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WESTERN EUROPE

United Kingdom and Canadian troops have cleared coastal area of WALCHEREN Island bordering on the SCHELDT Estuary, and all but one of the German guns capable of firing on our shipping have been silenced. Twelve hundred PW were taken yesterday in the capture of FLUSHING and BLOMBERG. It is estimated that thirty-five hundred enemy troops remained in the central and northern part of the Island and resistance is fiercest in the EAST against the Canadian bridgehead. On the mainland of HOLLAND, Allied forces are continuing their advance towards the MAAS Estuary and have thrown a bridgehead across the MARK River which flows into the MAAS. US troops in eastern HOLLAND have regained most of the ground lost to the Germans in last week's counter-attack. Southeast of AACHEN troops of the First US Army have penetrated the thickest part of the HUERTGEN Forest and have reached a point sixteen miles inside GERMANY. Limited gains along the southern part of the front, constituted the only other activity.

EASTERN FRONT

The main Soviet forces are now in the suburbs of BUDAPEST and BERLIN admits that the city is being fiercely attacked by Russian bombers and artillery. There is no verification of earlier reports that civil war and widespread looting had broken out in the city.

ITALY

Bad weather continues along the whole front and operations are confined to patrolling. It is disclosed that Allied casualties in ITALY since 11 May, when the CASSINO offensive began, have been 116,150. German casualties during the same period have been placed at 194,000.

BURMA

Allied forces operating along the CHINDWIN front have made a 4 mile penetration of Japanese defenses along the TIDDIM - FORT WHITE Road. They have now reached Mount KENNEDY which is the last mountain barrier before FORT WHITE.

PACIFIC

Japanese troops on LEYTE Island are making a last effort to break the US stranglehold on the ORMOG area. As the covering operation for the landing of reinforcements Japanese repeatedly bombed Allied airfields in the Eastern part of the Island. Ten of the enemy planes were destroyed.

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