

On Other Fronts May Not Need To Invade Jap Soil - Nimitz

Belief that Japan may be de-feated without an actual invasion of the Japanese homeland was expressed by Adm. Chester W. expressed by Adm. Chester W. Nimitz at his Pearl Harbor head-quarters yesterday, but he added that occupation of Japan would be necessary to insure peace. The Navy Department, mean-while, anounced new American air raids against enemy positions from the northern Kuriles to the Mariner and Can Douglas Maca

from the northern Kuriles to the Marianas, and Gen. Douglas Mac-Arthur reported the sinking of a 3.000-ton Japanese freighter in the Davao gulf in the Philippines, and another raid upon Halmah-era, between the Philippines and New Guinea. A Reuter dispatch said MacArthur's armies in New Guinea "are coiling like a giant spring for an assault against the Philippines." "I do not believe anybody can

"I do not believe anybody can definitely say invasion—invasion by assault—will be necessary un-til the situation is unfolded." Nimitz told a press conference. He made the reservation, how-ever, that "we should keep in mind the possible necessity of in-vasion and be prepared for it." He said he was anxious to move his headquarters to the fighting his headquarters to the fighting area

Chichi Jima in the Bonin is-lands was attacked by Liberators which bombed an airfield and a cargo ship in the harbor.

8th Army Preparing **To Hit Gothic Line**

With Empoli, rail and commu-nications center 16 miles west of Florence, in Allied hands, New Zealanders of the Eighth Army were clearing the banks of the Arno River yesterday prepara-tory to an attack against the Germans' Gothic Line.

Germans' Gounic Line. Gen. Alexander foreshadowed the move against the next Nazi bastion beyond Florence in a broadcast to Italian patriots ask-ing them to "carry out harassing actions to hamper the enemy while he is trying to entrench himself in new positions."

can bring to then.

request every soldier to go forward to his assigned objective with the determination that the enemy can survive only through surren-der. Let 30 foot of ground once gainer be relinquished nor a single

German escape through a line once established. "With a'l of us resolutely performing our special tasks we can make this week a momentour one in the history of this war—a brilliant and fruitful week for us; a fateful one for the ambitions of the Naži tyrants."

Get Rid of Ado'f Hitler and Make Peace. Von Paulus Advises German People

German Field Marshal Gen. Von Paulus, captured at Stalingrad 19 German Field Marshal Gen. Von Patitus, captured at Stalingrad 19 months ago with his Sixth Army, sourded a call to his countrymen yesterday over Moscow radio to get rid of Adolf Hitler and make peace. Von Paulus's blast was noteworthy because Hitler made him a mar-shal cnly after his capture and Propaganda Minister Joseph Goebbels RFRIIN SFFS RIG

BERLIN SEES BIG

RED DRIVE SCON

As the Russians were reported steadily pumping reinforcements into their two Vistula bridge heads, Berlin said yesterday that "a major battle" was slowly gathering momentum on the Eastern front "and will soon lead to the greatest trial of strength." Major Soviet forces, after jab-bing at the defenses of East Prussia for two weeks to find a soft spot, drove the Germans out of the fortress town of Osowies, 16 miles from the province's southeastern corner, and appar-

hands. "Neither in the east nor in the

west has Germany the reserves that could retrieve the situation," Von Paulus said. "The enemy's superiority in the air and on the sea is so overwhelming that the resulting situation becomes more

and more hopeless. . . "Germany is in this position "Germany is in this position because of Hitler's state and military leads whip. The treat-ment of the occupied countries arouses the disgust of every real soldier and every sincere Ger-man. Germany must remove Adolf Hitler and set up a new leadership which will end the war and bring about conditions that will guarantee our nation a future existence."

LEMAY HEADS 20TH AF

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14—Maj. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, formerly commander of an Eighth Air Force division, has been appoint-ed commander of the 20th Super-Fort Air Force in China.

