

# 'La Prestone' Melts Hearts Of the French

Word that the Second French Armored Division, commanded by Gen. Jacques Philippe Leclerc, is now fighting with the Allies in France was released at SHAEF last night. It was formed in North Africa after the final liberation of Tunisia in May, 1943.

Released at the same time was this yarn from Tom Hoge, Stars and Stripes reporter who saw the division wildly welcomed by the populace of a town in Normandy on Aug. 7:

As each tank rolled by, crowds lining the sidewalks would read aloud the name stenciled on the front and shout it to those in the rear.

"Vive Bordeaux!" they shouted, and a cheer went up. "Vive Lorraine!" Another cheer.

Somewhere along the route a GI supply truck had slipped into the convoy. Stenciled on the radiator was the familiar sign, "Prestone 1943," indicating that Prestone had been put into the cooling system.

"Vive La Prestone!" shouted the crowd wildly.

and confident assent from all the Powers concerned in the security and economic progress of the Pacific regions."

Today more than a million American soldiers are fighting in the Pacific to prepare the ground for these constructive ideas—in which Japan will be able to participate, as the President says, "only after years of proof" that we can trust her.

### *Liverpool Lights Up*

**A**LL belligerent Europe is looking with envious eyes at Liverpool where, for the first time since September 2, 1939, the blackout has been lifted and street lamps turned on throughout three miles of streets in the center of the city.

Liverpool has thus become the first city in Britain to banish the blackout in part with "moonlight," which is described as "100 times more brilliant than London's starlight." To young children who never had seen lighted street lamps the new street lighting was as good as a "cinema" and late homegoers rejoiced in being able to read newspapers as they waited for buses and trams.

Meanwhile the rest of the British Isles waits hopefully for Allied arms to make it possible for them, too, to turn their lights on in a victory celebration.