

# TANKS STORM INTO VERSAILLES

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### Weather News

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Stream year to date..... 10.82
Normal..... 12.33 Last year..... 17.85
Forecast: Clear.

## TANKS HURDLE SEINE ABOVE, BELOW PARIS

### Resistance Slight as Allies Push Near Capital

By WEB GALLAGHER  
**SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Aug. 21 (AP)**—U. S. third army tanks have hurdled the Seine both above and below Paris and have stormed into the area of the western suburb of Versailles where virtually no resistance was met.

Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, directing the ground sweep which threatened to isolate the French capital and to destroy further the German forces in northwestern France, declared the enemy had suffered a "definite, complete and decisive" defeat and that the war's end was "in sight."

**Communications Cut**  
 Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's armored lightning, in strokes rapidly cutting Paris communications with southern France and the channel coast, crossed the Seine in the Fontainebleau area 35 miles southeast of the capital and established a strong bridgehead across the river near Mantes, 25 miles northwest of the capital.

The northern thrust, threatening the remainder of the German 7th and 15th armies below the Seine and along the rocket coast, was meeting heavy resistance, however, as Field Marshal Gen. Guenther von Kluge sensed his peril.

**Forces Deployed**  
 Patton's forces were deployed from the Fontainebleau area to Melun and Corbeil, 15 miles southwest of Paris, where they might sweep on a 20-mile front toward Soissons, Reims and the Marne battle grounds of the First World War.

**Within Paris itself, refugees escaping into American lines said there was a rising wave of violence as French underground forces took up the cudgels for freedom.**

**Allied Flags Fly**  
 Allied flags were reported already flying over parts of the capital as the resistance forces anticipated the hour of liberation.

Resistance was fed by allied air forces. Hundreds of American and RAF heavy bombers, on several occasions, have dropped great loads of arms to resistance forces, it was announced.

**49,650 Prisoners**  
 Already, it was announced that Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's third army in its sweep to Paris had captured 49,650 Germans, killed 11,025 and wounded 48,900—a total of 109,575.

Now Patton's invasion of the territory north of the Seine at (Continued on Page Three)

## Earl Green Safe After Being Reported Missing

Flight Officer Earl W. Green, reported missing over France on D-Day, June 6, has cabled his father, Marion M. Green, of 137 Mill, that he is safe and sound although he can't mention where.

Word came that Green was missing on June 15 and shortly thereafter his father received word that somebody had seen him parachute from his plane and land safely somewhere in France.

Green was the pilot of a Thunderbolt fighter plane based in England at the time he was reported missing. He was a student at KUHS before entering the national guard unit in 1939.

## CAMPAIGN OPENING SET FOR SEPTEMBER

September 11 has been set as the date for the opening of the Klamath Community Fund drive, the joint campaign for all public money-raising purposes here except the Red Cross.

John Ebinger, drive chairman, said it is hoped to complete the campaign with the \$65,000 quota raised in 10 days. He said that cooperative attitude of labor, business, farmers and all other elements of the community is already in evidence and there is great hope for early success.

He announced the operations organization as follows: vice-chairman, Fred Southwell; treasurer, G. C. Blohm; secretary, C. R. Stark; general solicitation, L. Orth Sismore; special contributions, A. M. Collier; rural solicitation, DeLos Mills; outlying towns, Phil Hitchcock; industrial payrolls, Mitchell Tillotson; school solicitation, Arnold Gralapp and Fred Peterson; military installations, Paul Landry; special events, Fred Heilbroner; publicity, John Houston; organization contributions, Nick Long.

Represented on the executive board is organized labor, with Vernon Chase representing the CIO and Earl Edsall the AFL. (Continued on Page Three)

## Enemy Withdraws From Moluccas

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Aug. 21 (AP)**—Japan is withdrawing her planes from the Moluccas and ripping up the abandoned dromes, leaving that island cluster below the Philippines wide open for allied invasion.

Largest island of the Moluccas group, also known as the Spice Islands, is Halmahera, 200 miles west of New Guinea and only 300 south of Mindanao.

## Delegates Agree Security Rests on Sovereign Rights

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER  
 WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (AP)—Representatives of the United States, Great Britain and Russia today began planning a world security organization which all agreed must be based on the "sovereign quality" of large and small nations alike, and must be backed by military forces available promptly and in strength.