Gen. Eisenhower's Order of the Day Yanks Race From Mayenne; Canadians Open Big Drive, Within 3 Miles of Falaise

American infantry and armore: forces, swinging their southern pin cer north to within artillery range of Falaise, yesterday closed in for the kill on German troops trying frantically to escape encirclement in a desperate race eastward through the closing Falaise gap. One U. S. column-after a 40-mile advance northeast from Mayenn toward Falaise-was at a point roughly 20 miles from the Canadian last night. This big advance helped to create an inner ring of armor which was closing in on element of five German panzer divisions still holding out in 1 vicinity of Mortain The northern pincer of British and Canadian armies smashed ahead to squeeze the Falaise gai at the same time, narrowing it by more than

to squeeze the Falsise gay at the same time, narrowing it by more than two miles. A major operation by the Canadian First Army—supported by a powerful RAF attack—took the Canadians within three miles of Falaise.

Estimates of the distances between the two Allied pincers variously set it at from 15 to 20 miles last nigh. as thousands of Allied planes pounded away at the German escap roads, junctions and other posi-

set it at from 15 to 20 miles last nig pounded away at the German escap tions A Canadian Army spokes-man said: "The 15-mile stretch between Fataise and Argentan is a real no man's land and everything that moves on there is fair game for our air forces."

Battlefront dispatches said that at least 12 German divisions, in-

battlerinn divisions, in-cluding six armored and six in-fantry divisions, would have to get through the gap if they were to escape annihilation. Al''ed trocps pressed grimly ahead on an "all out for victory" Order of the Day from Grm. Eisenhower who said there was now a "definite opportunity for a major Allied victory, one whose realization will mean notable progress toward the final down-fall of our enemy." and empha-sized to ground forces: "Let no foot of ground once gained be relinquished nor a single German escape through a line cnce established." Allied soldiers, sailors and air men dreas this work a mor

single German escape through a Ince once established." Allied soldiers, sailors and air men 'can make this week a mo-mentous one in the history of this war-a brillnant and fruit-ful week for us, a fateful one for the ambitions of the Nazi ty-rants," Eschhower declared. A message from Eisenhower's headquarters emphasized, ^o how ever, that capture of the Ger-man Seventh Army-the aim of the present battle-would not mean an immediate end to the war in western Europe since there are still three German Armies, firepower and several broad river lines making good defensive positions Reports that U S. doughboys captured Argentan were not con-firmed by SHAFE and Betlin

captured Argentan were not con-firmed by SHAEF and Berlin

Continued on Back Page

U.S. PLANES HIT MORTAIN AREA, S. FRANCE AGAIN

Airmen yesterday pounded the enemy escape corridor in France's Falaise sector, struck inland against Germany's weakened communication lines and carried the war to the Reich itself.

At the same time, nearly 750 neavy bombers of the 15th Air Force flew from Italy to hit the coast of southern France for the

coast of southern France for the third straight day. As aircraft of the U. S. Eighth and Ninth Air Forces and the British Second Tactical Air Force bombed defense positions of the fleeing Wehrmacht and blew its rail lines, bridges and vehicles sky high, four contingents of Eighth B17s bombed a chemical plant at Ludiswigshafen, an elec-trical equipment factory at Man-nheim and Luftwaffe stations near Mannheim and Stuttgart. Spearheading the offensive against front-line targets, Marau-ders Sunday night, attacking by

against front-line targets, Marau-ders Sunday night, attacking by the light of flares, heaped more than 30 tons of high explosives and fragmentation bombs on troops and ammunition stores dispersed in the Foret d'Hatouse, about 15 miles east of Mortain.

