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WESTERN FRONT

The final drive to clean up WALCHEREN Island has begun and to silence the few remaining German guns situated on the northern coast. British and Polish troops have advanced to within two or three miles of the MAAS River. The Germans in this area appear to be withdrawing and leaving strong rear-guards to hinder the Allied advance.

It was revealed today that severe losses were suffered by our forces landing on WALCHEREN Island.

ITALY

The clearing weather has brought increased German artillery fire along the entire front. The Germans still hold the northern end of the FORLI Airfield, along the BOLOGNA - RIMINI highway. British and Canadian troops have advanced 500 yards to the southern end of the field.

EASTERN FRONT

BERLIN claims that Russian troops have been ousted from the German East Prussian town of GOLDAP in a successful Nazi counter-attack. However, Russian claims assert that this counter-attack was repulsed and that Russian positions in this area were improved.

PACIFIC

On LEYTE Island in the PHILIPPINES American soldiers launched a land-sea assault against the north end of the enemy-held ORMOC corridor.

AIR

WESTERN FRONT

Eighteen hundred and fifty planes of the American Eighth Air Force today attacked railway yards at FRANKFURT, KARLSRUHE and LUDWIGSHAVEN in southwestern Germany.

PACIFIC

A Japanese broadcast says that American Superfortresses made an attack today on SINGAPORE.

The TOKYO Radio also announces that American planes have made a second reconnaissance flight over the TOKAIDO area of HONSHU Island.

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