

Strong Attack Fails To Break Reds

Inferno Rages In Berlin As Tons Of Destruction Fall For Second Time

By GLADWIN HILL. LONDON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The RAF hurled tons of destruction down on Berlin again last night, seeking for the second night in succession to knock out the German capital much of it already devastated.

on western Germany, compared to 26 lost in comparable operations the night before. Berlin already was chaotic from history's greatest aerial attack delivered only 24 hours before when the new deluge of Allied bombs struck last night.

The German capital was isolated from the world today by telephone and telegraph. Neither telephone calls nor telegrams were being accepted in Berlin this morning nor were Swedish correspondents able to telephone out of the city.

Japan Faces New Attacks From Allies

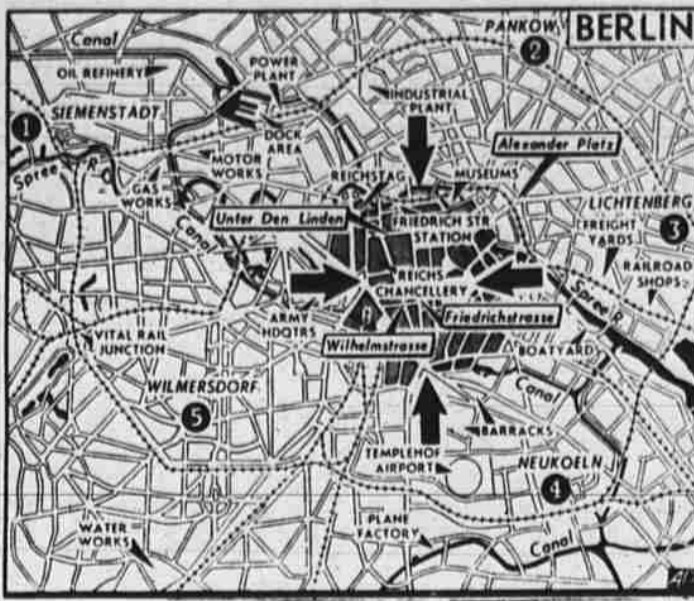
Americans Control Gilbert Islands; Bombings Effective

By The Associated Press. Japan faces the threat of new attacks by Allied forces moving to capitalize on swiftly-achieved American control of the Gilbert Islands and severe air blows against the enemy on other fronts of the Pacific.

Only mopping up operations remained to complete the capture of three pivotal atolls among the more than 15 coral islands in the Gilberts in a lightning coordinated thrust that shortened the "road to Tokyo" by at least 700 miles.

The latest communique from Pearl Harbor said Makin has been captured; Tarawa's fall is assured, and the situation on Little Abemama "is well in hand."

In the south and southwest Pacific, Allied bombers pounded 11 enemy positions, including Gasmata, New Britain, for the third straight day, and cut deeper into Jap shipping losses.



Bombed Areas In Berlin—Shaded area within arched section of Berlin, Germany's capital city, which was heavily bombed in a 1,000-plane RAF raid Monday night. Swiss sources said these suburbs also were damaged: 1—Siemensstadt; 2—Pankow; 3—Lichtenberg; 4—Neukoeln, and 5—Wilmersdorf. (AP Wirephoto.)

Soviet Line Holds Despite Powerful German Pressure

By HENRY C. CASSIDY. MOSCOW, Nov. 24 (AP)—Strong German forces pushing toward Kiev with violent tank and air attacks have failed to break Russian army positions in depth, Red Star reported today.

Three successive retreats which the Russians have made since the start of the major German counterattacks in the Ukraine were attributed to heavy pressure of superior enemy numbers, but the army newspaper indicated the main Russian line was intact for the decisive stage of the battle.

(The German communique reported strong new Russian attacks along the lower Dnieper north of Nikolopol and near Cherkassy repulsed after temporary breakthroughs. The Germans said strong Russian forces were encircled west of Kiev.)

Kiev was captured Nov. 6 and the Germans today were within 45 miles of the Ukrainian capital in the environs of Brusilov, after covering nearly half the distance back from Zhitomir.

The Red army continued its own offensive in the triangle between the Pripiet and Dnieper rivers and the border between White Russia and the Ukraine. Swamps, streams and forests kept mobile forces out of action in that sector but the Russians pressed their offensive over hostilely improved roads which permitted heavy artillery to move with the troops.