dispersed in the Foret d'Hatouse, about 15 miles east of Mortain. Heavy flak was encountered, but all the B26s returned. Hours later, more than 250 Ninth Air Force medium and light bombers battered highway bridges, potential escape routes for the Germans in the Falaise-Mortain bulge and struck inland for the Germans in the Falaise-Mortain bulge, and struck inland at rail junctions and bridges. No planes were lost. Eighth fighter-bombers, renew-ing at dawn the onslaught against transportation which in the previous 48 hours had de-stroyed or damaged almost 600 locomotives, more than 6,000 military vehicles struck north of the Seine and east of Paris. Ninth fightr-bombers, too aft-er a week in which they flew approximately 7,500 individual sorties over the battle area in close support of ground troops, were out again yesterday in the drive to harass German move-ments on French roads. No Luftwaffe craft rose to in-tercept the fleets and only one heavy was lost.

16 miles from the province's southeastern corner, and appar-ently had smashed beyond the Biebrza River, last natural de-fense in front of the Reich's fromtier fense in frontier. Other columns meraced the communications centor of Lomza between East Prussia and War-saw and seized Mostowka, il miles northeast of the capitol. U.S. Ulumaium

13 August 1944 Military Commandant of TO Brest.

To Brest Nazis

1. You have defended Brest in an honorable manner as befits a *an honorable manner as bents a soldier Your forces are now con-tained behind your defenses. Re-inforcements have been cut off and destroyed. No other Ger-man troops are available a, you No gam can come to you in the hopeless defense of. a. city al-ready tseless as a port, cut off from reinforcements and exposed to combined attack.

to combined attack. 2. American forces have cut off Brittany and captured Le Mans. Southern France is tottering. The military significance of the entire situation must be clear to way Buscian forces are closing u. Russian forces are closing and are already on the soil you. of East Prussia

The sacrifice of already de-3. The sacrifice of already de-pleted German manhood can profit no one. Hence your im-mediate capitulation to the United States Army is asked. Your troops will be marched out of the city o' Brest under their officers. without arms, and will be given every consideration under the Rules of Land War-fare and the Geneva Conven-tion. A gallant fight is a chal-lenge to a professional soldier. An uneven or hopeless conflict brings no professional pride. Your decision is nestred. 3.

Ex-N.Y. Barkeep Captures Our Reporter

By Bud Kane Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Sardines, Water 'on the House'

THEGONNEC, Aug. 14-I was captured

ST. THEGONNEC, Aug. 14—I was captured and held prisone- for five hours yesterday near this small Brittany town by Cpl. Ernst Wagner, a goose-stepping Nazi who once served beer and Scotch over a bar in New York's Yorkville section. Sonnee Gottlieb, International News Pictures photographer, and I were driving from Brest on the start of what was to become a long trip back to the Cherbourg peninsula when we stopped to check over maps. It didn't take us long to learn that we were in "hot" territory. Wagner and an-other Jerry dashed onto the road and informed us other Jerry dashed onto the road and informed us we wera "prisoners of war."

we were "prisoners of war." Wagner ordered us in fluent English to drive our 1931 French automobile into a wooded area in which 14 other Germans were bivouaced. It was ist 1700 hours and they were preparing dinner. Several boxes of U. S. Army emergency rations, which Wagner said had been captured by a patrol Saturday night, stood near a tiny stove. Dinner was served at 1830. And, ironically, we were given German rations—sardines and water— while each Nazi enjoyed the contents of two K ra-tion boxes. I said something about the U. S. Army being the best fed in the world and two of the Nazis smacked their lips.

being the best fed in the world and two of the Nazis smacked their lips. I understand a little German and heard Wagner tell his squa' he was going to hold us as hostages for a trade in the event Free French resistance groups captured any of them. He said he wasn't worried about being captured by Americans; they fed their captives well and treated them humanely.

Wagner came over and told us he hoped to go to New York again after the war and several other Nazis who could speak English voiced the same hope.

