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New Red Thrust at Hungary 3 Miles From Tatar Pass

By ROBERT S. MUSEL United Press War Correspondent

LONDON, Sept. 30—The Red Army opened a third front against Hungary today with a powerful thrust into the Carpatho-Ukraine which carried to less than three miles of the historic Tatar Pass, eastern gateway to the Hungarian plains.

Swinging abreast of other Soviet forces advancing thru the chain of mountain defiles linking Poland and Slovakia, Red infantrymen breached the main German defenses south of the Tatar gorge and threatened momentarily to spill across the frontier into the Carpatho-Ukraine section stolen from Czechoslovakia by Hungary.

170-MILE FRONT

The new offensive, extending to more than 170 miles on the Soviet assault line on Hungary's northern and eastern flanks, came as Russian and Romanian troops moved against the southern Hungarian border on a 100-mile front.

Axis reports said the Soviets already had crossed the southern frontier at a number of points and hinted that they had entered Szeged, Hungary's second city.

At the same time Moscow announced new gains in the attack on Riga, capital of Latvia, and reported that 30,000 Germans were killed and 15,745 captured in the 10-day campaign which liberated Estonia.

14-MILE ADVANCE

The Soviet bulletin disclosed that Red troops hammered out a 14-mile advance yesterday in the new drive on the Tatar Pass despite repeated counterattacks.

Another column drove to within nine miles of the Carpatho-Ukraine along a secondary railway leading thru Pantyr Pass and captured Zielona, 16 miles northwest of the Tatar defile. A third force took Osmolda, 17 miles northwest, while a fourth seized Wyszkow, 18 miles west of Osmolda at the entrance to the Wyszkow Pass.

The Soviets also captured Slawskoe, on another mountain road leading across the frontier 13 miles northwest of Wyszkow, and Wysocko-Wyzene, 19 miles northwest of Slawskoe. The latter drive menaced the Uzok Pass, thru which a road and railway lead down to Uzhorod, main communications hub in Eastern Slovakia.

TRANSYLVANIA OFFENSIVE

Soviet troops also were on the attack in Transylvania, where they captured more than 50 towns in a drive toward Cluj, capital of the Hungarian-annexed province. The Russians captured Targu-Mures and pushed on westward to establish a bridgehead across the Muresul River at Apalina, 40 miles southeast of Cluj.

On the Latvian front powerful Russian armored forces battled into the main defenses covering Riga from the north and east. Nazi resistance was stiffening and the Moscow communique indicated the Soviets had to fight for every yard.

One Russian column captured Eikazi, 29 miles north of Riga, and pushed on toward Sigadul, anchor point of the German line five miles south. On the eastern flank the Soviets took Vites, 31 miles from the city and three miles from the Sigulda-Ogre highway which forms the main Nazi line.

Tin Can Container Offered Apartments

A new plan for collection of salvaged tin cans from local apartment houses was outlined today by Horace Walker, executive secretary of the District Salvage Committee.

Requirements of the new collection plan are that a suitable container be placed in the building where tenants can deposit prepared tin cans, and that, when not less than three or four bushels have been accumulated, Salvage Information at REpublic 8488 be notified. Requests for tin salvage pick-ups received up to Saturday of any week will be collected during the following week.

Wallace Speaks Tonight

Main political event today is a major speech by Vice President Wallace at Pittsburgh at 8:30 tonight.

3 of a Kind Bleats a Full House



Four other youngsters greeted Shipfitter Fred DeMar, 336 16th-st se when he came home on leave, but they didn't make as much noise as triplets Joan, June and Jeanette (in the usual order). Fifteen months old, they weren't in the mood for "spooning" when Daddy greeted them. —Staff Photo.

Luftwaffe Unbeaten; in Hiding for Payoff

By DOUGALD WERNER United Press War Correspondent

LONDON, Sept. 30—The Luftwaffe's No. 1 job is to defend the heart of the Reich, and it is still far from eliminated.

German jet-propelled planes have gone into action but the Nazis still rely on the Focke-Wulf-190 and the Messerschmitt-109.

Those were the conclusions drawn after four days of intense activity by American heavy bombers. From Monday thru Thursday the Flying Fortresses and Liberators were over Germany a total of at least 4400 sorties.

Wednesday and Thursday they were harassed by German fighters. The bomber losses those two days totaled 91—a figure which once would have been considered heavy but now is a reasonable percentage.

The bomber losses were less than 2½ per cent.

The opposition was evidence that the Germans are feeling the weight of American bombs on their communications centers.

The bomber crews often tell of seeing jet planes but usually in the distance.

One of the Nazis' biggest problems now is bomber detection. That used to be fairly simple when they had location devices scattered thru France and the Low Countries, but the Allied land drive has taken care of that.

Yank Heavy Bombers Drop 'Eggs' on Hamm

LONDON, Sept. 30—Very strong forces of American Flying Fortresses and Liberators with a solid escort of Lightnings and Mustangs attacked the Westphalian cities of Hamm, Bielefeld and Munster today following night attacks by the RAF on the Rhineland city of Karlsruhe.

The German air raid warning system had previously said Allied formations had penetrated as far as the Hannover-Brunswick area, west of Berlin and British coastal observers reported that nearly 100 RAF fighters flew out in the direction of Holland at midday.

Autopsy on Ensign

An autopsy will be performed today by Coroner A. Magruder MacDonald on the body of Ensign Joseph M. Collins, USN, 25, of Cleveland, a patient at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. He was found hanging from the foot of his bed last Monday with a sheet around his neck. He died yesterday.

