



DON'T FRATERNIZE! DON'T TRUST A GERMAN

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PACIFIC:

IN BURMA THE JAPANESE ARE DIGGING IN AT SEVERAL POINTS WHERE THEY HAVE MADE LOCAL GAINS IN THEIR BRIDGEHEAD IN THE BEND OF THE SITTANG RIVER. TO THE NORTHEAST OF THE ROADCENTER OF PEGU THE NIPS ARE TRYING TO GET THROUGH TO RELIEVE THE THOUSANDS OF JAPS TRAPPED IN THE PEGU MOUNTAINS. THEY ARE TRYING TO CUT THE MANDALAY-RANGOON RAIL AND ROAD LINES. HEAVY MONSOON RAINS THAT HAVE COVERED THE PADDY FIELDS WITH FROM 3-4 FEET OF WATER ARE SERIOUSLY HAMPERING BOTH SIDES. RAF MOSQUITOS HAVE BEEN HITTING JAP TROOPS NON STOP IN STRAFING ATTACKS IN THE JAPANESE BRIDGEHEAD.

AMERICAN AIRCRAFT FROM OKINAWA AIRFIELDS YESTERDAY KEPT UP THE AERIAL OFFENSIVE AGAINST JAPAN BY ATTACKING AIRFIELDS ON KYUSHU. THE TOKIO RADIO SAYS THAT 200 BOMBERS FROM OKINAWA ARE BACK ATTACKING TARGETS ON KYUSHU AGAIN TODAY. THERE HAS BEEN NO NEWS OF THE GREAT AMERICAN TASK FORCE THAT WAS OFF HONSHU ISLAND TWO DAYS AGO. REPORTS OF THE DAMAGE INFLICTED BY THE 1000 PLANE CARRIER ATTACK ON TOKIO ARE STILL INCOMPLETE. TOKIO RADIO REPORTS THAT A BRITISH CARRIER TASK FORCE YESTERDAY LAUNCHED 200 PLANES TO ATTACK THE NAVAL BASE OF SABANG AT THE NORTHERN TIP OF SUMATRA. THE LAST ATTACK MADE ON THIS NAVAL BASE WAS ALMOST A YEAR AGO WHEN IT WAS BOMBED BY CARRIER PLANES AND SHELLED BY BRITISH WARSHIPS. THE JAPANESE ALSO CLAIM THAT THE ALLIES ARE GETTING READY TO LAND IN THE NICOBAR ISLANDS IN THE ANDAMAN SEA TO THE NORTH OF SUMATRA. THE NIPS SAY THAT THE BRITISH HAVE ALREADY LAID BUOYS TO GUIDE INVASION CRAFT IN.

AUSTRALIAN TROOPS HAVE PUSHED INLAND THREE MILES FROM BALIK PAPAN BAY AS THEY ADVANCE THROUGH HEAVY MINEFIELDS. A CHUNGKING DISPATCH SAYS THAT CHINESE TROOPS HAVE TAKEN THE TOWN OF CHUNGTU ON THE HIGHWAY BETWEEN LIUCHOW AND KWEILIN.

A WASHINGTON SURVEY SHOWS THAT THE U. S. NOW HAS NEARLY 100 CARRIERS INCLUDING THE TWO NEWLY LAUNCHED "BATTLE CARRIERS" OF 45,000 TONS.

MR. CHAPLEY, FORMER COMMONWEALTH TREASURER, WILL BE SWORN IN TOMORROW AS THE 16TH PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA.

EUROPE:

THE BRITISH AND AMERICAN MILITARY GOVERNORS WILL START THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ZONES ALLOTTED TO THEM TODAY. OVER 1,500,000 BERLINERS NOW COME UNDER AMERICAN AND BRITISH CONTROL. THE RUSSIANS ARE PULLING THEIR TROOPS OUT OF THESE ZONES. THE RUSSIANS WILL CONTROL ABOUT 3,000,000 OF BERLIN'S INHABITANTS. THE FOOD SITUATION IN THE CITY IS STILL ACUTE.

THE CHINESE PRIME MINISTER, T. V. SOONG, HAS HELD HIS FOURTH TALK WITH MARSHALL STALIN IN MOSCOW. MR. SOONG IS TO CONFER WITH THE AMERICAN AND BRITISH AMBASSADORS TO THE SOVIET UNION BEFORE THEY LEAVE FOR THE "BIG FOUR" CONFERENCE.

PRINCE CHARLES, BELGIAN REGENT, HAS LEFT FOR SALZBURG, AUSTRIA, WITH MEMBERS OF THE BELGIAN CABINET TO CONFER WITH KING LEOPOLD. THE BELGIAN PAPERS SAY THAT LEOPOLD HAS REACHED A DEFINITE DECISION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT HE WILL ABDICATE.

THE LAST OF MORE THAN 2000 FLYING FORTRESSES AND LIBERATORS LEFT ENGLAND YESTERDAY BOUND FOR THE UNITED STATES. IN THE PAST 30 DAYS MORE THAN 40 OF THE BOMBERS HAVE BEEN FLYING EACH DAY FROM FIELDS IN ENGLAND TO THE UNITED STATES.