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TANKS DRIVE DEEP BEYOND LEIPZIG TO ONLY 18 MILES FROM CZECH BORDER

Three tank columns of the First and Third Armies Sunday drove deep beyond Leipzig in the heart of Germany. Gains of ten or more miles were made under a partial news blackout but these columns were reported within less than 85 miles of Russian forces and one infantry unit was within 18 miles of the Czech frontier. German mountain forces in Bavaria and Austria were threatened with being quickly cut off by a Third Army column which roared into Bayreuth, 124 miles north of Munich and 175 miles from Hitler's retreat at Berchtesgaden. The Third was also seven miles from Chemnitz in a move which practically severs Germany in two.

North of Leipzig First Army troops drove forward 30 miles to within three miles of Dessau and only 55 miles southwest of Berlin. The Ninth Army which has rolled up to the Elbe river west of Berlin along a 90-mile front forced a second crossing of the river. These troops are only 45 miles from the Nazi capital and are under German artillery fire. The Ninth was held up temporarily by a heavy counterattack by Nazi tanks. The British Second Army on the lower left flank of the Ninth fought to within 42 miles southeast of Hamburg.

Canadian troops had all but sealed off all of Holland. They reached Groningen near the North sea and in the east were within ten miles of the North sea in the Emden area. They also captured Arnhem to the south where British parachute troops were cut off last September. The Seventh Army drove on Nuremberg while the French First in a 13-mile drive captured Kehl on the Rhine's east bank just opposite Strasbourg.

A large force of RAF heavies bombed Berlin and suburban Potsdam Saturday night while during the day 1,150 U. S. heavies pounded the French port of Bordeaux where the Nazis are still holding out. French ground forces followed this with a limited assault on an undisclosed sector of the coast held by the Germans for many months.

THOUSANDS PAY FINAL TRIBUTE TO ROOSEVELT

Millions of Americans paid a final tribute Saturday to Franklin D. Roosevelt and nearly 400,000 persons lined the streets in Washington as his funeral train arrived from Warm Springs, Ga. and the flag-draped casket was borne to the White House. An Army caisson drawn by seven white horses carried the body of Mr. Roosevelt from Union station over the same road the war-time president had ridden in his inaugurals. Eight non-commissioned officers, two each from the Army, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard bore the body inside the White House where funeral services were held Saturday. The Rt. Rev. Dun, bishop of Washington, officiated at simple Episcopal services. Bishop Dun recalled that Mr. Roosevelt 12 years ago voiced his own belief "that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself". Bishop Dun said that as they were Mr. Roosevelt's first words as president "I am sure he would wish them to be his last and that we should go forward into the future as those who go forward without fear--without fear of the future, without fear of our allies and friends and without fear of our own insufficiencies."

Only one of Mr. Roosevelt's sons was present at the funeral. Brig. Gen. Elliott Roosevelt flew from England and besides Mrs. Roosevelt and daughter Anna Boettiger also present were the wives of the four Roosevelt sons. Harry Hopkins, closest presidential advisor had flown to the capital from a hospital in Rochester, Minn. and among many foreign dignitaries present was Britain's foreign secretary Anthony Eden who also flew from England. Gov. Thomas E. Dewey was also present.

Throughout the nation 4 p.m. Saturday was a signal for a period of silent prayer and the Army and Navy set aside five minutes of meditation in the U. S. and abroad where war permitted. One to three days of mourning was decreed in most foreign nations. The British court went into mourning and the King and Queen called off a scheduled weekend trip. Church services in England Sunday honored Roosevelt and many British newspapers devoted three of their four war-time pages to Roosevelt and Truman. The Soviet Union decreed two days of mourning in the first such official action in its history in honor of the head of a foreign government. Black-bordered Red flags flew at half-staff all over Russia and high Soviet officials attended special memorial services.

