

THE CHALLENGE NEWS

SOUTHERN FRANCE BEACHHEAD GERMANS

Spearhead Shoots At Marseille

Plunge At Least 32 Miles Inland

By EDWARD KENNEDY
ROME (AP)—Maj. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's Seventh Army, extending its Southern France beachhead to 1,000 square miles, has spearheaded westward to within 31 miles from Toulon and has plunged at least 32 miles inland. Allied Headquarters announced today.



CORNERED NAZIS SURRENDER—Covered by American assault troops in a French town east of Toulon, this group of Nazis rush out of their hiding place shouting "Kamerad" and displaying a burlesque salute.

Peace Move Doomed Germans In Bulgaria Face Annihilation

By FRANK GREENE
ATLANTA (AP)—Premier Ivan Bagarinau made what amounted to an appeal to the United States and Britain to help Bulgaria get out of the war by its unopposed speech before the Bulgarian Parliament in Sofia Thursday night. Whether he has enough moral support to get the nation out of the fight probably will be determined in the next few days.

The Premier indicted pro-German governments leading the nation into the war, which he said "the great majority of the Bulgarian people never desired."

The speech was broadcast to the world. The assembly cheered every word. The Premier declared every statement indicating that Bagarinau's regime intended to break from Germany and ask for peace. A Sofia broadcast reported that the Bulgarian Parliament had passed a resolution asking the United States and Britain to help Bulgaria get out of the war.

Paris And Vichy Radios Cut Off
LONDON—The Nazi-controlled Paris radio remained blacked out today and the Vichy transmitter also disappeared from the air.

Patriots In Control In France And Italy

LONDON—Patriot groups, active since the Nazis have established control over Vichy and Italian areas, reports from the United States, Britain and Russia in expatriate talks at Ankara.

Two Soviet Armies On Move Again

Attack Along 100-Mile Front

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW—(AP)—Two Soviet armies surged forward today in co-ordinated attacks against a 100-mile sector stretching from Warsaw's eastern suburbs to the Lyso Mountains guarding German Silesia.

Marshal Stalin's High Command timed the Polish drive to strike with Gen. Ivan Cherniakhovsky's Third White Russian Army assault in East Prussia.

The German offensive against the Russians had launched an offensive on a wide front northeast of Warsaw.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's main force, a highly effective aerial blockade, struck in a solid line.

Swedes To Celebrate By Fireworks Display

Stockholm, Sweden, today celebrated the anniversary of the Swedish Navy's victory over the German fleet in the Baltic Sea.

American Pilots Call German's Rocket Plane Fastest Seen Yet

Two American pilots who were shot down over the English Channel last week identified the "Flying Wing" as far as they were able to see.

Yank Armor Weering West Toward Seine

Aim To Destroy German Army And Spare Paris War's Destruction

By WES GALLAGHER
LONDON—(AP)—U. S. armored columns, springing a new trap below the Seine on the German army fleeing Normandy, have struck within five miles of the river at Mantes northwest of Paris, even as German demolitions rocked the capital today.

Paris, France, declared the Americans had reached the river at Mantes and Vernon.

British For Gen. Patton

LONDON—(AP)—The British are holding a new hero—Gen. George S. Patton Jr.—in whom they see embodiment of many qualities frequently attributed to American heroes.

There can have been few sights to equal the Americans on their way to Paris.

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Objective Hit

Objective hit last night by the British heavy bombers in addition to Bremen, Belgium, and the largest port, which is the home of a Focke-Wulf factory.

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