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1943 Oct.	NORTH AND LATIN AMERICAN THEATERS	EUROPEAN AND NORTH AFRICAN THEATERS		
		Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Mediterranean
1	<p>Germany-Austria: Eighty-nine B-17's of the NAAF set out to bomb Augsburg in S Germany; solid overcast forces planes to abandon attack, but 19 bomb targets in the Muenchen area with unobserved results.</p> <p>Five groups of NAAF B-24's of the 8th and 12 Air Forces dispatched to bomb the Messerschmitt aircraft factory at Wiener Neustadt; 1 group returns to base, while approximately 100 planes from the remaining groups bomb target through clouds; results unobserved, but photographs indicate good coverage of factory area.</p> <p>Heavy fighter opposition encountered by both the Augsburg and Wiener Neustadt attack groups and intense AA fire met in Muenchen area; 3 B-17's lost and 21 B-24's destroyed or missing; several enemy planes destroyed.</p> <p>Approximately 250 RAF planes drop 1,104 tons of bombs on Hagen during night; good concentration of bombs believed achieved, although low cloud covers target; very little AA fire and no fighter opposition encountered; 2 of the attacking planes fail to return.</p> <p><u>Strait of Dover:</u> Axis coastal batteries sink a U.S. tank landing craft, night of 1/2.</p>	<p>Russia: Russian advances continue in 3 sectors. Toward Mogilev, strong forces cross Sozh to take Cherikov; 340 other inhabited places also fall, including Krasnopoyle, district center of Mogilev Province.</p> <p>In Gomel sector, gains of 10-15 kilometers scored; more than 100 towns and villages recovered; Matyrukhi, Sketilov, and Beredino among sites captured in advance toward Vitebsk.</p>	<p>Corsica: Enemy bridgehead is now confined to Bastia area; Allied forces only 4 mi. from latter.</p> <p>Italy: Elements of 23d Armd Brig enter Naples in the morning; units of 7th Armd Div continue to fight their way around Mt. Vesuvius; 131st Brig occupies Pollena-Trocchia and reaches Somma Vesuviana; other units move along road E of Mt. Vesuvius and reach Palma. Thirty-fourth Div, moving along road NE of Avellino, captures Pratola and Montemiletto; 45th Div gains control of road junction N of Andretta and moves toward Frigento. In 8th Army area, enemy is contacted by units of 1st Cdn Div at Motta and Casavecchia; enemy is reported to be still on the high ground NE of San Bartolommeo. Serracapriola, NW of San Severo, occupied by 4th Armd Brig. L flank of Div contacts enemy in area NW of Lucera, at Castelnuovo and Casalvecchio.</p> <p>Medium bombers attack Benevento bridges with negligible results. Twenty A-36's of Tactical AF bomb Canello and Agnice road junctions, destroying 2 JU-52's enroute. Of a force of heavy bombers which sets out to bomb Augsburg, Germany, 3 B-17's bomb marshalling yards at Bologna and Irato, while 1 drops its bombs on road junction near Leghorn. Seven B-17's hit a barge convoy off Corsica with undetermined effect. During night 30 Wellingtons bomb Formia road junction, while a force of same strength fails to destroy Grazzanise pontoon bridge.</p> <p><u>Balkans:</u> Yugoslavia: Severe fighting in progress in Spalato and Neretva R. region in Dalmatia.</p> <p><u>Aegean:</u> Twelve enemy planes bomb Cos airfield from high altitude.</p> <p><u>Mediterranean:</u> SS Metapan (U.S. cargo ship, 4,736 tons) sunk by SS at 37-22 N, 10-37 E.</p> <p><u>Arabian Sea:</u> SS Storviken (Norwegian tanker, 4,836 tons) sunk by SS at 11-45 N, 48-00 E.</p>

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<p>Burma: Thazi RR yards twice attacked by total of 23 B-25's; trackage and rolling stock destroyed and sheds, barracks, and switch damaged by hits. Nine B-24's bomb Bassein jetty area in S Burma with only fair results. Ten P-40's bomb and strafe Namtu, starting 7 fires. RAF objectives include Akyab, Kwazon, village near Homalin, as well as shipping along the Chindwin and Irrawaddy rivers; several steamers and smaller vessels destroyed or damaged.</p> <p>French Indo-China: Twenty-one B-24's escorted by 21 P-40's heavily attack Haiphong power plant, dock and warehouse areas; hits scored on all targets and fires started among power plant buildings; returning formation attacked by 2 flights of Zeros, totalling about 42; 30 enemy planes destroyed, 12 more probably, and 5 damaged; 2 P-40's missing.</p> <p>China: Japanese forces start operations in the Kiangsi-Chekiang-Anhwei border area of E China probably to neutralize Allied air bases, especially that at Kwangteh on the Wuhu-Hangchow RR. About 8,000 Japanese make a limited attack S to</p>	<p>.. ..</p>	<p>Solomon Is.: On Vella Lavella I, NZ 35th and 37th Bn CT's continue advance along W and E coasts, respectively, to clear Japanese from NW portion of the island; due to the absence of roads, advances are made by barge; 35th CT occupies Umomo I. and places guns in position to fire towards Marquana Bay; enemy strength estimated at 500 in Timbala-Bay-Marquana Bay area.</p> <p>Twenty-four unescorted B-24's bomb Vila landing strip and supply and bivouac areas to the N during morning. In the afternoon 6 B-25's, 19 SBD's, and 12 TBF's escorted by 8 P-38's attack Japanese barge center at Kakasa, Choiseul I, with some success. At night U.S. DD's attack an estimated 35 enemy barges N of Kolombangara and sink or badly damage 20 of them; hostile planes damage 1 of the attacking DD's. Japanese SS sunk by shellfire from Allied DD. Four enemy planes unsuccessfully raid Munda during night.</p> <p>New Britain: Six RAAF Beaufighters strafe Japanese barges on the Itni R., C. Busching.</p> <p>New Guinea: Allied ground forces capture positions at Kakog, 1/2 mi. W of Finschhafen, after inflicting heavy casualties on the Japanese. Advancing from the S, our forces reach the S shore of Langemak Bay without opposition.</p> <p>Supporting the ground forces, 2 missions of Allied planes bomb and strafe enemy coastal defenses in the Finschhafen area: over 3 tons of bombs are dropped by 8 A-20's, while 5 tons are released by 10 RAAF A-35's; both missions then strafe their targets.</p>	<p>U.S.: President Roosevelt announces the resignation of Admiral William H. Standley as Ambassador to Russia and appoints W. Averell Harriman as his successor.</p> <p>The President also announces that he and Prime Minister Winston Churchill have agreed informally to support post-war air freedom, as well as the private ownership and operation of air lanes, where possible.</p> <p>Former governor of Kansas Alfred Landon announces his opposition to American military alliance with Great Britain and urges a "realistic understanding" with both Great Britain and Russia.</p> <p>France: The French Committee of National Liberation gives U.S.A. a \$16,340,000 check for 150,000 tons of civilian supplies shipped to North Africa under lend-lease.</p> <p>Spain: Generalissimo Francisco Franco ends Spain's "non-belligerence," says Spain will stay out of the war, attacks Communist activities, defends capitalism, and says the Falange's program is subject to modification.</p> <p>Australia: Prime Minister John Curtin says</p>	<p>1</p>

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2		<p>Germany: Total of 349 B-17's, in 2 waves, hits Emden with 962 tons of bombs; since target is totally obscured by clouds, bombing is done on target marker flares placed by pathfinder; excellent fighter support furnished by 246 P-47's; enemy offers weak fighter and flak opposition; Allied planes claim 19 enemy fighters destroyed, 8 probably, and 5 damaged; AA fire destroys 1 B-17; enemy fighters account for another. Twenty-one B-24's with RAF fighter support, on diversionary mission against Woensdrecht air-drome in Holland, find target obscured by cloud and return without bombing.</p> <p>Muenchen pounded during night by almost 300 RAF planes, which drop 963 tons of bombs with results described by the crews as satisfactory; slight to moderate AA fire and a few fighters encoun-</p>	<p>Russia: Germans launch 6 counter-attacks to protect Mogilev on the Dnepr; all these hurled back, Russians gain 9 mi.; offensive toward Gomel cannot be stopped by desperate German resistance. In the Vitebsk area Russian forces advance through difficult marshy terrain. Fortified positions change hands several times during day in bloody fighting. Air Force sinks enemy 3,000-ton ship; raids RR installations at Orsha, Mogilev, Tankoi, and Melitopol; 6 trains destroyed by direct hits.</p> <p>Army of North Caucasus takes Starotitarovskaya in Taman Peninsula.</p>	<p>Italy: Increasingly stiff enemy resistance is encountered by troops advancing N of Naples; units of 7th Armd Div make some gains, however, and reach Casoria and area SE of Nola; latter town in occupied by 56th Div. Third Div advances in area NW of Avellino, forming a general line from Baiano W. Benevento is captured by 34th Div but is still under artillery fire from Axis forces; 45th Div occupies Rigento and moves W of Mirabella, patrolling as far as Benevento. On 8th Army front, 1st Cdn Brig captures Motta and reports Alberona and Roseto clear of the enemy; 2d Cdn Brig, SW of Foggia, is in area of Troia and Bovino; forward troops of the Div reach Crocella di Motra, just E of Volturara. Patrols of 78th Div move N of Serracapriola on Highway 16; Chieuti reached. During night SS Brig lands at Termoli.</p> <p>Strategic AF grounded by weather, but 48 A-36's and 84 P-40's bomb and strafe enemy transport columns in Isernia, Campobasso, and Capua areas; 20 MT's destroyed, 25 damaged. Eight Spitfires of a patrolling force shoot down 3 FW-190's from a formation of 9 with loss of one. Bombers attack airfield at Grosseto, starting large fires and causing heavy explosions; another force hits marshalling yards at Civitavecchia; 3 bombers missing from these missions.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Violent battles occur in vicinity of Spalato and Susak.</p> <p>Aegean: Five Beaufighters raid air-dromes on Rhodes; Maritza field severely damaged.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) general line Suancheng-Kwang-teh. An unknown number of Japanese aircraft bomb Tayu, S of Kanchow, while 8 hit Sinfeng and 9, Lungnan; damage unreported. <u>Indian Ocean:</u> SS Tahsinia (British cargo ship, 7,267 tons) presumed sunk by SS at 06-57 N, 73-48 E. <u>Burma:</u> Chindwin R. port of Monywa is target for 2 raids by total of 11 B-25's; 1st is unsuccessful, but 2d starts fires in warehouse area. At nearby Alon, 9 B-25's score hits on buildings S of RR spur with fair results. RAF Beaufighters set fire to steamer on the Irrawaddy R. at Myingun. Farther N, at Natchaug, enemy huts are destroyed and fires left burning by RAF Mohawks. In the evening B-24's attack Japanese installations at Taungup with good results. <u>China:</u> Two P-40's on return from rcn patrol in Hankow area strafe RR stations and water tower at Teian, leaving 1 large building on fire. Kiuksiang docks and shipping bombed by 5 P-40's with unknown results. Six Japanese aircraft bomb Kienow air-drome, scoring</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">UNCLASSIFIED</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">UNCLASSIFIED</p> <p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> NZ 35th Bn CT, supported by arty fire, makes small gains in Umomo area, Vella Lavella I.; 37th Bn CT, less 1 company, now just E of Sokasova I., with its arty at Dovel Cove; 51 Japanese escape by sea from Marquana Bay area during night. Japanese dive bombers and fighters heavily raid advance Brig Hq of the 14th NZ Brig at Matu Soroto, Vella Lavella, causing only light damage. Allied ships transporting 9th echelon to Vella Lavella attacked off the island by enemy planes, 5 of which are shot down by warships and fighter cover; 2 LST's hit, of which 1 subsequently sinks. During the night enemy planes raid Allied positions on New Georgia I. and Barakoma, Vella Lavella I., without effect. <u>Continuing operations against enemy shipping</u> concentrated N of Kolombanagara, U.S. DD's at night attack 20 large barges, many smaller vessels, and 7 PG's or PT's; barges and 1 PG destroyed and other shipping damaged. <u>New Britain:</u> RAAF Beaufighters destroy an enemy rcn bomber 40 mi. S of Gasmata, while 7 B-25's strafe 2 luggers at Gasmata. Patrolling the N coast of New Britain, 9 B-25's plus a P-38 escort strafe a village near Talasea; the P-38's down a Japanese rcn plane. Nine B-26's bomb the storage and bivouac area at C. Hoskins but clouds obscure results. <u>New Guinea:</u> In the morning Finschhafen falls to the forces of the Australian 9th Div, and all organized Japanese resistance in the area ends; mopping up is in progress. Allied patrols approach Dumpu, about 35 mi. NW of Kaipait, encountering no resistance. <u>N.E.I.:</u> Twelve B-24's bomb the Ambon barracks and waterfront areas, starting a number of fires. At Saumlakki and</p>	<p>(Cont'd) his country will provide her share of troops in any campaign to recover the Philippines. He also asserts that Australia will not "cut loose from Great Britain and turn to the United States," as has been suggested. <u>U.S.:</u> The Navy and War Departments announce that Major General Walter C. Short and Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel, commanding officers of the army and navy forces at Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941, will be tried "at an appropriate time." The Immigration and Naturalization Division of the Department of Justice announces that 900 Italian seamen interned in March 1941, when U.S. seized Axis ships in American ports, have been paroled and given jobs. <u>Great Britain:</u> Fedor T. Guseff, new Russian Ambassador to Great Britain, arrives in London to succeed Ivan Maisky. <u>Sweden:</u> Stockholm announces that the Swedish Minister to Berlin has notified German authorities that Sweden will provide an asylum</p>	<p>2</p>

