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Maps: G.S.G.S. 4336 and 4249, 1:100,000
12 AG OUTLINE MAP 1:1,400,000
(Situation Map attached).

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1. FRONT LINE: See Map.

BOUNDARY CHANGES:

Boundary between XII and XX Corps: As before to PASSAU Q2213 (to XII Corps) - thence east along DANUBE River.

Boundary between V and XII Corps: As before to LAM U8779 - thence to U9181 - KLATOVY L0303 (all to V Corps) - BLOVICE L1925 - ROKYCANY L2143 (both to XII Corps).

Boundary between XIII and VII Corps: From vicinity C1444 - thence east along north borders of LANDKREIS NORTHEIM, LANDKREIS OSTERODE and LANDKREIS ZELLERFELD - south along east border LANDKREIS ZELLERFELD - eastward along south border LANDKREIS BLANKENBURG to vicinity D2559 - D3160 - thence east along former boundary between XIX and VII Corps.

Boundary between First and Third Armies becomes boundary between Ninth and Third Armies effective 11 May.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See Map.

3. ADJACENT UNITS AND SUPPORTING TROOPS.

6TH ARMY GROUP. (081200B). FIRST FRENCH ARMY. I French Corps. 4th French Mountain Division. (with the 126th Inf and 2d Gp Mor Tabors atchd). Units occupied ST GALLENKIRCH Z9433, an advance of five miles. Front line change: Z9433. 2d Moroccan Division. Units moved up to seven miles and reached STADLE V1644 and PETTNEU V2346. At the latter point units of the VI Corps were contacted. Front line change: V1644 - V2346.

II French Corps. No change.

SEVENTH ARMY. 3d, 45th, 63d and 100th Divisions. All no change.

VI Corps. No change.

XXI Corps. 2d French Armored Division. Combat Command "V" closed in the division assembly area in the vicinity of DIESSEN Y5133. The division was placed in Army Reserve. 12th Armored Division. Placed in Army Reserve.

XV Corps. No change.

21 ARMY GROUP. (081200B). SECOND BRITISH ARMY. XVIII Airborne Corps. No change.

VIII British Corps. 15th Division. The 46th Infantry Brigade moved north up to thirty-five miles and entered KIEL N5639. The 6th Armored Brigade moved northwest up to twenty-four miles and entered NEUMUNSTER N4711. Front line change: N5639 and N4711.

XII British Corps. 7th Armored Division. Moved northwest on an eight mile front, gained up to thirty-two miles and closed to within one mile of the KAISER WILHELM KANAL in the vicinity of N0616 and N0505. Front line change: N1213 - N0616 - N0615 - N0810 - N0505 - N1301.

XXX Corps. Guards Armored Division. The 32d Guards Brigade entered CUXHAVEN R6486. Front line change: R6486. 51st Division. The 153d Infantry Brigade moved west up to nine miles and entered BREMERHAVEN R5551. Front line change: R5551.



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I British Corps. No change.

FIRST CANADIAN ARMY. II Canadian Corps. Units continued movement to assigned occupational sectors. 4th Canadian Armored Division. The 4th Canadian Armored Brigade occupied area vicinity R2823. Front line change: R2823.

I Canadian Corps. 49th Division. Moved west up to fourteen miles on a ten-mile front. The 146th Infantry Brigade closed in an assembly area in the vicinity of UTRECHT E2191. Front line change: AMERSFOORT E3998 - Z3204 - HILVERSUM Z2506 - E1891 - E1991 - JUTPHAAS E1885 - E8183 - E3584 - DOORN E3684 - E4280 - E4380.

AIR. (8 May). Eighth Air Force: Dispatched twelve aircraft on leaflet dropping missions over Germany. Ninth Air Force: The Tactical Air Commands flew 474 sorties on patrols, fighter sweeps and demonstrations over Prisoner of War Camps. Claims included twelve enemy aircraft. 13 Aircraft were lost.

4. WEATHER. (Battle Area).

Precipitation: None. Clouds: None. Visibility: 2 - 3 miles becoming more than six miles by 1000B. Wind: Light and variable. Temperatures at WIESBADEN. Maximum 83° F. Minimum 53° F.

5. OUR OPERATIONS.

12TH ARMY GROUP. THIRD ARMY. No enemy activity on the army front. (Army Troops). 474th Infantry (non-div). No change. 70th Division. No change.

III Corps. 99th Division. Continued movement to an assembly area in the vicinity of WURZBURG N5835. 4th Division. Closed in an assembly area in the vicinity of NURNBERG O4100. 14th Cavalry Group. Closed in an assembly area in the vicinity of ERLANGEN O3316.

XX Corps. Front line: West bank of the EMMS River from V9349 to W0282. 80th Division. Withdrew all units to the west bank of the EMMS River. 71st Division. Withdrew all patrols to the west bank of the EMMS River. 65th Division. Contacted the 7th Russian Parachute Division in the vicinity of W1372. Withdrew all patrols to the west bank of the EMMS River.

XII Corps. 11th Armored Division. 41st Cavalry Squadron patrols made contact with Russian forces in the vicinity of W3072 at 081550B. 4th Armored Division. Adjusted its front line positions. Combat Command "B" assembled in the vicinity of L3710. Front line change: Q5492 and Q5698.

V Corps. 102d Cavalry Group. The 132d Cavalry Squadron moved to PILSEN L0642.

FIRST ARMY. (Army Troops). 78th Division. Attached in place to Ninth Army and further attached to the XIX Corps at 081600B.

NINTH ARMY. (Army Troops). 2d Armored Division. Continued to close in an assembly area south of BRAUNSCHEIG X9011.

VIII, VII and XIII Corps. All no change.

XIX Corps. Situation as of 082400B. Assumed responsibility for the former First Army rear area.

XVI Corps. 95th Division. The 337th Infantry Regiment relieved units of the 79th Division in the vicinity of RECKLINGHAUSEN A6235 and GLADBECK A4831. The 378th Infantry Regiment reverted to command and assembled in the vicinity of A7370. 29th Division. The 115th Infantry Regiment relieved the 378th Infantry Regiment (95th Division) in BREMEN W7498 and was attached to the XXX British Corps at 070600B.

FIFTEENTH ARMY. (Army Troops). 66th Division. (With the 422d and 423d RCTs attached). Enemy forces in the ST NAZAIRE N5663 sector surrendered unconditionally at 082400B. 106th Division. (Less the 422d and 423d RCTs). No change.

XXIII and XXII Corps. No change.

6. CASUALTIES. (cumulative to 082400B).

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	<u>Missing</u>	<u>Captured</u>	<u>Total</u>
12th Army Group Battle	74,174	297,561	34,644	10,176	416,555
Non-battle					328,559
			Total casualties		745,114

7. COMMAND POSTS: Changes during the day.

6th Army Group: 2d Moroccan Division LIMENSTADT C8787.

21st Army Group: I Canadian Corps Z7704; XII British Corps S3853; 3d British Division W2608; 49th British Division E2795; 51st Division R6049; Guards Armored Division CUXHAVEN R6486; 7th British Armored Division N1407; 4th Canadian Armored Division R3017; 5th Canadian Armored Division Q2213; 1st Polish Armored Division R1449.

12th Army Group: V Corps PILSEN L0642; 79th Division NEHEIM B1617; 95th Division LUDINGHAUSEN A8053.

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