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FRANCE:

CORRESPONDENTS AT SHAEF SAID THIS EVENING THAT YANKS OF THE FIRST ARMY HAD AT ONE POINT COMPLETELY PENETRATED THE SEIGFRIED LINE BUT THIS IS NOT TO BE TAKEN AS A BREAKTHROUGH YET. THIS PENETRATION TOOK PLACE IN THE VICINITY OF AACHEN. AMERICAN INFANTRYMEN AND TANKS HAD BROKE THROUGH THE FIRST BELT OF CONCRETE FORTS WITHOUT TOO MUCH DIFFICULTY. HUGE FORTS THAT WERE SUPPOSED TO BE MANNED BY THIRTY OR MORE MEN WERE MANNED BY THREE OR FOUR MEN. FIRST ARMY TROOPS ARE ON THREE SIDES OF AACHEN ITSELF AND THE GERMANS SAY THAT AMERICAN TROOPS HAVE ENTERED THE CITY AND THAT HOUSE TO HOUSE FIGHTING IS GOING ON. FIRST ARMY TROOPS HAD BY PASSED AACHEN AND WERE LAST REPORTED IN THE AREA OF STOLBERG ABOUT 30 MILES FROM THE LARGE CITY OF COLOGNE. OTHER AMERICAN TROOPS HAVE LIBERATED THE DUTCH CITY OF MAASTRICHT AND WERE REPORTED TO BE PUSHING ON PAST THAT CITY. FIRST AND THIRD ARMY TROOPS HAVE LINKED UP NEAR THIONVILLE.

BRITISH SECOND ARMY TROOPS HAS BEATEN OFF MORE NAZI COUNTERATTACKS ALONG THE ESCAUT CANAL IN BELGIUM. THE GERMANS HAVE BEEN PRACTICALLY CLEARED FROM THIS SECOND WATER BARRIER. THE ALLIES ARE NOW ATTACKING ALL THE WAY FROM THE CHANNEL TO THE SWISS BORDER. ALONG THE CHANNEL, BRITISH RESISTANCE IS WEAKENING PARTICULARLY WEST OF ANTWERP WHERE THE CANADIANS HAVE WON ANOTHER BRIDGEHEAD OVER THE LEOPOLD CANAL. THE NAZIS ALONG THE COAST IN BELGIUM ARE INCLOSED BETWEEN THE LEOPOLD CANAL AND THE ESTUARY OF THE SCHELDE.

THIRD ARMY TROOPS UNDER GENERAL PATTON HAVE LIBERATED NANCY AND EPINAL. THE YANK THIRD ARMY IS NOW PRESSING FORWARD IN THE NANCY AREA AND HAS VIRTUALLY WIPED OUT A PANZER GRENADIER BRIGADE IN THEIR NEW PUSH. BETWEEN NANCY AND METZ, THE THIRD IS MEETING STIFF RESISTANCE AND COUNTERATTACKS. FIGHTER BOMBERS HAVE AGAIN HIT NAZI TRANSPORT AND SUPPLIES IN THE RHINE.

THE ALLIED SEVENTH ARMY HAS REACHED THE CITY OF BELFORT AND IS MEETING HEAVY RESISTANCE THERE. THE ALLIED THIRD ARMY IS NOW UNDER THE COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER. A NEW ARMY GROUP, THE SIXTH, HAS BEEN FORMED UNDER THE COMMAND OF LT. GEN. DEVERS.

RUSSIA:

LIGHTY RUSSIAN ARMIES ARE ON THE MOVE AGAIN FROM LATVIA TO RUMANIA. THE GERMANS SAY THAT THE REDS HAVE LAUNCHED A POWERFUL OFFENSIVE IN LATVIA IN AN ATTEMPT TO BREAK THROUGH TO RIGA. THE SOVIETS ARE ATTACKING WITH 40 INFANTRY DIVISIONS ON A 120 MILE FRONT. ACCORDING TO THE NAZIS, THE REDS HAVE MADE "LOCAL PENETRATIONS."

NORTH OF PRAGA, MAJSED RUSSIAN TANKS ARE PUSHING THE GERMANS BACK TO THE RIVER VISTULA. IN FOUR DAYS OF FIGHTING IN PRAGA, THE NAZIS LOST 8000 DEAD ALONE. MARSHALL ROSOKOVSKY IS NOW PREPARING FOR AN ALL OUT ASSAULT ON WARSAW. POLES FIGHTING IN THE CITY SAY THAT THE GERMANS ARE CARRYING OUT VERY LARGE SCALE DEMOLITIONS. THE WHOLE CITY IS COVERED WITH SMOKE.

