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GERMANY:

ALIED ARMIES ARE TEARING OPEN THE GERMAN DEFENSES EAST OF THE RHINE RIVER AND BECAUSE OF A PARTIAL SECURITY SILENCE NEWS IS LAGGING BEHIND EVENTS. IT IS KNOWN THAT AMERICAN TROOPS ARE FIGHTING IN GAHLEN, 13 MILES PAST THE RHINE AND ABOUT 5 MILES FROM THE BIG TOWN OF DORSTEN. THESE AMERICAN NINTH ARMY TROOPS ARE SPREADING OUT EAST AND SOUTHEAST OF WESEL WITH ONE FORCE JUST NORTH OF DUISBURG. TROOPS OF THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY WERE LAST REPORTED 5 MILES FROM BOCHOLT. THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY ALONE NOW HOLDS 8 BRIDGES OVER THE RHINE.

ON THE AMERICAN FIRST ARMY FRONT EAST OF THE RHINE, THE GERMAN POSITION IS GETTING MORE DIFFICULT HOURLY. DURING THE NIGHT AND EARLY TODAY 3 MORE ARMORED COLUMNS JUMPED OFF FROM THE ORIGINAL REMAGEN BRIDGEHRAD AND WHEN LAST REPORTED THE FIRST COLUMN HAD DRIVEN 12 MILES, THE SECOND, 28 MILES AND THE THIRD, 30 MILES. MOTORIZED INFANTRY IS FOLLOWING IN THE WAKE OF THE ARMORED VEHICLES. TWO COLUMNS OF ONE AMERICAN ARMORED DIVISION REPORTED THAT IN THE PAST FEW HOURS TODAY THEY HAD CAPTURED BETWEEN 5 AND 10 THOUSAND PRISONERS. FIRST ARMY TROOPS AFTER CLEARING LIMBURG THIS MORNING DASHED TO THE TOWN OF WEILBURG. OTHER FORCES WERE IAST REPORTED TO HAVE REACHED THE TOWN OF HACHEN BURG.

GENERAL PATTON'S AMERICAN THIRD ARMY TROOPS HAVE AGAIN SWEPT FORWARD SINCE YESTERDAY. THEY WERE LAST REPORTED TO BE IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF FRANKFURT AND A SPEAR-HEAD HAS REACHED ASCHAFFENBURG. THE GERMAN NEWS AGENCY SAID PATTON'S FORCES ARE IN THE AREA OF LOHR, 50 MILES EAST OF THE RHINE AND SAY THAT OFFENBACH HAS BEEN CLEARED BY THE AMERICANS. THEY ALSO SAY THAT VIOLENT STREET FIGHTING IS GOING ON IN FRANKFURT. ONE UNCONFIRMED GERMAN RADIO REPORT LAST NIGHT SAID THAT AMERICAN ARMOR WAS WITHIN 10 MILES OF FULDA, ALMOST 50 MILES EAST OF FRANKFURT.

AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE CROSSED THE RHINE AT AN UNDISCLOSED PLACE. IT IS KNOWN THAT THEIR THRUST BEYOND THE RIVER IS GOING WELL.

BRITISH LANCASTERS CARRYING 10 TON BOMBS TODAY ATTACKED SUB SHELTERS NEAR BREMEN. OTHER LANCASTERS ATTACKED TWO BENZOL PLANTS. DURING THE NIGHT MOSQUITOS BOMBED ERLIN FOR THE 35TH NIGHT RUNNING. IN DAYLIGHT YESTERDAY ALLIED PLANES FROM THE WEST FIEW MORE THAN 5000 SORTIES. ALLIED TACTICAL PLANES DESTROYED OR DAMAGED 800 RAIL CARS AND OVER 1000 VEHICLES. MORE THAN 300 FLYING FORTS HIT GERMAN WAR PLANTS. AMERICAN BOMBERS FROM ITALY SUPPORTED THE RUSSIAN DRIVE TOWARDS AUSTRIA BY ATTACKING GERMAN COMMUNICATIONS.

