

ALLIES STRIKE FORWARD PARIS RED SPEARHEAD PUSH ON KRAKOW

Within 37 Miles Of Nazi Center

Capture Over 60 Communities

By DANIEL DE LUCE MOSCOW—(AP)—A new eruption of Red-Army attacks which captured more than 60 communities beyond the enemy's broken Vistula River defenses threatened today to strangle German communications between Krakow and Warsaw in the heart of Poland.

Striking out afresh yesterday from the Vistula bridgehead, Marshal Ivan S. Konev's First Uzbaine Army reached points 30 miles west of the river, Soviet field dispatches said.

THREATEN KIELECE Thrusting beyond newly-occupied Bzow, the Russians directly menaced Kielece, satellite highway and rail arteries 20 miles to the northwest. The direction of the drive raised the possibility of the Red Army's might outflank Krakow on the north.

Last reports placed Soviet spearheads within 37 miles of Krakow, last big West Russian before German Silesia, now 75 to 90 miles away.

Hitler's gneiss seemed bad signs for the Red Army, but the fall of the city would be a major blow to the German position in the West.

Information available in London indicated that through capture of Bzow the Russians had cut the main road from Krakow to the east and west.

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Unconfirmed Report: Himmler Dead And Goering Wounded, Nazi Officer Says

By ROGER D. GREENE ON THE BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE—(AP)—A newly captured German intelligence officer asserted today that Reich Marshal Hermann Goering was wounded in a new breakthrough against the Nazi hierarchy.

Cotton Crop Forecast

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Agriculture Department today forecast this year's cotton crop at 11,025,000 equivalent 50-pound bales.

The crop is growing on about 1,000,000 acres less than last year when production was 11,423,133 bales and on about 2,800,000 acres less than two years ago when the crop totaled 12,312,500 bales.

The indicated area field, based on Aug. 1 conditions, placed at 243.3 pounds, compared with 243.2 pounds last year and 243.2 pounds the ten-year average.

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8 German Army Officers Hanged

LONDON—(AP)—Field Marshal Erwin Von Witzleben and seven other German Army officers were hanged today, Berlin announced, after a trial in which they confessed plotting to kill Hitler and surrender Germany to the Allies.

Italy Front Unchanged

By NOLAN NORGAARD ROME—(AP)—The Germans slung lethally to a foothold in the hills south of the Arno River in the first half of the month, they sharply against Italian troops advancing through the mountains north of Arezzo.

War Touches Le Mans Again

By ASSOCIATED PRESS Le Mans, cathedral city 110 miles southwest of Paris, escaped the surge of German armies into France in World War I, but figured in the battle there in the Franco-German War in 1918.

Nazi Move Out Of Old Atlantic Wall

By FRANK R. FULTON PARIS—(AP)—The German High Command today announced that the evacuation of the Atlantic Wall in southwestern France, leaving only a few Gestapo agents and commandos to cover the French-Spanish frontier.

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1,000-Plane Armada Hits Nazis Hard

Cacn Lines, Robot Ramps Blasted

LONDON—(AP)—A thousand American heavy bombers struck a second tremendous blow today at the hinge in German lines below Caen and ranged widely over France attacking air fields and flying bomb installations.

German Cow Assault Crusade

WITH THE AIR FORCE—(AP)—The British Command announced today that it was launching a campaign to destroy German cow sheds.

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ROUGH ON GERMANS—Major General George E. Preddy, commander of the 100th Bombardment Group, is seen here with a group of his men.

Within About 100 Miles Of French Center

Americans And Canadians Drive At Wings Of 130-Mile Front

By LAWRENCE H. HARRIS SUPREMACY—(AP)—The American and Canadian armies today drove to within about 100 miles of the French center of gravity.

Japs Squirm In Squeeze

By LAWRENCE H. HARRIS TOKYO—(AP)—The Japanese military situation in the Pacific is becoming increasingly desperate as the Allies close in on their island bases.

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