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GERMANY:

GRIM, SAVAGE FIGHTING IS GOING ON IN THE HILLS AND THE WOODS OF THE DARK ARDENNES FOREST WHERE FIELD MARSHALL RUNDSTEDT'S TANKS AND INFANTRY ARE GOING ALL OUT TO BREAK THROUGH THE AMERICAN LINES. AT SOME POINTS THE GERMAN COUNTEROFFENSIVE HAS BEEN STOPPED AND SOME GROUND TAKEN BACK AND AT OTHERS IT HAS BEEN SLOWED DOWN. IN GENERAL, THE GERMAN ATTACK IS STILL GROWING AND ALLIED CORRESPONDENTS SAY THAT THEIR ATTACK MAY NOT BE HALTED THIS WEEK. AT THE NORTHERN FLANK OF THE GERMAN ATTACK FIRST ARMY YANKS HAVE CHECKED THE GERMAN DRIVE AND HAVE THROWN THE GERMANS OUT OF THE TOWN OF MONSCHAU, JUST INSIDE THE GERMAN BORDER AND LAST NIGHT THE YANKS PUSHED THE GERMANS BACK OUT OF THE BELGIAN TOWN OF STAVELLOT, 20 MILES INSIDE THE BELGIAN FRONTIER. THE BELGIAN BORDER TOWN OF MALMEDY WAS REPORTED IN AMERICAN HANDS LAST NIGHT. AT THE SOUTHERN FLANK OF THE NAZI ATTACK, THE AMERICANS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE STOPPED THE GERMAN COUNTEROFFENSIVE. IN THE CENTER OF THEIR ATTACK THE GERMANS APPEAR TO BE MAKING SOME HEADWAY.

THE GERMAN RADIO CLAIMS THAT RUNDSTEDT'S COLUMNS HAVE SEVERED THE MAIN ROAD RUNNING FROM LIEGE TO BASTOGNE TO ARLON AND SAYS THAT THE GERMANS HAVE ALREADY TAKEN 20,000 PRISONERS AND HAVE CUT OFF MORE AMERICAN TROOPS. THE GERMANS CLAIM TO HAVE KNOCKED OUT 180 TANKS AND ARMORED CARS IN YESTERDAY'S FIGHTING ALONE.

AMERICAN TANK DESTROYER AND BAZOOKA TEAMS ARE WREAKING TERRIFIC EXECUTION ON GERMAN ARMOR. ONE TEAM REPORTS THAT IT DESTROYED 28 NAZI TANKS YESTERDAY. THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY, THE YANKS TOOK OVER 2000 PRISONERS. MANY OF THE GERMANS HAVE BEEN FOUND IN AMERICAN UNIFORMS AND RIDING IN AMERICAN VEHICLES. AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS SAY THAT THE ROADS BEHIND THE YANK LINES ARE PACKED WITH TROOPS AND VEHICLES OF ALL KINDS MOVING UP TO THE FRONT BUT SAY THAT IT TAKES TIME FOR THEM TO MANEUVER INTO POSITION. THE WEATHER WAS IN FAVOR OF THE GERMANS YESTERDAY AND TODAY AND HELD ALLIED PLANES ON THE GROUND.

NORTH OF THE GERMAN COUNTEROFFENSIVE, OTHER AMERICAN FIRST ARMY FORCES GAINED GROUND WEST OF THE ROER RIVER. IN THE SAAR VALLEY, GENERAL PATTON'S TROOPS HAVE CLEARED THE BITTERLY DEFENDED TOWN OF DILINGEN AND IN NORTHERN ALSACE, AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY FORCES HAVE EDGED FORWARD THROUGH THE SIEGFRIED LINE.

RUSSIA:

THE GERMAN RADIO REPORTED TODAY THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE LAUNCHED A LARGE SCALE ATTACK WITH 10 INFANTRY DIVISIONS SOUTHWEST OF BUDAPEST BETWEEN LAKE BALATON AND THE DANUBE RIVER. MOSCOW HAS REMAINED SILENT ON THIS REPORTED OFFENSIVE. MOSCOW RADIO HAS REPORTED THAT HEAVY WINTER HAS SET IN ON THE FRONT IN NORTHERN HUNGARY AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND SAYS THAT THE GROUND HAS FROZEN SOLID. THE RED ARMY ALREADY HAS SKI TROOPS IN USE ON THIS FRONT.

ITALY:

NEW ZEALAND TROOPS OF THE EIGHTH ARMY HAVE SMASHED FORWARD FOR THREE MILES TO THE NORTHEAST OF FAENZA AND HAVE REACHED THE SENIO RIVER ON A 3 MILE FRONT. TO THE EAST OF FAENZA, CANADIAN TROOPS HAVE BEAT OFF LARGE SCALE GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACKS. AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS FROM ITALY FOR THE 5TH DAY RUNNING YESTERDAY PLASTERED TARGETS IN AUSTRIA AND BAVARIA. THE BIG PILSEN ARMS WORKS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS ALSO BOMBED. ALLIED AIRCRAFT FROM ITALY YESTERDAY FLEW MORE THAN 1400 SORTIES.

GREECE:

BRITISH FORCES HAVE MADE MORE PROGRESS IN ATHENS AND THE PORT OF ATHENS. THE BRITISH HOLD ABOUT 1/3 OF THE CITY. THE GUERRILLAS HOLD MOST OF THE NORTHERN PART OF ATHENS.

