

'Forts' Get 100 Nazi Planes

In Day Battles

FIRST reports of the great air battles between Flying Fortresses and German fighters over Schweinfurt and Regensburg on Tuesday indicate that more than 100 enemy planes were shot down.

United States Army headquarters made this announcement last night and said that fighter opposition was the most desperate yet encountered by United States bombers in this theatre.

Hundreds of planes attacked the bomber formations and fighting continued for more than an hour and a half in the Schweinfurt attack.

More than 100 fighters were destroyed by the Fortresses and their escort of P47 fighters, according to the early reports.

Fierce opposition had also to be overcome by the formation which attacked Regensburg and then flew on to Africa.

No reports as to the number of enemy aircraft destroyed or the bombers lost have yet been received.