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FRANCE:

THE NON-STOP AERIAL OFFENSIVE AGAINST GERMANY WENT ON ALL DAY YESTERDAY AND LAST NIGHT. A STRONG FORCE OF RAF HEAVY BOMBERS LAST NIGHT HEAVILY BOMBED THE GERMAN NAVAL BASE OF WILHELMSHAVEN. THIS PORT IS EXTENSIVELY USED AS A SUPPLY CENTER FOR VARIOUS FRONTS. MOSQUITO BOMBERS HIT HAMBURG DURING THE NIGHT AND BRITISH NIGHT INTRUDER PLANES WENT FOR AIRFIELDS IN GERMANY. FROM THE NIGHT'S OPERATIONS, THE BRITISH LOST 11 PLANES. YESTERDAY, MORE THAN 1200 AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS SATURATED COLOGNE AND DUSSELDORF WITH BOMBS. BRITISH FIGHTER BOMBERS OPERATING BEYOND THE NIJMEGEN AREA OF HOLLAND PUT 15 RAIL LINES OUT OF ACTION. THE GERMAN RADIO REPORTED ALLIED BOMBERS OVER THE REICH AGAIN TODAY.

AMERICAN FIRST ARMY TROOPS HAVE BEATEN OFF THREE STRONG GERMAN COUNTERATTACKS IN THE AACHEN AREA IN THE PAST 24 HOURS. THE GERMANS HAVE BEEN USING TANKS AGAIN BUT ONCE MORE ALLIED FIGHTER BOMBERS STOPPED THEM. THE NAZIS ARE SHOWING EVERY SIGN OF FIGHTING TO THE END IN THE CITY OF AACHEN AND THE GRIM HOUSE TO HOUSE FIGHTING IS STILL GOING ON. EAST OF EPINAL IN EASTERN FRANCE, AMERICAN TROOPS HAVE LAUNCHED A NEW OFFENSIVE IN THE VOSGES FOOTHILLS.

CANADIAN TROOPS HAVE LOST AND REGAINED THE CAUSEWAY LEADING FROM WALCHEREN ISLAND TO THE MAINLAND IN THE PAST 24 HOURS. THE GERMANS' POSITION IN THE SCHELDT POCKET IS SERIOUS BECAUSE OF THE LINKUP OF THE ALLIED SEA BORNE FORCE THAT LANDED AT THE NORTHERN END OF THE POCKET WITH THE CANADIANS WHO HAD BATTLED THEIR WAY FORWARD ACROSS THE LEOPOLD CANAL. TO THE EAST, BRITISH SECOND ARMY TROOPS ARE MAKING SLOW PROGRESS BEYOND OVERLOON IN THEIR DRIVE TOWARDS THE MAAS RIVER BECAUSE OF THICK MUD AND GERMAN MINEFIELDS. LAST NIGHT BRITISH SECOND ARMY PATROLS CROSSED THE LOWER RHINE RIVER ABOUT 8 MILES BELOW ARNHEM. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT ALLIED TROOPS HAVE BEEN ACROSS THE DUTCH RHINE SINCE THE BRITISH AIRBORNE TROOPS FOUGHT IN THE ARNHEM AREA.

THE GERMAN NEWS AGENCY ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT FIELD MARSHALL ROMMEL IS "OFFICIALLY DEAD."

RUSSIA:

HUNGARY, THE LAST MAJOR REMAINING SATELLITE OF GERMANY WANTS TO GET OUT OF THE WAR. REGENT HORTHY HAS CALLED ON ALL HUNGARIAN SOLDIERS TO LAY DOWN THEIR ARMS AND HAS OPENLY ASKED THE ALLIES FOR AN ARMISTICE. HORTHY HAS ACCUSED THE GERMANS OF NOT GIVING HUNGARY THE MILITARY AID THAT WAS PROMISED TO HER. THE NAZIS REALIZING THAT THE SITUATION IS VERY SERIOUS, HAVE SEIZED THE ONLY TWO RADIO STATIONS NOW OPERATING IN HUNGARY FOR THE NAZIS DO NOT WANT THE GERMAN PEOPLE TO KNOW THAT THE HUNGARIANS WANT TO GET OUT OF THE WAR. GERMANY REALIZES THAT HUNGARY IS A BACK DOOR TO THE REICH AND THE NAZIS ARE TRYING DESPERATELY TO KEEP HUNGARY IN THE WAR.

THE GERMANS SAY THAT THE GREAT TANK BATTLE IN EASTERN HUNGARY IS STILL GOING ON. RUSSIAN AMPHIBIOUS FORCES HAVE CAPTURED THE ARTIC PORT OF PETSAMO. IN LATVIA, RED TROOPS ARE PRESSING ON TO THE WEST OF THE DVINA ESTUARY WEST OF RIGA. THE GERMAN GARRISON IN NICH, YUGOSLAVIA, HAS BEEN COMPLETELY WIPED OUT BY RUSSIAN AND YUGOSLAV FORCES AND THE CITY LIBERATED.

ENGLAND:

THE GERMANS SENT MORE FLYING BOMBS OVER THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES OF ENGLAND LAST NIGHT.