Nazis who could speak inglish folded the same hope. Finally, Wagner ordered his squad to move and assigned two of his men to guard us. We drove over back roads for more than 30 minutes. The Germans didn't have a map and we knew they were driving toward American lines—but didn't say a word, althoug; our safety also was endangered. It was 1915 hours when the Nazis found a wooded place for thei, night bivouac and we pulled in and camouflaged the cars About 2200 hours, shots were heard in the dist-ance. Wagner asked us whether the fire was from American or Free French guns. We didn't know. As the gunfarc came closer, Wagner became con-vinced—as did we—that it was from wandering bands of the resistance movement in Brittany. He ordere, his men to take off. As the Nazi: dashed across the area, I heard one of them ask Wagner if they shouldn't take the Americans with them. "No," he answered, "We'll have to leave them here. They only would binder us."

"No," he answered, "We'll have to leave them ere. They only would hinder us." here.

So, after being held for five hours, we again were free men. Before continuing our journey we informed local resistance lead of the Nazis' presence

Tonight, as 1 write this, 1 nave the belated con-viction that we really were captors behaving like prisoners. As for Cpl. Ernst Wagner's wish to see the United States again: Well, it'll probably come true, but he'll do so as a prisoner of war-I hor-

Fuehrer, Llay We Go Out to Swim?-Ja!

FIRST U. S. ARMY HQ. Aug. 14—One U. S. spearhead in the Barenton sector moved so fast in a recent battle that it overran a group of German soldiers bath-ing suits—in a creek. Unaware that American troops were in the area, many ran off without stop-ping for their clothes. They were

Page 2

THE STARS AND STRIPES .

DODGERS LOSE 2

NEW YORK, Aug. 14-Boston's

bid to reduce the six-and-a-half-game St. Louis lead in the Amer-ican League hit a stone wall yes-

Ican League nit a stone wail yes-terday when they split a double-header, the Red Sox capturing the opener, 7-6, in 13 innings, and Boston's Sunday Law stop-ping the nightcap after five in-nings with the Browns out front, 6-1

THF STARS AND STRIPES Printed for U. S. Armed torces under auspices of the special Serv-ice Division ETOUSA Contents passed by the U S Army and Navy censors. Continental edition. Entered as secon, class matter Mar 15 1943, at the post office, New York, N Y, under the Act of Mar 3 1879 Material appearing D this publication has been written and edited by uni-formed members of the Ar. γ except where stated that a civilian or other outlinde sources in parts

other outside source is bein auoted Vol. 1, No. 37, August 15, 1944

'Somewhere in France...

"HIRST-MADDENED and half-starved after a week behind the Ger-THRST-MADDENED and half-starved after a week behind the German lines, ten bedraggled infantrymen rejoined their outfit and told
ow their only food had been occasional K rations stolen from the ead and their only drink the brackish bitter water that collects in the ottom of shell crater.
T/Sgt. John Whitman, 25, of enovo, Pa., and nine men—four i them wounded—were cut off rom their Second Infantry Divon outfit in a recent engagement and found themselves stranded the object was a milk can

nd found themselves stranded ehind the enemy lines.

Surrounded by German mach-le guns, afraid to move lest they e discovered, they passed six cays hiding under a hedgerow. heir ordeal was made grimmer y the sight of a clear stream unning a few hundred feet away -too far to reach with safety.

Finally, taking a desperate nance, Sgt. Whitman led his arty—the stronger men assist-g the wounded—through the hance, arty ig the wounded-through the edgerows in the dark of night. At dawn they found a desert-At dawn they found a desert-i French farm house—but its ipboards were bare. Struggling i, risking discovery at every ep, they found another empty ottage. There was no food there, ther, but the men found some der which revived them somehat.

As they were debating their ext move, a lookout spotted an merican patrol. In friendly ompany at last, the exhausted en were directed back to their me lines wn lines.

A young second lieutenant who has been figuring out a cientific way of plotting the listances of bomb hits by the ribrations in his foxhole fig-med a bomb hit the other night t 500 words. After the aimlanes it 500 yards. After the airplanes at 500 yards. After the arplanes and gone he got out of his hole o measure the distance—it was '5 feet. "If I had known that," he said, "I'd have stopped plot-ing and gone to praying."