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	NORTH AND LATIN AMERICAN THEATERS	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>tered; 8 Lancasters missing and another crashes at base.</p> <p>England: Twelve enemy aircraft drop a few bombs at several points in E England during night, but damage is slight; 1 Axis plane crashes into sea.</p>	<p>RUSSIA</p>	
3	<p>Holland-France: Woensdrecht, Haamstede, and Amsterdam air-dromes are targets for morning attacks by 2 groups of B-26's, totalling 132; results described as good at Woensdrecht and Amsterdam and fair at Haamstede. Sixty-four B-26's bomb Beauvais-Tille air-drome during afternoon with good results. RAF Spitfires provide fighter support for above operations. Weak fighter opposition and moderate AA fire encountered at some of the targets; 14 enemy fighters destroyed for loss of 2 Spitfires.</p> <p>Germany: Formation of 474 RAF</p>	<p>Russia: Gains of 5-10 kilometers made in campaign against Gomel; Moloshki, Lozovitza, and Vasilyevka among 20 large towns taken. Equal success won in Mogilev sector; Telyashi, Goloshev, Drakovka taken. Fierce battle along Pronya R. where Soviets succeed in crossing by pontoon bridge despite enemy counterattacks. One hundred fifty-five tanks destroyed or damaged during day; 42 enemy aircraft shot down. Six thousand-ton supply ship sunk in Barents Sea by Soviet bombers. RR junctions pounded, and 3 trains wrecked by bombings at Orsha, Mogilev.</p>	<p>Italy: Seventh Armd Div is in area SW of Aversa, just S of Fratta Maggiore to Melito di Napoli and W to point S of Aversa; 22d Brig reaches Cardito, on the road to Caserta. Acerra, W of Nola, is occupied by unit of 56th Div. In 6th Corps area 3d Div is on a general line S of Maddaloni-Montesarchia road; 34th Div is in Benevento sector, sending 2 Bns across Calore R.; 45th Div reaches a line running along the Miscano R. NE of Benevento. First Cdn Div advances to Volturara area, having overcome opposition W of Motta; patrols of 2d Brig are reported in San Bartolommeo. In coastal sector, 4th Armd Brig holds high ground S of San Martino; patrols of 11th Brig approach Porto Cannone. Termoli town and port is captured by SS Brig in early morning; enemy counterattack is repulsed. Thirty-six B-26's score hits on RR bridge NE of Capua; 17 fail to damage Castelvolturno pontoon bridge, while 18 return from mission against Piana RR bridge without dropping bombs because of overcast. Eleven P-38's destroy bridge at Arce, while others attack bridges and overpasses at Isoletta and Mignano without significant results.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) hits on the field. Indian Ocean: SS Haiching (British cargo ship, 2,183 tons) sunk by SS at 18-46 N, 71-55 E.</p> <p>Burma: Air operations for the day cover broad area from Rangoon in the S to Taro in N Burma; 26 B-24's bomb shipping and installations at Rangoon, damaging small merchant vessel, RR, and houses at nearby Mingaladon air-drome; in central Burma, in Sagaing, Ywataung, and Myingyan areas, 12 B-25's hit rolling stock, buildings, and a warehouse, while 10 others hit tracks and yards at Shwebo with excellent results; to the NE, Namtu RR yards bombed and strafed by 9 P-40's; direct hits scored on tracks and fires</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">UNCLASSIFIED</p>	<p>(Cont'd) Selaru in the Tanimbar Is., targets are bombed by PBY's, 1 of which attacks Seloe I. and Dawaloer I. in the Babar group; 7 large fires are observed at Selaru, but no other results are reported.</p> <p>Solomon Is.: NZ 35th Bn CT, supported by arty, operates against enemy MG positions in Umomo area, Vella Lavella I.</p> <p>In the vicinity of Kundurumbangara Pt, E Vella Lavella I., 7 F4U's intercept 40-50 enemy fighters, destroying 6; 1 F4U crashes into water. Twelve TBF's, 25 SBD's, and 6 B-25's bomb and strafe enemy barge hideout at Hamberi Cove, W Kolombangara, and nearby Nirahirapa I.; fires started at both targets; 2 SBD's slightly damaged by MG fire.</p> <p>New Britain: Nine B-25's bomb and strafe barges in the C. Gloucester area, 1 of which is destroyed.</p> <p>In support of Allied ground force activity, 12 P-39's preceded by RAAF Boomerangs bomb and strafe enemy positions on the upper Faria R. W of Dumpu.</p> <p>Allied PT's strafe Sio, probably shooting down an enemy dive bomber.</p> <p>New Guinea: Kaigulan, 7 mi. SE of Dumpu in the Ramu Valley, is occupied by Allied ground forces while advance patrols push 3 mi. farther NW. In the Finschhafen area Allied patrols report contact with the enemy on the Song R. about 6 mi. W of the town.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) for 7,000 Jews arrested in Denmark 30 September.</p> <p>Italy: In his 1st interview with Allied newspapermen, Marshall Pietro Badoglio promises that the new Italian government will be established on a democratic basis and that former fascist leaders will be excluded.</p> <p>King Vittorio Emanuele III appeals to all Italians to forget "personal passions in the interest of the country." He says further that the government of Marshall Badoglio will be expanded as soon as possible so that all can participate in the political life of the country.</p> <p>U.S.: The A. F. of L. executive council report, on the eve of its national convention, favors the creation of international machinery to eliminate wars, praises the Russian war effort, says the Soviet trade unions are "government agencies" and disputes the CIO claim of 5,000,000 membership.</p> <p>Governor Thomas Dewey, addressing a campaign fund meeting of New York City Jewish charities, says government's social obligations must be met by "savings achieved by</p>	<p>3</p>

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3 C'd		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>planes attacks Kas- sel at night, drop- ping 1,544 tons of bombs with fairly good concentration on target; 24 Brit- ish planes missing. England: During night 8 Axis planes operate over E Anglia, causing light damage and a few casualties at scattered points; Beaufighter de- stroys 1 ME-410.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Dzhankoi, and Melitopol.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Two P-38's crash land, and 1 is lost from these formations. Thirty-four B-25's bomb Isernia road junction and bridge S of town; 1 bomber lost. Twenty-three P-38's attack 7 Messer- schmitts off Corsica, destroying 1 and damaging 2. Fighter sorties along fighting front destroy 17 MT's. Balkans: Yugoslavia: Partisans take Ludberg, repulse German counterat- tack, and take 400 prisoners; much war materiel seized. Greece: Forty-eight P-38's from airdromes in Italy attack Argos air- field, destroying 6 grounded planes and starting fires. Aegean: Axis convoy of 2 DD's, 3 SS's, 2 E-boats, and 3 AP's lands Ger- man troops on Cos I. at Marmari, Cap Foca, Farbici (Tingachi), and Camare Bay; paratroopers capture Antimachia airdrome despite resistance of 2 com- panies 1st Durham Inf; troops at Cam- are Bay push N, opposed by Italians. British withdraw from city of Cos; Samos and Leros endangered by loss of only Allied air base in Aegean. British reinforcements from Calino land at several places on S coast. Enemy shipping off Cos attacked by Beaufighters in 28 sorties; 4 AK's, 2 LCT's, and 1 caique strafed; 2 JU-87's and 1 Arado-196 destroyed with loss of 5 Beaufighters. Four Wellingtons and 8 Hudsons attack enemy shipping at Cos without success. Calato airdrome on Rhodes bombed by 6 Halifaxes and 5 B-24's. Seven Hali- faxes bomb Heraklion airdrome, Crete, scoring hits in dispersal and barracks areas.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>started; 2 P-40's thoroughly strafe 10 trucks at Nsopzup, while 6 more bomb and strafe Taro area to the N, starting fires. B-24 formation raiding Rangoon area intercepted by 4 Zeros, of which 2 are destroyed and 1 damaged, as against 4 B-24's slightly damaged. Hurricanes damage river craft in the Irrawaddy R. S of Magwe.</p> <p>China: Kiukiang docks are target for 2 dive bombing and strafing raids, by 7 P-40's and 4 P-38's; 2 small cargo vessels, a gunboat, and docks are damaged. Six P-38's raid shipping off Hengyang; gunboat and 2 freighters bombed and 2 trucks strafed.</p>		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Two Dutch B-25's bomb and strafe Japanese-occupied villages in the Wissel Lake region of Dutch New Guinea, starting several fires.</p> <p>Four enemy aircraft unsuccessfully bomb the Heldsbach plantation, Finschhafen.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>better management."</p> <p>In Reno Wendell Willkie urges that the Republican Party adopt a liberal domestic and foreign policy, asserting that it can't win on a negative fault-finding platform.</p> <p>Brazil: President Getulio Vargas orders the liquidation of 34 Brazilian firms of German ownership or under German control.</p> <p>Colombia: The Liberal Party of President Alfonso Lopez Pumarejo has won most of Colombia's municipal elections, Bogota discloses.</p> <p>Great Britain: British Home Secretary Herbert Morrison says that the wartime system of public controls must be continued "for some time after the peace is restored to avoid social and economic disaster."</p> <p>Germany: German Propaganda Minister Joseph Goebbels says in a radio address that the Nazis are prepared to behead anyone "attempting to undermine the belief in victory."</p> <p>Japan: The Spanish Tokyo Legation states that a defeatist atmosphere prevails in Japan, because Japanese propaganda states merely that Japan is fighting for her life.</p>	<p>3 C'd</p>

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4	<p>Germany: Force of 322 B-17's with P-47 escort dispatched against industrial targets at and near Frankfurt; 110 hit Frankfurt, partially destroying the Vereinigte Deutsche Metall Werke (propeller and airplane component factory) and starting fires in other areas of the city; due to heavy ground haze, remaining planes attack targets of opportunity, including Saarbruecken, Heidelberg, Hanau, and St. Dizier (France); strong fighter reaction and moderate to intense AA fire encountered; 38 B-24's make diversionary flight over North Sea towards Germany and Holland, engaging about 40 Axis planes; total enemy plane losses during main attack and diversionary flight are 72 destroyed, 25 probably, and 23 damaged; 12 B-17's, 4 B-24's, and 1 Allied fighter missing.</p> <p>Following up daylight attack on Frankfurt, 340 RAF planes strike at night, dropping 1,062 tons of bombs with excellent results; 12 British planes missing. Ludwigshafen also raided at night, by about 60 RAF planes, which drop 239 tons of bombs with unspecified results.</p> <p>Norway: U.S. carrier-based planes carry out highly successful attack on enemy</p>	<p>Russia: Advance on all fronts slowed; Germans counter-attack vainly; most fighting local in character. Fifty-three tanks destroyed or damaged; 48 planes shot down. Relentless bombing of rail centers in German hands, including Zhoblin, Rogachev, and Melitopol, occurs.</p>	<p>Corsica: Allied forces capture Bastia, mopping up most of C. Corse; to the S, Borgo and Casamozza are occupied, giving Allied troops complete control of the island.</p> <p>Prior to capture of town, 35 B-26's score hits on quays and warehouses at Bastia harbor as well as near misses on shipping.</p> <p>Italy: On 5th Army front, Allied troops are pushing toward Volturno R.; 23d Armd Brig, moving toward Cancellato Arnone, reaches Qualiano-Foce di Patria area; 7th Armd Div is on a general line from Acerra to Cardito to Nugnano di Napoli. Third Div advances in area between Caserta and Benevento; 15th RCT captures road junction at Cancellato and moves to Maddaloni where enemy units are contacted; 30th RCT reaches Airola; forward elements of 7th RCT reach Montesarchio. Forty-fifth Div, passing through the 34th, advances NW of Benevento; some units of this Div are contacted by patrols of 2d Cdn Brig at Ariano, E of Benevento. At E end of central sector, 1st Cdn Div is gaining control of all major road networks and clearing out enemy resistance; 1st Brig, NW of Volturara-Motta area, reaches a N-S line through San Marco and patrols to San Bartolommeo; forward elements advance to Celenza and move along main road toward Colletorto. Seventy-eighth Div, in coastal sector, fans out in 3 directions: NW of Termoli along coast road toward Petacciato, SW toward Guglionesi, and S toward Larino; arty shells enemy positions at these places.</p> <p>Heavy bombing of rail and highway junctions continues. Twenty-seven B-26's damage tracks at Isernia at cost of 1 bomber forced to land; 24 B-26's bomb Mignano overpass with good results, while 36 hit 2 bridges, canal, and road junction at Terracina. Tremendous explosion, believed to be ammunition train, caused at Capua by raid of 24 B-25's. Marshalling yards at Pisa hammered by 60 B-17's. Sixty-four B-17's bomb Bolzano RR bridges with unobserved results; 20 enemy fighters attack formation and 4 Messerschmitts are shot down. Forty-eight Wellingtons concentrate 89 tons of bombs on Civitavecchia marshalling yards. Ninety P-40's bomb and strafe Pescara landing field with loss of 4; similar attacks in Isernia-Campobasso area result in destruction of 10 grounded planes and damage to an estimated 51. P-39's on patrol shoot down 3 Dornier flying boats which attacked Allied convoy.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Kolasin taken</p>

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<p><u>Burma:</u> Rangoon shipping area in S Burma is target for 22 B-24's in 4 flights; in the Ahlone dock area, the E bank is extensively bombed by 3 flights, while in the Sule Pagoda wharf area, 2 warehouses and several docks are slightly damaged. Taung-up, at W end of Taungup Pass Road which connects the Irrawaddy Valley with coast S of Akyab, is target for formation of Wellingtons; all bombs fall in target area and several large fires started. The end of the road is attacked by Beaufighters which then proceed farther eastward to inflict damage on barracks and other buildings at Pynmana.</p> <p><u>China:</u> Japanese troops capture Kwangteh in Chekiang Province. At Hainan I. in South China Sea 3 freighters unsuccessfully attacked by 3 B-24's, 7 P-40's, and 6 B-25's. Eighteen escorted Japanese bombers attack Kweilin with little success.</p>	<p>.. ..</p>	<p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Allied forces on Vella Lavella I. eliminate Japanese MG nest in Umomo area; NZ 37th Bn CT, with exception of 1 company, now at Varuasi. Kahili airfield pounded by 23 B-24's escorted by 22 fighters; fires started along both sides of runway and a number of grounded planes destroyed; AA fire damages 2 Allied planes; returning planes intercepted over Vella Lavella by 20-30 Japanese planes, of which 9 are shot down.</p> <p><u>New Britain:</u> Six B-25's bomb Garove I. and strafe Unea I. off the N coast of New Britain; buildings are destroyed, fires started, a motor launch sunk, and 5 barges strafed. Earlier in the day 9 RAAF Beauforts bomb the dump and camp areas at C. Hoskins and targets at Gasmata. In the evening 21 P-40's drop 5 1/2 tons of bombs on the dump areas at Gasmata, starting 8 fires. Three RAAF Beaufighters on patrol of SE coast of New Britain strafe and set on fire a barge at Wide Bay.</p> <p><u>N.E.I.:</u> The Pomelaa waterfront in Celebes is attacked by an RAAF PBV which drops 2 tons of bombs with unobserved results.</p>	<p><u>U.S.:</u> Treasury Department's program to raise \$10,560,000,000 in new taxes is presented to Ways and Means Committee.</p> <p>Rear Admiral Howard L. Vickery, vice-chairman of the Maritime Commission, discloses that he told British shipping men that U.S. "intends to become a maritime nation and stay one."</p> <p>Newly appointed Russian Ambassador to the U.S., Andrei Gromyko, presents his credentials and tells President Roosevelt that Russia desires "friendly relations and closest collaboration" with the U.S.</p> <p><u>Spain:</u> Opposition to the Franco regime is confirmed in a broadcast of the Radio Falange at Valladolid which quotes the Spanish periodical Espanol on the subject of hostile maneuvers against the government.</p>	<p>4</p>