RUSSIA:

MOSCOW REPORTED THIS AFTERNOON THAT MARSHALL TOLBUHKIN'S FORCES DRIVING THROUGH WESTERN HUNGARY HAD REACHED THE RABA RIVER, LESS THAN 20 MILES FROM THE AUSTRIAN FRONTIER. TOLBUHKIN'S TROOPS TOOK PAPA YESTERDAY. TOLBUHKIN'S TANKS ARE ADVANCING IN TWO GREAT WAVES. THE FIRST WAVE IS FIGHTING BEHIND THE GERMAN LINES DESTROYING COMMUNICATIONS WHILE THE SECOND WAVE FOLLOWS UP WITH INFANTRY SUPPORT. A BIG GERMAN POCKET MAY BE FORMED ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE DANUFE BETWEEN TOLBUHKIN'S FORCES AND THOSE OF MARSHALL MALINOVSKY ADVANCING ALONG THE SOUTH BANK OF THE DANUBE TOWARDS VIENNA. THE GERMANS SAID TODAY THAT MALINOVSKY NOW HAD FORCES ON THE NORTHERN BANK OF THE DANUBE AND THEY ALSO SAY THAT IN LOWER SLOVAKIA, MALINOVSKY HAS ENLARGED HIS BRIDGEHEAD OVER THE HRON RIVER AND HAS CAPTURED BANSKA BYSTRICA.

THE GERMANS REPORT THAT MARSHALL KONEV'S LEFT FLANK HAS CROSSED OVER INTO NORTHERN CZECHOSLOVOKIA AND THAT HUSSIAN TROOPS HAVE REACHED MAHR OSTRAU AND TROPPAU OR OPAVA. MOSCOW HAS NOT CONFIRMED THESE GERMAN REPORTS. IN EAST PRUSSIA OVER 21,000 GERMAN PRISCNERS WERE TAKEN YESTERDAY.

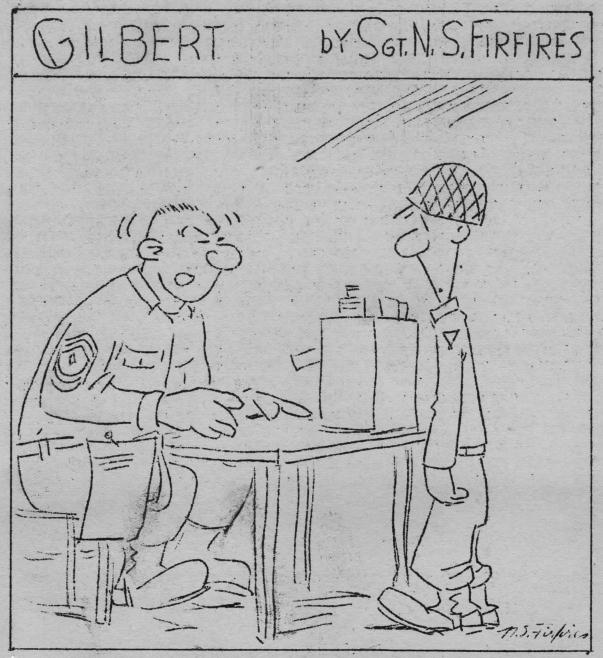
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PACIFIC:

TCKIO RADIO ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT AMERICAN THOOPS HAD LANDED IN THE KYUKYU ISLANDS CN SUNDAY AFTER THE ISLANDS HAD BEEN SHELLED SINCE FRIDAY. THE PLACE OF THE REPORTED LANDINGS IS ABOUT 350 MILES SOUTH OF JAPAN. THE NIPS SAY THAT THE SITUATION IN THE KYUKYUS IS "SERIOUS" AND THEY CLAIM THAT A HUGE AMERICAN TASK FORCE IS STEAMING IN A GREAT CIRCLE AROUND OKINAWA, CHIEF ISLAND IN THE KYUKYU GROUP. ALLIED SOURCES HAVE NOT CONFIRMED THIS JAP REPORT BUT ADMIRAL NIMITZ ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT AMERICAN BATTLESHIPS AND CARRIER PLANES HAD BEEN WORKING OVER THE AIRFIELD AND OTHER TARGETS ON OKINAWA. PROBABLY SIGNIFICANT WAS THE FACT THAT OVER 150 SUPER FORTS FROM THE MARIAN AS TODAY BOMBED INDUSTRIAL TARGETS AND JAP AIRFIELDS ON KYUSHU, THE MOST SOUTHERN OF THE JAP HOME ISLANDS. THE AIRFIELDS ATTACKED WERE ALONG THE INLAND SEA. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE SUPER FORTS HAVE ATTACKED AIRFIELDS IN THIS AREA. TOKIO ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT 1500 AMERICAN TROOPS HAD LANDED ON THE PHILIPPINE ISLAND OF CEBU.

AN ARMORED COLUMN OF THE BRITISH 14TH ARMY HAS CAPTURED A PLACE ON THE RAN-

GOON TRUNK RAILWAY ABOUT 30 MILES FROM MANDALAY.



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