Secretary of State Hull opened the initial session of the historic conference at Dumbarton Oaks at 10:30 a. m. (EWT), with a sharp rap of the gavel on the horseshoe oak table and said: "The conference will come to order."

In his opening address, Hull called for strong commitments to use force when necessary, saying it "must be available promptly, in adequate measure, and with certainty."

Ambassador Andrei A. Gromyko, chief Russian delegate, responding to Hull, likewise emphasized the need for force capable of preventing a recurrence of World War. While he

# FRENCH TROOPS BREAK INTO TOULON

## South France Invasion Sped By Advances

By NOLAND NORGAARD  
 ROME, Aug. 21 (AP)—French troops have cracked into the western and northern sections of the great naval base of Toulon on the Mediterranean coast, the allied command announced tonight.

The invasion of southern France continued to progress at an amazing rate. American infantrymen stabbed 50 miles inland, seizing the highway center of Valensole, north of Toulon, and fanned out into the Assé river valley to the north. At Valensole the Americans were a third of the way to Lyon, populous control point on the Rhone river.

Other troops of Maj. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's army were only about nine miles from Marseille, France's second city.

**Troops Enter at Dusk**  
 French forces fought their way into Toulon at dusk yesterday, it was announced, after winning domination of Mont Faron, the 2000-foot peak from which Napoleon shelled British and French republicans out of the city early in his career.

The official announcement failed to give any indication of the nature of the action within the city, but front line dispatches said allied warships shelled the harbor defenses with a thunderous bombardment all day yesterday.

The French entered the suburbs of Les Quatre Chemins, Les Routes and Valbourdin and clamped a siege-like ring around the city which left only the coastal road open for nazi escape.

**Occupy Two Towns**  
 They occupied Cuges-les-Pins and Le Beausset, 14 and six miles northwest of the city, cutting the main road, No. 8, and virtually severing Toulon's communications with Marseille.

The French also drew tighter their net to the east of Toulon where German resistance had been toughest. About a mile from Hyeres, naval forces joined ground troops in smashing and capturing the Hotel de Golf, which the nazis had converted into a strong point. Mont Redon also was captured after heavy fighting. The nazi garrison in Hyeres, 81 miles from Toulon, was almost cut off.

**Overwhelm Garrison**  
 To the northwest in the rapidly maturing drive toward the Rhone river, American troops joined French Maquis in finally overwhelming the surrounded German garrison at Pertuis, 26 miles north of Marseille.

Continuing to brush aside resistance in a direct attack on Marseille itself, allied troops approached Aubagne, nine miles east of the city.

Another of Major Gen. Alexander M. Patch's American columns changed on several miles to the northeast of Aix, key junction of seven highways 15 miles north of Marseille. Another unit was last reported in the outskirts of Aix and today possibly had completed occupation of that town.

**Previously Shelled**  
 (The German radio said allied warships shelled Toulon yesterday. It claimed hits on one of "several" battleships and one of nine cruisers in the attacking fleet by nazi shore batteries, which, it was claimed, also struck a destroyer and torpedo boat.)

A dispatch from Joseph Dymann, Associated Press correspondent with French troops driving on Toulon, said French commandos, joined with patriot forces and former members of the French navy, were dominating the Faron area just north of Toulon.

The nazi garrison in Hyeres, about eight miles east of Toulon, was virtually isolated, Dymann said.

**GOP BOARD TO MEET**  
 SALEM, Aug. 21 (AP)—The state executive board of the Young Republican Clubs of Oregon will meet at the Marion hotel here next Sunday, directors announced today.

## Tokyo Forecasts New Offensives

LONDON, Aug. 21 (AP)—Berlin broadcast a Tokyo dispatch today reporting lively allied air activity north of Australia which the Japanese said "probably foreshadowed fresh offensives operations in that area."

Tokyo earlier broadcast an imperial headquarters communique asserting that 23 of 80 bombers which raided the Japanese homeland yesterday were shot down. Previous Japanese broadcasts had reported 25 of 77 attacking planes downed.

## Boys Offer \$20 Bills to Passersby; Generosity Leads to Investigation

It wasn't Christmas, so people downtown Saturday night were a little suspicious when three small boys started offering \$20 bills to passersby on the streets, remarking "We have plenty of money."

The three, two of them 9 years old and the other 7, also aroused the suspicion of a woman who witnessed them in the alley outside her house dividing and counting money. Declaiming that it was too much money for three youngsters to have, she questioned them and they explained that their father had given it to them. However, she called city police and reported what she had seen.