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		<p>(Cont'd) shipping near Bodo, hitting 9 merchant ships and scoring hits or near misses on 2 small vessels; opposing AA fire destroys 3 attacking planes; no fighter interception during attack, but 2 hostile planes shadowing Allied fleet are shot down by U.S. aircraft. <u>England:</u> Targets in E and SE England lightly bombed during night by about 15 enemy planes.</p>		<p>(Cont'd) by 4th Montenegrin Brig. RR line, Rakek to Trieste, cut; several sections held by Partisans. Tuzla in E Bosnia captured by 1st Bosnian Corps. Bijelo Polje falls to 5th Corps in Sanjak Province. <u>Greece:</u> Forty-seven B-24's bomb Menidi airdrome, Athens; 12 aircraft left burning on field. Another raid on same base by 28 B-25's destroys 4 grounded planes. <u>Aegean:</u> Six Beaufighters attack airdromes on Rhodes with fair results. Five Hudsons bomb Kastelli Pediada airdrome, Crete. <u>Mediterranean:</u> SS Ivorea (Italian cargo ship, 3,274 tons) sunk by aircraft at 37-00 N, 27-00 E. SS Marit (Norwegian tanker, 5,542 tons) sunk by SS at 32-57 N, 21-11 E. Thirty enemy planes attack Allied convoy off Tenes, Algeria, and sink the SS Fort Fitzgerald (British cargo ship, 7,133 tons); 4 enemy planes destroyed.</p>
5		<p><u>Russia:</u> Kolyshki, strongly fortified by enemy, captured in Vitebsk sector. Along most of front only rcn and arty duelling takes place. In Gomel area advancing troops gain tactically important positions.</p>	<p><u>Italy:</u> Twenty-third Armd Brig reaches Villa Literno; 7th Armd Div advances along Highway 7 through S. Antimo to Aversa and patrols toward the Volturno R. at Canello Arnone; 1 Brig crosses the Regi Lagni and turns NW toward S. Maria la Fossa. Patrols of 56th Div advance to Recale, 1 1/2 mi. S of Caserta, and W of Caserta to S. Maria, which is reported clear of the enemy. In Benevento area 45th Div fans out along 3 roads, advancing about 7 mi. NW of the city, 5 mi. N, and NE to Pescoramazza. In area NE of Benevento 2d Cdn Brig reaches Foiano and Baselice; 4 Rcn RGT encounters strong opposition SE of Colletorto. Axis forces with infantry and tanks attack units of 78th Div in Petacciato area in morning; strong thrust SW of Termoli forces some withdrawal of 36th Brig to cover Allied arty positions in Biferno R. valley; counterattacks of 78th Div restore their line but enemy is still strongly entrenched in Guglionesi-Larino area. Thirty-eighth Brig lands at Termoli during night. Heavy bombers attacking Bologna RR yards hit shops and oil depot. Fifty-one Wellingtons bomb Grosseto airdrome, scoring many hits on dispersal area and leaving 11-15 enemy aircraft burning. Medium bombers attack highways and bridges in Formia, Isernia, and Mignano area, shooting down 4 enemy fighters in operations. In Isernia area fighter bombers destroy 56 MT's, dam-</p>

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<p>Burma: Ten B-25's bomb shops and offices at RR siding W of Meiktila and large building area NE of Thedaw landing ground with excellent results. RAF activity during day and night encompasses S, central, and W Burma; rail, river, and road transport hit with excellent results, as well as enemy troop positions; only 1 RAF plane missing from these operations.</p> <p>China: B-25's escorted by 7 P-40's attack Shihhweiyao, damaging storage buildings; heavy AA fire encountered. Three waves of Japanese aircraft, totalling about 50 planes, enter Kweilin area before being intercepted by 1 P-38 and 9 P-40's; 1 enemy plane and</p>	<p>Wake I.: Strong U.S. naval task force bombs and shells Wake in an extended operation beginning at dawn Oct. 5 (WLT) and continuing on Oct. 6; carrier and land-based planes drop 320 tons of bombs, while ships heavily bombard targets; enemy installations on Wake and nearby Peale and Wilkes islands considerably damaged; 40 enemy planes destroyed in combat and 31 on the ground; some of the parked planes may have been dummies; 13 U.S. planes lost in combat.</p>	<p>Solomon Is.: Allied patrols on Kolombangara I. find Vila and Stanmore Plantation completely evacuated by Japanese; at least 20 camouflaged revetments, damaged searchlight, and 8-10 damaged planes discovered, as well as considerable abandoned equipment; Japanese MG position on NW Vella Lavella I. destroyed by Allied arty and 20 Japanese killed; Allied forward elements are within 200 yards of enemy defense area. Allied fighters, during sweeps over W coast of Choiseul I., destroy at least 16 enemy barges.</p> <p>New Britain: At night a Catalina bombs and strafes Garove I., leaving a jetty burning and starting a large fire in the building area.</p> <p>New Guinea: Allied ground forces capture Dumpu and Wampun in the Upper Ramu Valley. The same day 50 Japanese are killed when Allied troops repulse attack E of Sattelberg in the Finschhafen area.</p> <p>N shore of Huon Peninsula is attacked by 11 B-25's which drop 9 tons of bombs destroying or damaging enemy barges and buildings; AA fire is encountered and 1 B-25 is shot down. Supporting Allied offensives in the Ramu Valley, 8 B-24's and 5 B-17's drop 39 tons of bombs along the Bogadjim road, destroying 2 warehouses and damaging the Gori R. bridge.</p> <p>During the day Japanese planes ineffectively bomb the Finschhafen air-drome. Six enemy aircraft bomb</p>	<p>U.S.: The United Automobile Workers' Convention asks for the end of bureaucratic confusion in the War Manpower Commission in order to "provide for a more sufficient utilization of the nation's labor supply."</p> <p>The National War Labor Board orders New York milk drivers to terminate their strike and return to work.</p> <p>President Roosevelt in a radio broadcast urges nation to contribute \$125,000,000 to the National War Fund Campaign; money to be used by the USO and 25 other U.S. and Allied relief organizations.</p> <p>War Production Board Chairman Donald M. Nelson and Middle East</p>	<p>5</p>

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				<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>age 30 others as well as 2 trains. Another mission results in destruction of 89 MT's, damage to 71, and burning of 3 gasoline dumps. Over fighting front, 15 enemy aircraft shot down with loss of 6 Allied planes.</p> <p><u>Balkans:</u> Yugoslavia: Partisan motorized div occupies Livno and Kupres.</p> <p><u>Greece:</u> Forty-eight B-24's bomb Eleusis airdrome; 30-35 German fighters rise to intercept. Four Messerschmitts, 2 FW-190's destroyed; 1 fighter probably destroyed and 1 damaged. Three Liberators shot down.</p> <p><u>Aegean:</u> Leros bombed by Germans.</p>
6	<p><u>England:</u> Nine Axis planes drop few bombs on East Anglia and SE England during night.</p>	<p><u>Russia:</u> Comparative lull continues; no substantial changes in any sector. Four German counterattacks repelled in Vitebsk area. Local action includes brilliant repulse of German tank attack by 277 Roslavl Infantry and routing of 2 companies by a surprise attack.</p> <p>Two transports, totalling 13,000 tons, sunk in Baltic by Soviet Air Force. Black Sea Air Force sinks enemy 1,500-ton transport, 2 barges, and tug loaded with infantry.</p>	<p><u>Italy:</u> Area along the Volturno R. between Grazzanise and the sea is patrolled by armored units; 169th Brig of 56th Div occupies Capua; main Axis forces are withdrawing across the Volturno, although violent fighting by rear guard units continues S of the river, especially in Caserta, Maddaloni, and Capua areas. Third Div operates in area N and NE of Caserta; line runs from S. Leucio several mi. E; patrols move forward to the river. Forty-fifth Div pushes NE of Benevento toward S. Marco dei Cavoli; latter town is reached by forward troops of 2d Cdn Brig. Remainder of Cdn Div is NE of Celenza, at Miano and Carlantino. In Termoli area bitter fighting continues as 78th Div attempts to improve its bridgehead against strong opposition; Axis counterattacks repulsed.</p> <p>Two British DD's, in support of 78th Div, bombard RR and military targets NW of Termoli.</p> <p>Fifty-five B-17's bomb Mestre RR yards, causing considerable damage; 25-30 enemy fighters shoot down 2 Fortresses, but 13 Messerschmitts are destroyed and 3 damaged. Sixty-three B-26's attack overpass at Mignano but fail to hit it; 2 bombers missing, another crash lands. Seventeen Marauders damage Isernia communications network, while 18 raid road junction at</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) probably 2 others are destroyed.</p> <p>Burma: B-25's bomb targets along RR line between Monywa and Ye-u in central Burma; at Monywa hits are scored on tracks, rolling stock, buildings, and barracks with excellent results; farther N, Segyi yards and warehouse considerably damaged. Following Chindwin R. up from Monywa, 13 B-25's bomb barracks area at Kalewa, scoring hits and causing huge explosions. RAF is active over various targets in S and W Burma; Wellingtons start fires in RR yards at Prome; rolling stock, MT, and river craft in same area damaged. To the E, enemy communications near Thazi Junction on</p>		<p>(Cont'd) Kiriwina at night; some damage is done and slight casualties inflicted. Other enemy planes unsuccessfully bomb Good-enough I. off NE tip of New Guinea.</p> <p>Solomon Is.: Vila, Kolombangara I., occupied without opposition by 1st En of 27th U.S. Inf reinforced. On Vella Lavella I., NZ 35th Bn CT occupies S shore of Marquana Bay, while 37th CT lands from barges on S coast of Warambari Bay, 1 company suffering light casualties while landing; Japanese trapped between the 2 points, with arty fire concentrated on them from both N and S.</p> <p>During the night U.S. DD's escorting the convoy to engage enemy naval force consisting of 4 DD's and a possible CL, attempting to evacuate troops from the island; during engagement 15 mi. NW of Vella Lavella, 1 enemy DD and the vessel believed to be a CL sunk by gunfire and another DD by torpedoes, while the 2 remaining DD's are possibly damaged; torp. hits scored on 1 Allied vessel; under cover of this naval action Japanese succeed in evacuating large portion of their personnel from the island by means of small boats with 3 DD's as screen.</p> <p>New Britain: The NW coast of New Britain is swept by 3 B-25's which strafe 7 Japanese barges; the NE coast is searched by 2 RAAF Beaufighters which set on fire 2 barges off Lolobau I.</p> <p>New Guinea: Allied forces occupy the trails 3 mi. NW of Dumpu, and Kesawai 11 mi. NW of Dumpu, is reported clear</p>	<p>(Cont'd) Economics Director James M. Landis arrive in Cairo enroute from Iran.</p> <p>France: The Purge Commission of the French Committee of National Liberation publishes its 1st recommendation, dismissing 1 legal official from the Algiers Court of Appeals and another attached to the Tunis Court pending further investigation.</p> <p>Russia: Article in Red Star indicates open hostility to General Draja Mikhailovitch and criticizes the Allies for failure to support the Partisan movement.</p> <p>U.S.: President Roosevelt asks Congress to authorize him to proclaim the independence of the Philippine Islands "as soon as feasible."</p> <p>State Department discloses texts of diplomatic correspondence with the Vichy Government from 17 June to 20 December 1940. Documents reveal the repeated warnings by the U.S. to the government of Marshall Henri Petain that the French fleet must be kept out of German hands and relations confined to the terms of the armistice.</p> <p>Spain: Spanish Foreign Office refuses Allied request to let Italian warships in the Balearic Islands</p>	<p>6</p>

