

14 AUGUST 1944

GERMANY:

ADOLPH HITLER HAS CALLED ON THE COMMANDER OF THE GERMAN TROOPS HOLDING OUT AT ST MALO TO HOLD OUT TO THE LAST SHELL AND THE LAST CARTRIDGE.

FRANCE:

IN AN URGENT ORDER OF THE DAY, GENERAL EISENHOWER HAS CALLED ON THE ALLIES IN THE WEST TO "MAKE THE MOST OF THE FLEETING OPPORTUNITY AT HAND FOR AN ALLIED VIC. TORY." THE GERMAN SEVENTH ARMY IN NORMANDY IS STRUGGLING FOR SURVIVAL. THE MAIN BATTLE AREA CENTERS AROUND THE FALAISE GAP, THROUGH WHICH THE GERMANS ARE TRYING TO RETREAT. THE CANADIAN FIRST ARMY SUPPORTED BY ABOUT 1000 RAF HEAVY BOMBERS THIS AFTERNOON LAUNCHED AN ALL_OUT OFFENSIVE FOR FALAISE. THE CANADIANS HAVE ALREADY PUSHED FORWARD TWO MILES AND NOW STAND ONLY FOUR MILES FROM FALAISE. UNITS OF AN AMERICAN ARMY ARE PSUHING NORTHWARD FROM ARGENTAN IN AN ATTEMPT TO CUT OFF THE RETREATING NAZIS. THE AMERICANS ARE ABOUT 20 MILES FROM THE BRITISH AND CANADIAN FORCES. AS THE GERMANS TRY TO PULL OUT THROUGH THE FALAISE GAP, THEY ARE COMING UNDER A MASSIVE AIR ASSAULT. YESTERDAY, ALLIED PLANES FLEW 5,500 SORTIES. THEY HAMMERED INCESSANTLY AT GERMAN TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS. LAST NIGHT, MOSQUITOS PLASTERED GERMAN RAILROADS FAR BEHIND THE ENLMY LINES. AT THE SAME TIME, BRITISH HEAVIES HIT TRANSPORTATION AND AMERICAN MAURADERS BLASTED TROOPS AND ENEMY STORES. GERMAN TRAFFIC IS PILING UP ALONG THE ROADS LEADING TO THE FALAISE GAP AND IS BEING SHELLED AND BOMBED INCESSANTLY. ALLIED PLANES ARE FLYING WITHOUT LETUP OVER THE ENEMY ROADS BOMBING AND STRAFING INCESSANTLY. THE GERMAN TRAFFIC IS SO PILED UP THAT IT FORMS AN ALMOST PERFECT TARGET. AS YET, THERE IS NO SIGNS OF GERMAN DISORGANIZATION. ON THE GROUND, THE ALLIES HAVE MADE GAINS ALL ALONG THE FRONT. THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY HAS DRIVEN DEEP INTO THE NORTH FLANK OF THE GERMAN ESCAPE CORRIDOR. AROUND MORTAIN, THE YANKS HAVE PUSHED FORWARD AND HAVE TAKEN A TOWN SEVEN MILES PAST THE FORMER HOTLY CONTESTED TOWN. THERE IS A GENERAL GERMAN WITHDRAWAL BETWEEN VIRE AND MORTAIN. THE ONLY OPPOSITION IN THIS SECTOR HAS BEEN FROM LONG RANGE ARTILLERY FIRE AND MINEFIELDS.

THE BENLIN RADIO ADMITTED THAT THE GERMANS HAD TO GIVE MORE GROUND NEAR THE SOUTHERN BORDER OF EAST PRUSSIA. TWO RED ARMIES ARE MOVING UP FROM THE SOUTH TOWARDS THE BORDER OF EAST PRUSSIA. MOSCOW RADIO PUTS THESE ARMIES 17 MILES FROM THE BORDER. A THIRD RUSSIAN ARMY IS POISED AND WAITING TO STRIKE FROM THE EAST. ON THE SOUTHERN SECTOR OF EAST PRUSSIA THE GERMANS HAVE ONLY HASTILY IMPROVISED DEFENSE LINES TO OPPOSE THE RUSSIANS. IN THE NORTH, THE SOVIETS HAVE GONE HALF THE DISTANCE BETWEEN PSKOV AND THE SEA. THEY ARE THREATENING TO SPLIT IN TWO THE GERMAN ARMIES TRAPPED IN ESTONIA AND LATVIA.

ENGLAND:

LARGE NUMBERS OF AMERICAN FLYING FORTRESSES TODAY BOMBED TARGETS IN GERMANY AND NORTHERN FRANCE. IN M. ZILAND THE IR TARGETS WERE MANNHE IM AND LUDWIGSHAFEN. IN NORTHERN FRANCE, THE FORTS BLASTED AIRFIELDS, BRIDGES AND RAILROADS. LAST NIGHT, RAF MOSQUITOS BOMBED HANOVER. FLYING BOMBS WERE OVER SOUTHERN ENGLAND AGAIN LAST NIGHT. SWEDEN HAS PROTESTED TO GERMANY ABOUT A FLYING BOMB WHICH LANDED IN SOUTH. ERN SWEDEN LAST MONTH.

· MR CHURCHILL HAS LET WITH MARSHALL TITO IN ITALY. THE EIGHTH ARMY IS STILL ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE ARMO BUT ALLIED MILITARY OFFICIALS HAVE BROUGHT IN LORE FOOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF FLORENCE. TODAY, MORE THAN 500 HEAVY BOMBERS FROM ITALY HIT MIL ITARY INSTALLATIONS IN SOUTHERN FRANCE FOR THE THIRD DAY IN A ROW. LAST NIGHT, RAF HEAVIES HIT GENOA. YESTERDAY 500 HEAVY AMERICAN BOMBERS HIT GERMAN TARGETS IN THE RIVERIA IN SOUTHERN FRANCE AND ITALY.

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PACIFIC: SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AIR PATROLS HAVE AGAIN FLOWN ACROSS THE NEW GUINEA AREA TO THE PHILLIPINES. THEY SANK A JAP FREIGHTER AND DAMAGED A SMALLER VESSEL. OFF THE HALMEHERA ISLANDS TWO MORE JAPANESE SHIPS WERE HIT.

M JOR LEAGUE BALL SCORES: AMERICAN

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON: 2,4
BOSTON: 7
DETROIT: 6,1
NEW YORK: 10,3

CLEVELAND: 1,1
PHILADELPHIA: 3,7
BOSTON: 1,1
BOSTON: 1,1
CHICAGO: 1,6
CINCINATTI: 4,9
NEW YORK: 3,2