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WESTERN FRONT

U.S. 3rd army troops have crossed the SAAR River and are fighting in the town of SAARGEMUND. It is reported that two new bridgeheads in the latter area have been extended while other troops have driven in to the fortifications surrounding SAARBRUECKEN. There is nothing to report from other parts of the front.

EASTERN FRONT

Tank battles are going on north and south of BUDAPEST. The Russians have crossed the DANUBE 15 miles north of the city and are also reported 13 miles south of the city. Hungarian troops defending the capital are deserting to the Russians in droves.

ITALIAN FRONT

British troops are moping up around RAVENNA while other forces have captured the town of SAN PROSPERO, on the west bank of the LAMONE River an advance of about three miles.

PHILIPPINES

U.S.A. troops are now fighting in the outskirts of ORMOC and it is reported that a large number of enemy troops have been trapped.

JAPAN

American superfortresses attacked the coastal area of Japan's inland sea where the strong KURE naval base is located. Two other B-29's flew over TOKYO one of which dropped incendiaries.

GREECE

There have been new concentrations of Leftist Front troops north of ATHENS. Some of these are known to be well equipped with arms including 75 mm guns.

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