RETREATING German convoy literally bogged down the ther day when it rumbled down road that led directly to the med quicksands that fringe the ay of Mont St. Michel. Real-ing their mistake too late, the erries were forced to set fire to teir mired vehicles and continu-1 on foot.

A private from Fall River, Mass., who works $a_5 = prisoner$ interrogator, told the story of two captive Jerries who wanted to volunteer for the American Army. They said they liked verything about Uncle Sam's outfits-the trucks, jeeps, clothes, gum, even the K "ations.

"ITHER he's awfully honest or else he's decided you can't end your money in France. In y event, Pvt. Otiz (the Lucky) miro, 22-year-old Mexican ortarman from Orange Grove, ex., found \$5,000 buried in a derted field-then gave it back to Ramiro drove his shovel into the ground to dig a foxhole and heard it ring against metal. Fear-ing he had struck a mine, Ramiro dug cautiously until he discovered the object was a milk can. Inside the can were notes and coins totaling 250.00 frances

Inside the can were notes and coins totaling 250,00 francs. The sad part of the story—for Ramiro—is that a Frenchman came by next day and started digging where the milk can had been. Through a soldier who act-ed as interpreter, the Frenchman described how the money was cached and told how much was there.' there.

Ramiro (the Honest) returned the buried treasure.

It's a well-known fact that pilots become attached to their planes, but probably none to the extent of 2/Lt. Luciano B. Her-rora, Ninth AF fighter pilot from Whiteland, Tex. A 20mm. shell hit the cockpit of Herre-ra's plane and acted as a rivet through the canopy. It took a ground crew ten minutes to pry out the pilot, who was unhurt except for minor burns. It's a well-known fact that except for minor burns.

A GI manicure was the exper-ience of Pvt. Harold Hall, of Phoenix, Pa., who has the little idiosyncracy of letting his fingerbiosyncracy of letting his linger-nails grow long. With Pfc Henry Urenda, of Bracketville, Tex., Hall was in a foxhole when a tank rolled over it. He was grasp-ing the board over the foxhole and the tank sheared off his fin-gernails. He was not hurt.

Add Odd Mascots: Pfc Herman A. Schuerg, of Lochart, Tex., and Pvt. Raymond E. Stevers, of Dupont, Ind., cannon-eers in the Second Infantry Division, adopted a hive of bees. They kept the buzzy pets for six weeks, transporting them in an ammunition box every time their outfit advanced, until em-

their outfit advanced, until em-phatic protests from sting-wor-ried buddies forced them to abandon the hive. Later the two bee-keeps found another swarm on the limb of a tree. They got no hon-ey, but were able to trade the bees to a Frenchman for a hottle of cornac bottle of cognac.

INSTITUTION of the Hitler sa-NSTITUTION of the Hitler sa-lute, previously reserved for SS units, in the Regular German Army is considered "punishment for the recent Hitler assassina-tion attempt," Nazi prisoners re-port. However, one of them said that crusty old German regulars are thocking the upraised hand thus: thus

thus: "Heil, Somebody, but I can't seem to remember who." "Heil, neither can I." "In any event, heil." "Heil."

Army Says Wilson Film It he motion pictures for showing to troops was an error." At the conference, which was

BROWNS SPLIT U. S. Armor Roces 40 Miles in a Day, Frees 20 Villages, Iso ates Dazed Nazis WITH RED SOX;

By Bob Reuben Reuter Correspondent

WITH A U. S. ARMORED COLUMN, Normandy, Aug. 14-This American armored column raose 40 miles today and liberat-ed 20 French villages in an amazing drive to isolate the oszed and broken remnants of nine German avisions in the Vire-Mortam area.

