

REPORT YANKS TAKE BORDEAUX

Say U. S. Forces Approaching Troyes; Seine River Port Is Taken.

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40 miles beyond their advanced spearheads.

One column captured Conches and lunged on 23½ miles to the northeast to capture Elbeuf, where

LONDON, Aug. 24 (U. P.).—The Algiers radio said today that Hendaye, St. Jean De Luz and other towns along the Franco-Spanish frontier on the Bay of Biscaye are now in the hands of French patriot forces.

Thousands of Germans and huge masses of enemy equipment had been reported jammed along the Seine river bank, trying to cross in small boats and improvised rafts. Le Neubourg, 13 miles north of Conches, also was taken.

The whirlwind drive to Elbeuf narrowed to a bare 25 miles or less the last corridor of escape for some 93,000 beaten Germans fleeing eastward before the 1st Canadian and 2d British armies and units of Hedger's American 1st army.

Hints at New Move

Rouen, the only main railway center on the Seine still open to the enemy, lay 8½ miles ahead of the Yanks at Elbeuf, and front dispatches indicated the Americans were closing rapidly on that historic city where Jeanne D'Arc died at the stake.

A spokesman at British 2d army headquarters hinted strongly that an allied move of major importance was imminent and stated that strict secrecy will be imposed on military movements for the next two or three days.

Canadian troops, supported by British, Dutch and Belgian units, battled into Honfleur at the mouth of the Seine directly opposite Le Havre, while British forces on their right flank inched forward through a German screen of anti-tank weapons and artillery in the Lisieux area.

Patients Comforted by Volunteer Nurses



Stricken with infantile paralysis, these patients at the Rotary Convalescent home have been moved into the former kindergarten room converted into a ward to care for extra patients. Miss Mary Smith, a retired graduate nurse who is donating extra time to the hospital, is shown in the background caring for a young victim.

YANKS REACH SWISS BORDER IN S. FRANCE

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the Maquis patrolling the Lyon area soon would make contact with the Americans.

The latest allied advances increased the allied bridgehead in Southern France to 6,000 to 8,000 square miles—an average of nearly 1,000 square miles a day liberated since the invasion forces swarmed ashore Aug. 15.

The number of prisoners seized at Marseille and other details of the capture still were lacking. France's largest port and second largest city, Marseille, has metal working, engineering, railway repair, chemical and food processing plants in addition to its vast harbor facilities.

Reynolds Packard, United Press war correspondent, reported in a dispatch from Marseille that the Germans had blown up most of the port's harbor works, but estimated that the city was otherwise 80 per cent intact.

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the army nurse corps in England, a teaching post to train beginning nurses, and posts of executive of the unit and part-time receptionist.

Through the sacrifice of the nurses and the volunteer workers, work in such a way that every patient has received every treatment prescribed by physicians and that no stricken person has been refused admittance to the hospital.

Paralleling this example, another Indianapolis hospital has been forced to close the waiting list, leaving a number of beds empty, because the nursing staff was too depleted to give the proper care to capacity patients.

"The case of the polio hospital exemplifies the aid which volunteer graduates can render through part-time work," said Mary A. Meyers, vice chairman of the nursing council.

cil. "It is urgent that we secure graduates to supervise volunteer workers to care for new cases and to relieve the overworked hospital staffs."

Statistics show city hospitals are caring for twice as many patients as ever before in history, with less than three-fourths the number of nurses of the pre-war period. In no instance has medical care been sacrificed because of the shortage, although the dint of taking care of extra patients has meant hours of sacrifice work by nurses and doctors and employment of extra lay help.

As staffs have been cut by the exodus of nurses to war fronts, industry and private duty, factors such as lack of private doctors, increased money for medical care, and near-epidemics of contagious disease have overflowed hospitals.

All Types Are Needed

Hospital heads supplemented the nursing council's appeal for aid from graduates, offering to set up a definite schedule for any nurse who will donate a definite time each day or each week to the hospitals. These nurses are needed in every type of work, especially to supervise probationers, nurse aids, and to perform medical tasks restricted to graduates.

Nurses who will aid until the situation is eased are asked to contact the director of nurses at Indiana university hospital immediately, the officials said.

RUSS CRASH ON FOR BUCHAREST

Soviets 170 Mi. From City With Enemy in Retreat Everywhere.

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control, although the enemy everywhere was in retreat.

(A German broadcast said "heavy fighting" also was under way at Roman, on the Cernauti-Ploesti railway 35 miles southwest of liberated Iasi.)

Terrific Momentum

Romanian prisoners told the Soviets before the announcement of the armistice that the Germans had fired on their units, killing a large number of officers and men, in a vain attempt to halt the retreat. In some sectors, prisoners said, there had been "armed clashes between retreating Romanian units and blocking German detachments."

Nothing official was announced in Moscow regarding Romania's capitulation. The only news bearing on the subject printed in today's newspapers was a seven-line Tass dispatch from London quoting the Bucharest radio to the effect that Gen. Constantin Sanatescu had formed a new government. The dispatch was printed obscurely on the fourth page.

The army organ Red Star asserted that Soviet columns sweeping south from Iasi and the Dnepr were encircling and destroying group after group of German and Romanian troops. Enormous quantities of arms and other equipment were captured intact.

Drives Gain Momentum

Soviet military observers said the five-day-old Romanian offensive by the 2d and 3d Ukrainian armies already had attained such momentum the enemy had lost all hope of stemming the onslaught short of the Galati gap, if there.

Gen. Fedor I. Tolbukhin's 3d army set the pace for the offensive yesterday with a push across Bessarabia to Sado, 60 miles northeast of the Galati gap, gateway to Bucharest and Ploesti, and 170 miles from the Romanian capital.

The 3d army, extending its front to the Black sea, also captured Cetatea-Alba (Akkerman), at the mouth of the Dnepr, 24 miles south-east of Odessa, and Sarata, 34 miles southwest of Cetatea-Alba and only 40 miles above the Danube river estuary.

Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's 2d Ukrainian army, striking southward across the Moldavian plains, also scored a decisive breakthrough, capturing Vaslui, 37 miles south of Iasi and 85 miles north of Galati, in a 22-mile advance.

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