GENERAL HODGES' ULTIMATUM TO THE GERMAN GARRISON IN AACHEN TELLING THEM TO SURRENDER OR HAVE THE CITY UTTERLY DESTROYED BY ARTILLERY AND PLANES ENDED ABOUT 11 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING WITH THE GERMIANS REFUSING TO SURRENDER. THE GERMAN NEWS AGENCY SAID THAT THE CITY WOULD NOT SURRENDER ALTHOUGH MANY WHITE FLAGS APPEARED OVER THE CITY DURING THE MORNING. NO WHITE FLAG APPEARED OVER THE PLACES WHERE THE GERMAN GARRISON IS HOLDING OUT. PRECISELY AT NOON TODAY, AMERICAN ARTILLERY THAT WAS ALREADY ZEPPELIN IN ON THE CITY OPENED UP AND AT THE SAME TIME AMERICAN DIVE BOMBS ROARED DOWN ON THE CITY. LAST NIGHT A GROUP OF ABOUT A HUNDRED SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS SURRENDERED TO THE AMERICANS BUT OTHERS WERE PREVENTED FROM SURRENDERING DUE TO THE FACT THAT GERMAN OFFICERS WERE POSED AROUND THE CITY AND THEY SHOT ANYONE WHO WANTED TO GIVE UP. THERE ARE OTHERS IN THE CITY WHO WISH TO GIVE THEMSELVES UP BUT THEY ARE FORCED TO REMAIN IN THE CITY.

AMERICAN THIRD ARMY TROOPS HAVE GAINED SOME MORE GROUND BEYOND NANCY. FRENCH TROOPS FIGHTING WITH THE ALLIED SEVENTH ARMY HAVE ADVANCED WITHIN NINE MILES OF THE BELFORT GAP IN THE PASS OF FRANTIC GERMAN RESISTANCE.

CANADIAN AND UNITED KINGDOM TROOPS WHO HOLD A BEACH HEAD IN THE BEAK OF THE SCHELDT POCKET HAVE STRENGTHENED THEIR POSITION AND HAVE LINKED UP THEIR FORCES. THEY WERE LAST REPORTED TO BE WITHIN FIVE MILES OF THE CANADIANS AT THE LEOPOLD CAVAL BRIDGEHEAD. VERY HEAVY FIGHTING IS STILL GOING ON ON THE FAR SIDE OF THE LEOPOLD CAVAL. A THIRD CANADIAN FORCE IS GOING INTO THE POCKET AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER. CANADIAN TROOPS HAVE CUT THE CAUSEWAY LINKING WAALHUIZEN ISLAND WITH THE MAINLAND. AN ESTIMATED 11,000 GERMANS ARE LEFT ON WAALHUIZEN.

GERMAN TROOPS HAVE FORCED A CROSSING OF THE ILK RIVER TO THE WEST OF AACHEN BUT BRITISH SECOND ARMY TROOPS ARE CONTINUING THE GERMANA WITHIN THEIR BRIDGEHEAD.

RUSSIA:

THE EYES OF THE WHOLE WORLD ARE ON THE RUSSIANS AS POWERFUL RED ARMIES DRAW CLOSER TO THE BORDERS OF GERMANY. SOVIET COLUMNS RACING ACROSS WESTERN LITHUANIA HAVE BROKEN THROUGH TO THE BALTIQ COAST ABOUT 35 MILES NORTH OF MEMEL AND HAVE TRAPPED AN ESTIMATED 150,000 GERMANS IN THE PENINSULAR BETWEEN MEMEL AND RIGA. TWO RUSSIAN COLUMNS ARE CLOSING IN ON MEMEL AND OTHER SOVIET FORCES ARE PUSHING FOR THE NORTHERN BORDER OF EAST PRUSSIA. RED CORRESPONDENTS SAY THAT BIG RUSSIAN GUNS ARE ALREADY SHELLING THE BIG FORTRESS CITY OF TILISIT INSIDE THE EAST PRUSSIAN BORDER. THE REDS HERE LAST REPORTED LESS THAN 20 MILES FROM TILISIT. THE RED ARMIES ARE HEAVILY STRENGTHENING GERMAN TROOPS WHO ARE FIGHTING IN DISORDER FOR EAST PRUSSIA. THE GERMANA SAID TODAY THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE BEGAN BIG NEW ATTACKS NORTH OF WARSAW AND ONE CORRESPONDENT SAID THAT THE FRONTAL ATTACK ON EAST PRUSSIA HAD BEGUN.

RUSSIAN AND HUNGARIAN TROOPS BATTING IN THE TRANSYLVANIA LIPS ARE WITHIN A FEW MILES OF THE BIG CITY OF CLUJ. SOVIET FORCES MARCHING THROUGH HUNgary HAVE REACHED THE SUBURBS OF DEBRECZIN. THE THIRD CITY OF HUNGARY, MOSOON RADIO SAID THAT VIOLENT STREET FIGHTING WAS GOING ON IN THE SUBURBS OF DEBRECZIN. YUGOSLAV TROOPS HAVE硬 UP THE SUBURBS OF MUNICH IN YUGOSLAVIA. THE GERMANA HAVE ORDERED ALL MILITARY UNITS IN VIENA AND SOUTHERN AUSTRIA TO DIG TRENCHES ALONG THE AUSTRIAN-HUNGARIAN BORDER.

ITALY:

GERMAN TROOPS TODAY ATTACKED TARGETS IN THE RIFFI, DEEP NIGHT, AND CREMONA, AND ALSO PARIS AND TRENTO VALLEYS. THERES NUKIN'艺术' OVER LONDON DURING THE NIGHT.

THE BRITISH AND ITALIAN GUNS ARE WITHIN SHELLING RANGE OF BOLGONA. THE BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY HAS MADE SLIGHT GAINS ON THE ADRIATIC COAST. BRITISH TROOPS IN GREECE HAVE ENTERED CORINTH WITHOUT OPPOSITION.

TURN PAGE
A UNITED STATES NAVAL TASK FORCE OF AIRCRAFT CARRIERS HAS MADE THE DEEPEST NAVAL PENETRATION SO FAR INTO THE ISLAND DEFENSES OF JAPAN AND HAS ATTACKED THE RYUKU OR NANSEI CHAIN OF ISLANDS ABOVE FORMOSA. THIS CHAIN OF ISLANDS IS ABOUT 80 MILES NORTH OF FORMOSA AND STRETCHES ALMOST ALL THE WAY TO THE JAPANESE MAIN- LND. THE ISLANDS ALSO GUARD THE APPROACHES TO THE CHINA SEA. DURING THE ATTACK, THE AMERICAN PLANES SUNK 12 JAP SHIPS AND PROBABLY SUNK ANOTHER 26 SHIPS. THE JAPS LOST 75 PLANES ON THE GROUND AND 14 IN AIR BATTLES. NONE OF THE AMERICAN SURFACE SHIPS WERE DAMAGED AND PLANE LOSSES WERE SLIGHT.

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THE BALTIMORE ORIOLES HAVE NOW WON THREE GAMES AND THE LOUISVILLE COLONELS HAVE WON TWO GAMES.