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WESTERN EUROPE:

The estuary of the SCHELDE RIVER appears to have been cleared of the enemy, although there are still some pockets of resistence on WALCHEREN ISLAND. The final clearing of the estuary was achieved at some considerable loss to our side. During the landing on the Island, it has been stated that four out of every five of the small landing craft used to convey troops were either sunk or damaged. Troops of the American 1st Army have regained some ground. They have pushed ahead about 500 yards towards the town of SCHMIDT, some 15 miles south-east of AACHEN. attack by the 3rd American Army has been launched near the juncture of the French-German and Luxembourg borders. They have forced the Germans, to evacuate the town of BERG, 8 miles north-east of THIONVILLE. Further south 7th Army troops have gained slightly in the LUNEVILLE sector.

AIR:

Another of the so-called heaviest attacks of the war has been made on GERMANY over the week-end. 9,000 Allied planes have attacked 21 GERMAN cities. STUTTGART was bombed twice last night. SOLINGEN has also been heavily attacked.

RUSSIAN FRONT:

Russian troops are said to be within five miles of BUDA-PEST on a broad front. Other reports claim that SOVIET tanks are fighting in the outskirts of the City. The situation within the City itself is said to be very confused, and that internal revolt is in progress.

BALKANS:

ALBANIAN patriots are said to have captured their Capital, TIRANA.

ITALY:

Poth the 5th and 8th Army have improved their positions slightly on the ITALIAN front. There is no major activity in progress, and active patrolling appears to be the order of the day.

PACIFIC:

Results described as good to excellent were obtained in yesterday's attack against the JAPANESE held Naval Base of Singapore. Other Super Fortresses raided a refinery on the north coast of SUMATRA. No losses have been announced in either raid. American troops are now within twelve miles of the JAPANESE base of ORMOC, on the west coast of LEYTE ISLAND. The JAPANESE have apparently been able to reinforce their garrison by sea, and are estimated to have about one division in this area. ORMOC is being attacked on two sides by Allied troops.

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