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GERMANY:

ALLIED ARMIES IN GERMANY AND HOLLAND HAVE CONTINUED TO MAKE GOOD GAINS. IN THE FAR NORTH, CANADIAN TANKS ARE RACING TOWARDS THE ZUIDER ZEE TO CUT OFF HOLLAND FROM GERMANY AND THE CANADIANS HAVE DRIVEN 25 MILES IN 24 HOURS ALONG THE DUTCH-GERMAN BORDER. THE BRITISH 7TH ARMORED DIVISION RACING ON FROM CAPTURED OSNABRUCK TO THE NORTH IS HEADING DOWN THE MAIN ROAD AND RAIL LINE TO THE GREAT PORT OF BREMEN AND THE BRITISH TANKS WERE LAST REPORTED ABOUT 35 MILES FROM THAT CITY.

THREE ALLIED ARMIES IN NORTHWESTERN GERMANY ARE OUT TO SMASH THE WESER RIVER LINE. IN THE NORTH, THE BRITISH 11TH ARMORED AND 6TH AIRBORNE DIVISIONS HAVE WON SEVERAL BRIDGEHEADS OVER THE WESER NORTH OF THE TOWN OF MINDEN. THESE TWO BRITISH DIVISIONS HAD LINKED UP WITH AMERICAN NINTH ARMY FORCES AFTER DASHING 35 MILES TO REACH THE RIVER YESTERDAY. THE TOWN OF MINDEN IS VIRTUALLY CLEARED OF THE ENEMY. SOUTH OF MINDEN TASK FORCES OF THE AMERICAN SECOND ARMORED AND 30TH INFANTRY DIVISIONS YESTERDAY MORNING CROSSED THE WESER IN ASSAULT BOATS AND ESTABLISHED A BRIDGEHEAD ON THE EAST BANK. LATEST REPORTS PUT THE BRIDGEHEAD AT THREE MILES DEEP AND REINFORCEMENTS ARE POURING ACROSS. AN AMERICAN CORRESPONDENT SAYS THAT OTHER NINTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE MADE A SECOND CROSSING OF THE WESER NORTH OF THE ORIGINAL AMERICAN BRIDGEHEAD. THIS SECOND BRIDGEHEAD IS ALREADY 1½ MILES DEEP. SOUTH OF THE NINTH ARMY SECTOR, TANKS AND INFANTRY OF THE AMERICAN FIRST ARMY ARE FAST CLOSING UP TO THE LINE OF THE WESER RIVER AND ONE FIRST ARMY BRIDGEHEAD WAS LAST REPORTED 5 MILES SHORT OF THE RIVER.

BOTH THE AMERICAN FIRST AND AMERICAN NINTH, (NOW BACK UNDER THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF GENERAL BRADLEY), HAVE BEEN DRIVING INTO THE RUHR POCKET AND MORE ATTEMPTS BY THE GERMANS TO BREAK OUT HAVE BEEN BROKEN UP.

THREE ARMORED DIVISIONS OF THE AMERICAN THIRD ARMY ARE DRIVING AHEAD OF ONE ANOTHER ACROSS THE THURINGIAN PLAIN. GENERAL PATTON'S TANKS ARE BROADENING AND DEEPENING THEIR BIG WEDGE AIMED AT ERFURT. THE SIXTH ARMORED DIVISION TOOK EULHAUSEN AND LIBERATED 4000 AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR AND IS DRIVING ON TO THE EAST OF EULHAUSEN. ANOTHER OF PATTON'S ARMORED DIVISIONS HAS TAKEN THE BIG TOWN OF GOTHA AND IS PUSHING ON TO THE EAST AND SOUTHEAST WHILE A THIRD ARMORED DIVISION WAS LAST REPORTED TO BE CLEARING THE TOWN OF SUHL. LATEST REPORTS PUT THE AMERICAN 11TH ARMORED DIVISION WITHIN 58 MILES OF THE BORDER OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA. AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY TROOPS HAVE PUSHED 10 MILES BEYOND WURZBURG ON THE ROAD TO NURNBERG WHILE TROOPS OF THE FRENCH FIRST ARMY HAVE REACHED THE RIVER NECKAR AND ARE 30 MILES EAST OF KARLSRUHE.

