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YANKS REACH BELGIAN BORDER REDS STRIKE ON TOWARD SERBIA

Moving To
Join With
Tito Forces

Drive On After
Bucharest Falls

By DANIEL DE LUCE
MOSCOW — (AP) — Red Army flying columns, skirting the southern shoulder of the Transylvanian Alps after marching triumphantly through Bucharest, headed today in the direction of Serbia's northeastern mountains, where Marshal Tito's Partisans are battling the common enemy.

A junction between Soviet and Yugoslav Partisan forces became apparent of late when Gen. Rodion Y. Malinovski's armored troops approached within 120 miles of the Yugoslav-Romanian frontier.

The German Command was a frantic try to hold the Olt River, which runs within 25 miles of Serbian territory.

A vital north-south railway passes through the Olt connecting Subotica, on Transylvania's leading cities, with the Wallachian Danube port of Corabia, across the stream from Bucharest.

Malinovski threatened to cut this waterline at the southern entrance to Turnu Pass, whose possession would safeguard his right wing so that he drove across the Danube plain to make contact with Tito.

NAZIS IN FLIGHT

The Soviet leader's forces, which now poised the ruble of German-held buildings in Bucharest yesterday, rapidly westward along the Bucharest-Craiova Highway.

Flying columns, and the Germans were still in disorderly flight up the Danube valley.

Bucharest's war-weary populace saw Malinovski's bare mechanized power in his huge, huge self-propelled guns, their mighty armored tanks and a seemingly endless stream of motorized infantry crossed the city from end to end.

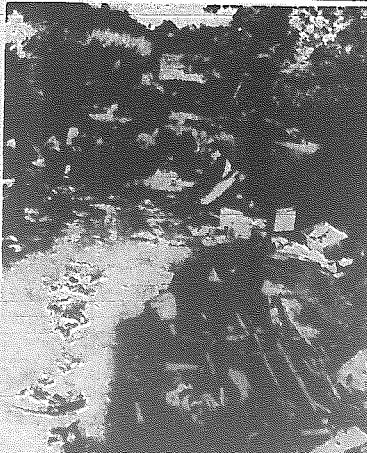
A Red Star correspondent, Alexander Krivitsky, wrote proudly from Bucharest:

"Not a single one of our fighters had ever seen the capital's skies. They all were black smoke. This was a real triumph."

He added that Bucharest had told him:

"You have no more tanks than we have. Please tell your folks to supply you."

A dispatch direct from Bucharest by Associated Press War Correspondent Joseph Morton com-



NAZIS WRECKAGE ON RETREAT ROUTE—Wreckage of German vehicles cluttered this road east of Chambon in France after a rocket-firing typhoon plane attacked retreating Nazi forces. (AP Wirephoto)

Big German Guns Roar At England

LONDON — (AP) — Heavy German coastal guns near Boulogne hurled nearly 100 shells early today in a four-hour barrage which Berlin said was drum fire of the heaviest type against the English invasion port routes.

Several British seacoast towns were reported heavily damaged and at least one man was killed.

Boulogne is on the Channel 28 miles south of Dover and in the path of swiftly advancing Allied armies. It appeared possible that the Germans, with whom their communications shattered, were trying to unload as much ammunition as possible before the Allies arrived.

"VICTORY" ATTACK

English Channel reports said that a wide area was shelled and the attack was vicious.

British forces tried to make a mystery of the shelling with the assertion that "no explanation can be obtained from competent circles as to whether this drum fire constitutes measures against further invasion preparation or whether weapons have gone into action."

British medium bombers showed explosives on German troops concentrations near Abbeville, Somme, St. Amand, Valenciennes and Barisis. All these towns were overrun or bypassed in the earlier pursuit of the retreating Nazis.

British fighter bombers staged over British parks and towns made contact with enemy outposts just northeast of nearby Laonaise Pass on the Italian frontier, some 50 miles northwest of Nice.

On the west side of the Rhone French elements were mapping up scattered enemy pockets in Pont du Gard, Remoulins, and Nimes.

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