FRANCE:

The British Second Army has made a second crossing of the Albert Canal in Belgium. The British have pushed on from their first bridgehead and are within 20 miles of the German border. The British were only 8 miles from the railhead of Holland at one point. The Second is heading for that part of Germany where Belgium, Holland and Germany meet. German resistance has stiffened considerably and in the town of Foying Leopold a savage fight is going on. The Nazis have brought up all of their available reserves to keep the British from crossing over into Germany.

The American First Army advancing beyond the Meuse River has taken Liege and has pushed on for a few miles past that city. The Yanks were last reported 19 miles from the German border. Other units of the tank First Army are pushing through the Ardennes Hills and are meeting scattered resistance but are running into very heavy mine fields.

General Patton's Third Army now has forced five crossings of the Meuse River. Very heavy fighting is going on in the Meuse Gap where the Germans have brought up large numbers of tanks, infantry and artillery in an effort to halt the drive of the Third Army. American transport planes have flown thousands of gallons of gas to the front for Patton's tanks.

On the coast, Canadians have taken the towns of Ostend and Nieuport, when they entered the towns, they found them deserted. Other Canadian forces are 5 miles from Dunkerque. The Nazis are heading for the Scheldt estuary in an effort to get away, but they were hammered all day yesterday by RAF fighters and again today. One group of Nazis tried to get out of the trap between Lille and Ghent yesterday but they were beaten off. There is a gruelling battle going on for the port of Brest.

General Eisenhower has ordered operational secrecy on Allied forces pushing towards Germany so that attacks from France and Belgium and Holland will be scarce in the next few days.

RUSSIA:

Russian troops have entered Bulgaria to a depth of 40 miles and have taken the Black Sea Port of Varna. Other Red forces 100 miles inland from Varna have taken a fort on the Danube River. Marshal Tito has been declared in Bulgaria. Russia says she will accept a Bulgarian neutralistic non that the Bulgars are at war with Germany.

In Rumania, the Russians are at the head of the Transylvania Valley that leads to the plains of Hungary.

ENGLAND:

More than 1000 American heavy bombers today hit Germany for the second day running. Their targets were rail centers and industrial plants in the areas of Dusseldorf and Mannheim. Yesterday, 1000-stere in formation hit Hamburg. Last night, Mosquitos landed Nuremberg without loss. Twenty eight (28) days after D-Day, the Allied Navy had put 1,000,000 men in France; more than 180,000 vehicles and 650,000 tons of stores.
ITALY:

THE AMERICAN FIFTH ARMY IS NOW 20 MILES NORTHWEST OF FLORENCE. THE BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY IS WITHIN FOUR MILES OF RIMINI. BOTH THE BRITISH AND THE NAZIS ARE SUFFERING HEAVY CASUALTIES ON THE ADRIATIC SECTOR OF ITALY. OVER 500 HEAVY BOMBERS FROM ITALY YESTERDAY HIT RAILROAD YARDS IN YUGOSLAVIA. TACTICAL PLANES HIT BRIDGES OVER THE PO RIVER IN NORTHERN ITALY YESTERDAY AND MUSTANG FIGHTERS IN A SWEEP OVER YUGOSLAVIA, DESTROYED 70 GERMAN FIGHTERS ON THE GROUND. BRITISH HEAVY-FIGHTERS TODAY CAUGHT THE FORMER ITALIAN LINER 'HELA' OFF TRIESTE HARBOR IN THE ADRIATIC AND BLASTED HER WITH OVER 100 ROCKETS. THE LINER WAS LEFT IN A BURNING CONDITION.

PHILIPPINES:

THE ALLIES HAVE COMPLETE AIR CONTROL OVER THE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES. YESTERDAY AMERICAN LIBERATORS AND MITCHELLS ATTACKED AIRFIELDS IN THE DAVAO AREA OF MINANGO. THE BOMBERS WERE NOT CHALLENGED BY JAP FIGHTERS. SUPER BOMBS THAT BLASTED A STEEL CENTER IN MACHUCA YESTERDAY MADE A ROUND TRIP OF MORE THAN 3000 MILES AND CARRIED THEIR LARGEST BOMB LOAD YET. JAP LIBERATORS BASED IN BURMA BOMBED BANGKOK IN SIAM LAST NIGHT.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE:

NEW YORK: 7 ... BOSTON: 6 (12)
CHICAGO: 9 ... ST LOUIS: 5
WASHINGTON: 4 ... PHILADELPHIA: 3

NATIONAL LEAGUE:

BROOKLYN: 4 ... PHILADELPHIA: 3

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