IN SOUTHERN POLAND, THE REDS HAVE MADE A NEW CROSSING OF THE SAN RIVER NEAR THE CZECH BORDER. MOSCOW RADIO TODAY SAID THAT RUSSIAN SPEARHEADS HAD CROSSED THE CZECH BORDER AND HAD LINKED UP WITH CZECH PATRIOTS FIGHTING IN EASTERN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

MOSCOW RADIO ALSO ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT RUSSIAN SPEARHEADS HAD CROSSED OVER INTO YUGOSLAVIA.

IN FINLAND, FINNISH AND NAZI TROOPS ARE ENGAGED IN BATTLES AT MANY PLACES. NAZIS ARE SAYING THAT THE FINNS DID NOT GIVE THEM ENOUGH TIME TO MOVE OUT OF THE COUNTRY AND THAT THEY, THE GERMANS, ARE FORCED TO DEFEND THEMSELVES.

ENGLAND:

OVER 800 RAF HEAVY BOMBERS LAST NIGHT ATTACKED KIEL, BERLIN AND LUBECK. KIEL WAS THE HARDEST HIT OF THE THREE CITIES BOMBED. THE GERMANS LAUNCHED FLYING BOMBS AT SOUTHERN ENGLAND JUST BEFORE DAWN THIS MORNING. THE MISSILES ARE THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED FROM BOMBERS FLYING OVER THE NORTH SEA. TONIGHT IS THE LAST NIGHT OF COMPLETE BLACKOUT IN ENGLAND. MANY OF THE COASTAL TOWNS INCLUDING LONDON WILL STILL BE COMPLETELY BLACKED OUT.

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ITALY:

THE AMERICAN FIFTH ARMY IS ENGAGED IN FIERCE FIGHTING IN THE GOTHIC LINE. ON THE ADRIATIC SIDE OF ITALY, THE EIGHTH ARMY HAS DRIVEN THE GERMANS FROM HIGH GROUND BEFORE RIMINI AND ARE AT THE EDGE OF THE RIMINI AIRFIELD.

PATRIOT FORCES IN GREECE HAVE CUT GERMAN COMMUNICATIONS IN SALONIKA AND HAVE LIBERATED SEVERAL IMPORTANT AREAS INCLUDING TWO RAILWAY TOWNS ON THE PELOPONNESE COAST. MEDITERRANEAN BOMBERS THAT ATTACKED AIRFIELDS NEAR ATHENS DESTROYED 77 NAZI PLANES ON THE GROUND.

PACIFIC:

AMERICAN AMPHIBIOUS FORCES THAT LANDED IN THE NORTHERN MARIANAS AND ON PALAU ARE MAKING GOOD PROGRESS. THE MARINE BEACH HEAD ON PALAU IS NOW A MILE AND A HALF LONG AND THE DEVILDOGS ARE CLOSING IN ON THE MAIN AIRFIELD IN THE PALAU GROUP. IN THE MARIANAS, AMERICAN ENGINEERS ARE ALREADY PREPARING AIRFIELDS FOR ATTACKS ON THE PHILIPPINES 300 MILES AWAY.

IN BURMA, THE BRITISH FOURTEENTH ARMY HAS CROSSED THE CHINWIN RIVER AND IS ADVANCING ON THE FAR SIDE.

MAJOR LEAGUE BALL SCORES:

AMERICAN

ST LOUIS: 5 ... CHICAGO: 1
CLEVELAND: 4,1 .. DETROIT: 3,9
WASHINGTON: 5 .. BOSTON: 2

NATIONAL

CHICAGO: 2,2 ... ST LOUIS: 1,3
CINCINNATI: 5 ... PITTSBURGH: 3
NEW YORK: 8,3 ... PHILLY: 3,7

STANDINGS IN AMERICAN LEAGUE:

NEW YORK: 555
ST LOUIS: 551
DETROIT: 551
BOSTON: 529

ST LOUIS AND DETROIT ARE A HALF GAME OUT OF FIRST PLACE; BOSTON IS $3\frac{1}{2}$ GAMES OUT.