This is one spearhead of the dating encirclement in which American treeps, driving straight on the road to Paris, suddenly wheeled northeast to meet Brit-ish and Canadian forces and cut off German units in a large uncket. pocket.

only one main highway re-mains between the Alles through which German troops can es-cape Ailed air forces are un-mercifully hammering the mad German rush to depart. Nazi troops here are fighting a hard requard action, but in the last few days their forces in this area have lost all discipline and a re ficieng individually across fields and down bypaths in a desperate effort to escape. looting food and stealing French horses and carts for transport. We can hear isolated German

hcrees and carts for transport. We can hear isolated German small arms fire behind us and in fields beside ts as individual Germans left behind by our long armorel drives attempt to sneak through hidden trails, or hide in French farmhouses and barns.

New York is rife today with rumors that a firebug is on the loose, but the facts seem to point

loose, but the facts seem to point to hot, dry weather as the arson criminal. In each of the three big fires—Hoboken's Pier 4, Luna Park and Palisades Park—timber which had been baked for three weeks under a hot sun burst into flame so quickly that the fires soon became uncontrollable.

A short circuit in the wiring of a scenic ride called the "Virginia Reel" was blamed for the Pali-

Fre fighting equipment from 10 surrounding towns was rushed in to battle the blaze, but less than a minute after the first tongues of flames were noticed they were leaping 50 feet into the our

Meanwhile, as the damage es-timate at Luna Park rose to half

a million dollars, Amusement Li-cense Commissioner Paul Moss ordered Luna closed pending an inspection by the building depart-ment. At Hoboken, fire was still meddefing in the remains of Pier

smoldering in the remains of Pier

CLOSE CALL FOR HOPE

sades fire.

air

Occasionally, tanks roar off the highways to flush straggling Germans who are particularly troublesome.

The fight has not been easy The fight has not been easy Holding open the narrow escape gap are two of Germany's best Panzer Civisions, one fighting Cesperately against British and Canadian troops in the Falaise area and the other in a losing battle against Americans near Argentan. Leading into one town is

still flaming German graveyard —burning tanks, trucks, pleasure cars and carts loaded with dead Germans, hanging out of trucks or still situng in vehicles. Many ran directly into U. S. tanks as they attempted to escape southward.

North of Alencon, U. S. tanks raced through village after vil-lage. They paused only to blow out any remaining German antiout any remaining German anti-tank guns or round up larger groups of German resisters Wildly-cheering French throngs, who awoke this morning to find American tarks rolling through their streets, greeted this col umn They had retired only the night before with Germans still occupying their villages.

So bad was the German loot-ing and pillaging that the peo-ple of one village had remained in their locked houses for ten days before the Americans' ar-tival

News From Home

Paisades Park Goes Up in Fames

As Third Fire Hits New York Areo

Bobby Doerr's 15th homer of the season decided the issue in the early affair as Rex Oecil, newly acquired from San Diego, arrived by plane and hurled the last four innings, besting Denny Galehouse. Vern Stephens club-bed two homers and George Mc-Ouinn bit one for the Browns Quinn hit one for the Browns, Five runs in the fourth off George Woods iced the nightcap for St. Louis as Nelson Potter stopped the Red Sox with five hits.

6-1.

hits. Looking more like pennant con-tenders than cellar dwellers, the Washington Senators defeated the Indians twice, 2-1, and 4-1. Pat Seerey's ninth-inning homer deprived Mickey Haefner of a shutout in the first game, but wasn't sufficient to save Jim Bag-by from absorbing the loss. Early Winn was credited with a victory in the nightcap, aided by five double plays and Stan Spence's homer in the first. The high-riding Cardinals

homer in the first. The high-riding Cardinals swept their doubleheader from the Dodgers, 4-1, and 7-3, but failed to add to their lopsided 17- $\frac{1}{2}$ -game lead, as the Reds trip-ped the Giants twice, 4-3 and 9-2 and the Pirates dumped the Braves twice, 8-1, and 3-1.

