

Churchill Visit Stirs "Victory-This-Year" Talk

ALLIES SMASH ON IN TWO OFFENSIVES

Allies Might Soon Strike At Continent

Agree That Allied Leaders Are Preparing To Open Grand Offensive

LONDON—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill's journey across the Atlantic for his sixth wartime meeting with President Roosevelt stirred spontaneous and optimistic talk in London today of a "victory-this-year" assault on Europe. Virtually unanimous agreement was expressed on all sides that the Allied chiefs were getting together to lay final plans for the grand offensive in theaters of war other than the Mediterranean where overwhelming Allied military might has already asserted itself.

The presence of Britain's top-flight military men with Churchill in Quebec led to one conclusion—that United States, British and Dominion forces would soon be storming the European continent from many directions in fulfillment of Churchill's prediction of a combined action before Winter.

Seize Town After Town From Nazi Invaders

Hit at Kharkov And Bryansk

MOSCOW—(AP)—The Red Army is rolling on unchecked in its twin drives toward the Ukrainian city of Kharkov and Bryansk to the north, capturing village after village and inflicting heavy losses on the retreating Germans, the Russians declared today.

With Kharkov pocketed on three sides by a sea-prosper army, another Russian column has bitten deep into the rich Russian grain territory and has only fourteen miles from Semy and 100 miles east of the capital city of Kiev, a Soviet communique declared.

Japs Faced With "Reverse Bataan"

Enemy's Forces With Backs To Sea In Bairoko Area of New Georgia

WASHINGTON—(AP)—After months of sorrow and defeat, the Russians are smiling again. Good news from the front and gifts of candy, cigarettes and magazines from their Allies bring joy to fighting men like those above. Fiddle and guitar provide music for the singing Ukraine captain.

THE RUSSIANS SMILE AGAIN—After months of sorrow and defeat, the Russians are smiling again. Good news from the front and gifts of candy, cigarettes and magazines from their Allies bring joy to fighting men like those above. Fiddle and guitar provide music for the singing Ukraine captain.

Tommies Gain View Of Italy From Sicily

British Warships Bombard Italian Shipyards in Bay of Naples

By DANIEL DE LUCE
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA— (AP)—The British Eighth Army in Sicily advanced to within sight of the Italian mainland while British warships bombarded Italian shipyards in the Bay of Naples, 150 miles south of Rome, and other mainland military targets, Allied Headquarters announced today.

British forces advanced seven miles along the east coast of Sicily under the shadow of Mt. Etna to capture the town of Guardia, sixteen miles south of Taormina and 40 miles from Messina, the bulletin announced. British Tommies on the east slopes of Mt. Etna thus gained their first view of the Italian mainland.

British, Canadian Leaders Confer

Hold Discussions at Quebec as Prelude To Meeting With Roosevelt

QUEBEC—(AP)—Within the ancient battlements of an obsolete fortress, the Prime Ministers of Britain and Canada surveyed today the heartening successes of Allied stabs at the Axis and the strategy needed to expand them into assaults designed to attain a total victory.

The conferees of Winston Churchill, British and Canadian leaders, met in the city of Quebec to discuss the progress of the war and the strategy needed to expand them into assaults designed to attain a total victory.

Speculate About Kiska

Wonder if U. S. Invasion To Develop

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON—(AP)—Prolonged silence in American military activity in the North Pacific raised speculation today over the likelihood of an invasion of Japanese-held Kiska Island.

The fact reported today at Kiska was that the island was taken by the U. S. Navy on July 30, when a naval force shelled the island for the eighth time in the month. The day before, a single Army P-47 fighter made the first air raid of the month on the island.

Bombers Slash Across Country

NEW DELHI—(AP)—25 medium bombers of the U. S. 10th Air Force raked Japanese targets in Burma from the Arakan coast to Mandalay yesterday, blasting installations at Akyab and Pyawbwe and destroying enemy transport on the Irrawaddy River, a communique announced today.

NEW DELHI—(AP)—25 medium bombers of the U. S. 10th Air Force raked Japanese targets in Burma from the Arakan coast to Mandalay yesterday, blasting installations at Akyab and Pyawbwe and destroying enemy transport on the Irrawaddy River, a communique announced today.

Eighteen tons of bombs were reported smashed and a direct hit on the headquarters of the Japanese command in Mandalay. The headquarters buildings were flattened and direct hits caused a series of explosions in what was probably an ammunition dump, the communique said.

Italy, Nazis Grow Closer

Reports of Improved Relations Heard

BERN—(AP)—Italy and Germany drew closer today amid mutual reports of grief and hope that Joseph Stalin's absence from the impending conference between President Roosevelt and Winston Churchill would be fitted to their intensified propaganda campaign against Russia.

From Berlin, Rome and Milan came reports of improved relations between Germany and Italy. The German press today gave the impression that the German-Italian alliance was growing closer.

CHURCHILL'S STAY—As the guest of the Dominion, naturally, there could be no announcement which would disclose the nature of the talks. The conferees of Winston Churchill, British and Canadian leaders, met in the city of Quebec to discuss the progress of the war and the strategy needed to expand them into assaults designed to attain a total victory.

STOCKHOLM—(AP)—German dispatches said today that the city of Stockholm is being moved to undisclosed points in Sweden. The capital, Berlin, is being moved to undisclosed points in Germany.

STREETS IN PARIS HEART CONVERTED INTO FORESTRY
BERN, Switzerland—(AP)—The Tribune De Geneve reported today that the Marine Ministry building and several streets in the heart of Paris have been converted into a forest with numerous trees, bushes and connecting tunnels.

Streets in Paris Heart Converted Into Forestry
BERN, Switzerland—(AP)—The Tribune De Geneve reported today that the Marine Ministry building and several streets in the heart of Paris have been converted into a forest with numerous trees, bushes and connecting tunnels.

Moscow Dateline

By HENRY G. CASSIDY

Mr. Cassidy, one of the outstanding foreign correspondents of the war, has been charged at the Associated Press service in Russia since the war began. His letter to Stalin, the latter's first constituted one of the epics of modern journalism.

Chapter 9
Out in the yard, our neighbors were dragging their belongings from the burned house. The fire appeared to be under control after eating out the roof and upper story. People were streaming into the street to take stock of the damage. Through them, jouncing over the cobblestones of Osvetrovsky Pereulok, Pavel drove up with my car, and we raced off to the foreign commissariat to do the story.

Bulgars Called From Turkey To Take Up Arms
ISTANBUL, Turkey—(AP)—All Bulgars in Turkey are being called home to take up arms, it was reliably reported today.

British Planes Drop Great Weight Of Bombs On Nuernberg
LONDON—(AP)—British bombers dropped more than 1,500 tons of bombs today that Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering boasted to the German public that not a single enemy bomb would be permitted to fall upon Germany.

It was growing light by then, and the streets were a full on though it was midday. To my surprise, away from Osvetrovsky Pereulok, very little damage was apparent. What had seemed to be a withering raid turned out to have been a light one. Most of the impression of intensity, given by

RECONQUEST OF THE ISLAND
has been a subject of speculation ever since the Japanese occupied it early in June 1942. The prospects of an amphibious attack were greatly heightened after American troops took Attu in May 1943.

PLANE PLANT
On the outskirts of Nuernberg is located a Messerschmitt fighting plane plant. The raid followed 24 hours shattering RAF attacks on the west cities of Mannheim and Ludwigshafen in the Rhineland.