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				(Cont'd) Formia. Kittyhawks and P-40's strafe troop movements in Termoli, Chieti, and Isernia areas; 84 MT's destroyed, 113 damaged, with loss of 2 planes. Balkans: Yugoslavia: Surprise attack by Partisan naval units secures Lussino I. Partisans also take Rakek in Slovenia but are unable to hold it.
7	<p>Germany: Stuttgart bombed at night through thick cloud by 308 RAF planes; 1,222 tons of bombs dropped, the major portion of the load falling to S of town; moderate AA fire and little fighter opposition encountered; 4 British planes missing and another crashes at base.</p> <p>England: Approximately 60 Axis planes strike various targets during night, including sites in Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Kent, Surrey, and Sussex; 15 of the planes attack London; some</p>	<p>Russia: Offensive temporarily halted to bring up reserves resumed. In Taman Peninsula, city of Taman taken; stranded enemy troops being liquidated.</p> <p>Outstanding success scored by crossing Middle Dnepr: 3 important tactical areas controlled W of river: N of Kiev, S of Pereyaslav, and SE of Kremenchug.</p> <p>Nazi lines breached on Kalinin front; advances of 25 kilometers scored. Important rail center of Nevel falls to Soviet forces, putting them on rail</p>	<p>Italy: Leading units of 7th Armd Div reach S. Maria la Fossa and advance toward Grazzanise. Third Div is in area SW of Guardia; 45th Div establishes positions in area of Fragneto L'Abate and Fragneto Monforte; positions of 5th Army established along S bank of Volturno R. from its confluence with the Calore R. W to the sea. Second Cdn Brig contacts enemy at Castelvetero (NW of S. Bartolommeo); 3d Brig advances in area SW of Celenza, reaching Gambatesa; 1st Brig halts along Fortore R. Fierce fighting continues in Termoli sector where a series of strong counterattacks by Axis troops with tank support is repulsed.</p> <p>All strategic bombing missions cancelled because of weather. Most tactical missions also suspended, but 37 Spitfire sorties are flown over battle lines without incident, and troops on road W of Termoli are strafed with unobserved results.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: German attack at Zara repulsed. Whole of Istria</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>the Sittang R. attacked by Beaughters; other RAF planes bomb Taungup, Kyauktaw, and enemy-occupied villages on Mayu Peninsula with some success.</p> <p>French Indo-China: Nine B-24's escorted by 21 P-40's bomb the Haiphong cement plant, causing heavy damage and starting many fires; on return from bombing run the formation is attacked by 12 Japanese fighters; 4 enemy aircraft are destroyed, 1 probably, and 9 damaged as against 1 P-40 damaged.</p> <p>China: A Japanese RCT engages 4 Bns of Chinese 28th Div between the Salween R. and Tengchung in W Yunnan Province, in an effort to drive the Chinese W of the Salween R.</p>		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>of the enemy. In the Finschhafen area enemy troops E of Sattelberg are withdrawing westward, abandoning much equipment and many dead.</p> <p>Five single enemy aircraft ineffectively bomb coastal positions during the day and Allied PT's at night.</p> <p>N.E.I.: Four RAAF Catalinas bomb Ambon, causing a large explosion and fires in the waterfront; Laha airfield also bombed. On return from the target they bomb Saumlakki in the Tanimbar Is.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>leave harbor; ships are to be considered as interned.</p> <p>Japan: Tokyo radio broadcasts to Latin America deny Allied contention that Japanese soldiers have beheaded captive Allied airmen.</p>	
<p>Burma: Beaughters continue their attacks on enemy communications in central and W Burma; rolling stock and locomotives S of Mandalay, river communications S of Kalewa on Chindwin R., and coastal craft between Taungup and Gwa Bay on lower Arakan coast damaged.</p> <p>China: Four B-25's on sea sweep set fire to small freighter 100 mi. S of Amoy. Twenty-seven Japanese bombers escorted by 21 fighters intercepted by P-</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: NZ 35th Bn CT occupies N side of Marquana Bay without opposition; Japanese concentrated to the N; 37th NZ Bn CT, with arty support, advances southward from Warambari towards Marquana Bay. U.S. patrol returning from Segi area, New Georgia I., reports killing of 5 Japanese and capture of another from group of 12 encountered.</p> <p>Twenty-four B-25's escorted by 14 P-38's bomb and strafe Kahlli airfield and gun positions in the area, using parachute fragmentation bombs for the first time in this area; parked planes near air strip well covered with bombs and a number of gun positions silenced; attack opposed by intense AA fire; 2 B-25's and 1 P-38 lost and 3 B-25's damaged. Two enemy planes ineffectively raid seabase camp at Munda during the night.</p> <p>New Britain: Six B-25's bomb and strafe buildings on Unea I., off NW coast of New Britain, and a barge depot at the mouth of the Itne R. Four RAAF</p>	<p>U.S.: War Food Administration announces that part of the egg, egg powder, and evaporated milk stocks accumulated for the army and lend-lease will be sold to commercial firms for public distribution.</p> <p>The United Automobile Workers' Convention in Buffalo indorses President Roosevelt for 4th term if he curbs "reaction" in the Democratic Party and satisfies labor's demands, including elimination of Little Steel</p>	7

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1943 Oct		(Cont'd) casualties and light damage sustained; 4 enemy planes destroyed and 3 damaged.	(Cont'd) line to Vitebsk. Kirishi, Krasnovo, and Dubrovo also entered by victorious Red Army. Soviet Air Force active, bombing Minsk, Gomel, Dzhankol, and Melitopol.	(Cont'd) reported in revolt. Greece: Eleusis airfield hit by 48 Mitchells escorted by 24 P-38's. Aegean: Calino I occupied by Nazi forces. Eleven Liberators strike at Maritza airfield on Rhodes; 8 Beau-fighters protecting Allied naval force in Aegean shoot down 6 JU-88's with loss of 1. Eight B-24's bomb Heraklion airfield, Crete, without important results but another mission by Halifaxes and Liberators explodes ammunition dump and starts large fires. British cruisers destroy enemy convoy off Stampalia, including 4 merchantmen, 6 landing craft, and small escort vessels.
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<p>(Cont'd) 40's off Suichwan in Kwangtung Province; enemy losses are 2 planes destroyed, 1 probably, and 1 damaged, as against 1 P-40 damaged.</p>		<p>(Cont'd) Beauforts bomb and strafe plantations at Wide Bay. New Guinea: Enemy positions in the hills 1 1/2 ml. S of Sattelberg are contacted by Allied troops. Four P-47's on rcn strafe and leave burning a barge near Sidor. Eleven enemy bombers and 18 fighters raid the Song R. beach at night, causing slight damage and casualties.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) formula. House Committee on Immigration votes to report bill repealing Chinese Exclusion Act and granting China an immigration quota. Former governor of Minnesota, Harold Stassen, becomes 1st candidate formally to seek the 1944 presidential nomination, as his name is entered in Nebraska's April primary. Federal government is negotiating with the California Arabian Standard Oil Company for a share of its concessions in Saudi Arabia. Henry Kaiser elected President of the Brewster Aeronautical Corporation. U.S.-Japan: Approximately 1,200 Americans are on the Japanese exchange ship enroute to Goa, Portuguese India. Italy: Berne reports that Benito Mussolini has ordered mass arrests of people "who showed their joy" when he was ousted on 25 July. Yugoslavia: King Peter broadcasts from Cairo an appeal to generals Draja Mikhallovitch and Josip Broz to end rivalries and unite in expelling the enemy from Yugoslavia.</p>	<p>7 C'd</p>

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8	<p><u>North Atlantic:</u> Axis U-boats sink Polish DD, Orkan, in mid-Atlantic, as it escorts homeward-bound convoy.</p>	<p><u>Germany:</u> Force of 344 escorted B-17's dispatched in 3 waves against Bremen targets, including port facilities, Deshmag shipbuilding yards, and Weser aircraft factory; heavy smoke screen prevents accurate assessment of damage, but results believed good; part of the force bombs targets of opportunity in the area; over 300 enemy fighters vigorously oppose attacks and AA fire is intense; 27 B-17's and 3 P-47's fail to return. An hour following Bremen raids, 55 B-24's dispatched against submarine building yards at Vegesack; smoke screen again prevents observation of results; intense AA fire and approximately 40 enemy fighters encountered; 3 B-24's missing. Total enemy plane losses during attacks on Bremen and Vegesack are 167 destroyed, 22 probably, and 85 damaged.</p> <p>During night attack on Hannover by about 700 RAF planes, 1,667 tons of bombs are accurately dropped, causing large spreading fires which are still burning the next day; photographs show some factories severely damaged; 3 enemy aircraft destroyed for loss of 27 RAF bombers. Bremen further damaged at night by over 100 British</p>	<p><u>Russia:</u> In North Caucasus, Soviets extend occupation of Taman Peninsula Middle Dnepr bridgeheads widened and consolidated despite fierce German resistance and counterattacks. In Vitebsk drive, advances of 6-12 kilometers scored against elaborately prepared enemy positions. About 150 inhabited localities liberated, including Sebyaki, Praniki, Zaolsha, Lyubavichi. In Nevel some street fighting continues despite entry of Soviet troops into city. Lakhny, Raki, Rivshino, among places captured in this sector by the Red Army. Red Banner Baltic fleet sinks 2 transports totalling 7,000 tons; effective attacks made on RR's by Red Air Force.</p>	<p><u>Italy:</u> Heavy rains bring ground operations to a standstill along S bank of Volturno and Calore rivers; Nazis concentrate N of the river, using light arty and small arms fire against Allied forces. Fighting continues in Termoli sector but little change in general situation is reported.</p> <p>Fourteen A-20's bomb Isernia. All strategic missions cancelled as bad weather continues and only 25% medium bomber missions undertaken. Sixty-one Wellingtons bomb Isernia and Formia; fighter-bombers attack bridge SE of Misterno and possibly score direct hits on one near Minturno.</p> <p><u>Balkans:</u> Livino taken by Partisans with large amount of war material.</p> <p><u>Aegean:</u> Aerial reconnaissance shows large enemy ship concentrations at Piraeus. Believed attacks on Leros and Samos imminent.</p>

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<p><u>Burma:</u> Following the RR between Maymyo and Lashio, 19 B-25's and 13 B-24's bomb Maymyo, Hsipaw, and Lashio; a few unidentified buildings at Maymyo and barracks area at Lashio are hit. In area between the Chindwin and Irrawaddy rivers, Kawlin and Homa-lin bombed by 8 P-40's; because of bad weather results are unobserved. RAF bombers again active over a wide area of central and W Burma; in the Mandalay sector, considerable damage is inflicted on RR installations, including yards and sidings at Sagaing; at Akyab and along the Kaladan R. objectives are bombed and fires started.</p> <p><u>French Indo-China:</u> Nine B-24's escorted by 20 P-40's bomb Gialam airdrome (Hanoi area); hits scored in barracks area.</p>	<p>.. ..</p>	<p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Japanese resistance on Vella Lavella I. ceases; 200-300 Japanese killed and 300-500 evacuated; NZ losses are 32 killed and 32 wounded. On Kolombangara I., Allied patrols advance up coast toward Surumoni Cove on E and 1,000 yards NW of Hunda Cove on the W.</p> <p>Mundi and Segi, New Georgia I., and Liapari, S Vella Lavella I., unsuccessfully raided by enemy planes.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> Increased enemy activity S and E of Sattelberg is reported. Goodenough and Woodlark islands, off NE coast of New Guinea, are raided at night by enemy aircraft; little damage is done.</p>	<p><u>U.S.:</u> American Legion Commander Warren L. Atherton tells the A. F. of L. Convention delegates in Boston that wartime strikes are treason.</p> <p>Adlai E. Stevenson, special assistant to the Secretary of Navy, maintains that anti-aircraft fire power of American battleships has been increased 100 times in last 3 years.</p> <p>Treasury Department advises Congress of a proposal to be submitted to United Nations for world bank to supplement International Stabilization Fund.</p> <p><u>Russia:</u> Soviet decree establishes in the Peoples Commissars a Council for Affairs of the Orthodox Church to handle liaison between the government and the "Patriarch of Moscow and all the Russias."</p> <p><u>Germany:</u> Berne reports that Adolf Hitler in a speech today tells party leaders that "the war must end in a great German victory."</p> <p><u>Greece:</u> The Greek Premier Emmanuel Tsouderos expresses the view that for British military authorities to ignore the Greek Government-in-exile in the occupation of the Island of Samos is incompatible with Britain's recognition of the Greek</p>	<p>8</p>

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9		<p>(Cont'd) planes, which bomb through clouds; 3 attacking planes missing. England: Six GAF bombers operate over SW England during night.</p> <p>Germany-Poland-Danzig: Total of 378 heavy bombers of the 8th Air Force dispatched as follows: 115 B-17's against airplane components factory at Anklam, 110 B-17's against FW-190 plant at Marienburg, 111 B-17's against German naval base at Gdynia, and 51 B-24's against submarine building yards at Danzig; of force dispatched, attacks are made by 92.3% of the bombers. Excellent results obtained at Anklam, where principal buildings are severely damaged; at Marienburg, target is virtually demolished by excellent precision bombing; good results reported at Gdynia, where naval base is obscured by smoke 2 hours after attack; heavy smoke screen at Danzig hinders bombing and observation of results and causes 18 of the B-24's to join B-17's in attack on Gdynia. Strong fighter reaction experienced at Anklam and intense AA fire in target area at Gdynia; 26 B-17's</p>	<p>Russia: Taman Peninsula completely cleared of enemy. Ilyich defensive cordon occupied. Enormous booty captured by Russians includes 52 tanks, 337 guns, 2,073 RR guns, 1,169 mortars, and 83 locomotives. Three thousand prisoners taken; 20,000 enemy dead. Along Middle Dnepr consolidation of bridgeheads continues. Most important victory of day is capture of Liozno, district center of Vitebsk Province. City was defended by elaborate Nazi-fortifications. Moshna R. crossed; important town of Yemelyanovo also seized. Advance in other sectors slowed.</p>	<p>Italy: Units of 10th Corps patrol along Volturno R.; 45th Div advances in area N of Benevento, capturing Campolattaro and moving E to attack Pontelandolfo. On 8th Army front 1st Cdn Div advances in central sector: 3d Brig moves NW of Gambatesa; 2d Brig holds a line from Castelvetere SW to Decorata; 1st Brig is along Fortore R., crossing it to occupy Macchia val Fortore; rcn unit occupies Colletorto. Seventy-eighth Div breaks Axis resistance in Termoli area, capturing Guglionesi and Larino; 38th Brig makes progress along coast road; rcn unit holds line from S. Croce di Magliano area, including the latter, to Montelongo and patrols toward Bonefro. Twelve Mitchells bomb gun emplacements at Pontelatone and Pastorano, while 23 Baltimores attack headquarters and MT's at Palata. Formations of P-40's attack transportation in Montenero, Tavenna, and Vasto areas, destroying 42 MT's, damaging 30, with loss of 1 Allied plane. P-38's on escort mission intercept German formation and destroy 15 JU-87's and 1 JU-88, with loss of 2. Eighteen B-25's and 3 A-20's bomb RR at Minturno and road junction at Vairano. Balkans: Yugoslavia: Ogulin encircled by Partisans; violent fighting reported in streets of Susak. Thirty Germans killed and 3 large tanks captured by Partisans who occupy Gospic. Troop train blown up on Zagreb-Belgrade RR; many Nazis killed. Greece: Total of 110 heavy bomber sorties made against enemy airfields. Tatol and Arozos bases attacked, but clouds prevent observation of results. Twenty-thirty fighters attack raiders; 4 shot down, but 2 B-17's destroyed. Larissa airfield hard hit by B-17's; 17 grounded planes destroyed and 2 gas dumps exploded. Raids on Eleusis, Salonika Sedes, and Argos fields by medium bombers achieve fair results. Aegean: Three B-24's and 9 Halifaxes raid Maritza and Calate airdromes</p>

