FRANCE:

Units of the British Second Army are firmly established along the Albert Canal. 30 miles from the German border. Reconnaissance units are less than 30 miles away. The British are meeting stiff resistance. It is reported that the Germans are getting ready to pull out of Holland. Large numbers of German troops have been seen leaving the country. The American First Army has crossed the Meuse River in three different places and are heading for the German border. Units of the tank I first Army are now advancing through the forest of the Ardennes. General Patton's troops are reported to be holding part of Nancy. Patton's forces are building up their bridgehead over the Meuse and fighting going on in the far side of this river. American losses have been quite heavy in this sector. American long range guns are shelling Nazi Panzer units on the far side of the Meuse. Canadian and British troops are in the outskirts of Boulogne and Calais and Canadian pathfinder units are within 7 miles of Dijon. The town of Chenin, Central and Paris in Belgium have been taken and also the town of Ambertieres near the Belgian Border. Fighting up is taking place in all these areas. All throughout Northern France and Belgium the Allies are moving vast quantities of supplies up to the front. Cherbourg is still the nearest Allied port near the front lines and all supplies are coming through here.

The American First Army in its drive across the Meuse and East of Namur, has taken 25,000 prisoners in the past three days. Reports that the Americans had advanced 100 miles in Belgium and Alachen in Germany, were unconfirmed. Yesterday, the RAF dropped 1,500 tons of bombs on the German nation at 11 hours after the Nazis had refused another ultimatum to surrender. American medium and light bombers operating from their new bases in France made three attacks on the German forces in best.

In Southern France, American Seventh army troops driving up to eastern France, are almost sight of the Doubs Valley leading to the Belgot Gaf. Coron is the largest city in this valley and yesterday Yanks were reported to be at Arbois, about 25 miles from Besancon. Yesterday, French troops were reported less than 10 miles from Dijon. General Deiterich, the German Military commentator, said that "every move northward by the Seventh Army was ground gain." The Germans call the American stirring movement around the Swiss border, "a striking movement."

RUSIA:

Flying Russian columns have reached the border of Yugoslavia. The Reds traveled the remaining 50 miles across Hungary in 24 hours and crossed the Don River at the town of Cserova near the famous "ion gate." This new move by the Reds threatens the whole system of German communication in the Southern Balkans. Over 150,000 Nazi troops are now bottled up in Cserova and nearby islands. Most of the main airfields in Yugoslavia have been smothered in the past five days. In continuous attacks by American and British planes, the Russians have broken through strong German defenses northwest of Kragujevac. Between Kragujevac and East Prussia, and are driving for the East Prussian border. The Reds have taken the town of Orthofer, less than 30 miles from the East Prussian border. Bulgaria says that she is desiring all Germans who failed to leave the country after Bulgaria asked Russia for peace. The German radio today said that Bulgaria had broken off diplomatic relations with Germany.

ENGLAND:

Just before dusk last night, R.A.F. bombers heavily hit Hamburg. The British R.A.F. has announced that 800 R.A.F. Flying Bobes were launched against London in 60 days. R.A.F. fighters shot down 1500, American and British R.A.F. night flyers shot down 1500 and balloon barrage accounted for 479 more. Partial blacking will start in England in 10 days. There will also be a reduction of the Fire Guard and Civil Defense Guard. No more guard will no longer be required. There was no Nazi Air activity over England during the night.
ITALY:
The Germans are battling furiously before Rimini in an effort to stay off the fall of the city. The Eighth Army has been pushing steadily ahead despite fanatical Nazi resistance. The American Fifth Army is rapidly closing in on the western end of the Gothic line. Last night, R.A.F. heavy bombers blasted the city of Bolgoro in northern Italy. Combined attacks by Marshal Tito’s forces and the Allied Mediterranean fleet have seriously damaged German communications in Yugoslavia in the past several days.

PACIFIC:
The Japanese Premier in a meeting of the Japanese Diet announced that "Allied attacks on Japan were increasing daily and there is danger of Allied landings on the coast of Japan itself. Strong attacks by the Allies in the future must be expected. Japanese losses in the war must not be underestimated." He further stated that Japan had not made any gains since the first six months of the war. Despite bad flying weather, Allied planes in the Southwest Pacific have bombed Japanese airfields over wide areas and sunk another 3 J.A.P. supply ships.

UNITED STATES:
The U.S. War Department is planning a partial demobilization of the American Army after Germany's defeat. The Navy Secretary, Mr. Forrestal, said that the Navy would continue to expand.

MAJOR LEAGUE BALL SCORES:

DETOIT: 3 ... CHICAGO: 2 (ONLY GAME PLAYED IN EITHER LEAGUE)