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Thurs day
March 15, 1945
Somewhere in France

my beloved Judy,

No doubt you are very confused by the writing under the date but while it is so, it would be impossible for me to explain the reason for it. You know, the censor man is still around. The place I'm now at isn't unfamiliar to me and possible if I remain here awhile I'll get another opportunity to visit Horie as I know exactly how to contact him.

Yesterday I didn't write you least as you might well be able to understand. Today I received two mail letters from you dated Feb 9th and 11th, a post card written at Grossinger's hotel plus a small special letter mailed dated Feb 17th.

The friend I mentioned while at my training camp was someone I met while there. No Ray wasn't there, & neither will he be, due to his age.

Glad you had your picture taken at a photographer and I hope the proofs develop to your satisfaction, so a copy will be rushed to me,

Well, now I comprehend the meaning of the sample letter and I'm glad you explained it to me as before I couldn't understand it.

Sam is assigned to one of the Infantry divisions that in the same Army as I'm in. Even though Sam is in the Infantry he has a very good job being a radioman in regiment headquarters. Even I operate a radio but its in my platoon and the only time its in operation is when we are in direct combat. I was assigned the job because of my past radio experience but don't think the job is any better than being a plain rifleman because it isn't. I haven't seen any signs of Sam's outfit near where I am, therefore I doubt

if I'll be able to contact him, 3
unless something occurs, whereby his
profit is near mine.

That's about all the news for
now sweetheart,

~~and~~ Possible I'll get a chance
to see a few motion pictures, this
time I hope the loud speaker will
be understandable.

Goodnight darling, pleasant
dreams, and don't forget for a minute
that I love you with all my
heart and I will forever,

yours,
Ben

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British... Push East

Three armored divisions of the British Second Army also were sweeping across the Westphalian plain toward Hanover, followed by the whole British Second Army, according to one report from the front. A tank division of Lieut. Gen. William H. Simpson's United States Ninth Army also burst through south of the Lippe River and was smashing along the northern edge of the Ruhr despite heavy resistance, while on the southern end of the front, where opposition also was stiff, Lieut. Gen. Alexander M. Patch threw the Twelfth Armored Division into his Seventh Army's drive southeast of Darmstadt. Heidelberg fell to General Patch's infantry today.

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1 Army's Twelfth Armored Division
 2 made swift progress across the
 3 Bavarian Plain today. By after-
 4 noon one of these had penetrated
 5 into Marienburg, a suburb of
 6 Wuerzburg across the Main River
 7 from the city. Other columns had
 8 pushed into Hettstadt, three miles
 9 to the south, and Winterhausen,
 10 four miles to the southwest of
 11 Wuerzburg. [The Associated Press
 12 said Ochsenfurt, southeast of
 13 Wuerzburg, also was reached.]

Other forces have reached a
 point just west of Bad Mergenheim
 on the Tauber River, twenty miles
 south, southwest of Wuerzburg.

The Eighth Infantry Regiment
 of the Fourth Infantry Division,

following behind the armor in this
 sector, cleared Tauberbischoffsheim
 on the Tauber sixteen miles south-
 west of Wuerzburg today after the
 tanks had swept through the town
 yesterday, and other armored
 forces are striking due south from
 the Bavarian plain. One of these
 reached captured Dallau, twenty-
 one miles east of Heidelberg today.

The Forty-Fifth Infantry Divi-
 sion is fighting in Aschaffenburg
 on the left flank of the Seventh
 Army front. The town, which has
 been heavily shelled and bombed,
 is burning briskly. Southeast of
 Aschaffenburg the Forty-Fifth
 and Third Infantry Divisions are
 making better progress. Dough-

Minister, and

including Zdenek Fierlinger, who is M. Benes' ambassador here, had proceeded in an atmosphere of "cordiality and friendship." It said questions concerning liberated Czechoslovakia and the Benes Government's authority there as well as Soviet aid and military assistance had been reviewed.

[President Benes has formed a new Czechoslovak Government, with M. Fierlinger as Premier, M. Masaryk as Foreign Minister, Gen. Ludwig Svoboda of the Czechoslovak First Army as War Minister and Jan Sramek, who was Premier of the Czech Government in London, in an as yet undisclosed role, said the Turkish Anatolian news agency, as recorded by the Federal Communications Commission.]

The keynote of Czechoslovak action can be

change of _____ at the highest level with the least delay."

Russia's decision to head its delegation with Mr. Gromykh rather than the man who participated with Mr. Eden and Mr. Stettinius in making the arrangements for the conference is viewed by most British observers as a gesture of Russian annoyance at the position of Great Britain and the United States on the Warsaw provincial government or as an indication that Russia has ceased to view the conference as important.

Russian Comment Mentioned

On the latter point it has been noted here that the Russian press has been emphasizing recently that nothing evolved at San Francisco could affect the functioning of the alliances Russia has c