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FRANCE:

AMERICAN THIRD ARMY TROOPS UNDER GENERAL PATTON HAVE SMASHED TO THE WESTERN BANK OF THE SAAR RIVER ON A 10 MILE FRONT AND ARE THREATENING THREE TOWNS IN THE SAAR BASIN. THE YANKS HAVE REACHED THE SAAR ABOVE AND BELOW THE SEIGFRIED LINE TOWN OF MERZIG. ONE THIRD ARMY FORCE IS WITHIN $7\frac{1}{2}$ MILES OF THE BIG GERMAN CITY OF SAARBRUCKEN. AMERICAN MEDIUM AND FIGHTER BOMBERS OVER THIS FRONT YESTERDAY HAMMERED GERMAN GUN POSITIONS AND STRONG POINTS IN FRONT OF THE ADVANCING AMERICANS AND ALSO HIT TARGETS ALONG AND IN BACK OF THE RHINE RIVER.

GENERAL SIMPSON'S AMERICAN NINTH ARMY TROOPS ARE FIGHTING IN THE ROER RIVER TOWN OF LINNICH. THE GERMANS ARE FIGHTING BACK STUBBORNLY IN THE ROER RIVER VALLEY AND AGAINST AMERICAN FIRST ARMY TROOPS WEST OF DUREN. THE NAZIS HAVE BEEN USING LARGE NUMBERS OF FLYING BOMBS ON THE NINTH ARMY FRONT AND LAST NIGHT A FORCE OF FOCKE-WOLFE FIGHTERS RAIDED TARGETS BEHIND THE AMERICAN LINES. AMERICAN PLANES GAVE CLOSE SUPPORT TO AMERICAN TROOPS IN THE AACHEN-GELLENKIRCHEN AREAS YESTERDAY.

AMERICAN AND FRENCH TROOPS OF THE SEVENTH ARMY HAVE DRIVEN 20 MILES BOTH TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH OF STRASBOURG. NORTH OF STRASBOURG, YANK FORCES ARE FIGHTING NEAR HAGUENAU, THE KEY TOWN GUARDING THE WAY TO THE GERMAN CITY OF KARLSRUHE. SOUTH OF STRASBOURG, SEVENTH ARMY TROOPS ARE PRESSING DOWN THE ROAD TO COLMAR. IN STRASBOURG ITSELF, HEAVY FIGHTING HAS BEEN GOING ON AROUND THE WESTERN END OF THE KEHL BRIDGE ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF THE CITY. A FRENCH FORCE PRESSING THROUGH THE VOSGES IS CLOSING ON THE BIG FRENCH TOWN OF SELESTAT WITH GREAT SPEED.

RAF BOMBER COMMAND MOSQUITOS LAST NIGHT ATTACKED THE GERMAN TOWN OF KARLSRUHE WITHOUT LOSS.

RUSSIA:

MARSHALL TOLBUKHIN'S THIRD UKRANIAN ARMY DRIVING ACROSS SOUTHWESTERN HUNGARY HAS REACHED THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE TOWN OF DOMBOVAR MORE THAN 30 MILES PAST THE DANUBE RIVER. THE RUSSIANS HAVE SWUNG IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION TOWARDS BUDAPEST, ABOUT 80 MILES AWAY. THE GERMANS SAY THAT THE REDS HAVE ESTABLISHED SEVERAL NEW BRIDGEHEADS ACROSS THE LOWER DANUBE RIVER. IN EASTERN CZECHOSLOVOKIA, THE SOVIETS HAVE MADE MORE GOOD GAINS TOWARDS THE SOUTHERN BORDER OF POLAND.

GENERAL DE GAULLE HAS ARRIVED IN MOSCOW FOR TALKS WITH MARSHALL STALIN.

ENGLAND:

THERE WAS ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY OVER SOUTHERN ENGLAND DURING THE NIGHT. SOME 2000 SOLDIERS FROM THE MIDDLE EAST HAVE ARRIVED IN BRITAIN ON LEAVE. ENGLAND HAS JUST LAUNCHED A NEW BATTLESHIP THAT WHEN FITTED WITH ARMOR AND GUNS WILL BE THE MOST POWERFUL WARSHIP IN THE WORLD.

ITALY:

BOTH THE AMERICAN FIFTH AND BRITISH EIGHTH ARMIES HAVE MADE SLIGHT GAINS IN ITALY YESTERDAY. FIGHTER BOMBERS HAVE HIT TARGETS IN THE PO VALLEY AND BRENNER PASS.

PACIFIC:

AMERICAN FORCES ON LEYTE ISLAND HAVE REPULSED TWO JAP "SUICIDE" COUNTERATTACKS WITH BAYONETS. THERE HAS BEEN NO MAJOR CHANGE IN THE FIGHTING IN BURMA.

IN CHINA, THE JAPS HAVE PRESSED DEEPER INTO KWANGSE PROVINCE. A CHUNGKING COMMUNIQUE SAYS THAT CHINESE FORCES HAVE WITHDRAWN TO PREPARED POSITIONS ALONG THE BORDER OF KWELCHOW, THE NEXT PROVINCE TO THE NORTH.