

Just this side of the great Rhine city of Cologne, there is a broad plain, flat as our western prairies. There the advance guard of American armor, under Lieutenant General Hodges, is ~~now~~ rolling ahead. After breaking through the Nazi lines, they fanned out and met the <sup>German</sup> reserves <sup>of</sup> German Panzer divisions <sup>in</sup> a head-on collision. So begins what military men believe will be one of the great <sup>est</sup> armored battles of the <sup>war.</sup> western ~~western~~ campaign.

After smashing the last of the concrete fortifications of the Siegfried Line, <sup>Gen.</sup> Hodges tanks ran into a deep series of earth <sup>en</sup> works hastily thrown up. The rain had converted these into wide expanses of spongy ground more difficult ~~for~~ for our armored troops than ~~xxx~~ stone and steel. Nevertheless, they plowed through and captured the town of Beggendorf, only thirty-one miles from Cologne.

<sup>Gen.</sup> Hodges began the attack with a tremendous volume of fire power. And the Germans quickly retaliated with salvos from their ~~xxxxxx~~ hundred-and-fives,

~~millimeter cannon. This turned into~~ The heaviest  
artillery duel since D-Day. Fog obscured the  
battlefield so the Yanks had ~~no benefit of air~~ *little help from the*  
~~air.~~ *power.* But the ~~fog~~ also blinded the German gunners  
to such effect that almost before they knew it, our  
tanks were on top of them. ~~★~~ American shells started  
hundreds of fires behind the German lines which lit  
up the foggy battlefield with a weird glow.

The ~~Yanks~~ *Americans* also widened the breach they had  
driven into the German lines near Aix-la-Chappelle,  
widened it six miles. At last reports this evening,  
they were storming Aix-la-Chappelle and another town  
six miles away.

~~XXXX~~ Further North, ~~Marshal~~ Montgomery's  
Second British Army began a new drive from Arnhem.  
They advanced to a point only two miles ~~away~~ from  
the bridge over the lower Rhine leading into Arnhem ~~xxx~~  
where the First British Airborne Division made such  
a brilliant attempt.

In Western Holland, an Army of British,

Polish and Canadian troops is advancing on a forty mile front. Another ~~and~~ Canadian column has pushed the Germans back beyond range of Antwerp, and is only seven miles away from the great causeway by which the big German garrisons can escape from the islands in the mouth of the River Scheldt (pronounced Skelt)

As for George Patton's Third Army in the South, his Yanks now have a foothold on three corners of Fort Driant (Dreeong), the main citadel of the great fortress of Metz.

In every sector, the Germans are throwing one heavy counter-attack after another at the Allies, *And the allies* ~~who~~ ~~we~~ have repulsed ~~every one~~ <sup>them all</sup> with heavier loss to ~~the~~ <sup>Nazis.</sup> ~~the~~ ~~Germans~~ ~~than~~ ~~to~~ ~~our~~ ~~side.~~ ~~Make~~ ~~no~~ ~~doubt~~ ~~about~~ ~~it.~~ ~~the~~ ~~Germans~~ ~~are~~ ~~now~~ ~~fighting~~ ~~as~~ ~~they~~ ~~never~~ ~~fought~~ ~~before.~~ ~~and~~ ~~we~~ ~~shall~~ ~~not~~ ~~get~~ ~~over~~ ~~the~~ ~~Rhine~~ ~~cheaply.~~ ~~Although~~ ~~their~~ ~~Army~~ ~~has~~ ~~been~~ ~~pushed~~ ~~back,~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~ ~~still~~ ~~is~~ ~~intact~~ ~~intact.~~ <sup>as are being</sup> <sup>they are</sup>

## THUNDERBOLTS

A squadron of Thunderbolts in France has piled up a record that is causing comment. It has flown more than two hundred combat missions - i.e. the entire squadron, without losing a pilot. Its commander is Major William C. Bryson of Houston, Texas. His <sup>Thunderbolts</sup> planes have knocked out more than fifty enemy tanks, hundreds of other Nazi vehicles of all kinds, <sup>as well as</sup> ~~and~~ many planes. The Texan squadron leader <sup>having</sup> ~~has~~ five of these <sup>e</sup> planes to his credit.

