GERMANY:
American First and Ninth Army troops moving onto the plain of Cologne have
Driven some 7 miles past the Rhon river and have established their front out to
Almost 30 miles wide. Troops of the Ninth Army at the northern end of the front
Are within 10 miles of the industrial city of Linzhen Gladbach. Both the Ninth
And First Army troops are being supported by armor and both armies are within 15
Miles of the great city of Cologne on the Rhine. Ninth Army troops alone took
900 prisoners in yesterday’s fighting and captured another 12 places. The Germans
Have been throwing in reserves straight from the march but resistance is still
described as “moderate.”

American Third Army forces have pushed across the Rhon river at several places
And have driven 3½ miles on a 15 mile front and are now threatening the big road
Junction of Bitburg. In this area alone the Yanks bagged 2700 prisoners yesterday.
One Third Army armored division has driven 10 miles across the German border near
Bitburg. The Germans have been counterattacking the Third Army bridgehead across
The Saar dividend but have been beaten back.

Canadian First Army troops launched a new attack before dawn this morning and
Gained 1½ miles in three hours to the south of Cologny. Welsh troops are within
1200 yards of Meese.

More than 1200 American heavy bombers escorted by 70 fighters today bombed
Rail targets in the center of Berlin. The Yanks unloaded their bombs for
An hour on the German capital. As the American bombers were coming back, a force
Of RAF Lancasters attacked a synthetic oil plant near Dortmund. This is the third
day running that Lancasters have found German oil targets in the Dortmund area.
Raf Mosquitoes hit Berlin with 4000 pound bombs last night for the sixth night
Running. In daylight yesterday, over 1500 American heavies attacked the Munich
Rail yards and 2 other main line junctions in South Germany. Allied tactical
Planes flew nearly 3000 sorties yesterday. British Typhoons flew to Hannover in
Central Germany yesterday and scored hits with 90 rockets on oil tanks.

RUSSIA:
There is savage fighting going on along the coast near Königsberg in East
Prussia where the Russians are slowly mopping out the large force of Germans trapped
There. The Germans have been counterattacking northwest of the East Prussian
capitol but have been beaten back. Southwest of Königsberg the Red’s have driven
Near the city.

There has been bitter house to house fighting in the southern part of Breslau. The
Russian assault troops backed by artillery and mobile guns have broken into the
Hindenburg square.

Correspondents in Moscow say that Marshal Zhukov’s right flank in Pommerania
Is moving towards Stettin again.

PACIFIC:
Three marine divisions on Iwo Jima have captured most of the central airfield
On the island. American carrier planes and big guns of the Pacific fleet are
Supporting the marine advance. American liberator bombers have struck at airfields
In the Bonin islands.

On Luzon, American troops have taken 2 more towns, one about 10 miles northeast
Of Manila.

There is severe fighting going on at the 14th Army bridgehead west of Mandalay.

ITALY:
Allied bombers from Italy flew 2100 sorties yesterday. American heavies hit
Communications in the Vienna area again. Medium bombers cut the Brenner rail
Lines in 13 places. Fighters and fighter bombers went for targets in wide areas
Of Austria and Northern Italy. The German radio today reported Allied bomber
Formations over Austria and Czechoslovakia.