GERMANY:  
AMERICAN FIRST AND NINTH ARMY TROOPS FIGHTING ACROSS THE ROER RIVER HAVE MADE GOOD HEADWAY DESPITE STIFF GERMAN RESISTANCE. AT ONE POINT BETWEEN DUREN AND JULICH THE AMERICANS HAVE DRIVEN 34 MILES PAST THE ROER AND HAVE CROSSED ANOTHER RIVER, A TRIBUTARY OF THE ROER AND HAVE CAPTURED 2 TOWNS ON THE FAR SIDE OF THE RIVER. FROM NORTH OF LINNICH TO SOUTH OF DUREN THE AMERICANS HAVE CLOSED THE RIVER AT MANY POINTS AND TROOPS AND SUPPLIES ARE STREAMING ACROSS THE BRIDGES AND THE BRIDGES ARE BEING BUILT UP AND STRENGTHENED. AMERICAN FIRST ARMY TROOPS ARE REPORTED TO HOLD 1/3 OF DUREN, LESS THAN 20 MILES FROM COLOGNE. UP TO MIDNIGHT YESTERDAY THE AMERICANS HAD TAKEN 1200 PRISONERS. GERMAN RESISTANCE STIFFENED LATE IN THE DAY YESTERDAY BUT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE THAT THE GERMANS HAVE BROUGHT UP REINFORCEMENTS YET.  
NINTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE TAKEN ALL OF JULIEH EXCEPT THE CITADEL AND HAVE TAKEN AT LEAST 6 OTHER TOWNS. THE GERMANS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE 5 DIVISIONS FIGHTING THE AMERICANS. AMERICAN CASUALTIES IN THE BRIDGING OF THE ROER WERE EXTREMELY LIGHT.  
GENERAL PATTONS AMERICAN THIRD ARMY TROOPS HAVE BEEN MAKING EXCELLENT PROGRESS SOUTHWEST OF PRUM. HERE A NUMBER OF SMALL TOWNS HAVE FALLEN. GERMAN RESISTANCE ON THIS SECTOR IS CRUMBLING AND THIRD ARMY MEN TOOK OVER 1000 PRISONERS YESTERDAY. THE AMERICANS HAVE STRENGTHENED THEIR BRIDGEHEADS OVER THE SAAR BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH OF SAARBURG AND THE TOWN OF SAARIG ON THE EASTERN BANK OF THE SAAR IS REPORTED TO BE COMPLETELY IN AMERICAN HANDS. AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY TROOPS ARE REPORTED TO BE FIGHTING ACROSS THE SAAR RIVER SOUTH OF SAARBURG.  
AMERICAN FIRST ARMY TROOPS ARE REPORTED TO BE WITHIN A MILE OF WEEZE AND LESS THAN A MILE FROM CALCAR.  
ALLEH AIRMEN KEPT UP THEIR NON-STOP BOMBING OF GERMANY LAST NIGHT AND IN DAYLIGHT TODAY. RAF FORMIAS LAST NIGHT HIT BERLIN FOR THE FOURTH NIGHT RUNNING AND ALSO ATTACKED GERMAN TRANSPORT TARGETS ALONG THE UPPER RHINE. TODAY, MORE THAN 1100 EIGHTH AIR FORCE HEAVIES ESCORTED BY 500 FIGHTERS RIPPED OIL REFINERIES NEAR HAMBURG AND HANNOVER AND ATTACKED GERMAN U-BOAT FLEETS. IT IS NOT KNOWN THAT IN THE państ ATTACK ON GERMAN COMMUNICATIONS ON THURSDAY, BETWEEN 8000 AND 9000 ALLIED PLANES TOOK PART.  
RUSSIA:  
THE RUSSIANS HAVE CAPTURED THE HEDGEHOG CITY OF POZNAN IN WESTERN POLAND, Bypassed in Marshal Zhukov's drive to the middle beaches of the oder east of Berlin. POZNAN, THE LAST GERMAN BASTION IN WESTERN POLAND, COST THE GERMANS 50,000 MEN IN KILLED OR TAKEN PRISONER. THERE IS KILOMETRE STREET FIGHTING GOING ON IN POZNAN WHERE RED ARMY ASSAULT TROOPS HAVE BROKEN INTO THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE CITY. IN EAST PRUSSIA THE RUSSIANS HAVE TIGHTENED THEIR HOLD ON KONIGSBERG. THE GERMANS SAY THERE IS GERMAN FIGHTING GOING ON NEAR THE BORDER OF POZNAH, 60 MILES SOUTHWEST OF DANTZIG, WHERE THE RUSSIANS ARE HEAVILY ATTACKING.  
MASHALL KONEV'S TROOPS ARE HAMMERING THE GERMAN DEFENSES ALONG THE NEISE BIVER. THE GERMAN RADIO CLAIMED TODAY THAT KONEV'S MEN HAD ESTABLISHED BRIDGEHEADS ACROSS THE NEISE RIVER YESTERDAY AND WERE ATTEMPTING FURTHER CROSSINGS OF THE RIVER TODAY.  
ITALY:  
FOR THE FOURTH DAY RUNNING, ALLIED PLANES FROM ITALY FLEW MORE THAN 2000 SORTIES YESTERDAY. THE PLANES ATTACKED GERMAN COMMUNICATIONS IN AUSTRIA AND IN NORTHERN ITALY.
ADMIRAL NIMITZ HAS ANNOUNCED THAT AMERICAN MARINES HAVE REACHED THE SOUTHERN TIP OF THE CENTRAL AIRSTRIP ON IWO JIMA AND THAT THE MARINES ARE STRIKING OUT FROM THEIR POSITIONS SUPPORTED BY THE HEAVY GUNS OF AMERICAN WARSHIPS. THE JAPS HAVE BEEN USING A 1000 POUND ROCKET MORTAR AGAINST THE MARINE BEACHHEADS. THE JAPS SAID TODAY THAT THE MARINES HAD ESTABLISHED 2 NEW BEACHHEADS ON THE ISLAND.


A FORCE OF 150 AMERICAN SUPER FORTS FLYING FROM INDIA BOMBED RANGOON TODAY. ANOTHER FORCE OF THE GIANT BOMBERS FROM INDIA ATTACKED SINGAPORE. TROOPS OF THE CHINESE FIRST ARMY IN NORTHWEST BURMA, ARE MOVING STEADILY TOWARDS LASHIO.