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<p>Burma: RR installations at Sagaing, Kyaukse, and Naba Junction are objectives for raids by 7 B-24's, 9 B-25's, and 12 B-25's, respectively; excellent results achieved at Kyaukse, where 90 % of bombs fall in target area, and considerable damage is done to yards at Sagaing. The Kanbauk tin mines, N of Sagaing, pounded by 7 B-24's; many hits scored on main buildings and pipeline is broken. At Kamaing in N Burma 1 B-25 and 6 P-40's start fires in camp area by bombing and strafing. Mingaladon airdrome near Rangoon bombed at night by RAF B-24's; clouds prevent detailed observation of results, but several fires and explosions noted. Earlier in the day Vengeances and Beaufighters dive-bomb and strafe enemy-occupied villages and troop positions in the Kalemyo area, causing much destruction. From these operations 1 British plane is missing.</p> <p>China: Three</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: No enemy opposition encountered by Allied patrols in Bamberi and Hunda Cove areas, Kolombangara I., or by small Allied boats patrolling waters around the island. According to coastwatchers, 3,000-4,000 Japanese passed Bambatana, SW central Choiseul, between Oct. 3-9.</p> <p>Eight P-39's with 16 F4U's as cover strafe targets on Poporang and Morgusaia islands; at the former, radar station and 2 nearby buildings set on fire and 3 AA guns silenced; same planes set 2 barges on fire off SW Choiseul. Before dawn 4 Japanese planes bomb Allied positions on New Georgia I. without effect.</p> <p>New Britain: In Wide Bay area 3 enemy barges are destroyed by 3 RAAF Beaufighters.</p> <p>New Guinea: Allied path NW of Dumpu is cleared for 11 mi. although the Japanese are still close to the town.</p> <p>In the Sattelberg area 9 A-20's and 12 RAAF A-35's, supporting Allied ground forces, bomb Japanese positions, destroying 2 ammunition dumps and some buildings.</p> <p>During night Dobodura is attacked twice by enemy aircraft, 1st unsuccessfully by 2, then by 10 to 12; small fires are started; AA fire destroys 1, perhaps more. Six enemy aircraft bomb Kiriwina, causing slight damage.</p> <p>N.E.I.: Selaru airfield and a number of villages in the Tanimbar Is. are attacked by 6 RAAF Beaufighters; 2 intercepting Japanese twin-engined fighters are destroyed, as is an enemy bomber attempting to land at Selaru. At night oil and waterfront installations at Makassar are attacked by 11 B-24's; many fires are started.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) Government. Japan: Tokyo announces that Premier Hideki Tojo has assumed the portfolio of Minister of Commerce and Industry; function of Cabinet Planning Board transferred to the new Munitions Ministry.</p> <p>U.S.: Edwin C. Wilson, U.S. Member of the Allied Mediterranean Commission, arrives in Algiers.</p> <p>James M. Landis, Director of Economic Operations in the Middle East, states that American policy here will be attuned to achieving the aims of the Atlantic Charter.</p> <p>War Food Administration announces that government purchase of butter will be suspended until March because stocks of 200,000,000 lbs. have been accumulated.</p> <p>Senator George, Senate Finance Committee Chairman, urges sales tax as the only way to cover the 9,000,000 persons exempted by repeal of Victory Tax.</p> <p>The Office of War Information announces nationwide rise of 16.6% in juvenile delinquency since 1940, with delinquency among girls increasing 38%.</p> <p>State Department publishes supplement to its</p>	9

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		<p>(Cont'd) and 2 B-24's missing; enemy plane losses estimated at 89 destroyed, 23 probably, and 22 damaged. P-47's provide withdrawal cover. Subsequent photographs reveal German liner, Stuttgart, and 3 other ships burning at Gdynia.</p> <p>Holland: Woensdrecht air-drome is target for about 70 B-26's with Spitfire escort; results described as good; moderate AA fire is only opposition and all planes return.</p> <p>East Atlantic: SS Yorkmar (U.S. cargo ship, 5,612 tons) sunk by SS at 56-35 N, 19-24 W.</p>		<p>(Cont'd) on Rhodes, starting fires. Enemy dive bombers heavily raid Allied shipping in Scarpanto Channel, sinking British DD, Panther, and damaging British AA cruiser; 3 hostile planes shot down.</p> <p>Mediterranean: USS Buck (DD, 1,570 tons) sunk off Salerno by U-boat.</p>
10	<p>Germany-Holland: Of 275 B-17's dispatched against marshalling yards at Muenster, 163 bomb target, which is covered by smoke screen and haze, with fair to good results; intense AA fire and unusually strong fighter opposition encountered; bombers and escorting P-47's destroy 87 enemy planes, probably destroy 13, and</p>	<p>Russia: Most significant victory of the day is Soviet capture of Dobrush in Gomel sector. In offensive aimed at Vitebsk, gains of 6-12 mi. are made; Krasnoye among towns and villages occupied by Red Army advancing along Smolensk-Orsha railway. Furious German counterattacks fail to prevent widening of Middle Dnepr</p>	<p>Italy: Forty-fifth Div, in area NW of Benevento, reaches point just S of Guardia and, slightly NE, captures Pontelandolfo; advance is well supported by heavy arty; Allied troops and gun positions suffer several bombing attacks by Axis aircraft. Patrols of 45th Div contact those of 2d Cdn Brig at Circello, S of Castel Pagano; latter town occupied by 2d Brig; 3d Brig gains control of road junction just N of Riccia. Fifth Div moves to E of 1st Cdn Div and reaches Bonefro, which is reported clear of the enemy. Arty of 78th Div bombards targets in Casacalenda area, S of Larino.</p> <p>Fifty-two Wellingtons bomb road junction at Terracina, scoring direct hit on</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) B-24's bomb enemy base of Tengchung, scoring hits in warehouse and Hqs area. Four B-25's sink tanker off the Amoy coast and damage a freighter at Shenfu. Tingka near Mangshih hit by 8 P-40's; several fires started in building area; AA fire heavy and 1 P-40 destroyed.</p> <p>Burma: Heavy and medium bombers and fighters operate over wide area N of Mandalay; 12 B-25's bomb Pintha between the Irrawaddy R. and the Mu Canal, causing many fires; to the NW of Natchaug 1 end of the Meza Bridge bombed out by 7 B-24's; at Taro and Lakchang in N Burma 5 P-40's strafe build-</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: Continued patrolling of Kolombangara fails to disclose any Japanese; one patrol reaches Tuki Pt. on the N coast. On Vella Lavella I., Allied forces establishing defense positions on NW coast and patrolling the Marquana-Warambari areas. Strong patrol from 30th NZ Bn CT sent to Gizow I.</p> <p>Kahlli attacked in force by 24 B-24's, 18 SBD's, and 12 TBF's escorted by 77 on airfield and surrounding area with excellent results; fuel dump blown up, direct hits scored on and along runway and on gun position on Kangu Hill, and fires started in all target areas; B-24's opposed by intense, accurate AA</p>	<p>(Cont'd) White Book, Peace and War, covering the period from 1931-1941 and the efforts made to avoid a world war. Petroleum Administrator Harold Ickes announces in Washington that pipelines are delivering 360,000 barrels of oil daily to the Atlantic seaboard as compared with 66,000 2 years ago. Total will rise to 70,000,000 barrels next year, he predicts.</p> <p>Colombia: President Alfonso Pumarejo reorganizes his cabinet to give representation to all Liberal Party factions.</p> <p>Italy: Today's press reports say that German occupation troops in N Italy have instigated terror campaign against Jews.</p> <p>Greece: Civil strife breaks out in Greece between rival patriot armies of the Greek National Democratic Army under General Napoleon Zervas and the Popular Liberation Army.</p> <p>U.S.: Dr. Morris Fishbein, American Medical Association executive, says U.S. Army hospitals are saving 99% of the wounded because of the use of sulfa drugs.</p> <p>President Roosevelt and Vice President Henry Wallace send messages of congratulation to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek upon his elevation</p>

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	NORTH AND LATIN AMERICAN THEATERS	<p>(Cont'd) damage 6; 29 B-17's and 1 P-47 fail to return. Eighty-nine additional B-17's, unable to identify Muenster target, bomb targets of opportunity; of this group, 32 raid Coesfeld (W of Muenster), and 53 attack Enschede, Holland, with good results; very few enemy fighters and moderate to intense AA fire met; 9 B-17's lost; escorting P-47's destroy 13 enemy fighters, probably another, and damage 6.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) bridgeheads.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) target with 4,000-lb. bomb; Cassino and Mondragone each bombed by formations of 9 mediums. Fighter-bombers hit train and RR station at Pescara. Balkans: Yugoslavia: RR Zagreb to Koprivnica in hands of Partisans. Town of Vrbovac completely destroyed by Yugoslavs. Greece: Thirty-eight B-17's set out to attack Tatoi; 17 could not locate target and bombed Araxos instead, damaging 13 grounded planes. Rest reached Tatoi where they destroyed 21-25 enemy aircraft on ground and damaged 8. Twenty-thirty enemy fighters rose to attack Araxos mission; 4 destroyed with loss of 1 Fortress. Twenty-four B-17's bomb Salonika Sedes field, leaving 8-10 planes burning. Five enemy fighters shot down in ensuing combats with no Allied loss. Raid by 29 Fortresses on Argos leaves 5 enemy planes destroyed, while one by 29 B-17's on Larissa field starts large fires and 10-12 grounded planes are believed destroyed. Aegean: Eleven P-38's bomb and strafe enemy held airdrome at Antimachia, Cos. Leros airfield severely damaged by German attacks. Eighteen B-24's strike at Calato field on Rhodes, but another raid by 6 Halifaxes is more effective, leaving large fire burning.</p>
11	<p>Russia: In Gomel area, troops on left bank of Sozh R. take Novobelitsa, RR junction and suburb of Gomel. Most important gain in Vitebsk sector is capture of strong-point at Dobromysl. Five costly counter-attacks fail to dislodge Russians on W bank of Dnepr; 29 enemy tanks destroyed in these battles alone. Two thousand ton transport sunk in a Black Sea Port by Soviet Air Arm.</p>	<p>Italy: Guardia occupied by 179th RCT of 45th Div after stiff fighting; 1st Cdn Div is moving on road SE of Campobasso; units of 5th Div engage enemy rear guard 2 mi. NW Bonefro. Riccia occupied by 2d Cdn Brig. Thirty-five B-25's drop effective bomb concentrations on Garitza airdrome, Corfu. All other bombing missions cancelled because of unfavorable weather. Fighter-bombers of Desert Air Force hit train and RR station at Pescara; another mission attacks train and MT's in Vasto area. Balkans: Cocinci taken on Zagreb-Belgrade RR. Bijeljina in Bosnia also captured by Yugoslav patriots. Partisans forced to abandon attack on Gorizia and shift efforts to Udine. Reports made of successful sabotage, especially</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>ings; many fires started. Principal objectives of RAF activity are enemy supply centers in Myittha Valley and Chin Hills area and in SW Burma: Kalewa attacked by dive bombers during the day and by Wellingtons at night; fires started as all bombs land in target area; other targets in same area include Kaing and Gangaw; large fires started by Wellingtons at Taungup on Arakan coast.</p> <p><u>French Indo-China:</u> Twenty B-24's escorted by 18 P-40's attack Haiphong dock and warehouse area with about 50 tons of bombs; several fires started.</p> <p><u>China:</u> Tengchung and Lungling, enemy bases for Japanese push in W China, attacked by 8 P-40's with all bombs falling in target area; supply dumps at Lungling hit and large fires started; 1 P-40 missing.</p> <p><u>Burma:</u> RR and wharf installations near Mandalay attacked by heavy and medium bombers: 9 B-25's score direct hits on tracks at the Nungpin-wun RR yards and on docks at Mandalay; to the E of Mandalay at Sa-gaing 12 B-24's score hits in target area; 1 B-24 slightly damaged. RAF dive bombers and fighter-bombers attack enemy troop positions</p>		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>fire and 23 enemy fighters, of which 15 are destroyed; 2 B-24's lost. Ten Japanese fighters intercept 11 P-38's over Oema I.; 6 Zeros destroyed; 1 P-38 crashes on return. Various targets along W coast of Choiseul I. bombed and strafed by 6 B-25's with 14 NZ P-40's as cover; barge destroyed and 2 others damaged. Hostile planes attack Allied PT's N of Dovel Cove, Vella Lavella I., causing 3 casualties and damaging 1 PT.</p> <p><u>New Ireland:</u> About 75 mi. SE of C. St. George, a Japanese convoy consisting of 3 AK's and 1 PG is attacked by a B-24, which scores near misses on a 6,000-ton AK, setting it afire.</p> <p><u>New Britain:</u> Off Lolobau I., NE New Britain, 4 loaded barges are set afire by 3 RAAF Beaufighters. At the other end of New Britain supply dumps at C. Gloucester are hit by a B-24.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> Allied patrols report the enemy digging in along the upper Uria R., W of Dumpu. In the Sattelberg area Japanese resistance continues; 11 A-25's and 9 A-20's, supporting Allied ground forces, bomb and strafe Japanese positions in and near Sattelberg. Light AA fire is encountered.</p> <p><u>N.E.I.:</u> Saumlakki in the Tanimbar Is. is attacked by 1 RAAF Hudson and 5 Dutch B-25's, while 4 RAAF Hudsons bomb the airdrome at Langgoer in the Kei Is.; fires and explosions are caused in the latter target area. During the night 4 RAAF Catalinas bomb Ambon, causing many explosions and large fires in the wharf and barracks area; AA positions are silenced.</p> <p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Uneventful Allied patrolling of Vella Lavella and Kolombangara islands continues. One Japanese captured at Gizo Anchorage.</p> <p>Kahili bombarded for 2d successive day, by total of 22 B-24's, 15 SBD's, and 18 TBF's escorted by 72 fighters; excellent results again achieved with 55 tons of bombs accurately dropped on airfield, supply areas, and gun positions; 2 fuel dumps exploded, 3-4 guns silenced on Kangu Hill, bridge connecting Kangu Hill and Jakohina believed destroyed, many buildings destroyed or damaged, and fires started throughout the area; of 20-25 intercepting enemy planes, 11 fighters and 1 dive bomber destroyed; all Allied planes return, although 1 P-40 is damaged. Two Japanese planes attack Allied ships unloading off Koli Pt., Guadalcanal.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>to the rank of President of China. Chiang takes the oath of office on the 32d anniversary of the founding of the Chinese Republic.</p> <p><u>U.S.:</u> The House of Representatives votes to end the post-war Victory Tax refunds and make them payable at the end of the tax year. President Roosevelt asks "prompt repeal" of the Chinese Exclusion Act, asserting that such action will spike Japanese propoganda.</p> <p><u>Argentina:</u> War Minister Gen. Edelmiro Farrell is named by a</p>	11

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NORTH AND LATIN AMERICAN THEATERS				(Cont'd) against RR's. Aegean: Three B-24's and 7 Hali- faxes raid Maritza airdrome, starting fires. Mediterranean: Axis U-boat sinks British minesweeper escorting a con- voy off Bougie, Algeria.
12	England: Air- field in Suffolk bombed at night by single enemy plane; British night fighter de- stroys attacker.	Russia: No ad- vances reported; German efforts to eliminate Middle Dnepr bridgeheads fruitless. Forty- one planes shot down by Air Force.	Italy: Forty-fifth Div progresses against stiff opposition: Cerreto oc- cupied by 1 unit; 180th Rgt with strong arty support repulses severe Axis counterattack in Castelvenere area. In center of line 2d Cdn Brig reaches S. Croce del Sannio and pa- trols N to outskirts of Cercemaggiore. Fifth Div, SE of Casacalenda, capture high point at Cerro Ruccolo after heavy fighting. In coastal sector 11th Brig advances 3 mi. NW of Larino where it is held up by enemy positions across the Biferno R.; patrols of 36th Brig reach Montecilfone, on Guglionesi-Palata road. Casacalenda evacuated by Germans during the night but they continue to hold positions on high ground to S of the town. Cement works, barracks, marshall- ing yard, and chemical plant damaged by 46 Wellingtons in attack on Civitavecchia. Twenty-three B-26's virtually demolish town of Alife. Sessa Arunca road junctions attacked by formations of Mitchells; 24 Balti- mores strike at Fossacesia and Vasto.

