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the Russian army was adding a
black Friday to the black Thurs-
day on which it amassed its greatest
victories of the war in a single day,
overrunning six of the biggest
German defense bastions on the
eastern front.With the capture of Brest-Litovsk,
Marshal Konstantin Rokossovsky
tore out the last German anchor
impeding a frontal push against
Warsaw, against which Russian
armored forces were driving within
less than 30 miles, at a rate prom-
ising to bring the Polish capital
under siege within a matter of days.Stockholm reports said German
authorities and Nazi party officials
were fleeing Warsaw, and had com-
pleted plans to evacuate its indus-
trial plants while Polish patriots
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Seven Key Towns Fall to Russ

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Gain 4 More Miles, Mass
Armor Outside
Coutances.

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the Germans were withdrawing as
fast as possible along the main road
down the west coast, with various
degrees of confusion in their ranks,
while a few miles inland the resis-
tance was stiffer in an attempt to set
up a wavering shield for the retreat.American forces moving down
from Periers penetrated within two
miles of St. Sauveur Lendelin, the
last major road center above Coutances.Coutances already was outflanked
on the southeast by armored units
which captured the eight-way high-
way junction of Cerisy-La-Salle, 11
miles southwest of St. Lo, and Notre
Dame-Le Cenilly, two and three-
quarters miles southeast of Cerisy.

Cut Many Highways

On the east wing of the American
front, Gen. Bradley's forces ad-
vanced two miles south of Le Mesnil
Herman, cutting a lateral road and
struck out southeast and southwest
down other roads leading inland to
the heart of Normandy.U. S. infantry moved forward to
improve their positions west of
Caumont at the extreme eastern
end of the American line, while a
new attack a little over a mile
southeast of St. Lo overran Hill 101.
This assault apparently was aimed
at ironing out the hump in the line
immediately east of St. Lo.Although the weather held down
air activity, fighter-bombers based
in France blasted German tanks and
horse-drawn artillery a mile
ahead of the American armor.Supreme headquarters did not ex-
pect to know for several days how
many Germans will be rounded up
as a result of the break-through.
The seven divisions in the pocket
above Coutances had taken bad
beating and were far below normal
strength.The British end of the Normandy
front was quiet after guns and
planes broke up another German at-
tempt to form an attack in the
Vieriers area late yesterday.

Town Seems Abandoned

United Press War Correspondent
James McGlinchy reported that one
U. S. armored column advanced
three and a half miles to within a
mile and a half south of Tessy-sur-Vire,
10 miles south of St. Lo, and recon-
naissance airmen said the town ap-
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Potato Patch Moved

Your dad said to tell you they
moved the potato patch to the old
log house and there's nothing in
the old potato patch. The garden
looks good except for the place
your father hoed out one row of
beets for weeds. I guess your
father doesn't like beets.They have two long rows of
sweet potatoes, about 100 feet each.
Aunt Mary has 135 chickens.
They're laying 15 or 16 eggs a day
and Aunt Mary got 25 cents a
dozen last Saturday. Ella said she
got 31 cents for her eggs yester-
day at the Regal store at Dana
and I think Aunt Mary is going to
check into that.

17 at the Table

They had 14 men and three
women there to eat. Aunt Mary
had to come home and cook for
your dad and Ed Ambrose, "her
men," as she called them. She is
serving tomatoes and cabbage out
of her garden and peaches out of
the orchard now.Your father and I stood out
near the gate that has the mason
jars hung on the pickets and he
told me that he and the Goforths
shared 62 bushels of oats this
year. Your father didn't have to
have threshing because Ed Goforth
took the straw and that
evened things up. The 30 acres
in corn are coming along. They've
quit plowing it. The nine acres
of soybeans look good but need
a few more rains.

New Parsonage Dedicated

Oh, yes, one more thing. In-
spired by Aunt Mary, the Dana
and Bono Methodist churches have
sold the parsonage on East A
street and have bought the Walker
property on East C street. They
dedicated it last Sunday and the
people around here are still think-
ing about the 17 stanza poem that
was composed and read by Mrs.
Grace Jenkins. I'll give you the first
few lines because they're about
Aunt Mary.Our district superintendent
held a meetin' here in May.
And consequences were

We had a debt to pay.

"We all come up from Boni,
And heard a sermon grand,
And at the business session,
Our Aunt Mary took a hand.She said: "Our parsonage needs
repairs."

It's in an awful state.

The paint is bad, the floors are
rough;

It's sadly out of date."

"Said she: "We'll sell this old one,
Buy a new one with the cash,
And if there's any boot to pay
We'll raise it in a flash."The rest of the poem goes on
to tell how the men shook their
heads and doubted if the women
could raise the money. But with
Aunt Mary running the show, the
campaign went right along."And it seems as tho' the money
Ain't been so hard to get,
And when the evening's over,
We'll have the bills all met.

"And so we're dedicatin',

That new parsonage so gay,

And our district superintendent
Ate chicken there today."They haven't done a thing to
your room. It looks just as same
as when you left.We went out in the yard to look
around. Everything needs rain,
"although we're not suffering," as
your dad put it. Old Betty, your
part collie and shepherd dog,
barks just as much as ever and"So long, from your old Dana
correspondent—ED."That's about all the news now,
Ernie, but I'll be in Dana again
before long. Maybe one of these
days I can get over to a meeting of
the Merry Housewives. Then
I'll have plenty to write about.So long, from your old Dana
correspondent—ED.

BAPTIST CHURCH

National Federation of Postoffice Clerks,
Claypool hotel.

Indianapolis Service Club, 8:30 p.m.

Indianapolis Yacht Club, Washington
hotel, 6:45 p.m.American Legion Festival, Riverside amuse-
ment center.Phi Delta Pi sorority, Beta chapter, Wash-
ington hotel, 7:30 p.m.

EVENTS TOMORROW

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Vanderbilt Hotel, 8:30 p.m.