

Look, Fellas, It's a Duck Hunter's Dream!



Two amphibious tractors, shown above, have just arrived at the Klamath naval air station. Called "wessels" by navy men, the amazing machines will be used to set and adjust targets in Goose lake. Clear lake and Drew's reservoir for navy aerial marksmen. Endless tracks carry the tractors over land caterpillar fashion, and do the paddling when they go into the water. The pictures above were made at a borrow pit near the south side of the local air station this week, when the wessels were tried out. Men in the weasel are Lt. G. G. Gilmore, Lt. S. A. Congdon and Lt. J. D. Mitchell. Klamath men who have seen the weasel run over land and water are already talking about their post-war use for duck hunting.



LEASE ON AIRPORT SIGNED BY CITY
After receiving assurances that the navy will turn the municipal airport back to the city after the war, and that the navy will not impose undue restrictions on commercial use of the field, city officials decided today to sign a navy-proposed lease of the field.

City airport commissioners and Mayor John Houston were in conference with a group of navy and department of commerce officials Wednesday evening and Thursday morning, and said later they had satisfied themselves that the lease is "safe" from the city's standpoint.

The city expects to get the field back six months after the end of the war, but at the conference there was a discussion of the possibility of the navy continuing operations here in conjunction with other uses of the field.

City officials held out for a while for an added clause on the lease defining more definitely the city's rights. Navy officials said they were agreeable, but indicated that any changes would necessitate sending the lease back to Washington where several bureaus of a dozen or more men each would have to go over it.

Finally, city officials decided to sign the lease "as is" and to trust the interpretations placed upon its provisions by the navy and department of commerce officials here today.

Vatican, Allies Cooperate In Florence Relief Plans

By NOLAN NORGAARD
ROME, Aug. 10 (AP)—The Vatican took steps today to help the allies relieve the desperate plight of the population of Florence, where Canadian troops, aided by 250 Italian patriots, mopped up hostile fascist elements in the allied-held southern portion of the city.

Transportation facilities to send flour and other necessities to the archbishop of Florence, Elia Della Costa, for distribution to a population suffering from food and water shortages was asked by the Vatican.

Launch Drive
At the same time Italian and Polish troops in the Adriatic sector launched a new drive across the Misa river line. The Poles attained the first objectives of the thrust and captured Francavilla, only a mile south of the Cesano river, which is less than 40 miles below Rimini.

The allied command said 150 men and women found in possession of small arms and grenades were arrested in the roundup of hostile elements, who occupied the area between the Via Del Serragli and the Via Romana, the working men's quarter.

Snipers have been giving the eighth army trouble from the moment the first patrols entered the city. This was the first disclosure that Canadian troops were back in the line. Earlier South Africans had entered and held southern Florence.

Only minor operations were reported along most of the (Continued on Page Two)

Quake Recorded In Northwest

PASADENA, Calif., Aug. 10 (AP)—The California Institute of Technology today reported a moderately strong earthquake was recorded at 6:57:18 and 7:01:02 p. m. Pacific War Time yesterday at an estimated distance of 1400 miles and in a northwesterly direction, probably in the Queen Charlotte islands off British Columbia.

greet the chief executive as soon as he arrived at Pearl Harbor. With them and Nimitz in later conferences were Admiral William F. Halsey, commander of the third fleet, Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson Jr., central Pacific army commander, and war chiefs representing the north, south and southwest Pacific theaters.

Mr. Roosevelt termed his visit to the birthplace of the war a highly successful three days. Sea-tanned and smiling, he swayed almost an hour of questions and answers with Pacific war correspondents and White House reporters for the Associated Press, the United Press, the International News Service and a representative of the four major radio networks who traveled with his party from Washington.

Island Independence
We are going back to the Philippines, Mr. Roosevelt said, and MacArthur is going to be a part of the operation. You can't say, he smiled, whether the general is going back directly or by way of North Africa—but he is going back and we are (Continued on Page Four)



Three Contest Entrants
Three more Miss Klamath candidates are right to left, Mary Louise Sexton, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sexton, 235 Riverside; Doris Phillips, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Phillips, 1943 Gary; and Carol Newman, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Newman, 801 Martin. Carol and Mary Louise were guests with four other contestants at the Kiwanis luncheon this noon. Photos by Kennell-Ellis.