

# WORLD NEWS

## Rears Crashing Into East Prussia Germans Quitting Dutch Salient

### Tanks, Big Guns Stagger Germans As Army Rolls In

LONDON, Friday, Oct. 20. — (AP) — A huge red army, composed of Moscow and Stalingrad veterans and supported by waves of tanks and planes and hundreds of big soviet guns, has begun the first Russian invasion of prewar Germany, smashing several miles into East Prussia and still was making headway at midnight, Berlin announced early today.

The fall of Eydauk, border town 27 miles east of the 10-way junction of Interburg, and 87 miles from the East Prussian capital, Danzig, was announced officially yesterday by the German high command.

Moscow, as is usual at the unfolding of important operations, has been keeping the Russians in the dark as to what Berlin said was backed by 600 tanks and supported at both ends of a 200-mile front by two other massive armies attacking on the northern and southern ends the imperiled junkie homeland.

A Berlin radio broadcast from Adnan quoted a German front correspondent as saying that the Russians will be taking deep into the ancient land of the Teutonic knights, and adding:

"No battle in the east has ever seen such concentrated Russian air forces and seasoned campaigners cannot recall a similar assault of Russian air forces in three days."

Another broadcast made earlier said the Russians possessed "an unlimited number of airplanes." While the Germans often emphasize their own inferiority during a severe battle, this time they have previously said that the Russians had massed a tremendous force along the Baltic coast, where an army has been poised for two months.

German radio reserves were being rushed to the front, presumably these include units of the new heavy fighters between 15 and 60, whose formation gestapo chief Heinrich Himmler announced in East Prussia.

In Final Stage  
Without mentioning the East Prussian front, the German radio last night said "the war has entered its final stage" now that the Yugoslav army has been driven from the 171-mile front, battling German-Hungarian forces around the strategic city of Belgrade in Hungary, and annihilating soviet troops in Belgrade.

A midnight soviet bulletin described Belgrade as a "cauldron" where several thousand isolated and encircled German soldiers, single day, and Marshal Tito's Yugoslav partisan headquarters in the Yugoslav mountains killed 5,000 Germans there.

The liberation of Belgrade appeared to be a triumph with the enemy compressed into a narrow portion of the Danube city.

The German army was driven back within seven miles of Debrecen after a violent 10-day tank battle, Moscow announced yesterday. Days ended Wednesday captured more than 11,000 Germans and Hungarians in addition to great stocks of equipment.

Other Gains  
New gains were reported in southeastern Czechoslovakia but Moscow did not give the progress of the Red army in the Czechoslovakian units battering their way into Slovakia, the middle portion of the state, in detail.

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## Hurricane Heading For Cape Hatteras

### Storm Lashes Florida; Two Deaths Reported; Crop Damage \$20,000,000

(Compiled From Daily News Wire Reports)  
CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 19. — A tropical hurricane which wiped out an estimated one-third of Florida's rich citrus crop and caused at least 26 deaths, lashed itself in the Caribbean more than a week before plunging the city into darkness through power failure.

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Beaches Evacuated  
During the day residents of nearby beaches moved seaward, land-ward and inland. The beach houses were destroyed by wind and tides at Fernandina Beach, 25 miles east of Jacksonville.

Damage to property in Florida was estimated in the millions of dollars, but no single area seemed severely hit.

Between 1,000 and 7,000 people in the storm area in Florida are being sheltered in temporary establishments, and between 1,000 and three times that many people are being fed, the Red Cross said in Washington tonight.

Acting National Administrator Chas. Herrie of the Red Cross disaster service said the most serious situation prevailed at Jacksonville, since all northbound and southbound passenger trains had been cancelled there overnight, and many of the passengers were being cared for by the Red Cross.

Reports from Havana said at least 24 were killed, and Surgidero de Batabanoo, south of Havana, was destroyed by the hurricane Wednesday.

Although the storm lost some of its force as it moved seaward, hurricane warnings were ordered for the Florida coast from the Florida coast. Wind of 60 to 80 miles an hour was forecast as far north as Cape Hatteras.

At Key West, Fla., six farm vessels were driven around but none was seriously damaged and there were no casualties. A tug which removed 21 men from an abandoned lightship re-established radio communication today.

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## Canadians Reach Breskens; Half Of Aachen Taken

ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, Friday, Paris, Oct. 20. — (UP) — The Germans began abandoning their salient in southeastern Holland Thursday under steady pressure by the British Second Army, with United States tanks on its right flank, while Canadian troops slashed five miles through the collapsing German lines south of the Schelde and reached the port of Breskens.

American troops at Aachen were declared officially to be in possession of more than one-third of the city, and the Germans acknowledged loss of its main railroad station and three more fueling stations aimed at relieving the starving garrison.

