

RUSSIAN NEWS

Russians Drive Nearer To Old Polish Border

Great Allied Attack Shapes Up In Pacific

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Signs from the South Pacific today pointed toward an imminent assault against the Japanese in the general direction of Tokyo. American forces are in the final stage of preparations for a co-ordinated drive to slash off the southern and richest half of the enemy's conquered empire and at the same time gain new footholds for further strides toward the Japanese mainland.

Tocsin Of Battle Sounded By Nimitz

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER  
WASHINGTON—(AP)—The admiral's order to sound the tocsin of battle was a signal that the Pacific fleet was ready to strike at the Japanese in the South Pacific.

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Roosevelt Proclaims Traditional 'Last Thursday' Thanksgiving Day

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Roosevelt, who once experimented with an earlier Thanksgiving Day on which a national holiday was observed, today proclaimed the traditional last Thursday, November 23, as the day for expressing our thanks to God for His blessings in 1943.

Weather

Partly cloudy and warmer tonight; Saturday, partly cloudy and moderately cool.

Reported 10 Miles From Rail Center Closing In Upon Zhitomir

LONDON—(AP)—Reuters reported from Moscow that the Red Army had stormed to a point ten miles northeast of the western Ukrainian rail center of Zhitomir on the last north-south railroad held by the Germans east of the pre-war Polish-Ukraine boundary.

French Rail Link With Italy Bombed

LONDON—(AP)—British-based RAF bombers struck a heavy blow at the French Riviera rail link with Italy last night only a few hours after Mediterranean-based Liberators and Flying Fortresses had begun their two-way assault to seal feeder arteries to Nazi armies in Italy.

Back Poll Tax Bill

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Anti-Poll Tax Bill, regarded as a lighted fuse for a certain Senate filibuster, was reported favorably today by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Arkansas Boy Found

PINDALL, Ark.—(AP)—Three-year-old Robert Conally, Democrat, Texas, O'Mahoney, Democrat, Wyoming, Andrews, Democrat, Iowa, Republican, Vermont, and Revercomb, Republican, West Virginia.

Nelson Accepts Resignation Of Wilson As WPB Vice Chairman

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The resignation of Charles E. Wilson, executive vice chairman of the War Production Board, has been accepted by Chairman Donald M. Nelson.

Dart From Catcombs Of Rome To Strike Nazis

BERN, Switzerland—(AP)—An underground in the true sense of the word, the Swiss resistance from Rome's gloomy catacombs to assassinate and kidnap the German leaders.

French Express Derailed

LYONS—(AP)—The Lyons-Paris Express was derailed yesterday by an unhealed rail and three coaches, the engine and tender were overturned, the Vichy radio said today.

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Little Change In Battle Front

By EDWARD KENNEDY  
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Sharp German Counter Attack

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