## GREECE

In Greece tonight the German garrisons are retreating as fast as they can all over the entire peninsula, the historic Peloponnesus.

This followed <sup>5</sup> close upon the invasion of that ancient theatre of <sup>so</sup> many battles, <sup>this latest invasion</sup> by British paratroopers, commandos, infantrymen, engineers and an entire regiment of the Royal Air Force. Actually, the R.A.F. accomplished its return to Greece on September twenty-sixth, but only today do we get the first official news. The British have occupied Patras, or ~~Patriot~~ (~~pronounced~~ "Patry") according to the correct Greek spelling. ~~That is an~~ <sup>The</sup> ancient seaport a hundred and ten miles West of Athens, and a few miles East of Ithaca, the home of Ulysses. According to history it was none other than Alkibyadees, the brilliant but neerdowell companion of Socrates, who ~~fortified~~ <sup>fortified</sup> ~~xxxxxx~~ <sup>xxxxxx</sup> "Patrai", connecting the town with the harbor ~~xxxxxx~~ by long walls just like those at Athens. Later it became one of the first centers of christianity, and there was a legend that St. Andrew suffered martyrdom

there. Again, in eighteen twenty-one, it was at Patrai that the Greek revolution against Turkish misrule began.

British forces are now ~~now~~ recapturing the Balkans from the Nazis in a big way. For almost a week now they have been in full occupation of <sup>one</sup> the island ~~of Cytheres~~, *near Crete, but the main invasion is via* but its forces are in Albania,

*at* the northwest corner of Greece, and British artillery is ~~bombarding enemy centers of communication off the Adriatic coast.~~

Cooperating with the British, the partisans under ~~Marshal~~ Tito are attacking the Germans all *over* through Jugoslavia. Tito's columns are closing in on Belgrade from the South and West, while the Russian Second Army of the Ukraine is pushing in from the North and northwest. In fact, according to ~~the~~ military report, the Nazis throughout southern Europe are in a desperate situation. And the Russian advance guard today reached the outskirts of the Jugoslavian capital. ~~Even~~ Even the Nazis admit *this*.

## RUSSIA FOLLOW GREECE

By a great fighting stroke, the Russians have doomed the Nazi Garrison at Belgrade. In coordination with Tito's Yugoslav Partisans, the Soviet Army has captured Panchevo, only eight miles northeast of Belgrade. Several Railway Lines and high roads meet there, and through that hub lay the only road by which the Germans could escape.

However, that does not mean the Red Divisions will walk into Belgrade immediately. For at Panchevo the River Tamis flows into the Danube. The Yugoslav Capital stands on the south bank of the Danube, protected by high cliffs. Between the Russians and Belgrade are eight miles of marshland. And London believes that the Soviet Generals, for political reasons, may stand where they are and let the Yugoslav Army under Tito do the actual capturing of their own capital.

In the north, a ~~Red~~ Red Army under General Bagramian is moving against the Nazis toward the Baltic. If he succeeds, he will seal up <sup>a couple of</sup> hundreds

~~of~~ thousands ~~of~~ Germans in Riga, and be in a position to take the great port of Memel in East Prussia. At the same time, another army under General Zakahrov is advancing toward East Prussia from the Naref River in Poland.

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BOR

For two months, the Polish patriots under General Bor have thrilled <sup>the entire</sup> ~~the entire~~ civilized world with their <sup>stand at Warsaw,</sup> ~~heroic resistance against the Nazis inside the city of Warsaw.~~ It was a gallant but hopeless effort, since the Allies found it impossible to <sup>get</sup> ~~carry~~ adequate reinforcements or supplies to those brave men. Today we learn that General Bor, or, to give him his proper name, General Thadeus Komorowski, surrendered to the Germans himself. He did this only a couple of days after the Polish government in exile in London had ~~mm~~ named him Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Forces. He could have escaped with some portion of his staff, but he sent word to London that he would join the rest of his men captured by the Nazis because he preferred to suffer the same fate.