Starving Garris  
Berlin broadcasts also admitted that American troops were nearing the main fortifications of the Aachen salient. The allied radio station here said that Lt. Gen. George S. Patton ordered a new attack in the Metz sector, advancing half a mile.

In the main push through Holland, the British advanced two miles beyond the Venray-Duren road despite bitter German rear-guard resistance from haystacks, armhouses and windmills. American armor, driving due east from Duren through a peat bog, was steady rain and turned to a deep morass, captured Grietenveld and sent scouting parties to the east of America, four miles to the east of Venray.

Canadians at Breskens  
Front reports said that the Canadians had reached the edge of Breskens in a drive up the Schelde coast from the site of their amphibious landings last week, and BBC broadcasts from London reported they had entered the town in street fighting. Breskens, at the mouth of the Schelde, is a town normally has an excellent anchorage but the Germans had destroyed its installations for the last several days.

After a five-day battle, American troops of the Sixth Army fought their way through one-half of Bruyeres, 13 miles northeast of Venray, and the line of the Vosges, but still were meeting furious resistance from German armor holding the line on commanding heights surrounding the town.

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## Yanks Stage Big Raid On Mindanao

### Southwest Fliers Make Wide Raids

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## MacArthur Announces Landings On Islands

### Eastern Coast Of Leyte Island Taken In Amphibious Operation; Halsey Gets 29 More Ships, 101 Planes

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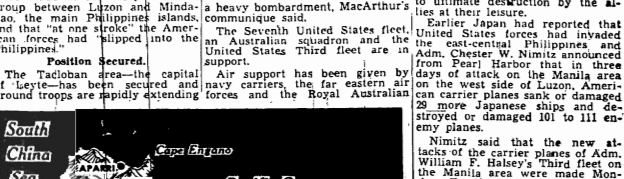
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NEW PHILIPPINES LANDING REPORTED  
(For the Combined Allied Press)  
WITH GEN. MACARTHUR AT LEYTE, The Philippines, Friday, Oct. 20. — (UP) — Under a devastating bombardment of United States battleships, American and Australian cruisers, American troops at 1 a. m. today landed on a 13-mile beach front on the eastern Leyte island shore.

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WHERE AMERICANS RETURN.  
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## Foreign Policy Spotlights Political Stage

### Democrats Deny Secret Diplomacy; FR May Answer; Dewey At Pittsburgh

(By The Associated Press)  
Foreign affairs pushed further to the forefront in the presidential campaign yesterday with Democrats hitting back at Governor Thomas E. Dewey's foreign policy speech and one declaring that Republican "economic isolationists" hope to repeat the "isolationist" policy of the League of Nations.

The latter charge came from the Democratic presidential nominee who had Franklin D. Roosevelt as his rival in the election.

Dewey's Wednesday address at Pittsburgh, which he called the "personal secret diplomacy" of the Roosevelt administration, formal state department reply taking issue with some of the Republican candidate's remarks on the armistice with Romania.

The state department's statement was confined entirely to Romania, although Dewey had been critical of administration handling of the cases of Italy, Rumania, Germany and France as well as Romania.

There were indications, however, that the administration would still make a statement in the Dewey speech. Mr. Roosevelt himself may reply on some points, but he is expected to be in New York Saturday.

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## Civilian Votes Expected To Hit 45,000,000 Mark

### Service Ballots Likely To Place Total Near 1940 Record Turnout

By GEO. GALLIE, Director, Institute of Public Opinion.  
PRINCETON, N. J., Oct. 19. — The 1944 presidential election campaign, which started slowly, has now shot into high gear.

On the basis of latest figures from the army and navy registration has been completed, including New York city, it now appears that an estimated 45,000,000 voters will turn out to vote on election day. This figure may be revised as more figures are available.

The armed services vote has been estimated at somewhere between 2,500,000 to 3,000,000. The indications are that the total vote for 1944 will be slightly under the nearly 50,000,000 total of 1940.

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RATION DEADLINES  
FUEL OIL—1 and 4 indefinitely.  
CASH—11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

### The Weather

Data furnished by J. P. Molen, in charge of the Greensboro-Hitt Post Airport.

TEMPERATURE FOR YESTERDAY			
Maximum: 67 at 8:30 a. m.			
Minimum: 47 at 7:12 a. m.			
Mean: 57			
PRECIPITATION: 0.00			
WIND: 1-11 a. m. 1-11 a. m. 1-11 a. m.			
Forecast for Today			
North Carolina: Mild; diminishing winds clearing in afternoon.			
South Carolina: Dispersing winds clearing in afternoon.			
Virginia: Partly cloudy.			
DAILY WEATHER TABLE			
WASHINGTON			
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