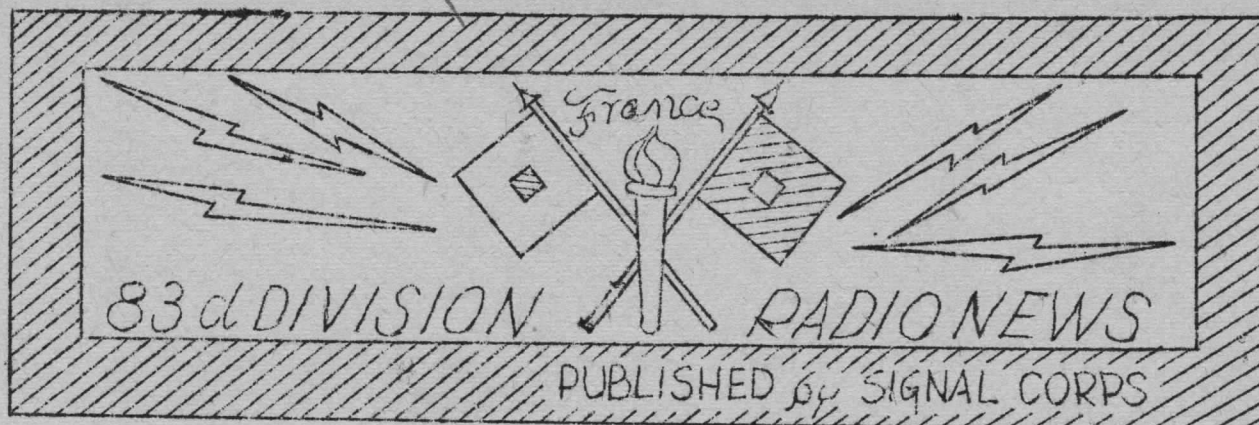


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FRANCE:

TROOPS OF THE AMERICAN FIRST ARMY ARE SLOWLY PUSHING THEIR WAY DEEPER INTO THE SIEGFRIED LINE DEFENSES NORTH OF AACHEN. THE YANKS HAVE DRIVEN A WEDGE TWO MILES DEEP AND THREE MILES WIDE AT THE BASE INTO THE SIEGFRIED DEFENSES. TANKS HAVE JOINED THE FRAY IN SUPPORT OF THE INFANTRY. AT NOON TODAY, AMERICAN AND GERMAN INFANTRYMEN WERE LOCKED IN A GRIM BATTLE. MOST OF THE FIGHTING IS OF THE HAND TO HAND NATURE AND THE AMERICAN INFANTRYMEN ARE HAVING TO ROOT THE NAZIS OUT OF THE THOUSANDS OF FOXHOLES THAT THEY HAVE DUG IN BETWEEN THE DEFENSES OF THE SIEGFRIED LINE. AMERICAN THIRD ARMY TROOPS HAVE GAINED MORE GROUND IN THE EPINAL SECTOR AND IN THE VICINITY OF BELFORT, ALLIED SEVENTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE GAINED GROUND.

THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY HAS FURTHER WIDENED ITS SALIENT IN HOLLAND. BRITISH TROOPS HAVE PUSHED OUT THE WESTERN WALL OF THE CORRIDOR IN SPITE OF HEAVY RESISTANCE. BRITISH TANKS HAVE MOPPED UP MORE POCKETS OF RESISTANCE ON THE BRITISH SIDE OF THE MAAS RIVER AND AT SOME PLACES THE TANKS HAVE PUSHED FORWARD AS FAR AS SIX MILES.

FOR THE PAST TWO DAYS ALLIED PLANES IN THE WEST HAVE MAINTAINED A BLISTERING PACE AGAINST THE NAZIS. YESTERDAY, THE BRITISH SECOND TACTICAL AIR FORCE FLEW MORE THAN 1000 SORTIES IN SUPPORT OF THE BRITISH TROOPS FIGHTING IN HOLLAND AND THE RAF FLYERS BLASTED GERMAN TROOP AND TANK CONCENTRATIONS SOUTHEAST OF ARNHEM. THE GERMANS HAD BROUGHT UP LARGE NUMBERS OF TANKS AND TROOPS FOR A MAJOR ATTACK AGAINST THE BRITISH BUT TYPHOONS FIRING ROCKETS QUICKLY DISPERSED THEM. OTHER RAF PLANES BLEW UP LOCOMOTIVES AND WENT FOR BRIDGES IN THE RUHR YESTERDAY. RAF MOSQUITOS HAD ONE OF THEIR BEST DAYS SINCE D-DAY YESTERDAY WHEN THEY SHOT UP ABOUT 70 LOCOMOTIVES IN HOLLAND AND WESTERN GERMANY. LAST NIGHT, BRITISH INTRUDER AIRCRAFT BOMBED AND SHOT UP LUFTWAFFE BASES IN HOLLAND AND WESTERN GERMANY. BRITISH TYPHOONS YESTERDAY HEAVILY ATTACKED GERMAN-HELD ISLANDS IN THE SCHIELD ESTUARY. GOOD FLYING WEATHER CONTINUED TODAY AND PLANES OF ALL TYPES WERE OVER HOLLAND AND GERMANY. GENERAL EISENHOWER HAS WARNED THE DUTCH INHABITANTS THAT THE ISLANDS OF THE SCHIELD ESTUARY MAY HAVE A SEVERE AND PROLONGED BOMBING.

