

ALLIES KEEP UP PRESSURE ALL ALONG FRONT.

One of the most important and heartening successes on the western front was the irresistible surge through the Belfort Gap of the First French Army. In Montbeliard and other towns along the line of advance enthusiasm unbounded acclaimed the triumph of France in arms. General Bethouard was the hero of the day.

(GU Bethouard) As the General pursued the enemy to the Rhine thousands of prisoners gave themselves up to the French, a tonic indeed to the country now turning the tables on the German oppressors.

Eschweiler, barely thirty miles from Cologne, fell to the Americans. It was not captured without a struggle and snipers left behind had to be routed out.

Every German town we occupy yields its ~~quota~~ quota of sullen prisoners, many ~~of them~~ still believing ^{Germany} ~~that~~ *c win t war.*
~~some miracle Germany will yet win the war.~~

A few miles north of Eschweiler General Dempsey joined in the attack on Geilenkirchen. Flame throwing tanks went into action in a night attack.

Next morning the pressure was kept up, under conditions which in past wars would have ruled out any offensive.

(Post)
The capture of Geilenkirchen, jointly by ourselves and the Americans, proved to the enemy that Eisenhower meant what he said when he declared that the battle of Germany will be ~~decided~~ decided this side of the Rhine.

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(fox-hole) It amused the attacking British troops to see the German boast, "We Never Surrender". It is the clear intention of every commander on the western front to strike blows of increasing weight till the Germans ^{line} surrender unconditionally. Left of the ~~line~~ British and Canadians strike some of the heaviest blows of all.