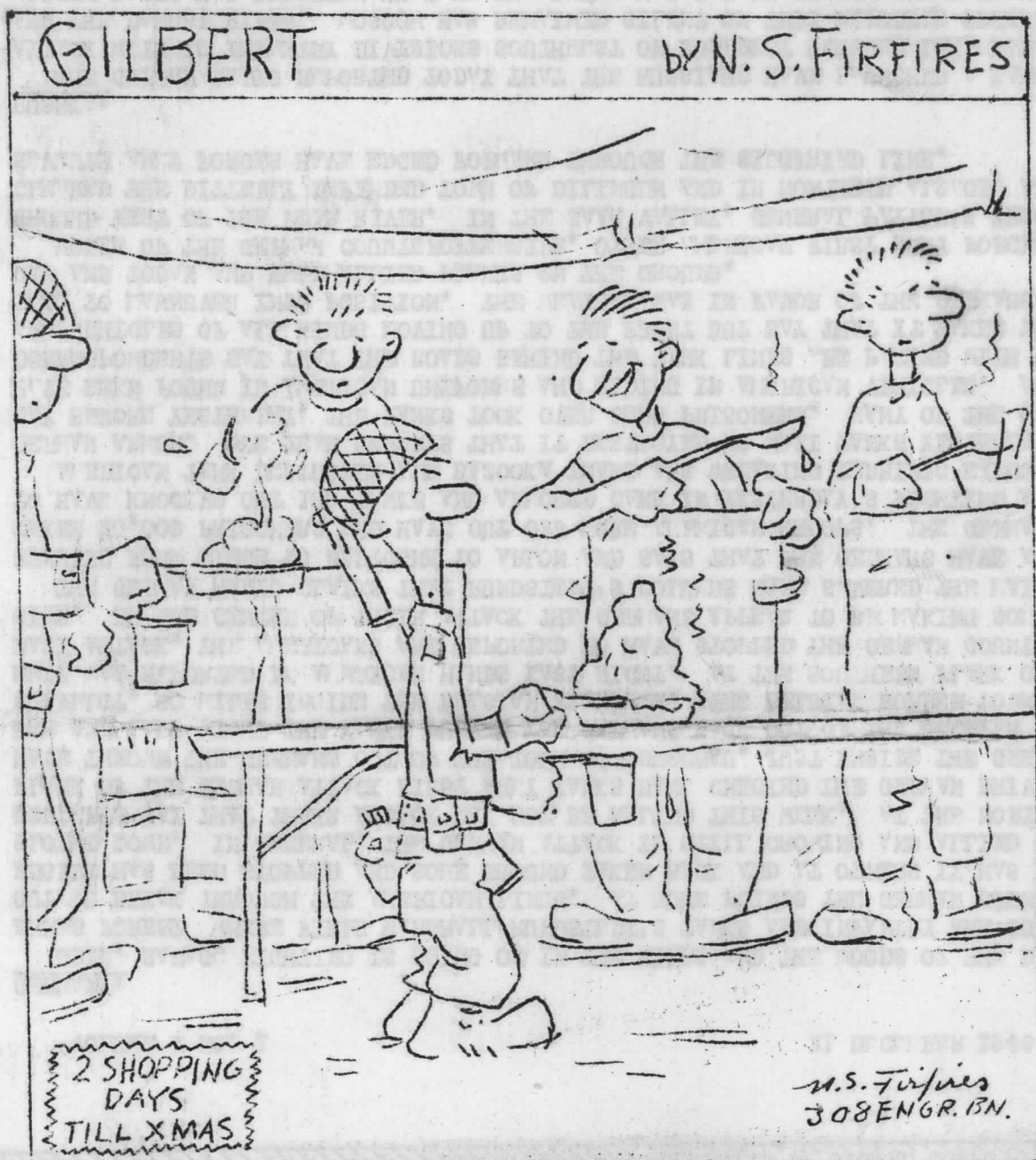
PACIFIC:

AMERICAN TROOPS ON LEYTE HAVE SMASHED THE "YAMASHITA LINE" BETWEEN VALENCIA AND LONOY AND THE JAPS ARE FALLING BACK TO THE NORTHWESTERN CORNER OF THE ISLAND. THE LAST OF THE JAPS LEFT ON THE ISLAND ARE BEING WIPE OUT. THE YANK 77TH DIVISION HAS PUSHED 4 MILES PAST VALENCIA AND THE AMERICAN FIRST CAVALRY DIVISION HAS DRIVEN TO WITHIN A MILE OF THE 77TH AND THE JAPS IN BETWEEN ARE CAUGHT IN A PINNERS. HUGE STORES OF SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT HAVE BEEN CAPTURED.

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A SUBSTANTIAL FORCE OF AMERICAN SUPER FORTRESSES TODAY BOMBED THE JAP STEEL WORKS AT MUKDEN IN MANCHURIA. IN BURMA, TROOPS OF THE BRITISH 14TH ARMY HAVE CROSSED 100 MILES OF WILDERNESS AND HAVE REACHED THE MANDALAY RAILWAY 40 MILES BELOW INDAW AND HAVE CAPTURED THE IMPORTANT BASES OF WUNTHO AND NANKAN. THE BRITISH 36TH DIVISION PUSHING DOWN THE RAILWAY CORRIDOR TOWARDS MANDALAY WAS LAST REPORTED 12 MILES BELOW INDAW.



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