Carlson Booted Out

NEW YORK, Sept. 30—The America First Party candidate for President, Gerald L. K. Smith, ejected John Roy Carlson, author of "Undercover," from a party press conference yesterday and threatened to throw him down the elevator shaft if he returned.

UP FRONT WITH MAULDIN



"Ya wouldn't git so tired if ya didn't carry extra stuff. Throw th' joker outta yer deck o' cards."

Nazi Counterattacks Stall British Eighth

By CLINTON B. CONGER United Press War Correspondent

ROME, Sept. 30—German counterattacks forced the British Eighth Army to withdraw from a bridgehead across the Fiumicino River in the Adriatic sector today, but further inland American Fifth Army troops repulsed a similar enemy attack at Monte Battaglia, 10 miles north of Marradi.

Heavy rains flooded the battle areas of both the Eighth and Fifth armies, making some roads impassable even by mules, and swelling the Rubicon and Marecchia rivers into great, fast-running streams which were most difficult to cross.

Altho the rains prevented any large-scale operation in that sector, the Americans took the important highway town of Giugnola, 18 miles southeast of Bologna, and sent patrols into the town of Belvidere, a mile and a half northeast of Giugnola.

British troops attached to the Fifth Army captured Monte Fuso, a key feature on the Florence-Forli highway.

TANKS SUPPORT NAZIS

The Americans also advanced more than three miles along the main Florence-Bologna highway, pushing on from La Mazzetta to enter and occupy the village of Filigare, which like the captured town of Giugnola, is 18 miles from Bologna, key city of the Po Valley.

German infantry supported by tanks forced the Eighth Army's withdrawal from the bridgehead established only yesterday across the Fiumicino just west of the town of San Mauro. The enemy attack came before the British had time to reinforce the bridgehead.

New Zealand troops operating east of the sector drove forward, however, to reach the Fiumicino along a 400-yard front from the Adriatic coast inland, with the Germans fiercely defending the far bank of the river. Twice during the night the Germans crossed the river to make counterattacks, and each time were repulsed.

YANKS TAKE TOWN

American troops west of Filigare captured Monte Fredente, five miles northeast of Castiglione, and Monte Batestra, two miles southeast of Monte Fredente.

In the area a mile and a half north of Castel Del Rio, the Americans sent patrols into the village of Belvidere and were in firm possession of the highway town of Giugnola.

The heavy rains last night were followed with showers and a strong wind. Some roads were impassable for several miles, and activity along the entire front was slowed down.

Nazis Lose Chance to Take Pair of Surrounded Yanks

By United Press

WITH THIRD ARMY IN THE MOSELLE VALLEY, Sept. 30—Eager GIs came running to this major and said: "Hell, sir. We can see two of them now."

"Two of whom, boys?" asked Maj. Cleveland Lytle of Columbia, S. C.

Then the GI's told him they had spotted two of their own men, whom they had been forced to leave behind two nights before, on the German side of the Moselle right in the heart of the town of Thionville.

Fifteen men had crossed the river in a rubber boat on a combat patrol. The Germans caught them in machine gun fire before they reached the shore. The boat was sunk and 11 swam back to the American side but four disappeared.

TONIGHT'S THE NIGHT

"We had written them off as battle casualties until these GI's, looking thru glasses, spotted the two crouched under the rubble at the end of a shattered bridge with Germans swarming all around them," said Lieut. Col. Christian H. Clarke of Atlanta, Ga.

After hearing the GI report, Maj. Lytle said: "We will go out and get them tonight." And that's what he did.

He took Sergt. Paul D. Evans of McAlester, Okla., and Pfc. Casper J. Almi of L'Anse, Mich., with him.

MEN UNAWARE

They made their way to a point where the river cuts thru the town. The Germans heard them and filled the sky with star shells and flares. The three flattened out and waited until it was dark again. Then they crawled out on the broken bridge to the end where Pfc. Henry A. Banks of St. Joseph, Mo., and Sergt. Grant A. Martin of Shongaloo, La., were waiting.

The two were unaware they were being rescued until they heard Lytle whispering instructions.

Ropes were lowered to the two men. They slipped into the water and were dragged to safety.

The two other missing men of the patrol were not located.

"But we were mighty proud to sneak back two without the Germans even knowing they were there for capture," Clarke said.

3 Pickaback Raids

LONDON, Sept. 30—German planes carrying flying bombs packaback threw their missiles against England three times last night, causing damage and casualties.

Pay-Go Author Urges Lower Taxes

By United Press

NEW YORK, Sept. 30—Beardsley Ruml, stating that post-war employment can be kept only thru a greatly increased standard of living, urged today that tax reforms, including the lowering of personal income tax and abolition of sales, excise and corporation taxes, be instituted to increase the purchasing power of America.

Ruml originator of the pay-as-you go tax plan and treasurer of the R. H. Macy & Co., Inc., told a Liberal Party forum on Fiscal Policy and Full Employment that the tax reforms must be accompanied by public works planned to "help stabilize the construction industry" and a means of getting "the deflation out of social security."

"The idea behind our tax policy," Ruml said, "should be this: That our taxes should be high enough to protect the stability of our currency, and no higher. Putting it another way, our taxes should be as low as they possibly can be without putting the value of our money in danger of inflation. The lower our taxes are, the more purchasing power will be left at home in the hands of the people."

Nazi Guns Boomerang

WATERVLIET, N. Y., Sept. 30 — Fifty per cent of the German arms and equipment captured by American forces in France and the Low Countries will be turned against the Nazis shortly, Brig. Gen. A. G. Gillespie, Watervliet Arsenal commandant, said today. He said the Ordnance Department is reconditioning all types of captured equipment ranging from heavy tanks to explosive-carrying "doodle-bugs."

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