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GERMANY:

TODAY IS "VICTORY IN EUROPE" DAY. IN A HISTORIC AND STIRRING RADIO BROADCAST, PRIME MINISTER CHURCHILL THIS AFTERNOON OFFICIALLY DECLARED THE END OF THE WAR IN EUROPE. THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE END OF THE WAR WAS ANNOUNCED IN THE UNITED STATES THIS AFTERNOON BY PRESIDENT TRUMAN. THE BRITISH PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT HOSTILITIES WOULD CEASE AT ONE MINUTE AFTER MIDNIGHT TONIGHT. MR. CHURCHILL WARNED THAT IF ANY GERMANS DECIDED TO HOLD OUT AFTER THAT TIME THAT THEY WOULD BE ATTACKED FROM ALL QUARTERS WITH ALL THE POWER THAT THE ALLIES COULD MUSTER. MR. CHURCHILL ALSO SPOKE OVER THE RADIO TO THE PEOPLE OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE WHO ARE STILL IN JAPANESE CONTROLLED COUNTRIES IN THE FAR EAST AND TOLD THEM THAT JAPAN WOULD BE UTTERLY DEFEATED. PRESIDENT TRUMAN SAID THAT "OUR VICTORY IS ONLY HALF WON. WHEN THE LAST JAPANESE DIVISION HAS SURRENDERED UNCONDITIONALLY THEN, AND ONLY THEN, WILL OUR JOB BE DONE".

THE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF GERMANY WAS MADE AT 0241 HOURS YESTERDAY IN THE SCHOOL HOUSE IN RHEIMS, GENERAL EISENHOWER'S HEADQUARTERS. THE SURRENDER WAS SIGNED FOR GERMANY BY COL. GENERAL GUSTAV JODL, THE NEW CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE GERMAN ARMY. LT. GENERAL BEDELL SMITH SIGNED FOR GENERAL EISENHOWER. MAJOR GENERAL SUSLAPATOV SIGNED FOR THE SOVIET UNION AND GENERAL FRANCOIS SEVEZ FOR FRANCE. AFTER THE TERMS HAD BEEN SIGNED THE GERMANS WENT IN TO MEET WITH GENERAL EISENHOWER AND AIR MARSHALL TEDDER. NO ONE SALUTED. GENERAL EISENHOWER ASKED THE GERMANS IF THEY "FULLY UNDERSTOOD THE TERMS". GENERAL JODL ANSWERED, "YES". GENERAL EISENHOWER THEN ASKED, "WILL YOU CARRY OUT THE TERMS"? JODL AGAIN SAID, "YES". THE MEETING WAS OVER. TIME: TWO MINUTES. THE SURRENDER TREATY IS TO BE RATIFIED IN BERLIN TODAY.

ALL OVER THE WORLD PEOPLE ARE NOW CELEBRATING "VE" DAY. IN NEW YORK CITY, COUNTLESS THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE PACKED TIMES SQUARE SOLID ALL NIGHT. THE JOYFUL AMERICANS SANG AND DANCED AND WADED ANKLE DEEP IN TICKER TAPE AND TORN PAPER THAT HAD BEEN THROWN DOWN FROM BUILDINGS. IN LONDON, PEOPLE PARADED THROUGH THE STREETS THAT WERE BEDECKED WITH THE FLAGS OF THE ALLIED NATIONS. TONIGHT HUGE SEARCHLIGHTS WILL LIGHT UP THE PUBLIC BUILDINGS. THE KING OF ENGLAND WILL BROADCAST OVER THE RADIO AT NINE O'CLOCK THIS EVENING. IN CAIRO, BRUSSELS AND PARIS, ALLIED SOLDIERS ARE LEADING "VE" DAY PARADES OF VICTORY.

THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY HAS ISSUED ORDERS FOR THE SURRENDER OF THE GERMAN FLEET. ALL SHIPS AT SEA MUST WIRELESS THEIR POSITIONS TO THE NEAREST ALLIED STATION. ALL GERMAN SHIPS IN HARBOR MUST STAY THERE AND ALL U BOATS AT SEA MUST SURFACE AND FLY A BLACK FLAG. THE GERMAN CRUISERS, PRINZ EUGEN AND NURNBERG, HAVE ALREADY SURRENDERED TO THE BRITISH. ALLIED WARSHIPS HAVE BEEN SIGHTED AT THE ENTRANCE TO OSLO FJORD, NORWAY AND BRITISH WARSHIPS ARE STATED TO HAVE ENTERED TRONDHEIM FJORD. SCOTTISH OFFICIALS HAVE FLOWN TO NORWAY TO START NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE SURRENDER OF THE GERMAN TROOPS THERE. THIS AFTERNOON, RAF LANCASTERS LANDED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN GERMANY AND BROUGHT ABOUT 4500 ALLIED PRISONERS OF WAR BACK TO ENGLAND. MORE FOOD HAS BEEN DROPPED IN THE NETHERLANDS.

THE LAST REPORTS FROM THE FIGHTING FRONTS SAID THAT THE GERMANS IN THE PRAGUE AREA OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA WERE SURRENDERING. THE CZECH PATRIOT RADIO SAID THAT AMERICAN TANKS WERE WITHIN 7 MILES OF PRAGUE. IN AUSTRIA, KING LEOPOLD OF BELGIUM AND HIS FAMILY HAVE BEEN LIBERATED.

THE GERMAN BASTION OF BRESLAU IN GERMAN SILESIA HAS FINALLY SURRENDERED. THE GERMANS HAD BEEN HOLDING OUT IN BRESLAU SINCE THE MIDDLE OF FEBRUARY. THEY GAVE UP LAST NIGHT AFTER RECEIVING A SURRENDER ULTIMATUM FROM THE RUSSIANS.

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PACIFIC:

AMERICAN SUPER FORTRESSES FROM THE MARIANAS ONCE MORE ATTACKED THE SOUTHERN JAPANESE ISLAND OF KYUSHU. TODAY MARKED THE 18TH ATTACK ON KYUSHU. AMERICAN CARRIER PLANES HAVE AGAIN ATTACKED AIRFIELDS ON AN ISLAND OFF OKINAWA. IN BORNEO ALLIED PLANES ARE OPERATING FROM THE AIRFIELD CAPTURED BY AUSTRALIAN TROOPS ON TARAKAN ISLAND.

AMERICAN GROUND TROOPS HAVE AGAIN GONE FORWARD ON OKINAWA FOLLOWING YESTERDAY'S TERRIFIC NAVAL BOMBARDMENT OF THE JAP POSITIONS. THE JAPS HAVE BEEN DRIVEN BACK STILL FURTHER TOWARDS SIAM FROM THE RANGOON AREA OF BURMA.

The stuff you see
Upon the street
It ain't for you
That's Nazi meat
THIS IS GERMANY