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GERMANY:

AMERICAN NINTH ARMY TROOPS NOW STAND ON THE RHINE PRACTICALLY ALL THE WAY FROM NEUSS TO HOMBERG. GENERAL SLAPSON'S TROOPS DRIVING INTO THE GERMAN POCKET COVERING THE RHINE 5 MILES NORTH OF COLOGNE AND JUST SOUTHEAST OF NEUSS, THE AMERICANS ARE NOW CLOSING UP TO THE RIVER ALL ALONG THE LINE NORTH OF COLOGNE.

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RUSSIA:
MARSHALL ZHUKOV'S RIGHT FLANK HAS DRIVEN INTO THE ODER ESTUARY AND THE REDS HAVE REACHED THE ODER AT SEVERAL POINTS SOUTH OF STETTIN. RED ARMY TANKS ARE FANNING OUT TOWARDS THE BIG PORT AT THE SOUTH OF THE ODER. ZHUKOV'S LINE IS ABHORRED FROM PRYTIZ TO THE SOUTH TO WAGGARD, ABOVE STETTIN. BALTIC, LONE RACE. ARTILLERY IS WITHIN RANGE OF STETTIN AND RED ARTILLERY IS ALREADY FORCING THE OUTER FORTS OF STETTIN. THE AMERICANS SAY THAT SOVIET TANKS ARE TRYING TO BREAK THROUGH TO THE ODER BETWEEN STETTIN AND THE BALTIC SEA. EAST OF STETTIN ZHUKOV'S TANKS HAVE SHOOK OUT TOWARDS THE GERMAN POCKET CUT OFF BY MARSHALL ROKOSOVSKY'S FORCES.

ITALY:
EIGHTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE CLEARED THE GERMANS FROM MOST STRONGPOINTS IN THE EASTERN BANK OF THE SERIO RIVER. AMERICAN FIFTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE EDGE CLOSER TO COLOGNA IN THE UPPER RENO VALLEY.

PACIFIC:
IN THE PHILIPPINES THE JAP DIVISIONS FIGHTING ON LUZON HAVE BEEN BROKEN UP INTO SEPARATE GROUPS AND DRIVEN INTO THE MOUNTAINS. THE JAPS SAY THAT THE BATTLE ON LIO JIMA HAS ENTERED ITS DECISIVE STAGE AFTER AMERICAN MARINES LAUNCHED A NEW ATTACK. THE JAPS NOW HOLD ABOUT 1/3 OF THE SMALL ISLAND.

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UNITED KINGDOM AND INDIAN TROOPS OF THE 14TH ARMY WORKING WITH AIRBORNE TROOPS HAVE MADE A LIGHTNING ADVANCE TO CUT THE MAIN SUPPLY LINES OF THE JAPS DEFENDING THE MANDALAY AREA. SHERMAN TANKS LEAD AN ARMORED SPEARHEAD THAT DROVE 85 MILES ACROSS THE ROLLING PLAIN OF CENTRAL BURMA FROM THE BRIDGEHEAD ALMOST 100 MILES DOWNSTREAM FROM MANDALAY. AIRBORNE TROOPS WERE DROPPED IN THE MEIKTILA AREA OF BURMA AND THESE TROOPS WORKING WITH THE SPEARHEAD ADVANCING FROM THE IRRAWADDY BRIDGEHEAD TEAMED UP TO TAKE THE MEIKTILA GROUP OF 8 AIRFIELDS AND THE TOWN OF MEIKTILA ITSELF. THE ALLIED TROOPS OVERRAN SEVERAL JAP SUPPLY DUMPS AND ARE ASTRIDE THE RANGOON-MANDALAY SUPPLY ROUTE. THIS NEW ADVANCE HAS RESULTED IN THE CUTTING IN HALF OF A JAPANESE ARMY. AMERICAN TRANSPORT AND FIGHTER PLANES TOOK PART IN THE AIRBORNE OPERATIONS.

THE 19TH INDIAN DIVISION DRIVING ON MANDALAY FROM THE NORTH WAS LAST REPORTED JUST OVER 14 MILES FROM THE BIG JAP BASE.

DEVELOPMENTS IN BURMA:

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