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FRANCE

A German pocket is still holding out on WALCHEREN island. British and Canadian troops are closing in. The British Commandos who landed to the north have stormed to within two miles of FLUSHING, while fighting rages in the city. All German resistance south of the SCHELDE estuary has ceased with the Canadians over-running the last German-held coastal towns and strongpoints and capturing 1800 P.W. British troops are pursuing the withdrawing Germans to the MAAS river and a mile nearer the last escape bridges at MOERDIJK.

American troops have launched a new drive south of AACHEN and have gained several miles but have encountered fierce German resistance.

AIR

British and RCAF bombers poured 4000 tons of bombs on DUSSELDORF last night. OSNABRUK was also heavily hit. Yesterday American fighters destroyed 208 german planes in a savage battle over MERSEBURG, in central Germany.

HUNGARY

Russian columns are advancing on BUDAPEST from three directions and are less than 23 miles from the city. German opposition is being crushed. Yesterday the Germans lost 2000 killed, 7500 P.W. and 53 tanks. The Russians captured 60 places. On the northeast the Russians have cleared a 65-mile section on the TISZA river area from the Czech border to POLGAR, 93 miles from the capital.

ROMANIA

Romania has broken off relations with Japan.

GREECE

British troops are harassing Germans north of SALONIKA. The Germans report that they have defeated Bulgarian forces in the VARDAR valley.

ST. LAWRENCE

A British merchant ship sank in the St. Lawrence river last night as a result of mysterious explosions. Seventeen survivors landed 230 miles from QUEBEC city.

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