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WESTERN FRONT

Allied patrols may be operating on the EAST side of the RHINE. Unofficial dispatches declared that patrols of the French Army are across the River at STRASBOURG. The American First Army is in WEISWEILER thirteen miles inside Germany and 20 miles WEST of COLOGNE. There are indications that the Germans are withdrawing before our pressure on this sector. The Nazis are firing robot bombs at the First Army supply lines in increasing numbers. NORTH of the First Army sector the Germans have thrown in at least seven divisions against the British Second Army to recapture two towns on the muddy plains above GEILENKIRCHEN, but a LONDON dispatch says both towns were retaken later by British counter attacks. In South Eastern HOLLAND the British troops are closing in on the MEURSE river stronghold of VENLO. Unofficial estimates claim that more than forty thousand prisoners have been taken in the current winter drive by the six attacking Allied Armies.

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Allied night bombers are reported in BERLIN broadcasts to have been over the BRUNSWICK - HANNOVER area last night. No confirmation has been received from Allied sources.

EASTERN FRONT

The midnight MOSCOW communique announces the complete conquest of the fortified ESTONIAN Islands of SAARE. This gives the Russians control of RIGA. BERLIN reports that the Russians have launched a big new offensive against the Germans pocketed in LATVIA.

PACIFIC

Allied planes have sunk an enemy destroyer and a transport in a bombing attack on CELEBES and BORNEO. Twenty six Jap fighters and bombers were destroyed on the ground in the CELEBES raid.

DIPLOMATIC FRONT

Polish premier STANISLAW MIKOLAJCZYK has suddenly resigned. This is viewed in LONDON as a set back for Anglo-American efforts to settle the Russo-Polish problem. JAN KWAPINSKI a Socialist and deputy Prime minister has been asked to form a new cabinet.

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