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>and supply dumps along the Myittha R.; Natchaung, S of Kalemmyo, successfully dive-bombed by Ven-geances, while troop positions W of Kalemmyo bombed by Mohawks. In the evening Hurricanes attack enemy-occupied villages and river craft in the Mayu R. area.</p> <p><u>China:</u> Fighting continues around Kwangteh, which the Chinese are attempting to recapture. In W Yunnan Province a 2d force of about 1,000 enemy troops crosses the Shwelli R. NE of Teng-chung and engages the 107th and 108th regiments of the Chinese 36th Div.</p> <p><u>Indian Ocean:</u> SS Jalabala (British cargo ship, 3,610 tons) sunk by SS at 11-40 N, 75-19 E.</p> <p><u>Burma:</u> Enemy force, estimated as 1,000 strong, moving up from the Myitkyina area, occupies Htagaw in N Burma.</p> <p>Eight B-25's in 2 flights attack Minbu on the lower Irrawaddy R.; direct hits scored on rolling stock and tracks and many fires started. RR station at Pynmana Junction and Toungoo, on main line between Rangoon and Mandalay, are targets for RAAF bombers. Liberators attack Pynmana and Wellingtons, Toungoo; several</p>	<p>UNCLASSIFIED</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>before dawn; torp. hits scored on 2, 1 of which, SS John H. Couch (U.S. cargo ship, 7,176 tons), is total loss. During night enemy planes harass Allied positions on NW Vella Lavella, dropping many bombs without effect.</p> <p><u>New Ireland:</u> Four RAAF Beauforts attack a large vessel in a convoy E of C. St. George, scoring a direct hit on the vessel, which is left listing.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> Enemy is reported to be suffering heavy casualties while attempting counterattacks in the Sattelberg area. To the W in the Ramu Valley, Allied units drive the enemy from positions in the hills N of Dumpu.</p> <p>Four P-47's engage 33 enemy fighters and 12 bombers SE of Wewak during morning; 8 enemy fighters are destroyed, probably 2 more.</p> <p>Manokwari and Bera in Dutch New Guinea bombed by 3 B-24's which drop about 1 1/2 tons of bombs on each target; fires are started; same planes then raid Fak Fak, scoring 2 hits on 200-ton Japanese vessel there.</p> <p><u>N.E.I.:</u> Four Dutch B-25's drop over 3 tons of bombs on Lautem and C. Chater on Timor I.; fires are started.</p> <p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Force of 2,000 Japanese estimated to remain on Choiseul I., concentrated at towns and barge staging points along SW coast. Gizo patrol finds evidence of evacuating enemy defenses on NE coast of the island.</p> <p>Two B-25's carry out pre-dawn raid on enemy shipping in Matchin Bay, N Bougainville, destroying 2 AK's and probably damaging another.</p> <p><u>New Britain:</u> Rabaul is target for 3 severe attacks during the day: 107 B-25's attack airdromes in the Rabaul area in the morning, bombing and strafing revetment areas, runways, and dumps; about 100 enemy aircraft are destroyed on the ground, 51 others badly damaged. About noon 68 B-24's attack shipping in the harbor area, destroying 3 AK's, 3 DD's, 32 small merchant vessels, and 81 smaller craft, and damaging others; 2 of the B-24's bomb fuel dump at C. Gloucester and runway at Gasmata. Following these 2 large attacks, 12 RAAF Beaufighters attack the Tobera and Rapopo airfields, destroying 1 bomber and damaging another. One hundred twenty-five P-38's</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>decree to the office of Vice President of Argentina; Farrell, one of the behind-the-throne colonels, is known to be an ultra-nationalist and totalitarian.</p> <p><u>U.S.:</u> President Roosevelt replies to some of the charges of the 5 world-touring senators concerning management of the war effort. The President asserts that the procuring of Russian bases depends on whether and when Russia decides to declare war on Japan, which it will not do while fighting Germany; that the discussion of post-war rights to air bases creates bitterness; and that only 21,000 trucks have been sent to Australia in 2 1/2 years at military request, not the</p>	<p>12</p>

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				<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>P-40's hit Cercemaggiore and damage 2 trains and 8 MT's at Pescara.</p> <p><u>Balkans:</u> Yugoslavia: Partisans occupy Slankamen on the Danube. Violent fighting continues in Susak, Zara, Karlovac, and Sinj sectors.</p> <p><u>Albania:</u> Thirty-six Marauders and 24 P-38's hit Tirana, destroying 14 grounded planes, damaging 5, and leaving fires raging in installations.</p> <p><u>Agean:</u> Leros heavily bombed by Germans in 68th raid since 27 Sept. C-47's drop supplies to British forces on island. Naxis occupy Naxos; 1 enemy platoon takes Paros without opposition.</p>
13	<p><u>Aleutian Is.:</u> Ten Japanese bombers raid Attu during evening, dropping a few bombs near Allied shipping in Massacre Bay without effect; no interception made.</p>	<p><u>Russia:</u> In biggest victory since Dnepr crossing, Soviets crack "Crimean Line" and enter Melitopol. City strongly defended, but Red Army crosses Molochnaya R., swamping enemy positions on both banks. Advancing forces also reach point within 5 kilometers of Zaporozhze, northern anchor of "Crimean Line." Along Dnepr, Soviet bridgeheads widened S of Kiev. Air Force continues active against rail centers.</p>	<p><u>Italy:</u> Night of 12/13 and early morning of 13th Allied forces attack along Volturmo-Calore line against fierce opposition by Nazi infantry, tanks, and artillery. Units of 46th Div, in area between Cancelli and the sea, succeed in crossing the Volturmo and frustrating all counterattacks; 2 Bns of 139th Brig dig in on line of canal. Small groups of 7th Armd Div cross in Grazzanise area but enemy counterattacks force Bn in Cancelli area to withdraw to S bank of river; another Bn secures bridgehead across from Grazzanise. Fifth-sixth Div's attack across river in area SE of Capua is forestalled by the enemy. Third Div establishes bridgehead about 3 mi. in depth to M. Maiulo and Piana di Caiazzo; 34th Div is in area of confluence of Volturmo and Calore rivers and pushes toward Caiazzo; 45th Div establishes triangle running from Cerreto to Fontana to San Salvatore, pushing from Fontana toward Faicchio. In central sector 1st Brig of Cdn Div contacts enemy 1 mi. E of Campobasso. 2d Brig reports Cercemaggiore, SE of Campobasso, clear of the enemy. Units of 5th Div reach outskirts of Casacalenda and road junction S of town.</p> <p>Seventeen Wellingtons score 7 direct hits on RR at Orbetello. Twenty-four</p>	

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<p>(Cont'd) fires started in the 2 target areas. Formations of Vengeances dive-bomb and strafe villages in the Kalemyo area in W Burma; direct hits scored and large explosion occurs.</p> <p>Burma: Mandalay area is target for an attack by 14 B-25's: RR station at Paleik, S of Mandalay, unsuccessfully raided by 8 B-25's, while shore communications at Myitnge are hit by 6 B-25's; fires started in materiel dumps. At Promen on the lower Irrawaddy 7 B-24's score direct hits in warehouse area. Toungoo RR center on the lower Irrawaddy attacked by 7 B-24's which damage RR yard and engine shed area. RAF attacks RR installations at Monywa and Sa-gaing and enemy-occupied buildings at Pakokku in central Burma; direct hits scored and several fires started. Other air-</p>	<p>Gilbert Is.: U.S. land-based planes raid Makin I.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) cover the day's operations, and the B-24 escort is attacked by 40 enemy fighters; enemy losses for the day are 26 destroyed and 3 damaged, as against 2 B-24's, 1 B-25, and 1 Beaufighter destroyed.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> Allied ground forces with arty support maintain pressure against Japanese positions in the hills W of Dumpu.</p> <p>Allied PT's sink a small craft S of Rooke I. and damage 6-8 barges at Tuam I.</p> <p>Three enemy aircraft bomb the Buna area causing no damage, while 6 others have a similar effect in the Song R. area.</p> <p><u>N.E.I.:</u> Dilli, NW Timor, is bombed by 4 Dutch B-25's; numerous fires are started. At Penfoei, SW Dutch Timor, dispersal areas are hit by 3 B-24's. Seven RAAF Hudsons bomb Koepang and Penfoei, starting fuel fires in both areas and scoring a near miss on a small vessel; intense accurate AA fire is encountered over Penfoei. During the night off C. Laivai, NE Portuguese Timor, a small AK is set on fire by 3 RAAF PBYS; 1 of the planes also strafes a schooner near Soemba.</p> <p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Allied PT's off SW Vella Lavella bombed during night by single enemy plane; 1 PT slightly damaged by 2 near misses.</p> <p><u>New Britain:</u> Early in the morning 12 RAAF Beauforts attack shipping in the Rabaul area, while 4 others bomb dump area at C. Hoskins; at both places results are unobserved. Later 73 B-24's set out to attack the airdromes at Rabaul, but bad weather forces 46 to turn back; of the remaining 27, 10 destroy a launch and cause large explosions in the Hoskins area; 5 destroy AA positions and start fire at Gasmata, and 12 bomb the runway and dump areas at C. Gloucester.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> Allied forces capture high ground overlooking Sattelberg, while in the Ramu Valley further enemy positions W of Dumpu are captured.</p> <p>Four enemy aircraft make unsuccessful pre-dawn attack on Morobe.</p> <p><u>N.E.I.:</u> Off Tior I. in the Watoebela Group 4 B-24's score a near miss on a Japanese AK-AP, escorted by a DD; intense AA fire is encountered.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) 30,000 civilian trucks in one year as alleged by the senators.</p> <p>Secretary Harold Ickes announces the end of the government possession of the coal mines.</p> <p>Assistant Secretary of State, Adolf Berle, Jr., at a Columbus Day rally in New York asks Italian-American citizens to cooperate for the re-conquest of Italy and cease its criticism of the Badoglio government.</p> <p><u>Portugal:</u> Portugal grants Allies bases in the Azores Islands.</p> <p><u>U.S.:</u> The Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee approves resolution to "prevent aggression and preserve peace."</p> <p>The 1944 Republican National Convention will have 1,058 delegates, an increase of 58 for those states that voted for Wendell Willkie or elected Republican House and Senate candidates in 1940.</p> <p>The A. F. of L. convention in Boston authorizes its executive council to secure early reaffiliation with the United Mine Workers.</p> <p>Under Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal tells House Naval Affairs subcommittee that "weak</p>	<p>13</p>

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13 C'd				<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Baltimores bomb road junction and town of Vairano, while squadrons of 12 each attack Carinola and San Mauro. Twenty-four P-40's bomb and strafe troop concentrations N of Canello with undetermined effect. Ten trucks and 2 locomotives destroyed by 65 Warhawks in attacks on Pescara. Ten A-20's shoot up MT's and locomotives in Chieti and Degri a Ruzzi areas.</p> <p><u>Balkans:</u> Yugoslavia: German counterattack at Doboj, NW of Tuzla, repulsed. Heavy fighting reported at Dipsicon in Slovenia.</p> <p><u>Greece:</u> Armed clashes occur between Greek patriot factions; anti-British demonstrations.</p> <p><u>Aegean:</u> Calino I. shelled by Allied guns on Leros I.</p> <p><u>Mediterranean:</u> USS Bristol (DD, 1,700 tons) sunk off Philippeville, probably by SS.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) craft carry out raids on troop positions in the Kalemvo area and on transportation facilities near Thazi; Mayu Peninsula, Myittha Valley, Toungoo area, and Akyab region raided; 1 RAF plane is missing.</p>			<p>(Cont'd) management, labor troubles, and high costs," are the cause of the failure of the Brewster Aeronautical Corporation to meet contract schedules. Italy: The Government of Marshal Pietro Badoglio declares war on Germany. Press reports from Switzerland today indicate that food supply in Rome is dwindling and water will have to be rationed. England: Prime Minister Winston Churchill rebukes the U.S. senators for the attacks on Great Britain by saying that statesmen of certain countries whose soldiers are fighting abroad are fighting at home with equal vigor. France: Details of the uprising of the Corsican people and their reassumption of the government, now in cooperation with the French Committee of National Liberation, are released at the Committee's headquarters. Six months prior to Italian surrender, a National Front of resistance was in the process of being organized. Supplied with arms by the French High Command, it revolted, arrested Vichy officials, and turned itself over to the Committee. Russia: Pravda asserts that the 2d front must be the 1st item on the Allied Moscow</p>	<p>13 C'd</p>