UNITED KINGDOM AND CANADIAN TROOPS FIGHTING IN BELGIUM ARE MOVING TO A LINK UP WITH THE BRITISH GARRISON IN ANTWERP AND WERE LAST REPORTED TO BE ABOUT A DOZEN MILES AWAY.

RUSSIA:

GENERAL BOR, THE LEADER OF THE POLISH FORCES FIGHTING IN THE CITY OF WARSAW, HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE POLES HAD STOPPED FIRING LAST NIGHT AFTER A BITTER 63 DAY STRUGGLE AGAINST OVERWHELMING ODDS. THE POLISH PATRIOTS WERE CONTINUALLY BEING FORCED BACK AND HAD NO COMMUNICATION WITH THE OUTSIDE. THE ORDER TO CEASE FIRING WAS GIVEN AT EIGHT O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT.

MOSCOW RADIO HAS ANNOUNCED THAT RUSSIAN FORCES HAVE LANDED ON THE LARGE ISLAND OF D.G.O OFF THE COAST OF ESTONIA. THE RUSSIAN RADIO ALSO SAID THAT THE GERMANS HOLDING OUT IN RIGA ARE NOW COMPRESSED IN A TWO MILE SQUARE AND THAT RUSSIAN FORCES ARE CLOSING IN FROM ALL SIDES.

THE GERMAN RADIO ADMITTED TODAY THAT RUSSIAN FORCES "ARE POURING ACROSS THE DANUBE RIVER INTO YUGOSLAVIA."

ENGLAND:

OVER 1000 UNITED STATES HEAVY BOMBERS WERE OUT OVER GERMANY TODAY PULVERIZING NAZI TANK FACTORIES AND HEAVY TRUCK WORKS. LAST NIGHT, BRITISH HEAVY BOMBERS RAIDED BHUNSWICK AND OTHER TARGETS IN WESTERN GERMANY. MOSQUITOS WERE OVER THE BALTIC LAST NIGHT BOMBING GERMAN SHIPPING. NO RAF PLANES WERE LOST LAST NIGHT. YESTERDAY, ABOUT 2000 AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS RIPPED COLOGNE, KASSEL AND HAMM. RAF BOMBER COMMAND AND THE SECOND TACTICAL AIR FORCE LAST MONTH DROPPED MORE THAN 55,000 TONS OF BOMBS ON NAZI TARGETS; 21,000 TONS ON GERMANY ITSELF BY BOMBER COMMAND. MOSQUITOS DROPPED MORE THAN 100 FOUR THOUSAND POUND EGGS ON BERLIN DURING THE MONTH.

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ITALY:

THE AMERICAN FIFTH ARMY HAS TAKEN AN IMPORTANT ROAD JUNCTION 18 MILES SOUTH OF BOLOGNE ON THE MAIN BOLOGNE HIGHWAY. THE YANK TROOPS ARE PUSHING FORWARD YARD BY YARD THROUGH GERMAN MINE FIELDS AND ARE MEETING HEAVY FIRE. FLYING WEATHER WAS BETTER YESTERDAY AND ALLIED PLANES FLEW IN SUPPORT OF THE GROUND FORCES. BAD WEATHER ON THE ADRIATIC SIDE OF ITALY HAS HALTED MAJOR OPERATIONS BY THE BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY.

A BRITISH CRUISER HAS SHELLED THE MAIN GERMAN AIRFIELD ON CRETE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT ONLY HALF OF THE ORIGINAL GERMAN GARRISON ON CRETE IS LEFT ON THE ISLAND NOW. AT LEAST SIX ISLANDS OFF THE COAST OF GREECE HAVE NOW BEEN CLEARED OF GERMANS.

YUGOSLAV PARTISANS HAVE KEPT UP THEIR ATTACKS ON GERMAN COMMUNICATIONS IN YUGOSLAVIA.

PACIFIC:

WIDESPREAD ALLIED BOMBER RAIDS OVER THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC HAVE RESULTED IN THE SINKING OF ANOTHER 12 JAP CARGO SHIPS. AMERICAN BOMBERS THAT YESTERDAY ATTACKED THE CELEBES AND THE MALACCAS BLASTED FUEL AND AMMUNITION DUMPS ON ALL OF THE JAP AIRFIELDS ON THESE TWO ISLAND GROUPS.

THE JAPANESE ARE REPORTED TO HAVE MADE A LANDING ON THE SOUTHERN COAST OF CHINA OPPOSITE FORMOSA. THERE HAS BEEN NO CONFIRMATION FROM ALLIED SOURCES ABOUT THE LANDING.

BRITISH FOURTEENTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE TAKEN A VILLAGE DUE EAST OF THE IMPORTANT JAPANESE BASE OF TIDDIM IN BURMA.

SPORTS:

THE 1944 WORLD SERIES OPENS IN ST LOUIS TOMORROW AFTERNOON. THE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS HAVE NOT DEFINITELY ANNOUNCED THEIR STARTING PITCHER AS YET BUT IT IS BELIEVED THAT MORTON COOPER WILL BE ON THE MOUND FOR THE FIRST GAME. THE ST. LOUIS BROWNS HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT JACK KRAMER WILL HURL THE FIRST GAME FOR THE BROWNIES. THE BROWNS ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT NELSON POTTER, DENNY GALEHOUSE AND SIGMUND JAKUKI WILL PITCH THE SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH GAMES.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN 43 YEARS THAT THE BROWNS HAVE TAKEN THE AMERICAN LEAGUE PENNANT.

SCORES OF THE LAST GAMES IN THE AMERICAN LEAGUE:

ST LOUIS: 5 ... NEW YORK: 2
WASHINGTON: 4 .. DETROIT: 1