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GERMANY:

AMERICAN AND BRITISH TROOPS ACROSS THE LOWER RHINE RIVER HAVE LINKED UP THEIR SEPARATE BRIDGEHEADS INTO ONE SOILD BRIDGEHEAD 30 MILES LONG AND AT SOME PLACES, 7 MILES DEEP. FIRM CONTACT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED WITH ALL THE ALLIED AIRBOHNE UNITS THAT WERE DROPPED BEHIND THE RIVER. IN BOTH THE AMERICAN AND BRITISH SEC-TORS OF THE 30 MILE WIDE BRIDGEHEAD THERE ARE BRIDGES ALREADY IN USE. ALREADY OVER SODO GERMAN PRISONERS HAVE BEEN TAKEN AND THE ALLIED PARATROOPERS HAVE CAPTURED 6 BRIDGES INTACT OVER THE ISSEL RIVER.

CNE ALLIED AIRBOHNE DIVISION DROPPED RIGHT INTO THE MIDDLE OF GERMAN POSITIONS BEHIND THE RIVER AND A COMPLETE ARTILIERY REGIMENT WITH EQUIPMENT AND MEN WAS TAKEN. THE PARATROOPERS BAGGED 3500 PRISONERS AND HAD ALL THEIR OBJECTIVES SEIZED BY ONE O'CLOCK YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. AMERICAN NINTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE TAKEN THE TOWN OF DINSLAKEN NORTH OF DUISBURG AND ARE ON THE FRINCES OF THE RUHR VALLEY. THE YANKS HAVE TANKS AND ARTILLERY OVER THE RIVER AND SUPPLIES ARE BEING FERHIED ACROSS IN A GREAT STREAM.

BRITISH TROOPS HAVE CLEARED & THE TOWN OF REES WHERE GERMAN PARACHUTE INFANTRY IS HOLDING OUT. THE BRITISH ALSO HAVE TANKS IN OPERATION ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE RIVER. ALLIED ALRCRAFT HAVE BEEN SWARMING OVER THE HRIDGEHEAD AGAIN TODAY GIVING PROTECTION TO THE GROUND FORCES. THE LUFTWAFFE WAS OVER THE BRIDGEHEAD DURING THE NIGHT BUT THE CERMAN PLANES WERE DRIVEN OFF BY HEAVY ACK ACK FIRE. GERMAN RESIS-TANCE STIFFENED AFTER THE FIRST SHOCK OF THE ALLIED CROSSING BUT THE MAIN WEIGHT OF THE CERMAN RESERVES HAS NOT YET HEEN THROWN IN.

THE AMERICAN THIRD ARMY BRIDGEHEAD OVER THE RHINE BETWEEN MAINZ AND WORMS IS NOW 12 MILES LONG AND 9 DEEP. GENERAL PATTON HAS ARMOR ACROSS THE RIVER AND HIS TROOPS HAVE ALREADY TAKEN 13 TOWNS AND VILLAGES. ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE RIVER, OTHER THIRD ARMY TROOPS CONTINUE TO MOP UP IN THE SAAR AND YESTERDAY THEY GATH-ERED IN 19,000 PRISONERS. AMERICAN FIRST ARMY TROOPS CONTINUED TO ELBOW OUT IN THE REMAGEN BRIDGEHEAD WHICH IS NOW 33 MILES LONG AND 10 MILES DEEP. AT THE SOUTHERN END OF THIS BRIDGEHEAD THE YANKS ARE IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF BENDORF, ACROSS THE RIVER FROM COBLENZ.

THE ALLIED AIR FORCES BROKE THEIR D-DAY RECORD YESTERDAY BY FLYING MORE THAN 10,000 SORTIES AFTER PREPARING THE WAY FOR THE NEW OFFENSIVE BY DROPPING 50,000 TONS OF BOMBS IN 5 DAYS. ALLIED PILOTS REPORT THAT BEHIND THE FRONT THE ROADS ARE JAMMED WITH CIVILIANS FLEEING FROM THE BATTLE AREAS AND THAT SOME OF THE ROOFS OF THE HOUSES IN THE RUME VALLEY ARE PAINTED WHITE. LAST NIGHT RAF MOSQUITOS RIPPED BERLIN FOR THE 33RD NIGHT RUNNING. TODAY, AMERICAN AND BRITISH HEAVIES HAVE BEEN OUT OVER THE REICH POUNDING OIL STORAGE PLANTS.

RUSSIA:

MARSHAIL STALIN HAS ANNOUNCED THAT MARSHAIL FEDOR I. TOLEUHKIN'S THIRD UKRAN-IAN ARMY HAS BREACHED POWERFUL GERMAN DEFENSES BEYOND BUDAPEST AND HIS THOOPS HAVE SMASHED AHEAD FOR 44 MILES ON A 60 MILE FRONT AND WERE LAST REPORTED WITHIN 60 MILES OF THE AUSTRIAN BORDER. TOLEUHKIN'S TROOPS KILLED 70,000 GERMANS IN RECENT FIGHTING IN WESTERN HUNGARY AND OVERRAN 350 PLACES. MARSHALL MALINOVSKY'S SECOND UKRANIAN ARMY IN SOUTHERN CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS MOVING TOWARDS THE BRATIS-LAVA GAP LEADING TO VIENNA.

THE CERMANS ARE STILL PUTTING OUT REPORTS OF AN OFFENSIVE BY MARSHALL ZHUKOV WEST OF THE ODER TO THE EAST OF BERLIN. THE JERRIES SAY THAT ZHUKOV'S MEN ARE 10 MILES PAST THE RIVER AND ABOUT 30 FROM THE CAPITOL. THEY ALSO SAY THAT ZHUKOV'S TROOPS HOLD BRIDGEHEADS ACROSS THE ODER ON EITHER SIDE OF STETTIN. MOSCOW HAS NOT CONFIRMED THESE REPORTS.

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AMERICAN BATTIESHIPS AND CARRIER PLANES HAVE BOMBARDED JAP STRONGHOLDS IN THE RYUKU CHAIN OF ISLANDS BETWEEN JAPAN AND FORMOSA. A FORCE OF MORE THAN 200 SUPER FORTRESSES YESTERDAY ATTACKED A LARGE AIRCRAFT FACTORY AT NAGOYA. IN BURMA BRITISH TROOPS HAVE MADE MORE PROGRESS IN THE PLAIN SOUTH OF MAN-DALAY. THE JAPS HAVE BEEN REPUISED IN A HEAVY NIGHT ATTACK ON MEIKTILA.

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