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WHILE FIGHTING IN ITALY, THE ALLIES BEGAN PLANS TO INVADE EUROPE The Plan was given the code **hame** "Operation overlord" US ceneral DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER was given command of it over 3 million US, British, 5 canadian troops assembled in Uk WHICH LEADS TO ...



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"OPERATION) OVERLORD"

June 6, 1944 - Allied forces attack the beaches of Normandy, France

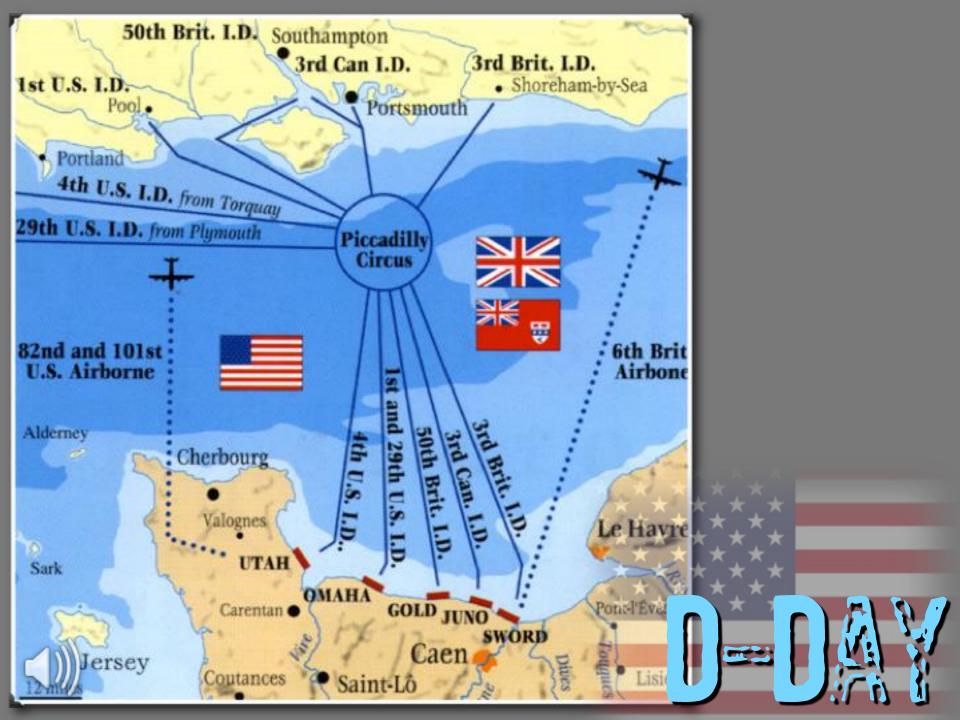
Paratroopers dropped behind enemy lines to secure key sites

Pre-dawn naval bombardment of German defenses along the coast

3.5 MILLION troops used amphibious crafts to Land under heavy fire

Allies had built a phony army as a diversion for Germans at Calais

IT WORKED, AND HITLER REFUSED TO PARISONN REINFORCEMENTS TO NORMANDY







The Allies suffered an estimated 10,000 casualties at Normandy

By early July, the Allies had landed nearly 1 mil troops, 180K vehicles TANKS, JEEPS, SUPPLIES, FORCES THAT WOULD PUSH INTO FRANCE & GERMANY

By August, Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army rolled into France LIBERATING FRANCE

8/25/44 - US AND FRENCH FORCES

LIBERATE PARIS, DRIVE NAZIS INTO

RETREAT SEPT 1944 - WESTERN FRONT HAD BEEN RIPPED OPEN, GERMANY WAS IN RETREAT



HOWEVER ...

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THE BATTLE OF THE BUILDE

Fall 1944 - Allies pushed east toward Germany, chasing retreating Nazis 12/16/44 - Hitler orders a Last-ditch. surprise attack THE WAS THE FINAL GERMAN ATTACK OF WWII Germans attack the 101st Airborne and pin them down near Bastogne CAUGHT IN FREEZING TEMPS, W/O SUPPLIES AND CUT OFF FROM REINFORCEMENTS

12/26/44 - American tanks arrive and drive the Germans into final retreat

BY SUMMER 1944, GERMANY WAS RETREATING ON ALL FRONTS SOVIETS WERE dRIVING INTO THE German heartland in the east americans, Brits, French Were PUSHING INTO THE REIGH IN THE WEST

BUT AS THEY ADVANCED, THEY FOUND...

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Allied troops liberated Nazi death camps in western & eastern fronts Soviets were first to find Atrocities, concentration camps in Poland

6 MILLION JEWS WERE KILLED IN MASS executions, concentration camps to cover up the evidence, Germans cremated/ buried mass heaps of bodies

FDR had been reluctant to accept Jewish refugees to America HE ALLOWED JEWS OF SPECIAL MERIT, BUT DENIED THE AVERAGE REFUGEE



THE VIEW CONFERENCE

Feb. 1945 - FDR, Churchill, Stalin meet at Valta in the USSR to discuss play for war's end & peace ACHIEUEMENTS OF THE MEETING After the war. Germany would be divided into 4 military zones, occupied by Allies West Germany - 3 zones (US, UK, France) East Germany - 1 Larger zone (USSR) City of Berlin - split into 4 military zones Stalin would allow free, democratic elections in Poland & eastern Europe Soviets would declare war on Japan



A LOSS FOR THE

4/12/45 - FDR unexpectedly dies in Warm Springs, GA

FDR's sudden death was shocking, sank the nation into despain he was more than a leader, he was a fatherly figure and a friend

Vice President Harry S. Truman was sworn in and became the 33rd POTUS



Unconditional surrender of all German forces was announced yesterday by the German High

Grand Adm. Doenitz, successor to Hitler, ordered the surrender and the German High Command declared it effective, the German approximatement said

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SURRENDERS By April 1945, German Resistance was defeated & the Reich was done 4/20/45 - As the Soviets shelled Berlin, Hitler and his top officials committed suicide in his bunker

HITLER'S DEATH CAUSED DESERTIONS & SURRENDERS AMONG NAZI FORCES

5/7/1945 - GERMANY SURRENDERS UNCONDITIONALLY TO THE ALLIES 5/8/45 - "V-E Day" (VICTORY IS EUROPE) Officially ENDS THE WAR IN EUROPE WHILE THE PACIFIC RAGES ON







Write <u>ThRee</u> things you Learned today about:

1) The Invasion of Europe 2) The Battle of the Bulge 3) The Yalta Conference 4) The German Surrender