FRANCE:
American First Army troops have enlarged their breach in the Siegfried Line to the north of Aachen. In Aachen itself, tank troops have reduced the German pocket of resistance holding out in the northeastern part of the city. American Third Army troops have continued to gain ground near Metz. German resistance in this sector is described as "light." Allied Seventh Army troops fighting in eastern France have pushed deeper into the Vosges foothills. More than 550 heavy American bombers yesterday pasted the battered city of Cologne again. In the past five days, Allied bombers have unloaded more than 10,000 tons of bombs on Cologne.

British Second Army troops advancing past Venray in eastern Holland have liberated two more towns in their drive for the Maas River and the German border. British rocket-firing Typhoons are flying close air support for the British forces. Canadian troops have reduced the size of the "Scheldt Pocket" by 2. South of the Scheldt other Canadian troops were last reported about a mile and a half from Breskens. North of Antwerp, the Canadians have tightened their grip on the Beverland Hook. RAF heavy bombers made a daylight raid on Bonn. The tank-manufacturing town of Kassel in Germany was also attacked.

Adolph Hitler has issued a proclamation ordering every able-bodied German civilian between the ages of 16 and 60 to serve in the new "Peoples' Army." Himmler will be in command of the army.

The Allied High Command has completed its plan for the occupation of Germany. Some of the points of the plan are as follows: The Nazi party will be completely obliterated and all Nazis will be thrown out of office in Germany; Germany will not be granted an armistice; there will be no confiscation of German property other than that owned by the Nazi party.

RUSSIA:
Powerful forces of the Fourth Ukrainian Front have rocketed through 6 Carpathian passes including the famous "Tartar Pass," on a front of 170 miles and have knifed into Czechoslovakia to a depth of from 12 to 30 miles. The eastern flank goes all the way across Czechoslovakia to link up with Russian troops pushing their way through Transylvania, the Hungarian puppet government held an emergency meeting yesterday. The Germans admitted today that many Hungarian soldiers had laid down their arms and refused to fight when Regent Hurthy called on the Hungarian army to quit fighting against the Allies.

Bitter house-to-house fighting is still going on in Belgrade. Russian and Yugoslav troops now hold almost all of the city. Marshall Stalin gave another dinner at the Kremlin last night for Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden.

ENGLAND:
Flying bombs came over southern England last night. London had a short alert.

ITALY:
Canadian and Indian troops of the Eighth Army have got to within two miles of Cepha on the Adriatic coast of Italy. Fifth Army troops have edged closer to Foggia. More British paratroops have been landed near Athens. More supplies and troops are pouring into the Cepha of Greece. Allied heavy bombers from Italy yesterday hit rail targets in Yugoslavia.

PACIFIC:
The Japanese radio announced today that American forces had begun landings on the Philippine Islands on Tuesday morning. Allied headquarters had nothing to say about this report.
American land based bombers yesterday attacked the island of Mindanao in the Philippines. American carrier planes again attacked the island of Luzon on Tuesday.
PACIFIC CONTINUED:

They sink or set on fire 7 Japanese ships and destroy 19 planes on the ground.

Admiral Nimitz said last night that "the action was still going on." He also gave news that American troops had captured Ngulud atoll in the Western Carolines. Enemy opposition there was slight. In the attacks on Formosa, the Ryuku Islands and on the Philippines, 128 Jap ships and 945 planes were destroyed between October 9 and October 16. American losses in that period were 94 planes. American heavy bombers have made yet another raid on the Jap oil refineries at Balik Papan on Dutch Borneo.

Indian troops of the British Fourteenth Army have captured the big Jap base of Tiddim in Burma.

FLASH:

The Germans said late today that Russian forces had penetrated into East Prussia for several miles and had taken a town inside the East Prussian border.