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AIR OPBRATIONS

BERLIN was bombed during the night. OSNABRUECK and GIESSEN were also attacked by the Allied airforces.

4 Canadian planes failed to return from these raids.

EASTERN FRONT

Soviet troops are now within 35 miles of the Austrian frontier.

In YUGOSLAVIA, Russian troops have captured SID.

GREECE

The R.A.F.and British Arty is being used against Left Wing Elements in GREECE.

British casualties are said to be light, the losses incurred by the Greeks are believed to be higher. It is estimated that 10,000 Greeks are involved in this fighting.

ITALIAN FRONT

New gains have been made by the Allies in ITALY. The Bridgehead across the LAMONE near FAENZA has been deepened by the EIGHTH Army.

BRISIGHELLA has been captured by Polish troops.

The Poles have also over-run MONTE SAN RINALDO. MEZZANO has been captured by British and Canadian troops.

JAPAN

TOKYO is reported to have been attacked by American B-29 yesterday. There is no Allied confirmation.

MANCHUR IA

Enemy objectives have been bombed by American planes in MANCHURIA. This was confirmed by the American 20th Bomber Command.

PHILIPPINES

New gains are reported in the PHILIPPINES, with a penetration of enemy lines at a point about 10 miles SE of ORMOC .

NORTH of ORMOC, other Allied troops have repulsed a Japanese tank attack.

WESTERN FRONT

British and Canadian sectors in HOLLAND have remained

quiet. On the U.S.THIRD Army front, six crossings across the SAAR are reported. Three of these crossings have been con-

firmed by Allied Headquarters.

Two-thirds of SARREGUEMINES are in Allied hands. 8 more villages have been captured by the French in the VOSGES.

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