MORE THAN 1500 AMERICAN CARRIER-BORNE DIVING BOMBER, TORPEDO BOMBER AND FIGHTER AIRCRAFT OPERATING FROM THE GREATEST TASK FORCE EVER ASSEMBLED TODAY PULVERIZED AIRFIELDS AND MILITARY TARGETS IN AND AROUND TOKYO BEGINNING AT DAWN AND ENDING INTO THE AFTERNOON. THE TOKYO RADIO SAID THAT THE AMERICAN PLANES HAD ATTACKED THE JAPANESE CAPITAL FOR 9 HOURS AND THE JAPS SAID THAT THE AMERICAN TASK FORCE WAS STILL OPERATING IN THE WATERS OFF JAPAN AND THAT "MORE IS STILL TO COME."

THIS MASSIVE AMERICAN TASK FORCE COMMANDED BY THE FAMOUS VICE ADMIRAL MARK MITCHER OF "TASK FORCE 50" FAME IS COMPOSED OF A NUMBER OF THE NEWEST AMERICAN BATTLESHIPS AND THE GREATEST NUMBER OF AMERICAN CARRIERS EVER TO BE USED IN A TASK FORCE. THE COLUMN OF AMERICAN SHIPS WAS OPERATING ABOUT 500 MILES OFF TOKYO AND THE COLUMN EXTENDED OVER 200 MILES OF WATER. THE PLANES AND WARSHIPS ALSO ARE ATTACKING THE VOLCANO AND IWO JIMA ISLANDS OFF JAPAN. THE JAPS SAY THAT ABOUT 30 WARSHIPS ARE BOMBARDING IWO JIMA.

THIS GREAT ATTACK ON THE CAPITAL OF JAPAN HAS BEEN LONG PLANNED AND IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT THE ATTACKS MAY COVER LANDINGS BY ALLIED TROOPS WITHIN THE INNER CIRCLE OF JAP ISLANDS. THE ATTACKS ARE ALSO THE MOST SERIOUS CHALLENGE SO FAR TO THE JAP FLEET TO COME OUT AND FIGHT. AMERICAN SUPER FORTRESSES FLYING FROM THE MARIANAS YESTERDAY ATTACKED A BIG AIRCRAFT PLANT AT NAGOYA, THE THIRD OLDEST OF JAPAN.


MARSHALL ZHUKOV’S FIRST WHITE RUSSIAN ARMY IS OFFICIALY REPORTED TO BE OPERATING ON THE BURGA SIDE OF THE ODER. MARSHALL KOKOSOVSKY’S SECOND WHITE RUSSIAN ARMY HAS FURTHER UP THE FORMER POLISH CORRIDOR AND HAS TAKEN THE TRAFFIC CENTER OF CHONICE.


AMERICAN TROOPS HAVE MADE LOCAL GAINS ACROSS FROM THEIR BRIDGEHEADS OVER THE RHINE AND OUR TROOPS. GENERAL PATTON’S TROOPS HAVE ENTERED A TOWN ABOUT A DOZEN MILES WESTWARD FROM THE
A PEST ATTACK BY THE AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY HAS GAINED 1 ALL ON A 5 ALL FEAT
EAST OF SARREBOURG.

THE GERMAN RADIO TODAY REPORTED ALLIED BOMBER FORMATIONS OVER NORTHEAST GERMANY,
SLOVAKIA, BAVARIA AND AUSTRIA.

ALLIED PLANES FROM ITALY YESTERDAY FLEW SOME 1600 SORTIES INCLUDING ATTACKS ON
THE VIENNA AREA BY AMERICAN HEAVIES, AND ATTACKS ON AN OIL PLANT NEAR FLOMS.