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14	<p>Germany: Ball bearing works at Schweinfurt bombed in good weather by 2 waves of B-17's, totalling 255, with P-47 escort; severe damage inflicted on ball bearing plant, as well as several others; more than 300 enemy fighters offer vigorous and effective opposition, particularly against 1st wave, some of the fighters using rockets; 60 B-17's lost to Axis fighters; of this group 45 B-17's are destroyed from 1st wave; 2 P-47's missing; Allied bombers and fighters destroy 186 enemy planes, probably destroy 27, and damage 89.</p>	<p>Russia: Victorious Red Army enters Zaporozhze, Ukranian industrial center, after overcoming desperate resistance. Both ends of Zaporozhze-Melitopol RR now in Russian hands. Fighting still rages in streets of Melitopol, but RR from city into Crimea cut by Soviets. In Gomel area, Red Army bridgeheads on W bank of Sozh R. expanded N and S of Gomel. Dnepr positions both N and S of Kiev improved, despite German counterattacks. Intensified rcn and arty action in other sectors. Russian torpedo plane sinks 4,000-ton Nazi transport in Baltic.</p>	<p>Italy: In Capua-Cancello area Allied forces are unable to cross Volturno R. against Axis opposition; NE of Capua 3d Div extends its bridgehead approximately 2 mi.; Caiazzo occupied by 168th Brig of 34th Div; Nazis oppose Allied advance and continuously counterattack. Forty-fifth Div makes slight gains NW and SW of San Salvatore. Second Cdn Brig advances toward Vinchiaturro, reaching Quadrivio di Monteverde, several mi. to the E; 1st Brig captures Campobasso. E of the Canadians 5th Div progresses, capturing Casacalenda, on Larino-Campobasso road, and Morrone, to the SW. Thirty-four Fortresses make heavy raid on Terni RR junction; iron and gas works, as well as RR installations severely damaged; huge explosion believed caused by hit on ammunition or gasoline dump. Force of 45-50 enemy fighters rises to intercept, and 2 Messerschmitts are shot down with loss of 1 B-17. Forty-two Liberators, unable to attack primary targets because of weather, drop bombs on RR bridge N of Pescara but effects could not be ascertained. Eleven of a formation of 34 B-24's reach Giulianovo in bad weather and drop bombs; 13 of remainder hit Fiano-Romano with good results. Twelve Wellingtons bomb road junction NE of Venafro, losing 2 as a result of AA fire. Forty-seven Wellingtons effectively bomb bridge and RR station S of Talamone. Fighters destroy 3 locomotives and several wagons near Pescara.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Germans break through Partisan lines near Susak.</p> <p>Greece: Thirty-six B-25's bomb Argos airfield, destroying 10-15 enemy planes on ground. Escorting P-38's shoot down 2 Messerschmitts with loss of 2. Airdrome so badly damaged as to compel at least temporary abandonment.</p> <p>Aegean: Incessant German raids made on Leros.</p> <p>Mediterranean: Two British DD's</p>

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<p>Burma: RR and dock areas in S Burma are objectives for 14 B-24's in 2 separate raids: large fires started in RR yards at Henzada; at Rangoon fires and an explosion caused on the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company dock section; on return, formation is attacked by 12 enemy aircraft; 3 enemy planes destroyed and 1 damaged, as against 1 B-24 lost and 9 damaged. Two B-24's carry out unsuccessful mission over Kyaukpyu on Ramree I., while 17 B-25's attack targets N of Mandalay; 8 B-25's damage dock area at Kyaukmyaung, and 9 B-25's start fires among warehouses at Thabeik-kyan.</p> <p>China: Four B-25's attack shipping off Amoy; 2 freighters, an oil dump, and warehouses SW of the town are left burning from direct hits.</p>	<p>New Hebrides: Enemy plane drops flare but no bombs on Espiritu Santo.</p>	<p>Solomon Is.: Captured enemy pilot reports that there were about 10,000 Japanese on Kolombangara before it was evacuated, of which 3,000 proceeded to Choiseul to be taken to Buin area from Choiseul Bay, while DD's transported the remainder directly to Rabaul.</p> <p>New Britain: Twenty-four B-25's bomb and strafe villages and 5 barges W of New Britain.</p> <p>New Guinea: Twenty-eight B-25's and 10 B-26's raid Alexishafen, destroying 2 grounded aircraft, starting numerous fires and explosions in the dump area.</p> <p>In the early morning the Japanese execute a light raid in the Buna-Oro Bay area.</p> <p>N.E.I.: Four RAAF Hudsons and 1 Dutch B-25 bomb the Langgoer air-drome and village in the Kei Is., causing explosions. To the S in the Tanimbar Is., 6 RAAF Beaufighters bomb and heavily strafe Selaru I. On Timor I., 2 Dutch B-25's bomb Dilli, 3 others Lautem; 2 RAAF Hudsons raid Hansisi; explosions and fires are started in all target areas.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Conference agenda.</p> <p>India: The Indian Central Government has taken control of the country's food supply and forbidden export of grain as an anti-famine measure, New Delhi reports.</p> <p>U.S.: House Banking and Currency Committee votes to bar food subsidies after 31 December despite protests of Marvin Jones, Food Administrator.</p> <p>Selective Service announces that all draft delinquents between the ages of 18 and 37 are being reclassified 1A beginning 1 November and are to be inducted immediately.</p> <p>O.P.A. sets prices for various vegetables at levels 10 to 70% below highest prices of the season.</p> <p>A.F. of L. re-elects William Green president at its convention in Boston.</p> <p>The State Department announces that Finland will pay its World War debt of \$845,287 to the U.S. over a period of 20 years.</p> <p>Haiti-U.S.: The President of Haiti, Elie Lesrot, arrives in Washington for conferences.</p> <p>France: Algiers reveals that all 7,000 political prisoners interned in Africa by the Vichy regime have</p>

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				(Cont'd) sink 1 enemy ship and capture a 5,000-ton German tanker in the Adriatic. Two enemy ships sunk off Elba by British MTB's, 1 of which is sunk.
15	<p>England: Typhoons destroy 3 enemy planes over England during daylight. At night Mosquitoes destroy 3 of 13 Axis planes over East Anglia and Thames Estuary.</p>	<p>Russia: Soviets advance 8-10 kilometers S of Zaporozhze; occupy number of sites including Kubayevo, Osetrovka, and Plavni. Street battles in Melitopol continue; all enemy efforts to counter-attack fail. Russian positions somewhat improved along Middle Dnepr and S of Gomel. One hundred thirteen tanks destroyed in day's fighting.</p>	<p>Italy: Units of 46th Div report Cancello cleared of the enemy; 7th Armd Div still holds small bridgehead in Grazzanise area and are constructing a bridge across the river; 56th Div crosses at Triflisco, NE of Capua. Sixth Corps makes gains N of the river; 45th Div contacts Canadians at Pontelandolfo. In central sector 1st Cdn Div occupies Vinchiatturo and clears Campobasso area; S of Campobasso-Larino road, 5th Div reports S. Elia clear. In coastal area enemy resisting strongly on a general line from Montecilfone to Petacciato. Thirty-nine Wellingtons leave 11 enemy aircraft burning after scoring good concentrations on Marcigliana air-drome. Two locomotives destroyed by</p>

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<p>Burma: For the 2d successive day the air offensive is concentrated on the area N of Mandalay: RR installations at Naba Junction, key point on the Mandalay-Myitkyina line, attacked; direct hits scored on tracks and rolling stock and large explosions observed; at Sahnaw the sugar mills attacked by 12 B-25's; hits</p>	<p>.. ..</p>	<p>Solomon Is.: Twenty-one B-24's escorted by 28 fighters strike Kahili; 29 tons of bombs dropped in supply and personnel areas cause large fires visible from Vella Lavella and Choiseul; 4 of the escorting fighters clash with 10-15 Zeros, of which 6 are destroyed without loss to the F4U's. During night 5 B-25's raid Buka, causing fires in runway and revetment areas. <u>New Britain:</u> Patrolling P-38's destroy 2 enemy fighters off Gasmata, while B-24's bomb and strafe a building on Garove I. <u>New Guinea:</u> Allied patrols report the enemy withdrawing up the Faria R. in the Ramu Valley. Sixty-five B-25's bomb and strafe N coast of Huon Peninsula, destroying</p>	<p>(Cont'd) been freed except for a few Germans and Italians. <u>Italy:</u> In an interview Prime Minister Pietro Badoglio today asserts that Italians already have organized some troops under General Alexander. <u>Greece:</u> A press report from Cairo maintains that all members of the Greek cabinet handed in their resignations to Premier Emmanuel Tsouderos as a protest against Allied acceptance of Italy as a co-belligerent. He refuses to accept the resignations. <u>Bulgaria:</u> Sara Kirov resigns as Bulgarian Foreign Minister and is replaced by the ardent pro-Nazi, Dimitri Shismanov. <u>P.I.:</u> The P.I. are given their "independence" and Jose Laurel is appointed as president by the Japanese.</p> <p>U.S.: Wendell Willkie announces his candidacy for president in St. Louis in a speech that outlines a platform of international cooperation and a progressive domestic policy. The Senate Appropriations Committee votes to join the Truman Committee in an investigation of Lend-Lease expenditures, the</p>	<p>15</p>

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				<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Desert Air Force fighters near San Benedetto, while 3 A-20's strafe train and RR sheds between Francavilla and Pescara. Small raids made on rail and road junctions at Sermoneta, Valmontone, and Cisterna.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Germans expelled from Crkvenica and Kraljevica. Successful guerilla and sabotage action reported.</p> <p>Greece: Thirty-five Mitchells escorted by equal number of P-38's bomb Salonika Sedes airfield; 11 grounded planes destroyed; terrific explosion indicates ammunition or fuel dump hit.</p> <p>Aegean: Simi taken by Germans. Three Liberators and 5 Halifaxes raid Maritza airdrome with observation of results precluded by poor visibility.</p> <p>Mediterranean: SS James R. Lowell (U.S. cargo ship, 7,176 tons) attacked by SS off Philippeville and left a total loss. British DD's patrolling the Adriatic sink 1 enemy vessel and capture another.</p>
16		<p>England: Seven enemy planes operate over England during night, bombing scattered points.</p> <p>North Atlantic: SS Essex Lance (British cargo ship, 6,825 tons) sunk by SS at 58-30 N, 26-30 W.</p>	<p>Russia: Battle in Melitopol reaches new peak; 40 German tanks destroyed in one section of town alone. Advances of 5-10 kilometers S of city made by Red Army moving towards Crimea. Yanchik-rak, Zherybyanka, Lugovoi, Grozov among towns taken</p>	<p>Italy: Enemy makes further slight withdrawals between Cancellio and the sea; Axis forces still hold line along Volturnc R. between Cancellio and Grazzanise. Seventh Armd Div makes slight advance in Grazzanise area and captures Brezza; 56th Div establishes bridge SW of Capua. Liberi, 5 mi. NW of Calazzo, is surrounded by 30 Rgt of 3d Div; 34th Div encounters some rear guard action; 45th Div moves N and occupies Faicchio. Forces in central sector make advances all along the line; 1st Cdn Div makes gains in Cam-</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>scored on target and on RR installations with excellent results.</p> <p><u>Burma-China:</u> Chinese 38th Div is driven back by enemy troops N and NE of Teng-chung to the various passes leading into the town. The 3d enemy force, which captured Htawgaw, splits into 2 groups; 1 group moves eastward toward Lushui, W China, and the other heads SE toward Kungpiho in the 6th Div area.</p> <p><u>Burma:</u> Seven B-25's successfully hit targets in Bhamo, while 9 B-25's score hits on boats at Katha; 1 B-25 fails to return. A 2d raid in N Burma carried out by 11 A-32's and 1 B-25 escorted by 6 P-51's on Sumprabum;</p>		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>buildings at Sio; results are excellent. Six B-26's strike Kiari Village, W of Sio, during the afternoon, while 8 P-39's and Boomerangs attack enemy positions S of Daumoina with great success.</p> <p>Around 2 Japanese planes bomb Nadzab, causing some casualties and damage early in the day. Twenty enemy dive bombers and 45 escorting fighters attack Oro Bay; little serious damage is done, since the formation is intercepted by 61 P-38's and 8 P-40's, which destroy 46 enemy planes, probably 11 more.</p> <p><u>N.E.I.:</u> Three B-24's drop over 2 tons of bombs and incendiaries on Boela, Ceram I., starting large fires. The same planes drop 12 tons on an AK off Geser, SE of Ceram, and less than a ton on Taberfane, Aroe Is., hitting supply dumps; AA fire is encountered over all targets; 7 Japanese floatplanes attempt interception over Taberfane; 1 is destroyed. Two RAAF Hudsons bomb Manatuto, W Portuguese Timor, starting fires in the building area.</p> <p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Large number of Japanese reported along SW coast of Choiseul awaiting transportation by barge from the island.</p> <p>Ballale raided before dawn by 6 B-25's; bombs accurately dropped on runway from tree top height cause fire believed to be burning plane. Twenty-three B-24's escorted by 23 fighters set out to bomb Kara, NW of Kahili, but weather prevents all but 8 of the bombers from attacking; 16 tons of bombs cause large explosion and 3 patches of smoke.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Office of Inter-American Affairs, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and the Export-Import Bank.</p> <p>Ten thousand workers of the Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Company's Kearny N.J. plant return to work after a 2-day wildcat strike.</p> <p>The National War Labor Board rules that the no-strike clauses in union contracts take precedence over the right to strike included in the Smith-Connally Act.</p> <p><u>Argentina:</u> Argentine Government rescinds its 13 October decree banning publication of Jewish newspapers.</p> <p><u>P.I.:</u> In a radio broadcast Manuel Quezon scores the Philippine puppet regimes' declaration of Philippine independence.</p> <p><u>Japan:</u> The Tokyo radio announces that Premier Hideki Tojo has reached agreement with the Mitsubishi and Sumitomo firms in which the government will become half owner of these enterprises.</p> <p><u>U.S.:</u> The National War Labor Board and John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers, urge striking coal miners in Alabama to return to work. About 3,500 miners in Indiana also are out on strike.</p> <p>Economic Stabilization Director</p>	16

