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### James F. Byrnes Moves Up In Vice-Presidential Derby

## RUSS DRIVE AHEAD ON BROAD FRONT

### Gate City To Prussia Is Captured

#### Grodno 45 Miles From Border

By HENRY P. CASSIDY  
MOSCOW — (AP) — Red Army troops pushed forward today along a broad front stretching from the Baltics to the Prinyal Marshes after capturing the German-held fortress city of Grodno, described by Premier Stalin as "covering the approach to East Prussia."

Grodno, which the Germans announced earlier they had evacuated, is only 45 miles from the East Prussian border. With its fall the Germans have no natural barrier between them and their homeland, to which it appears the fighting soon would be carried.

The Germans fell back at Grodno to the west bank of the Niemen river which parallels the East Prussian border. In that section the Russians drove the Niemen river into the Grodno battle. The river has been crossed by the Russians farther north in the Alyus sector, where the Red Army pushed into the city of Alyus, 45 miles north of Grodno.

The Russians have consolidated a bridgehead on the west bank of the Niemen, driving more than 40 positions across the stream in the Alyus sector. Red dispatches said NAZI AIRCRAFT (AP) — Martin Haldendorn, military expert for the German news agency PNB, succeeded in a broadcast that the Army might be entering a trap as its lightning offensive threatened to isolate German troops in the Baltic.

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It is on this ground that strong movements are developing for Wallace's retention. Director James F. Byrnes and Senate Majority Leader Alben Barkley, Kentucky, as opposition candidates.

Barkley, arriving today, declined to discuss his candidacy, but indicated his main objective was to get the convention with strong support from all sections of the country.

Frankly classing Byrnes and Barkley as their most formidable opponents, Wallace's friends called by argumentative GRAY by telephone to communicate with some strategic delegates.

Gray said he would make no change in the present lineup.

Byrnes, who acted as President Roosevelt's personal agent in the 1940 party convention, told the press that he would be working behind the scenes here in his own interest.

Whether he will be a "steak" stand from Mr. Roosevelt remained an unanswered question, but one fact was clear: Byrnes' camp in the convention which opens here Wednesday. If strategists are convinced he can obtain a majority of the votes.

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#### U.S. Fleet Headquarters Pearl Harbor

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Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific commander, announced that carrier-based bombers pounded rockets and bombs on Guam, Japanese-occupied United States possession, and Rota to the northeast, in Saturday assaults which blasted buildings, started fires and shattered vital automotive and railroad equipment.

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A battle was in full swing in the Evrecy area, 1.5 miles south-west of Caen, this afternoon. British Tommies crossed the stream east of Evrecy and seized the ground below the town.

Other British troops were reported heading for the northeast outskirts of Evrecy itself against the opposition of Germans who fought from house to house.

British tanks, climbing a 4,000-foot advance, entered the Normans railway station by storm and engaged in hand-to-hand fighting in the streets of the village, four miles northwest of Evrecy.

Hundreds of prisoners had been taken up to last night in the offensive.

NAZI TANKS PROWL  
The smoke of battle clouded the front after a hot sun burst away from the morning fog and cleared the air.

Close quarters fighting also was reported at Vendes, 1 1/2 miles north of Noyers.

Noyers like many other villages on this hotly contested front, had become a virtual "ghost town."

As so many other villages, it nestled in hollow pastures which add to the scene of battle. The result is that British and German soldiers dash into a town, chasing the other side out, and then withdraw again to the hills to await the next day's attack.

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ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea — Allied positions have been established firmly along the west bank of the Dirmunna River, where two Japanese attacks were repelled in the week-end flare-up of the British New Guinea campaign, Headquarters announced today.

The advance Japanese force which cracked Allied lines to cross the river have been cut off by reinforced American units. These jungle-war veterans swung around behind the Nipponese and plugged U. S. lines on the river 21 miles east of Atape.

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