TODAY IS THE 98TH CONTINUOUS DAY OF COMBAT FOR 6TH DIVISION TROOPS

## MARINES CONTINUE TO GAIN IN NORTHERN OKINAWA

Marine units on Okinawa advanced northward Sunday to a point near Honoharu on the west coast and to Arakawa on the east coast against slight resistance. Marines on Motobo peninsula are now in possession of most of the area and are mopping up small remaining concentrations of Jap troops. In the southern sector small gains were made after repulsing strong Japanese counterattacks. The enemy positions are now under fire of land and naval guns supported by carrier and land-based planes. A few Jap planes appeared in the area and nine were shot down. Meanwhile American carrier-based planes bombed air installations south of Okinawa, destroying seven aircraft on the ground and damaging 25 others. In strikes on Formosa carrier planes of the British fleet bombed airfields and other military targets.

## REDS SPEED DRIVE ON PRAGUE; NAZIS SAY BERLIN FRONT FLARES

Soviet forces turned from their victory at Vienna and moved swiftly across Austria and Czechoslovakia. On the north bank of the Danube river, the Second Ukrainian Army is moving in a sweep that may ultimately wheel to Prague. They are 133 miles southeast of that city. The Third Ukrainian Army pushed west of Vienna 12 miles through the Danube valley to capture more than 60 towns or villages.

A German military spokesman said Saturday night that a massive tank battle was raging 30 miles east of Berlin, and that the Russians had broken through strong Nazi fortifications. The report was not confirmed by the Kremlin.

## HUGE FIRES ROAR THROUGH TOKIO AFTER B-29 ATTACK

United Press correspondent Lisle Shoemaker said huge explosions and fires ripped through Tokio Sunday after hundreds of B-29's poured tons of incendiary bombs into the city early Saturday morning. Shoemaker wrote: "I saw flames and blasts of explosions spreading through a five-square-mile target area as our great fleet of bombers hit a concentrated munitions production area. The section singled out for the attack was about six miles northwest of the Imperial palace on the edge of a 17-mile area. Smoke from the inferno below was billowing high past our planes and must have risen 5,000 feet in the air. It looked like an enormous bed of coals smouldering and occasionally bursting into separate bunches of flames."

## AMERICANS LAND ON TWO TINY ISLANDS OFF LEGASPI

In southern Luzon American forces landed on Rapu Rapu and Satun, tiny islands off Legaspi, quickly eliminating the Jap garrison. In northern Luzon I Corps troops are closing in on the enemy stronghold at Baguio. Cebu enemy-held positions are rapidly being outflanked and the meager Japanese reserves of men and material are being sapped. Philippine-based planes carried on their second day's heavy bombings of Japanese positions in the island. During the two-day period our planes dropped more than 1,300 tons of bombs.

## NEWS FROM THE SPORTS WORLD

Hockey: Stanley Cup finals: Toronto 1, Detroit 0 - Maple Leafs' 26-year-old rookie goalie Frankie McCool blanked the Red Wings for the 3d straight time to give his team a 3-0 advantage in the series...Huron copped the South Dakota prep championship by defeating Aberdeen 36-29 in the class A finals. Honors in the B tourney went to Madison when they edged out Webster 30-28...UCLA has signed Bert La Brucherie, coach at Los Angeles high school for 16 years, to succeed Babe Norrell...Back from 18 months of sea duty, Bob Feller will coach the Great Lakes team this summer but will not do any competitive hurling...When Clem Crowe, Notre Dame head basketball coach and backfield assistant, left the South Bend school to take a position as duration football coach at Iowa, it marked the fourth coach that the Irish had lost in two weeks. First Ed McKeever went to Cornell, then Adam Walsh signed with the Cleveland Rams followed by Pat Tilley who went to Cornell as McKeever's aide.

## NEWS BRIEFS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Ninth Army troops have captured Franz von Papen, notorious Nazi diplomat. Von Papen was taken at his hunting lodge southeast of Hama and captured with him were his son, a captain, and son-in-law. Von Papen was former chancellor of the German republic and vice-chancellor under Hitler. He also served as Nazi ambassador to Austria and Turkey. When captured Von Papen exclaimed, "I wish this war were over" and a sergeant replied, "So do 11,000,000 other guys"...Premier Stalin has advised President Truman that Foreign Secretary Molotov will represent Russia at the San Francisco conference.