Red Star said Bargin, 65 miles southwest of Gomel, was captured by forces which penetrated deep enemy defenses through swamps. Inside the Dnieper bend, Pravda reported that the Germans raised a strong screen of fire southwest of Dnepropetrovsk with artillery and mortars concentrated closely around their positions.

At midnight, the Russians summed up a violent day of combat in which nearly 3,000 Germans and 180 tanks were destroyed on all fronts. Spearheads of Field Marshal Fritz von Manstein's troops have reached Brusilov, 45 miles west of Kiev and are almost half way to the Ukrainian capital from Zhitomir, the first city to fall before the German drive.

Von Manstein sent in other strong forces against Russian positions in the Chernyakhov area, 40 miles northwest of Brusilov, in his all-out effort to turn the southern flank of Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's First Ukrainian army.

Although the Germans succeeded in gaining ground on a straight west-to-east line through the Zhitomir-Korostyshev-Brusilov sectors, the Red army appeared to be holding strong positions in front of Kiev, and apparently was falling back under orders from the Russian high command mainly to avoid encirclement of its advance units.

King George IV Outlines War To Parliament. LONDON, Nov. 24 (AP)—King George VI, opening a new session of parliament, confidently told the house of commons today that "in the fourth year of the war the forces of the United Nations have assumed the offensive in all theatres x x x and in the coming year we shall, with God's help, be able to bear upon the enemy a still greater weight of attack."

36th Was Spearhead Of Salerno Landing

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGIERS, Nov. 24 (AP)—Allied headquarters officially disclosed today that the 36th Infantry division, composed largely of Texans, is among the units in action in Italy.

The 36th was the spearhead of the American landing on the beaches at Salerno and bore the brunt of the heavy fighting during that initial period of the invasion.

"We landed before dawn about 3:30 on the morning of the ninth," he explained from his hospital bed. "It was the toughest beachhead of this war. The navy didn't shell the German positions because our landing was supposed to be a surprise."

Chetniks Have Montenegro

LONDON, Nov. 24 (AP)—Gen. Draja Mihailovic said today that his Yugoslav Chetniks "have now gained control of the entire country of Montenegro."

Tuberculosis Drive Is Reported Satisfactory

The first of the tuberculosis seal sale funds to be returned to the society Tuesday were unusually good, the local chairman, Mrs. Cecil Wasson, announced Wednesday as she urged others to return the envelopes as quickly as possible.

German Marshal Moved From Post

ALGIERS, Nov. 24 (AP)—Allied headquarters announced today that Marshal Baron Wolfram von Richthofen, who commanded both the German and Italian air forces in the Sicilian campaign, had been removed to another assignment because of "difficult relations" with Field Marshal Gen. Albert Kesselring.

Water Wells On Test Today

First of a series of northern Glascock county test water wells, designed to give Big Spring an immediate supplemental supply of water, has been completed and today is on test, City Manager B. J. McDaniel said Wednesday.

Action May Affect Promotion—Solons Request Report On Patton

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The senate military affairs committee voted unanimously today to request Secretary of War Stimson to report to it officially on the incident in which Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., commander of the Seventh Army, struck an army private in a hospital in Sicily.

Kiwaniis Meets Friday

Instead of holding the customary Thursday luncheon in the banquet room of the Settles hotel, because of Thanksgiving the Kiwanis club will meet on Friday in room 1 in the Settles annexes, John Coffey, president.

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121,319 Casualties For United States

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—Announced casualties in all armed services of the United States since Pearl Harbor total 121,319, with the army bearing the greater share—89,650 as of November 11.

Tax Request Is Cut To The Bone

By FRANCIS M. LEMAY. WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—Barely mauled on the food subsidy issue, the administration's contrived anti-inflation program came up for another body blow today as the house rolled toward approval of a \$2,140,000,000 new revenue bill—a figurative drop in the \$10,500,000,000 bucket held out by the treasury.

Subsidy Bill Is Hot Issue

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—Administration leaders clung to the gossamer-like possibility of a senate compromise today as their only hope of saving food subsidies—the president's No. 1 weapon against rising living costs.

PRIMO FACES DEATH

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 24 (AP)—While massive Primo Carnera, former world heavyweight champion, is said to be slated to face a Nazi firing squad in Italy for anti-fascist activities, his brother, Severino, is reportedly getting ready to join the army of the United States.









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