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ALLIED FORCES IN NORMANDY GAIN ON WESTERN SECTOR--- NEAR ST. LO

CHINESE ARMIES KILL OVER 14,000 JAPANESE ATTACKING HENGYANG AREA

RUSSIA: Marshal Stalin has announced the capture of Grodno, last German bastion guarding the approaches to East Prussia. Grodno is 42 miles from German territory. Other Soviet armies were smashing west--- one reaching a position 60 miles northeast of Brest-Litovsk; another driving on Kaunas from Vilna. AP correspondent Eddy Gilmore wrote from Moscow Sunday:

"The German Army appears unable to establish a line strong enough to hold up the Russian liberation of the three Baltic republics...despite Nazi declarations that they will hold them."

NORMANDY: Allied Headquarters announced Sunday that our forces are advancing steadily on the western sector of the Normandy front. Allied troops have liberated the villages of La Tiboterie, Berotteville, Gaveus and Bougy--- and are gaining south of Le Hommet d'Arthonay. Other Allied troops have driven to within 1500 meters of pivotal St. Lo.

AIR WAR: Allied medium bombers operating over France hit rail and bridge targets at Paris, Droux, Grahville, Boissela la Lande and Ambriores. No Allied planes are missing from any of these actions.

Meantime, U. S. Fortresses and Liberators--- 1,000 strong--- Sunday hit communications and other targets in the Munich and Saarbrücken areas in a continuation of the unrelenting Allied attack on vital centers in southern Germany.

ITALY: Allied 8th Army troops captured Arezzo Sunday. This key Italian communications stronghold--- the center of 4 rail-lines and 5 highways--- is 60 kilometers ($37\frac{1}{2}$ miles) southeast of Florence. Arezzo guards the main approaches to the Goth Line which the Germans have been building across Italy for more than 6 months. The city was taken by British and Indian troops.

ENGLAND: German flying torpedoes hit London Saturday night for the first time in 5 nights.

CHINA: More than 14,000 Japanese troops were reported by the Chinese High Command to have been killed in ineffective attacks on Hengyang, key center on the Hankow-Canton railway, in the period between June 23rd and July 14th.

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