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tribute to the heroic stand of the Polish Home Army and to the civilian population of Warsaw".

The whole House cheered its agreement.

Churchill then went on to explain that pilots of the British, American, Polish and Soviet air forces did what they could to <sup>aid</sup> ~~success~~ the Poles at Warsaw. But, it was not enough, ~~to turn the tide~~. He added that terrible damage had been inflicted upon ~~the~~ <sup>Polish capital</sup> ~~that noble city~~ and that its ~~many~~ heroic population had undergone suffering and privation unsurpassed even among the miseries of this war.

## ATROCITIES

During these war years, many people have asked ~~me~~ whether the stories of Nazi atrocities were true, or ~~were they~~ just propaganda. A United Press correspondent, M.S. Handler, provides one answer to that question today. He himself saw in a wooded glen only twenty-five miles to the ~~xxxxxxx~~ southwest of Tallinn, capital of Estonia, a spectacle almost too horrible to describe. Piled up in that glen are the remnants of some two thousand, eight hundred men, women and children. Before the Nazis fled from Tallinn, <sup>they</sup> ~~xxx~~ shot those men, women and children, and then burned the remains, both living and dead.

Several American and British correspondents went to the scene and saw all this for themselves. Survivors told them that early on the morning of September nineteenth, the Nazis drew them up for the usual inspection. Later, a line of closed trucks drove up and unloaded some eight hundred Russian war prisoners and seven hundred Estonians. The Gestapo men then took prisoners in groups of a hundred at a time

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into an eight room house of two stories. As each room was filled with prisoners, the Germans turned loose on them with machine guns. Having polished off all the ~~prisoners~~ prisoners in one room, they proceeded with the next, and so forth. When the house was filled with dead, the Nazis poured on gasoline and set it afire, ~~the~~ Other prisoners were forced to lie face down on ~~the~~ a layer of logs in the open air, forming a great square. Then the <sup>executioners of the</sup> Gestapo ~~men~~ shot each one, <sup>one at</sup> ~~of them~~ <sup>in the head, a time.</sup>

## STIMSON

Secretary of War Stimson today announced that men in the fighting ~~xxxx~~ services will be demobilized as soon as possible after the defeat of Germany. Only two factors will delay the process. One will be the military necessity of keeping enough men under arms for the quick and permanent defeat of Japan. The other will be the available supply of ships to bring the men home.

The War Secretary took advantage of his press conference today to warn us <sup>again</sup> ~~off~~ against relaxing our discretion. The necessity of preventing information on troop movements from leaking out to the enemy is as great as it ever was.

## BUSINESS

The London Daily Mail a couple of weeks ago published the charge that American business men in officer's uniform were being sent over to France on private commercial errands. The London paper was indignant on the ground that this gave American business an unfair advantage over British business interests.

The British government investigated, and today Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden made a report to the House of Commons. He declared there was no truth in it. The British government investigators had failed to find anything whatsoever to support the stories in the Daily Mail. He declared that all officers under the authority of the Supreme Command were under the strictest orders to engage in no occupation ~~but~~ except their military duties; If any officer stepped over the line, he would immediately be disciplined.

## PALESTINE

Before long we ~~shall~~<sup>will</sup> be hearing a great deal about Palestine. A British White Paper published ~~in a couple of~~<sup>some</sup> months ago aroused ~~a lot of~~ comment because in it ~~the British Government~~<sup>London</sup> indicated there was little prospect of the Holy Land's being opened to more Jewish immigration. Today the President of the Zionist organization of America, the largest of its kind in the country, demanded that the ~~the~~ governments of the United Nations immediately endorse a program for the resettlement of Palestine. He called upon Americans of Jewish origin to take the lead, invest capital in the Zionist Colony, start new industries, and bring ~~those~~<sup>Palestinian</sup> industries that existed before the war up to date.