City police picked up the three sick little boys, who, although they had stomach aches from eating so much candy bought with their new found riches, refused to take castor oil. Before they had been taken into custody,

## Community Fund Drive Organization Shapes Up



With the Klamath Community Fund drive slated to start September 11, Drive Chairman John Ebinger called the above men into his office for a conference on drive organization. Left to right: M. Epley, member executive board; Andrew M. Collier, special contributions; Mitchell Tillotson, industrial payrolls; G. C. Blohm, treasurer; Nick Long, organization contributions; Phil Hitchcock, outlying towns; John Ebinger, drive chairman; Fred Southwell, vice chairman; L. O. Sismore, general solicitation; DeLos Mills, rural solicitation; Charles Stark, secretary; John Houston, publicity. The departmental chairmen will name drive chairmen and other workers.

## NEWTON FILES FOR COUNCILMAN RACE

Angus Newton, who has been active here for many years in veteran and fraternal circles, came out today for city councilman from the first ward, assuring a contest in that ward, Joe Balthazor, grocer, took out petitions for the same office a few days ago.

Newton, a painter and painting contractor, is former commander of the American Legion, and was head of the Santa Claus clan which was active here for a number of years in behalf of children at Christmas time. He had charge of the Elks lodge flying cadet recruitment and headed the Elks war committee for a long time. He is a member of the Kiwanis club.

The councilman filing was the only local political development of the day. Willis Mahoney, former Klamath mayor, was due to set up his headquarters here this week in his contest for United States senator against Guy Cordon.

## Turner to Leave Pasco Air Field

Lt. Commander B. M. Turner, executive officer of the Klamath naval air station, will become commanding officer of the naval air station at Pasco, Wash., it was disclosed today. It had been previously reported Lt. Commander Turner would become c. o. at the North Bend auxiliary station.

Lt. Commander Harvey C. Fleming will come here as executive officer, succeeding Turner, it was announced by Commander R. R. Darron, captain of the station here.

## War Bulletin

**IRUN, Spain, Aug. 21 (AP)**—Uniformed officers of the French army took possession of the international bridge at Handaye at 5:30 p. m. today in the name of the French committee of national liberation, thus completing French occupation of the entire Pyrenees frontier.

## Church Blames Washington For Pearl Harbor Disaster

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (AP) Rep. Church (R-Ill.) told the house today that the full story of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Dec. 7, 1941 "will shock the world" and added: "Washington was to blame."

Church spoke in connection with a public letter addressed to Senator Truman (D-Mo.) by Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel who was removed from active command after the Pearl Harbor disaster. Kimmel told Truman a report on the attack prepared under the chairman-

ship of Associate Justice Owen J. Roberts of the supreme court "does not contain the basic truths of the Pearl Harbor catastrophe" and that a magazine article by Truman contained "false statements."

**Washington Blamed**  
 "I am personally convinced, and I believe that a true investigation will substantiate me, that the people really responsible for the Pearl Harbor catastrophe were here in Washington."

**TUKUMS ABANDONED BY SOVIET TROOPS**  
 LONDON, Aug. 21 (AP)—Moscow confirmed tonight that soviet troops had withdrawn from the town of Tukums, 33 miles west of Riga, in the area where the Germans, said they had reestablished contact with two nazi Baltic armies which had been cut off.

Further south, red army troops advanced, driving across the Bialystok-Warsaw railway, northeast of Warsaw and capturing more than 50 places in an effort to force a wedge between the Polish capital and East Prussia.

**Push Past Tukums**  
 Today's German communique said that nazi troops had pushed past Tukums and tonight the broadcast Russian communique announced that "by order of the command our troops left the town of Tukums and retired to more favorable positions."

The Russians also said that German attacks continued north (Continued on Page Three)

## French Troops Capture Toulouse

LONDON, Aug. 21 (AP)—The Algiers radio said today that on Sunday the Maquis captured Toulouse, sixth largest city of France.

Toulouse (Pop. 213,200) is in southwest France, 60 miles north of the Spanish border. Frequent neutral reports have told of German withdrawals from that area.

Another Algiers radio report said French forces of the interior were fighting German troops in the streets of threatened Marseille, second city of France, which lies close to American seventh army advance units.

## Nazis Damage Areas in Warsaw

LONDON, Aug. 21 (AP)—The Germans are laying waste large sections of Warsaw with artillery and planes, trying to smash underground forces battling nazi troops within the city, Polish quarters here said today.

