PACIFIC:

American marines have strengthened their positions inside Naha, the capital of Okinawa. Swollen streams and thick mud have been hampering operations in Okinawa. Navy guns and planes have smashed Jap troop concentrations south of the fortress of Shuri. The Japs suffered heavy casualties in the bombardment, and Mindanao in the Philippines the Americans are pushing out in pursuit of the Japanese. Nearly 380,000 Japs have been killed or captured during the Philippine campaign. American casualties are just over 48,000. In Burma the British 14th Army is in grim fighting in the jungles of eastern Burma. The Japs have been staging fanatical bayonet charges in an attempt to keep their escape routes to the east open. Chungking has announced that in South China Chinese troops are chasing the routed Japanese towards the Indochina border 100 miles away after capturing the town of Nanning. Australian forces on Taku-Kan Island are steadily probing the center of the Jap defenses. The British admiralty has announced that there are more than 200 British naval craft of all types now operating in the Pacific and that soon the cream of the Royal Navy, including the newest battleships, will be operating against the Nips.

EUROPE:

There is a serious food shortage in that part of Germany occupied by the American Fifteenth Army. A new stringent rationing has gone into effect limiting the German civilians to about 1200 calories a day but it is estimated that even with the strict rationing that food will run out after about a month's time. The German civilians had hoarded food away but these extra rations were used up to feed slave labor. To deal with this problem Allied military authorities are releasing farm workers from PW camps as fast as is possible.

In a special broadcast yesterday Marshall Tito strongly affirmed Yugoslavia's claim to Istria which includes Trieste and Corinithia. He said, "Yugoslavia only wanted the peoples of her blood to live within her boundaries." He added, "It would be a tragedy if we again had to fight for what we have already achieved." The Marshall declared that Yugoslavia would not attempt to settle these questions by force and alleged that the inhabitants of Corinithia had been victimized since Yugoslav troops evacuated it a week ago.

A Paris statement last night said the French movement of troops which lead to the troubles in Syria and the Lebanon were extremely small reserves and reinforcements. It added that France has no intention of interfering with the independence of these Arab States.

Mr. Davies met with Foreign Secretary, Eden, today. Reporters say that there is no doubt that the purpose of Mr. Davies' visit is to arrange for another meeting of the "Big Three." Justice Jackson of the U. S. Supreme Court is coming to London to discuss the trial of war criminals.

Another leading Nazi has committed suicide. This one is Field Marshall Greim, the man who succeeded Goering as the head of the German Luftwaffe. The former Gauleiter of Danzig, Foster, has been taken prisoner. Kesselring's successor as Commander in Chief in Italy has been captured.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL SCORES:

AMERICAN

BOSTON: 7,2 ... CHICAGO: 0,1
DETROIT: 3,1 ... WASHINGTON: 1,2

NATIONAL

PITTSBURGH: 16 ... NEW YORK: 4
CHICAGO: 6 ... BROOKLYN: 2