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FRANCE:

THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY HAS MADE ANOTHER CROSSING OF THE DUTCH BORDER. THIS NEW CROSSING WAS MADE NEAR THE LARGE CITY OF MAASTRICHT. IN THE BATTLE OF THE CANALS, THE GERMANS ARE STILL RETREATING. THE NAZIS HAVE THROWN IN EVERY AVAILABLE MAN INTO THE BATTLE INCLUDING AIRMEN AND SAILORS. THE NEW RECRUITS HAVE HAD NO BATTLE EXPERIENCE AND DO NOT SLOW DOWN THE BRITISH ADVANCE. IN THE PAST 12 DAYS THE SECOND ARMY HAS TAKEN OVER 39,000 PRISONERS. THE GERMANS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO ABANDON THE WHOLE OF THE ALBERT CANAL AND THE NAZIS HAVE FALLEN BACK TO THE NEXT WATER BARRIER.

THE AMERICAN FIRST ARMY HAS REACHED THE OUTPOSTS OF THE SEIGFRIED LINE AND HAS CAPTURED ITS FIRST GERMAN TOWN, ROTGEN. MORE SMALL TOWNS HAVE BEEN TAKEN NEAR AACHEN BUT THEIR NAMES HAVEN'T BEEN GIVEN AS YET. THE YANKS WERE LAST REPORTED TO BE FIGHTING IN A FOREST OUTSIDE AACHEN. FIRST ARMY TROOPS HAVE COME UP AGAINST CONCRETE ANTI-TANK FORTS OF THE SEIGFRIED LINE. THESE BELTS OF FORTS ARE TWO TO THREE MILES DEEP IN PLACES.

THE AMERICAN THIRD ARMY IN THE MOSELLE GAP IS STEADILY BUILDING UP ITS BRIDGEHEADS OVER THE MOSELLE RIVER. THE AMERICANS NOW HOLD HIGH GROUND ON THE EASTERN SIDE OF THE MOSELLE AT ONE POINT. THIONVILLE HAS BEEN CAPTURED AND AT ONE POINT, AN ARMORED SPEARHEAD HAS BROKEN THROUGH FOR 8 MILES INTO LORRAINE. THE THIRD HAS BEEN RECEIVING SUPPORT ALL DAY LONG FROM AMERICAN FIGHTER BOMBERS THAT ATTACKED GERMAN POSITIONS IN THE NANCY AREA.

ON THE COAST, CANADIANS ARE DRIVING FOR THE SCHELDE ESTUARY TO CUT OFF THE LAST GERMANS THERE. THE CANADIANS NOW HOLD A BRIDGEHEAD OVER THE LEOPOLD CANAL NORTH-EAST OF BRUGES. LAST NIGHT GERMAN LONG RANGE GUNS SHELLED TARGETS IN ENGLAND FOR 10 HOURS. THE BIG GUNS OPENED UP AGAIN THIS AFTERNOON.

THE ALLIED SEVENTH ARMY CLOSING IN ON THE BELFORT GAP IS WITHIN 15 MILES OF THE CITY OF BELFORT AT TWO PLACES. GERMAN OPPOSITION IS GETTING STIFFER AND IT MAY TAKE SOME TIME BEFORE THE GAP IS TAKEN. THE SUPPLY LINES OF THE SEVENTH ARMY ARE VERY LONG AND MATERIAL MUST BE MOVED UP BEFORE AN ATTACK IS LAUNCHED ON THE GAP.

SINCE D-DAY, AMERICAN FORCES HAVE TAKEN 320,000 PRISONERS.

RUSSIA:

THE GERMANS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT AFTER A TREMENDOUS BATTLE, RUSSIAN TROOPS HAVE BROKEN INTO PRAGA AND VIOLENT STREET FIGHTING IS GOING ON THERE. UNITS OF THE FIRST POLISH ARMY ARE FIGHTING ALONGSIDE OF RED TROOPS IN PRAGA.

