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ATER OPERATIONS

HERLIN WAS bombed during the night. Other enemy targets were also attacked by Allied planes.

DASTERN FRONT

Two powerful Soviet armies have almost encircled BUDAPEST BERLIN Broadcasts that the Hungarian Government has fled to the Austrian Frontier bown of SOPRON. No change reported in other sectors.

FRANCE - RUSSIA

MOSCOW has announced the signing of a Treaty of Alliance and mutual assistance with FRANCE. Complete unamimity of views have been reached between the two Nations.

GREECE

A General of the National Liberation Front Militia whose conflict with the Regular Greek Govt and British troops, is reported to have surrendeded.

The name of the General has not been announced.

In SALONIKA, the Socialist Bloc has refrained from signing a resolution calling for a General Strike in

the City.

TALIAN FRONT

Savage German counter-attacks have failed to halt the Allied drive to capture FAENZA. The Nazis hurled their weight against the EIGHTH Army newly-won bridgehead over the LAMONE yesterday but all attacks were beaten off.

WESTERN FRONT

Strong counter-attacks against American THIRD Army positions along the SAAR River are reported this morning. All these counter-attacks were repulsed. In the SOUTH, the SEVENTH Army is attacking in the area of HAGUENAU in NORTHERN ALSACE. Farther SOUTH, the FRENCH FIRST Army is closing on COLMAR. Snow has blanketed the NORTHERN Front.

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