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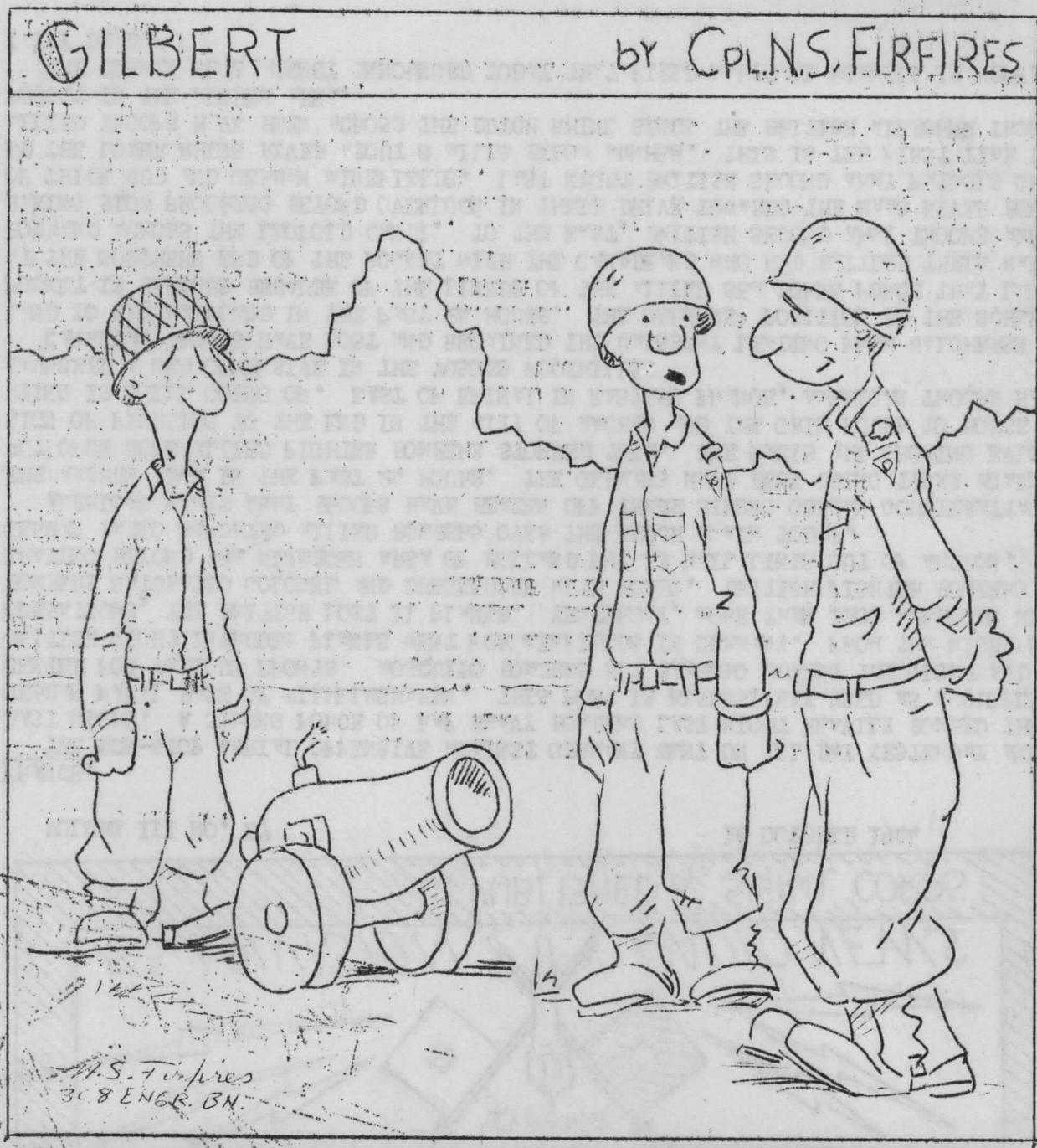
BOTH THE AMERICAN FIFTH AND THE BRITISH EIGHTH ARMIES HAVE MADE LIMITED ADVANCES AGAINST STRONG OPPOSITION IN ITALY.

THE BRITISH SAY THAT UNITS OF THE ROYAL NAVY ARE DISEMBARKING TROOPS AT THE PORT OF ATHENS. THE RAF IS OPERATING FROM AIRFIELDS AT ATHENS AND MEGARA, WEST OF THE GREEK CAPITOL.

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PACIFIC:

THE JAPANESE RADIO SAID THAT UNITED STATES SUPER FORTRESSES ATTACKED THE ISLAND OF FORMOSA AGAIN THIS MORNING. THIS IS THE SECOND ATTACK IN THE PAST THREE DAYS ON THE ISLAND BY THE SUPER BOMBERS. YESTERDAY, ALLIED BOMBERS RANGED ALL THE WAY FROM THE KURILES, NORTH OF JAPAN TO DUTCH BORNEO. JAPANESE HELD BASES WERE HIT AT PARAMUSHIRO IN THE KURILES; ON MARCUS ISLAND; THE MARSHALLS; THE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES; THE CELEBES AND OIL REFINERIES AT BALIK PAPAN ON DUTCH BORNEO.



IT'S HIS IDEA, IT'LL KNOCK OUT ANYTHING - FIRES K RATION CRACKERS.