Majors & Minors

AMERICAN LEAGUE

AMERICAN LEAGUE Philadelphia 6. Detroit 1 (1st) Detroit 6. Philadelphia 0 (2nd) New York 10, Chicage 1 (1st) Chicago 11, New York 3 (2nd) Washington 2, Cleveland 1 (1st) Washington 4. Cleveland 1 (2nd) Beston 7, St. Louis 6 (1st, 13 ins.) St. Louis 6, Boston 1 (2nd, 6 ins.)

	44	-	LOT	UI
St. Louis	66	44	.600	-
Boston	59	50	.541	6 %
Detroit	57	51	.528	8
New York	55	52	.514	9%
Chicago	52	57	.477	13 %
Cleveland	53	59	.473	14
Philadelphia	50	62	.446	17
Washington	46	63.	.422	19 3
NATION	JAL	LEA	GUE.	
	Boston Detroit New York Chicago Clevelend Philadelphia Washington	St. Louis66Boston59Detroit57New York55Chicago52Clevels nd53Philadelphia50Washington46	St. Louis 66 44 Boston 59 50 Detroit 57 51 New York 55 52 Chicago 52 57 Clevelsrnd 53 59 Philadelphia 50 62 Washington 46 63.	St. Louis 66 44 .600 Boston 59 50 .541 Detroit 57 61 .528 New York 55 52 .514 Chicago 52 57 .477 Clevelsnd 53 59 .473 Philadelphia 50 62 .446 Washington 46 63* .422

Philadelphia 3, Chicago 2 (1st) Philadelphia 7, Chicago 6 (2nd) Pittsburgh 8, Boston 1 (1st) Pittsburgh 3, Boston 1 (2nd) St. Louis 4. Brooklyn 1 (1st) St. Louis 7, Brooklyn 3 (2nd) Cincinnati 4, New York 3 (1st) Cincinnati 9, New York 2 (2nd)

đ		W	L	PCI	GB
	St. Louis	77	28	.733	-
	Cincinnati	59	45	.357	17 %
	Pittsburgh	58	45	.563	18
	Chicago	47	54	.465	28
	New York	50	58	.463	28 1/2
	Boston	43	62	.410	34
1	Philadelphia	41	61	.402	34 1/2
	Brooklyn	43	65	.398	35 1/2
	TNITEDNAT	IONA	TI	FAG	TE

Montreal 10, Baltimore 9 (1st) Montreal 7. Baltimore 6 (2nd Toronto 7, Buffalo 0 (1st) Toronto 3, Buffalo 1 (2nd) Rechester 2, Newark 1 (1st) Newark 5 Rochester 4 (2nd) Surause 5 Jersey City 4 (1st (2nd)

NEW YORK, Aug. 14—The New York area's third major fire in as many days made a \$500,000 bonfire yesterday of the famous Palisades Amusement Park on the Jersey side of the Hudson opposite Manhat-tan, injuring more than 150 person, 19 of them seriously. Fanned by shifting winds, the fames roared through the tinder-dry wooden concessions of the park, putting to frenzied flight a near-capacity crowd of 35.000 Sunday pleasure seekers. Ten thousand other persons who had been swimming fled from the park, in bathing suits. New York is rife today with Gap For Germans

Continued from Page 1

claimed that Argentan was still in German hands,

An all-out German effort to hold open the Falaise gap amounted to savage resistance and — in some sectors — orcerly withdrawal despite the advance of Allied ground forces and the blasting of Allied planes. The Germans were fighting hard all along the British and Canadian fronts and their withdrawal far-ther to the West was said to be effective effective

effective. An American general watch-ing an unenunic stream of U.S. tanks and trucks roll ahead horth of Aiencon without any German opposition said: "Hell, this is more of a rat race than a battle." Pointing toward two columns of sweating infantry-men filing past, he said proudly that they had marched 27 miles yesterday and "will probably do as much today" The Adolf Hitler SS Division