## STRIKE

The strike in Detroit, the strike which has kept sixty-four thousand war workers ~~in~~ idle, seems to be breaking up. The end began with a back-to-work movement by those <sup>particular</sup> maintenance workers of the C. I. O. <sup>who were keeping</sup> ~~which kept~~ the other men from doing their jobs. <sup>tie up had</sup> ~~The~~ closed eight armament plants and <sup>had</sup> cut the output in twenty-five others.

Some of the strikers began to drift back at one of the Chrysler plants <sup>today</sup> in sufficient numbers to enable the resumption of work. Others will return to their jobs at midnight.

<sup>who</sup> The Leaders of the union <sup>^</sup> flew to Detroit in Army planes from Atlantic City to persuade the men to quit impeding the war effort, <sup>were busy persuading today</sup> Walter B. Reuther, Vice-President of the United Automobile Workers, told the men that they could not pressure the War Labor Board by calling unauthorized strikes.



# BASEBALL

~~Out~~ At St. Louis ~~those~~ ~~the~~ Browns again  
amazed the sporting world, ~~It is true~~ <sup>but -</sup> they lost the  
ball game, ~~but~~ <sup>However</sup> only after eleven innings, of which  
the last four were among the most exciting <sup>any</sup> world  
series crowd ever ~~saw~~, <sup>yelled themselves hoarse over</sup> while millions of people all  
over ~~the~~ country <sup>stuck to</sup> ~~hung tensely over~~ their radios  
or watched the score boards where news tickers ~~told~~ <sup>were telling</sup>  
the story.

~~The Browns this year undoubtedly have the  
sympathy of most fans, because they are the underdog  
in this series. In the first place, the club has never  
before been in a World Series. In the second place,  
they had such a hard fight up to literally the last  
moment to get ~~there~~ there.~~

In theory, ~~therefore, they~~ <sup>Browns</sup> should be an  
exhausted team, while the ~~garhouse gang has~~ <sup>Cardinals have</sup> been able  
~~to coast and~~ <sup>able to</sup> take it easy for the last ~~several~~ weeks  
of the season. But there were no signs of exhaustion  
among the Browns at Sportsmans Park today.

Up To the seventh inning, the game ~~appeared~~ <sup>seemed</sup>

*to be nice —*

~~certainty~~ for the Cardinals with their ~~early~~ lead of two ~~runs~~ to nothing. When the Browns came up from behind and drew even, ~~with the Gashouse Gang,~~ ~~they surely showed their mettle.~~

It was an old time ball game, the kind much appreciated by those who know the fine ~~in~~ points. It was the kind that called for the utmost skill and endurance. As for those last four innings <sup>with</sup> ~~when~~ the ~~two~~ teams were tied, ~~there are people all over the~~ *— well many haven't yet* ~~country who have not~~ <sup>gotten</sup> ~~got~~ over the excitement, ~~yet.~~

~~Time and again it looked as though one or the other~~ ~~surely had it now.~~ But each time brilliant fielding prolonged the struggle, such as ~~that~~ that great moment in the tenth inning of the Cardinals when Stanley was safe at first, and Walter Cooper came to bat. He hit a wallop that looked like a sure run, when a double play that seemed ~~it~~ impossible ended that inning.

In the eleventh, the Cards pulled a fast trick after Sanders singled to center field. At the ~~the~~ order of Manager Billy Southworth, Kurowski sacrificed

~~sending Sanders to second~~

The end came when <sup>the</sup> a veteran, Ken O'Dea,  
~~coming~~ up as a pinch hitter, slammed out a single  
that brought Sanders home with the winning ~~run~~ run, <sup>for</sup>  
~~the Cards.~~

~~A great game and many of us would have given  
plenty ~~us~~ to be there~~

So — your side won  
tonight Hugh, and I  
suppose you are all  
excited about it.