

GERMAN BULGE INTO BELGIUM GROWS SMALLER

WITH U. S. FORCES IN BELGIUM... The German have launched a heavy new attack on the Bastogne corridor...

By JAMES M. LONG PARIS — (AP) — American counter-attacks have narrowed the deep German salient into Belgium...

The hammer blows of the U. S. Third and First Armies up to Friday morning had surged back as much as 13 miles...

Field reports earlier had reported the German corridor narrowed to 13 miles above Bastogne...

The deepest German plunges westward—reaching within three miles of the Meuse—had been rolled back...

The corridor to Bastogne had again been widened and strengthened, with armored elements apparently pouring in...

Supreme Headquarters disclosed the Germans yesterday still had a foothold along a mile or two of the highway...

The U. S. Eighth Air Force sent 1,300 heavy bombers battering at railroad yards and bridges today for the eighth successive day...

Weather Better Flying weather improved, and up to noon the tactical Air Command alone reported damaging or destroying 13 tanks...

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Church Leader Named Regent By Greek King

LONDON — (AP) — King George II of Greece in a royal proclamation tonight announced appointment of Archbishop Damaskinos as regent...

Reds Fight Slowly On In Budapest

By EDDY GILMORE MOSCOW — (AP) — Red Army troops fighting their way yard by yard into the heart of Budapest have cleared the defenders from several main streets...

News Roundup

Western Front Determined American attacks on the German bulge on the Western Front have recaptured almost 100 miles of the area which the Nazis seized in their counter-offensive...

Grece In London, it's official now that King George II of Greece has agreed to a regency. The King issued a royal proclamation from his headquarters in the British capital...

Italy Just exactly what is going on in the west coast area of the Italian front has not yet been made clear by Allied Headquarters...

The Far East The Japanese radio has stepped up its propaganda claims of just how much destruction Japan has inflicted on the American convoy that is supposed to have sailed through Philippine waters to Mindoro...

Air Warfare Thirteen hundred American heavy bombers smashed railroad yards and bridges in Germany again today, flying with an escort of about 100 fighter planes...

Russian Front The Russians are smashing deeper into Budapest today, although German resistance in the Hungarian capital has stiffened...

Around Corner Germans Told Victory Still On The Way LONDON — (AP) — Nazi leaders, including long-haired Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering, issued New Year's proclamations through DNB today...

England Had Coldest Christmas In 50 Years LONDON — (AP) — The coldest Christmas period in southern England in more than 50 years ended Thursday with a ten degree rise in temperature to 38 degrees.

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Japs Claim Ships Sunk BY ASSOCIATED PRESS Japanese propaganda broadcasts today claimed that all but eight or ten of some 40 U. S. transports...

Churchill In New Forecast LONDON — (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill expressed the cautious optimism today that Germany will be finally beaten in 1945.

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