IN SOUTHERN POLAND, RUSSIAN FORCES HAVE TAKEN KRASNO AND HAVE PUSHED ON TO THE BORDER OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA. A LATE REPORT SAYS THAT RUSSIAN PATROLS HAVE PUSHED ACROSS THE BORDER. CZECH PATRIOTS ARE SHOWING GREAT ENTHUSIASM AT THE APPROACH OF THE RED SOLDIERS. A LINK IS EXPECTED SOON BETWEEN THE RUSSIANS AND THE CZECH PARTISANS.

IN RUMANIA, RUSSIAN AND RUMANIAN TROOPS ARE DEEP IN THE EASTERN CARPATHIANS. FIGHTING IS NOW GOING ON IN HUNGARIAN-OCCUPIED TRANSYLVANIA. THE RUSSIAN ARMISTICE TERMS WITH RUMANIA CALL FOR 12 RUMANIAN DIVISIONS TO BE USED BY THE RUSSIANS; THE RUMANIAN ARMY IS TO BE UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE SOVIET HIGH COMMAND AND RUMANIA IS TO PAY RUSSIA \$300,000,000 FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY MILITARY OPERATIONS.

RUSSIAN FORCES HAVE JOINED UP WITH MARSHALL TITO'S FORCES NEAR THE YUGOSLAV BORDER.

ENGLAND:

FOR THE FOURTH NIGHT RUNNING, MOSQUITOS HIT BERLIN LAST NIGHT. ABOUT DUSK YESTERDAY, OTHER BRITISH BOMBERS HIT RAIL TARGETS BEHIND THE SEIGFRIED LINE AT OSNABRUCK AND ALSO ATTACKED OIL PLANTS IN GERMANY. FIRES WERE STILL RAGING IN THE FRANKFORT MARSHALLING YARDS FOLLOWING THE RAF'S HEAVY ATTACK THERE TWO NIGHTS AGO. EARLIER YESTERDAY, 1000 AMERICAN BOMBERS STRUCK AT OIL PLANTS IN GERMANY. FIFTY THREE (53) GERMAN AIRCRAFT WERE DESTROYED BY THE AMERICAN BOMBERS AND THEIR ESCORT. AMERICAN LOSSES WERE 27 BOMBERS AND 9 FIGHTERS.

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ITALY:

THE AMERICAN FIFTH ARMY IS STILL PUSHING ON NORTH OF FLORENCE DESPITE INCREASED RESISTANCE. ON THE ADRIATIC SECTOR, THE BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY HAS GAINED IN FRONT OF RIMINI. THE BRITISH NAVY IN THE ADRIATIC HAS BEEN SHELLING GERMAN GUN POSITIONS NEAR RIMINI. A GERMAN CONVOY WAS SUNK IN THE ADRIATIC YESTERDAY BY BRITISH NAVAL UNITS. YESTERDAY MEDITERRANEAN AIRCRAFT FLEW 1050 SORTIES. THESE INCLUDED ATTACKS BY HEAVIES ON OIL REFINERIES IN POLISH AND GERMAN SILESIA AND ATTACKS ON RAILROADS IN THE BRINNER PASS. FIGHTERS AND FIGHTER BOMBERS WERE OVER YUGOSLAVIA. FLYING FORTRESSES THAT STARTED OUT FROM ENGLAND AND WENT TO RUSSIA HAVE LANDED IN ITALY AFTER BOMBING TARGETS IN HUNGARY.

PACIFIC:

AMERICAN CARRIER PLANES HAVE DESTROYED OVER 200 JAPANESE PLANES IN AN ATTACK ON THE CENTRAL PHILLIPINES.

MAJOR LEAGUE BALL SCORES:

NATIONAL

PITTSBURGH: 7,10 ST LOUIS: 3,5
CINCINNATI: 4,2 CHICAGO: 1,3 (ONLY GAMES PLAYED IN EITHER LEAGUE)



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