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BERLIN, and COLOGNE were bomed during the night.
OBERHAUSEN in the RUHR was also an Allied target.
Large formations of Allied planes are reported on their way to GERMANY again this morning.

EASTERN FRONT

Russian troops are now within thirty miles of BWDAPEST,
In addition to KECSKEMET, more than 100 towns and villages
have fallen to the Red Army.

The Russians are now advancing between the DANUBE and
the TIZA Rivers.

The MOSCOW Communique also discloses that enemy forces
have been cleared from the PETSAMO region.

There is nothing to report on other sectors this morning.

GREECE

It has been officially confirmed that the Greek seaport of SALONIKA has fallen to British Troops.

ITALIAN FRONT

Polish and Indian troops of the EIGHTH Army have joined a bridgehead won by other EIGHTH Army troops and are now advancing WESTWARD across the RONCO River N of MELDOLA.

The FIFTH Army has captured CASETTA.

German arty continues to be very active on the FIFTH Army sector.

PHILIPPINES FRONT

Heavy fighting now in progress in the town of CARIGARA, on LEYTE Island.

General MacARTHUR's Headquarters report that the enemy is fighting at CARIGARA to hold open an escape route SOUTH-WARD toward ORMOC.

TOKYO radio claims that Japanese planes sank three American Cruisers in an action today in LEYTE GULF. The Japs further asserted that one more vessel, which is

identified as a Battleship or Cruiser, was sunk and that Three Battleships were damaged.

No Mention on TOKYO's Claim has been made by Allied Hors

WESTERN FRONT

Canadian and British trops on WALCHEREN Island are making good progress in their attempt to wipe up an enemy garrison.

Already a large part of FLUSHING is in their hands.
Two beachheads have been established and some miles of coast seized.

Today's Communique states that the enemy is putting up heavy opposition on the WESTERN end of the causeway linking WALCHEREN and BEVELAND Islands.

British troops have extended their hold on the LOWER Bank of the MEUSE River to four and one half miles.

The Allies are approaching the outskirts of GEERTRUIF DENBERG.

No change in other areas, reported this morning.

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