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RUSSIA:

MARSHALL STALIN ANNOUNCED IN AN ORDER OF THE DAY THAT THE RUSSIANS HAD DRIVEN INTO GERMAN SILESIA. GENERAL CHERNYAVHOVSKY'S ARMY IN EAST PRUSSIA HAS CAPTURED TILSIT AND WAS LAST REPORTED WITHIN 45 MILES OF KOENIGSBERG. MARSHALL ZHUKOV'S ARMY WAS LAST REPORTED MORE THAN 100 MILES WEST OF WARSAW. THE RUSSIANS HAVE MADE GAINS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE CARPATHIANS.

MARSHALL STALIN ANNOUNCED IN AN ORDER OF THE DAY EARLY THIS EVENING THAT MARSHALL KONEV'S FIRST UKRAINIAN ARMY HAD DRIVEN INTO GERMAN SILESIA FOR 20 MILES ON A 60 MILE FRONT. THE GERMANS SAY THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE DRIVEN TO WITHIN 30 MILES OF THE GREAT CITY OF Breslau. GENERAL PETROFF'S ARMY IN THE CARPATHIANS ALONG THE BORDER OF SOUTHERN POLAND HAS MADE BIG GAINS AND CAPTURED THE CITY OF NOWYSACZ, 40 MILES SOUTHEAST OF CRACOW.

MARSHALL ZHUKOV'S SECOND WHITE RUSSIAN ARMY WAS LAST REPORTED MORE THAN 100 MILES WEST OF WARSAW. ZHUKOV'S MOTORIZED COLUMNS ARE WITHIN 70 MILES OF THE BIG POLISH CITY OF POZNAW ON THE ROAD TO BERLIN. THE GERMANS ADMITTED TODAY THAT THE FIRST WHITE RUSSIAN ARMY UNDER MARSHALL BOKOSOVOSKY HAD DRIVEN ACROSS THE SOUTHERN BORDER OF EAST PRUSSIA. THIS NEW DRIVE IS A THREAT TO THE WHOLE EAST PRUSSIAN LINE.

GENERAL IVAN D. CHERNYAKHOVSKY'S THIRD WHITE RUSSIAN ARMY HAS CAPTURED THE FORTRESS CITY OF TILSIT AND IS DRIVING TOWARDS KOENIGSBERG, THE CAPITOL OF EAST PRUSSIA. THE REDS WERE LAST REPORTED WITHIN 45 MILES OF KOENIGSBERG. SOUTH OF TILSIT THE SOVIETS HAVE TAKEN ANOTHER TOWN AND THE CITY OF INSTERBURG IS NOW IN DANGER OF BEING OUTFLANKED.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT SO FAR IN THEIR WINTER OFFENSIVE THE RUSSIANS HAVE KILLED 65,000 GERMANS AND HAVE TAKEN 25,000 PRISONERS.

BELGIUM:

AMERICAN FIRST ARMY TROOPS ARE CONVERGING ON ST VITH FROM THE NORTH AND WEST AND WERE LAST REPORTED WITHIN 3 MILES OF THE BIG SUPPLY AND COMMUNICATION CENTER. THIRD ARMY FORCES ON THE SOUTHERN FLANK OF THE ARDENNES SALIENT HAVE PRESSED FURTHER BEYOND DIEKIRCH. BRITISH SECOND ARMY FORCES BETWEEN THE MAAS AND ROER RIVERS ARE RUNNING INTO STIFF GERMAN OPPOSITION. BRITISH TANKS ARE NOW WELL ACROSS THE ROAD LEADING TO ROERMOND. UNITED KINGDOM TROOPS WITH THE CANADIAN FIRST ARMY HAVE RETAKEN A TOWN BETWEEN ARNHEM AND NIJMEGEN. BRITISH TYPHOONS YESTERDAY ATTACKED V-2 SITES IN HOLLAND.

THE FRENCH FIRST ARMY IN A NEW ATTACK IN ALSACE HAS GAINED 3½ MILES ON A 25 MILE FRONT NEAR THE GERMAN POCKET AT COLMAR. THE GERMANS ADMITTED TODAY THAT VERY FIERCE FIGHTING GOING ON ON THIS FRONT.

AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS WERE OVER GERMANY TODAY.

PACIFIC:

AMERICAN FORCES HAVE MADE TWO NEW LANDINGS IN THE PHILIPPINES ON SMALL ISLANDS. ON LUZON ISLAND THE YANKS ARE GATHERING FOR A DRIVE ON CLARK AIRFIELD. JAP RESISTANCE ON THE AMERICAN LEFT FLANK IS CRUMBLING. THE JAP RADIO TODAY REPORTED CARRIER PLANES ATTACKING FORMOSA AND OKINAWA.

BRITISH 14TH ARMY TROOPS WERE LAST REPORTED 12 MILES WEST OF MANDALAY. THE JAP PREMIER, KOISO, TOLD THE JAPANESE DIET THAT "JAPAN WAS NOW FACED WITH THE MOST CRITICAL CRISIS OF THE WAR." HE ALSO SAID THAT "JAPAN PINS HER CHIEF HOPES ON THAT THE ALLIED SUPPLY LINES ARE BECOMING LONGER AND THEREFORE EASIER TO ATTACK."