Much of the old city has been virtually wiped out and the famous 16th century cathedral has been almost pulverized, the informants said.

## Cruisers Shell Bayonne Sector

IRUN, Spain, Aug. 21 (AP)—Three light allied cruisers began shelling almost non-existent German defenses in the Bayonne area of southern France before dawn today.

Spanish residents of this border town 18 miles to the south had a grandstand seat.

The cruisers which first patrolled the coast south of Bordeaux evidently were feeling out German defenses, but drew only an occasional reply from two or three coastal batteries near Bayonne.

## Liberator Sinks Jap Cruiser

CHUNGKING, Aug. 21 (AP)—A Liberator bomber of the U. S. 14th air force has sunk a 14,200-ton Japanese cruiser in a sweep off the Chinese coast east of Hongkong, Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters announced today.

The attack took place Saturday, the announcement said. The Liberator made four bombing runs over the cruiser, scoring three direct hits and one probable, the announcement said, and "on the fourth run the crew saw the enemy warship sink."

## Yank Submarines Sink 19 Ships

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (AP)—American submarines in the Pacific and Far East have sunk 19 more Japanese ships, including a light cruiser and an escort vessel, the navy reported today, bringing to 106 the total of enemy vessels sunk by submarines.

Making its first report on United States submarine activities in 11 days, the navy said these vessels had been sunk: One light cruiser, one escort vessel, one large tanker, three medium cargo transports, 11 medium cargo vessels and two small cargo vessels.

### News

#### FRANK JENKINS

the confused whirlpool of France in these his- tory, comes this clear, statement from General Jerry, addressed to his

Germans in western have suffered a definite, and DECISIVE defeat. OF THE WAR IS IN Let us finish off the in record time."

CHILL who is now in

not predict an early the war, but I can't guar- antee its ending sooner have allowed ourselves

enemy is still active and and the German army with the relics of its ciency. But, behind the weakness and division are and EVERYWHERE are signs of internal decay apathy overtaking the

disension is such that general goes to Berlin he know whether he is to mated or hanged."

chill also was addressing

mandy the job that is be- fore is DESTROYING Von 7th German army and elements of the 15th army (whose job is the rocket coast) may been brought south of the to help the 7th.

Gluge is DEFEATED. that remains is to destroy

correspondents are fond the expression: "A ring has been drawn around emy." Don't let yourself be by this somewhat too language.

ENT a ring of steel in the of a solid mass of troops shoulder to shoulder ased artillery and tanks axle to axle. There are in the line, and through gaps broken units of Ger- mane to filter—especial- light.

considerable ORGAN- body of German troops try- fight its way out would TOPPED, but the fence light enough to hold ALL ragglers.

FRANTS of a broken and deated army straggling over the Seine won't be ch value to Hitler when reach the other bank.

ANWHILE Patton has estab- lished a FIRM BRIDGE- over the Seine at Mantes, 15 miles northwest of Paris. This bridgehead is he pour- ing armored forces, and one that as they get across will separate—one column to the left DOWN THE E and the other turning to encircle Paris and behind the MARNE.

other of his armored spear- head is swinging around Paris the south. The capture of is reported to be still in- al in our plans. Our big is smashing the Germans in Normandy, and if pos- sible preventing Hitler's forces making a stand on the right bank.

confusion in Paris must frightful. Inside the city, ch patriots are fighting the ans and allied flags have raised in several places. ands of tons of weapons supplies have been dropped em by allied planes. Huge are tagging.

the south of France, we have passed Toulon and Mar- and are pushing up the We'll take Marseille and on at our leisure. The signs multiplying that the nazis to abandon ALL of France of Paris.

trip-bagger Laval (probably in his boots) is reported at Belfort, just this side the German border, where an dodge over like a rabbit Germany.

tain hasn't been definitely

Gaulle has just landed at Bourg and apparently in- to take over when Paris

Russians are still getting for their next haymaker. are sleeping around Warsaw, tling over the border into Prussia and liquidating mans in the Baltics. The (Continued on Page Three)

## Building of Air Fields Speeded

ROME, Aug. 21 (AP)—Ameri- can engineers began building airfields in south- France the day after allied ult forces put ashore, it was reported today.

The cooperation of French ers, who showed the engi- ners where minefields were lo- cated, was credited officially many precious and possibly many lives on the task.