The Adolf Hitler SS Division was cut to ribbons by a U. S. armored column, an Allied dis-patch declared

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14-Fol- wing conferences between sena- its and Army and Navy authori- es, the War Department an- ounced last night that its ban a overseas distribution of the lims "Wilson" and "Heavenly ays" was all a mistake. Last Wednesday a WD spokes- ax said the films had been ban- id under the Soldier Vote Law hich says motion pictures dis- buted by the Army must be in-uartisan and non-political. Last night's spokesman said: nformation which reached the reas that the War Department ad formally decided not to selest	attended by Sen. Robert Taft (ROhio) and Sen. Theodore Green (DR.I.), military author- ities agreed not to ban any books, magazines or films for the armed forces except for transportation reasons, the senators reported. DEWEY'S ILLINOIS PROGRAM CHICAGO , Aug. 14-Gov. Thomas Dewey, GOP President- ial candidate, plans to make three or four major speeches in Illinois. While his speaking itinerary has not been officially announced, Republican leaders here were confident Dewey would speak in Cairo, East St. Louis, either Peor- ia or Springfield, and at least once in Chicago.	Bob Hope and Frances Langford. with their party of entertainers covering Southwestern Pacific Army camps, narrowly escaped injury today when their plane was forced down by engine trou- ble in a sand bank north of New Castle. GOLDEN CALF PUTNEY, Vt., Aug. 14-Farm- er Leon Wood recovered a good share of the greenbacks a calf nibbled out of his pocketbook while he was milking and came up with a few unexpected items to boot. When he slaughtered the calf Wood recovered enough remnants of bills to collect \$75, a book of gas coupons, a driver's itense and two fish hooks.	In the center of the front- the Mortain - Vire area-125 square miles of devastated ter- ram were chocked with German dead, wrecked and burned out German vehicles and stacks of e nemy equipment In some places, German equipment was piled so hug hon the roads that engineers had to use bulkdozers to clear a path for advancing U S. tenks and trucks. In Brittany, German troops were still holding out in the St. Malo Citadel. The attack on Dinard contin- ued to meet strong resistance, but slight advances were made in the vicinity of Brest. There was no change in the situation at Lorient.	Jersey City 6. Syracuse 4 (2nd) W L PCT. GB Baltimore 69 51 575 Newark 69 54 56i 1½ Jersey City 60 575 - Newark 69 54 56i 1½ Jersey City 60 57 513 7½ Buffalo 63 60 512 7½ Montreal 57 61 483 11 Toronto 57 64 471 12½ Syracuse 54 65 454 14½ Rochester 53 70 431 17% AMERICAN ASSOCIATION Milwaukee 10, Toledo 2 '1st) 10eldo 9, Milwaukee 2 (2nd) Kansas City 4, Columbus 3 (1st) Columbus 11 Kan. City 3 (2nd) St. Paul 1, Louisville 0 (1st) Second game postponed rain, Indianapolis 7, Minn. 6 '(1st) 1ndianapolis 7, Minn. 1 (2nd) W L PCT. GB Milwaukee 82 38 683 -
BLOZDIE	CHICKS	DD MY MAGAZINE DD MY MAGAZINE COME TODAY?	THE DEAR HERE THE THE THE THE THE THE THE THE THE TH	Louisville 72 48 600 10 Toledo 71 48 597 10 % Columbus 66 54 550 16 St. Faul 63 53 543 17 Minneapolis 45 74 378 36 % Indianapolis 40 76 345 40 Kansas City 33 81 289 46 PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE No games played. 10 10 10 Los Angeles 73 55 570 - Hollywood 6C 62 516 7 San Francisco 65 62 512 7 ½ Portland 64 63 501 8 ½ Oakland 64 64 500 9 Seattle 62 63 481 12 Sacramento 60 68 469 13 San Wego 56 71 450 15 ½