

FRENCH REACH THE RHINE

Upon in the Vosges mountains it was already winter when the Prime Minister visited the front of the 1st French Army, in company with General De Gaulle. Here the French hold the extreme right of the line next to the U.S. 7th Army, and Mr. Churchill had them God speed as he and his daughter Mary left on their way to General Eisenhower's headquarters. Since then the French have crossed the Upper Rhine.

The Supreme Commander was about to give the order for the offensive, which has set four hundred miles of front abhaze from Arnhem to the Swiss border, the heaviest, most concentrated assault yet hurled against Germany.

General Tassigny, hero of the drive through the Belfort gap, inspected his reserves prior to launching the attack. This man is one of the new Commanders who have revived the Napoleonic fighting spirit of the French Army.

General De Gaulle, meanwhile, thoroughly established as head of the State, was tumultuously received in Lyons when he began his tour of the great cities of France. Lyons

~~will be remembered in the history of the French people~~
~~of resistance to the German occupation.~~

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At Marseilles even the fervour of Lyons was eclipsed.

At the nearby naval port of Toulon the General inspected units of the French Mediterranean fleet, which may give further good account of itself before the war ends.

The greatest enthusiasm of all was in Bordeaux. ~~It~~
~~was at this town that the local and their traitorous~~
~~gang entered to Germany.~~ The people now welcomed the
stout-hearted men who, in the words of Winston Churchill,
is the undoubted leader of France.+

Flags are waving on Place Bellecour, on the Town Hall, where General Delattre de Tassigny is arriving in company with M. Farge, Regional Commissioner of the French Republic.

There, a parade is taking place on one of the finest spots of France, in the presence of General Delattre de Tassigny, M. Farge, General de Montsabert, General Brosset, of whom the troops were the first to enter the town, Cardinal Gerlier, "Prinse des Gaules" well deserves to be among the first in this Liberation feast.... And also this Major who, single handed, rounded up 800 prisoners in Toulon.

Through the Town, here is a march of the conquerors : the Marines, the Foreign Legion, the F.V.I. of Lyons, Vercoeur and the French Air Force.

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