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GERMANY - "Now they know what it's like."

These are Refugees...an all too familiar sight in warring Europe
But these are refugees with a notable difference...They are Germans.
Now that they find themselves playing the role they and their leaders have forced upon millions they look just as wretched. Allied
Military Government Police, who are hamiling them don't help them on with termy guns and bayonets as German busbands and sons and busthers did to their enemies; but they're handled firmly none the less
these scowling members of the Master Race.

Many of them are cursing the Nazis, the war, their misfortune, and, (judging by their sullen faces and resentful looks)...most of them are none too fond of us....

They are taken off to where they will be able to do no harm by giving information of Allied troop movements. These people, who have been party to so much suffering to the world feel the impact of, not only the disaster which has evertaken them, but the knowledge of their country's monstrous guilt.

Seen from an observation post - the shroud which hangs over doomed Aachen as Allied Artillery and dive-bombers open up after the German's refusal to surrender.

The Germans obviously intended Aachen to be a test-case... And this is the allies' answer... an answer and a warning to the rest of Germany.