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WESTERN FRONT

British troops are tightening their squeeze on the German pocket in front of the Dutch town of VENLO against very fierce German resistance.

Ninth Army forces have captured the town of BOURHEIM, two miles S.W. of JUELICH.

House to house fighting is raging in the outskirts of the German town of WEISWEILER, twenty-six miles from CBLONGNE.

To the south the city of STRASSBOURG has been almost entirely cleared of the enemy.

French and American Units are continuing their drive to clear the Germans from the VOSGES mountains above BELFORT

ITALIAN FRONT

British armoured patrols have reached the suburbs of FAENZA. Another British column advancing N.E. from the COSINA bridge head has advanced to the town of CORLETO.

EASTERN FRONT

According to a German report the Russians have entered the town of NISKOLCZ, eighty-five miles N.E. of BUDAPEST and twenty-five miles from the CZECH frontier.

Moscow has announced that Russian forces have completed the conquest of the Estonian island of SAARE, thus tightening the noose of some thirty Nazi divisions pocketed in western Latvia.

FAR EAST

Tokio claims that Japanese troops now are less than seven miles from NANNING in KWANGSI province in China.

In the Philippines General McArthur H.Q. has announced that Allied fighter planes attacked and destroyed three transport vessels and a destroyer escort attempting to land reinforcements on LEYTE island. Thirty-five hundred Japs are estimated to have perished. Increased enemy air activity against allied LEYTE forces has resulted in the loss of forty two Japanese aircraft.

AIR

Allied bombers from Britain hammered at Berlin last night .

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