MORE THAN 650 AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS TODAY ATTACKED RAIL YARDS INSIDE THE REICH. YESTERDAY MORE THAN 1200 AMERICAN HEAVIES BOMBED ARMY DEPOTS NEAR MUNICH AND NURNBERG.

RUSSIA:

MOSCOW HAS ANNOUNCED THAT MARSHAL TOLBUKHIN'S TROOPS HAVE BROKEN INTO THE SOUTHEASTERN SUBURBS OF VIENNA. TOLBUKHIN'S LEFT WING HAS STARTED AN OUTFLANKING MOVE ON THE CITY FROM THE WEST AND THE MAIN HIGHWAY RUNNING WEST TO LINZ AND MUNICH HAS BEEN SEVERED. CORRESPONDENTS SAY THAT THE CITY IS ALREADY ALMOST HALF SURROUNDED. THE GERMANS SAID TODAY THAT RED ARMY TROOPS WERE WITHIN 25 MILES OF GRAZ IN SOUTHEASTERN AUSTRIA.

MARSHAL MALINOVSKY'S FORCES HAVE STORMED BRATISLAVA AND HAVE MOVED ACROSS THE AUSTRIAN BORDER. NORTHEAST OF VIENNA, MALINOVSKY HAS SENT OUT FLYING COLUMNS TO COMPLETE THE ENCIRCLEMENT OF THE AUSTRIAN CAPITOL. ALL OF HUNGARY HAS BEEN CLEARED OF GERMAN TROOPS.

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RUSSIA IS NOT TO RENEW HER NEUTRALITY PACT WITH JAPAN. IT HAS ONE MORE YEAR TO RUN. THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS SAID THAT IT WILL STRIVE FOR NEUTRALITY WITH RUSSIA BUT "IT WILL BE READY TO COPE WITH ANY SITUATION THAT MAY ARISE". THE JAPANESE CABINET HAS RESIGNED BECAUSE OF THE "GRAVITY OF THE WAR SITUATION" AND 77 YEAR OLD ADMIRAL SUZUKI HAS REPLACED KOISO AS PREMIER.

ITALY:

THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE FIFTH ARMY HAS LAUNCHED AN OFFENSIVE IN WESTERN ITALY. TROOPS OF THE BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY ALONG THE ADRIATIC COAST HAVE CLEARED AN 8 MILE STRETCH OF LAND NEAR LAKE COMMACHIO.

IN YUGOSLAVIA, MARSHALL TITO'S PARTISANS HAVE CAPTURED THE HISTORIC TOWN OF SERAJEVO, CAPITAL OF BOSNIA.

PACIFIC:

GENERAL MACARTHUR IS TO COMMAND ALL ARMY UNITS IN THE PACIFIC AND ADMIRAL NIMITZ WILL COMMAND THE NAVAL FORCES.

AMERICAN MARINES AT THE NORTHERN END OF THE BATTLE LINE ON OKINAWA ISLAND HAVE GAINED ANOTHER 5 MILES AGAINST MODERATE RESISTANCE. AMERICAN INFANTRYMEN DRIVING SOUTH ON OKINAWA HAVE RUN INTO THE JAP MAIN LINE OF RESISTANCE AND ARE ENGAGED IN FIERCE FIGHTING. AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS FROM THE PHILIPPINES HAVE BOMBED HONG KONG AND THE ISLAND OF FORMOSA.

IN BURMA, TROOPS OF THE 15TH INDIAN CORPS HAVE CUT THE RETREAT OF THE MANY JAP UNITS IN ARAKAN. TROOPS OF THE BRITISH 14TH ARMY HAVE GAINED MORE GROUND TO THE SOUTH OF MANDALAY.