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1943 Oct.			(Cont'd) in this offensive. Soviets widen Dnepr bridgehead SE of Kremenchug and advance 5-10 kilometers.	(Cont'd) pobasso area; patrols of 2d Brig reach Baranello, SW of Campobasso; 1st Brig fans out NW, NE, and W of the town, patrolling to La Rocca, Montagnano, and Busso. Patrols of 5th Div report Castellino, SW of Morrone, clear of enemy and contact Canadians near Ripabottoni; Axis units engaged about 8 mi. W of Larino. In coastal sector patrols of 78th Div cross Biferno R. in area NW of Larino. Thirty-six Mitchells, escorted by P-38's, drop explosives on Ancona RR yards with excellent results. Thirty-seven Wellingtons set out to bomb Fasale; only 6 identify target because of poor visibility; 2 bombers lost. Ninety-six Spitfires encounter 62 enemy fighters in 3 formations, shoot down 6 and damage 3 without loss. Bombing of RR's at Vairano continues; Alife hit again by B-25's, while other Mitchells bomb Latina and Sparanise. <u>Balkans:</u> Yugoslavia: Heavy fighting in streets of Zenica, Bosnia, site of Krupp munitions plant. One hundred twenty-one Nazis killed in fierce fighting for bridge over Sava R. at Sevnica. <u>Aegean:</u> Allied naval force shells Calino, sinking 1 merchant ship, 1 trawler and 2 E-boats.
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<p>(Cont'd) results unobserved; 3 A-36's missing although neither enemy aircraft nor AA fire is encountered.</p> <p><u>French Indo-China:</u> Ten B-24's bomb Cat Bay airfield at Haiphong, scoring hits on and near the runway.</p>		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p><u>New Britain:</u> Four RAAF Beauforts bomb dump area C. Hoskins, while 1 other bombs Gasmata. Eight A-20's raid C. Gloucester airdrome, strafing 3 grounded bombers and 4 fighters.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> Thirty-three B-25's vainly search Long I.-Madang area for reported convoy; 30 escorting P-38's shoot down 1, probably 2d of 2 enemy fighters engaged; 1 P-38 missing. Farther W, 42 B-25's escorted by 15 P-38's and 2 P-47's raid Wewak and Boram airdromes, destroying 15 grounded planes, damaging 12 others, and scoring hits on AA positions, ammunition dumps, and a lugger offshore; 20 of the 30 odd enemy fighters intercepting are destroyed, probably 3 more; 1 B-25 shot down by AA fire. Simultaneously with the Wewak raid, Alexishafen and vicinity are attacked by 25 B-25's escorted by 25 P-47's while 12 other B-25's bomb and strafe villages in the Sio area, destroying 2 barges; buildings at Amron Mission, 18th Army Hq, are destroyed; 15 of 30-40 enemy fighters attempting interception are destroyed, probably 6 more; 1 B-25 is lost. E of Finschhafen 4 P-40's engage 27 enemy aircraft destroying 6, probably 1 more aircraft.</p> <p><u>N.E.I.:</u> Three RAAF PBV's bomb waterfront area at Ambon, causing large fires and a large explosion on the wharf.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Fred M. Vinson approves 4% pay increase for 300,000 RR operating employees, effective 26 October. At the same time President Roosevelt sets up emergency board to pass on the wage demands of 1,000,000 non-operating employees to whom Vinson rejected recommendations for a 8¢ per hour increase.</p> <p>President Roosevelt instructs War Mobilization Director James Byrnes to establish a new unit to deal with war and post-war adjustment problems including the termination and revision of contracts.</p> <p>Former Under Secretary of State, Sumner Welles, tells Foreign Policy Association that U.S. must join a world organization to maintain the peace using force if necessary. He also advocates temporary alliance with Great Britain, Russia, and China until such permanent organization is formed.</p> <p><u>Mexico:</u> The Mexican Government lifts wage ceilings established last month and admits inability to control cost of living.</p> <p><u>Yugoslavia:</u> Three new ministers are appointed to Yugoslav Government-in-exile in the hope that reconciliation of General Draja Mikhailovitch and</p>	16 C'd

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17	<p>England: During night 20 Axis planes bomb scattered targets in S and SE England, half of them reaching London area; some damage and casualties result; Mosquito destroys 1 ME-410.</p>	<p>Russia: In drive S from Zaporodzhe, Soviets take vital RR center of Popovo. SW of Kremenchug Red Army achieves decisive breakthrough after 2 days fiercest fighting. Kamenistaya, Budenovka, and Lukhovka taken. Day's victories climaxed by crossing of Dnepr S of Gomel and capture of Loyev, center of Gomel Province. Germans resort to mass air attacks to stop Russian advances to no avail; 36 Nazi planes shot down.</p>	<p>Italy: On 5th Army front enemy fiercely opposes Allied forces; 7th Armd Div makes slight gains N of Volturmo R., reaching line along S. Lorenzo-Brezza-S. Andrea road to point about 3 mi. SE of the latter; 56th Div repulses Axis counterattack and advances N in area N of Capua; 3d Div, against stiff resistance and 3 counterattacks, moves into Liberi; 34th Div progresses slightly in Volturmo-Calore area. On 8th Army front Canadians engage small enemy groups at Fossalto and Limosano, in area N of Campobasso-Larino road; 5th Div patrols to Petrella.</p> <p>Thirty-two A-36's destroy RR bridge at Francolise. Twelve A-20's bomb Alife through cloud gap; results undetermined. Twenty-four Spitfires and 34 P-40's destroy 1 train and damage another N of Pescara. Light attacks occur in Benedetto and Chieti areas aimed at crippling enemy transportation.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Patriots break up German attacks on Tuzla. Fighting continues at Zenica; industrial installations destroyed by Patriots.</p> <p>Aegean: Small raids on Maritza and Calato airfields as well as Heraklion in Crete. Warehouses and quays in Syros harbor also hit.</p>

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<p><u>Burma:</u> Naba Junction in N Burma is target for 2 attacks, 1st by 6 B-25's and then by 14 B-24's; 8 hits scored on RR tracks, and rolling stock. Four P-51's strafe Sumprabum, while 4 A-36's and 4 P-51's bomb and strafe Kamaing. Japanese troop positions and huts in the Maungdaw area in W Burma attacked by RAF Hurricanes and dive bombers. Farther S, Wellingtons bomb Akyab and also the RR station at Sagaing on the Irrawaddy R.; large fires observed in both target areas. Beaufighters on patrol along the Irrawaddy and Chindwin rivers damage 3 steamers, 2 oil tanks, 2 oil barges, and several river craft; 1 RAF plane missing.</p> <p><u>China:</u> Eighteen Japanese aircraft, in 2 waves, bomb Lungmoon and Kuekuk with unreported results, while P-40's supporting Chinese ground forces successfully bomb enemy troop concentrations and supply dumps at Lukou; 2 of the</p>		<p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Twenty-one F4U's engage 30-40 enemy fighters over Ballale, destroying 14 and damaging 2 without loss to themselves.</p> <p><u>New Ireland:</u> Allied rcn plane attacks enemy convoy approximately 80 mi. ENE of Mussau I.; large AP loaded with troops left settling by bow as result of direct hit.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> During the morning a Japanese force advances down to Song R. to a point 2 mi. from the mouth. Apparently these troops seek to join enemy forces which landed at dawn S of the river from 3 barges. Allied arty wrecks 2 barges and kills 37 enemy troops. In the Ramu Valley Allied ground forces are active against enemy positions N of Dumpu.</p> <p>Nine A-20's bomb and strafe a road S of Sattelberg, while Sattelberg itself is attacked by 9 B-25's; several buildings are destroyed. Six B-24's attack Ternate Harbor, Halmahera Is., a shipping point NW of New Guinea; a number of fires are observed.</p> <p>Approximately 35 enemy fighters approaching Oro Bay area are intercepted by 42 P-38's and 3 P-40's; enemy losses are 24 destroyed, 6 probably, as against 3 P-38's and 1 P-40 missing. Six enemy bombers escorted by 12 fighters attack the Finschhafen area; no damage is done; 3 enemy planes destroyed by 4 P-39's; 1 P-39 is lost.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>General Josip Broz may be facilitated. Mikhailovitch pledges to King Peter that he will start a campaign against the Germans and will refrain from clashing with General Broz.</p> <p><u>France:</u> Attempt to assassinate Ferdinand de Brinon, Vichy Ambassador to the Occupation authorities, reported.</p> <p><u>Italy:</u> Editorial, approved by the Badoglio government, urges a Latin bloc of Italy, France, and later Spain, with implication that House of Savoy might be discarded.</p>	17

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		Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Mediterranean
18	<p>Germany: Force of 332 RAF Lancasters bombs Hannover at night, dropping 1,609 tons of bombs through thick clouds which almost obscure target; large scattered fires started; moderate AA fire, numerous searchlights, and enemy fighters oppose attack; 18 British planes missing and 1 enemy fighter destroyed.</p> <p>England: Ten Axis planes fly over land during night; bombs dropped at London and other points cause some property damage. British aircraft sink enemy mine sweeper off Somme Estuary.</p>	<p>Russia: SE of Kremenchug Soviets advance 5-7 kilometers; Lukovka, Petrovka, and Malaya Kushkovka among places captured. Dnepr bridgehead S of Gomel expanded; similar success S of Rechitsa. Melitopol street battle continues; Germans routed from city square.</p>	<p>Italy: Forty-sixth Div and 7th Armd Div continue to advance N of the Volturno in area between Capua and the sea; 56th Div progresses in area N of Capua; 169th Brig advances on Capua-Cassino road, reaching a main road junction several mi. N of the former; 201st Brig captures Villa Volturno. Third Div makes greatest progress N, capturing Rocca Romana, about 12 mi. N of Capua; slightly E, Dragoni is occupied by units of 34th Div; 157th Rgt of 45th Div, W of Cerreto, occupies Gioia and moves on toward Piedimonte, reaching point several mi. S. Axis troops fiercely oppose Allied divisions in this sector. Canadians in central sector repulse several Nazi counterattacks but capture Baranello and S. Stefano; patrols of 5th Div advance toward Lucito and Petrella. In coastal sector, Montecilfone occupied by brig of 78th Div; no enemy contacted for distance 3 mi. W of town.</p> <p>Large formations of fighters attack Anchise, Bojano, Montenero. Four A-20's hit Chieti; 1 enemy plane destroyed N of Terracina while 3 JU-52 transports destroyed on ground by P-40's in sweep over Macerata. Similar fighter sweeps over airdrome at Viterbo, Ladiscoli, and Bracciano result in destruction of 15 grounded planes and shooting down of 3. An estimated 16 planes likewise destroyed on landing strips at Croseth and Arezzo.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Fifth Bosnian Brig occupies Vojakovac. Enemy column destroyed near Imotski.</p> <p>Aegean: Antimachia airfield on Cos attacked by 6 Halifaxes and 3 Liberators; good bomb burst observed. Four Wellingtons sink 3-4,000 ton merchantman E of Antikythera. Six Hudsons bomb Heraklion airfield, Crete.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) P-40's crash near target.</p> <p><u>Burma:</u> Airdromes and shipping facilities in N and central Burma are targets for Allied planes: 11 B-24's attack Heho airdrome SE of Mandalay, scoring hits on runway; 20 B-25's hit runway at Myitkyina, landing strip and a boat at Bhamo; excellent results achieved at Myitkyina; as result of an air battle with 7 enemy planes, 1 B-24 is destroyed and others damaged, as against 1 enemy plane destroyed, another probably, and several damaged. In NW Burma, RAF Hurricanes and Mohawks attack Japanese troop positions E of Maungdaw and in the Kalemyo area, setting fire to several army huts at the former. Earlier, Vengeances dive-bomb Mawlaik, a ferry station on the Chindwin R. N of Kalewa.</p> <p><u>China:</u> Chinese announce that Japanese column advancing on Lushui has been broken up and forced to retreat.</p>		<p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Ballale pounded by 28 B-24's, 32 SBD's, and 12 TBF's with 56 fighters as cover; 102 1/2 tons of bombs dropped on runway and in revetment and dispersal areas with excellent results; 98 bursts observed on runway and 23 in center of strip; P-38 shoots down 1 of 12-15 intercepting enemy fighters, while F4U destroys 2 from group of 7 over Fauro. Nineteen F4U's sweeping Kahili area intercept 15-20 Zeros, of which 8 are destroyed and 2 damaged.</p> <p><u>New Britain:</u> Fifty-four B-25's raid Rabaul, sinking 1 DD, 1 PG, possibly 2 more, and 2 AK's; at the Rapopo and Tobera airdromes 39 aircraft are destroyed, AA positions silenced, and fuel fires started; 40-60 enemy fighters intercept after the raid, and 32 are destroyed, probably 6 more, as against 2 B-25's destroyed, 1 missing. C. Hoskins attacked during the day by 6 RAAF Beauforts and 12 B-24's; fires started in the dump area. C. Gloucester is bombed by 3 B-24's. From these operations 1 B-24 is lost and 2 others are missing.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> Enemy groups infiltrating S of the Song R. are stopped by Allied arty and ground forces, although Allied troops are forced to withdraw somewhat.</p> <p>Six B-24's bomb Sio with unobserved results.</p>	<p><u>U.S.:</u> Supreme Court refuses a National Labor Relations Board request to review a Circuit Court decision upholding the right of officials to advise employees against joining a union.</p> <p>The House passes and returns to the Senate a bill setting up dependency benefits as \$50 for the wife, \$30 for the 1st child, and \$20 for each succeeding child.</p> <p><u>Germany-Bulgaria:</u> Adolf Hitler's military aides receive 2 members of the Bulgarian Regency Council for "talks of interest for both parties"; believed to be attempt to get Bulgarian troops to relieve Nazi forces in Greece.</p> <p><u>Italy:</u> Count Carlo Sforza, exiled anti-Fascist Italian statesman, leaves Africa for Italy.</p> <p><u>Yugoslavia:</u> General Josip Broz, leader of Partisan troops in Yugoslavia, criticizes President Roosevelt for the gift of 4 bombers to the Yugoslav Government-in-exile, charging that General Draja Mihailovitch is "openly serving the enemy."</p> <p><u>Russia:</u> Secretary of State, Cordell Hull, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, and Ameri-</p>	18

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19 West Atlantic: Following 2 Allied vessels sunk at 47-19 N, 52-27 W: SS Penolver (British cargo ship, 3,721 tons) and SS Delisle (U.S. cargo ship, 3,478 tons); both vessels were travelling in a local convoy and are believed sunk by mines.	<p>North Sea: Es- corted Beaufighters score hits on liner, Strasbourg, which is under tow off Ijmuiden, and dam- age 3 escort ves- sels; 1 Beaufighter missing. Other RAF planes severe- ly damage a naval auxiliary, a dredger, and a 1,000-ton ship off Dutch coast.</p> <p>England: Three of 5 Axis planes over S coast dur- ing night bomb London, causing light damage and casualties.</p>	<p>Russia: Outstand- ing victory won by Red Army with capture of impor- tant RR junction of Pyatikhatka, SE of Kremenchug. RR from Dnepropet- rovsk to Znamenka cut; enormous quantities of booty fall into hands of Russians, including 15 loaded RR trains. N of Kiev strong enemy base of Vyshgorod taken. Minor ad- vances scored S of Rechitsa and S of Gomel.</p>	<p>Italy: Forty-sixth and 7th Armd Div's maintain contact with enemy in W coast- tal area; 56th Div reaches main road junction about 5 mi. N of Capua and patrols along roads to Pignatara and Pantuliano, both of which are reported clear of the enemy. Sixth Corps is moving in direction of Venafro from area NW of Calazzo; Dragoni occupied by Rgt of 34th Div. NW of Cerreto 45th Div pushes ahead; 157th Rgt captures Piedimonte and sends patrols into Alife. In central sector enemy counter- attacks force Canadians to withdraw E of S. Stefano; 5th Div contacts enemy along line N of Biferno R. from Lucito to Guardialfiera; units of 78th Div repulse Axis counterattacks in Monte- ciffone area and capture Petacciato, NW of Termoli on the E coast road.</p> <p>Eleven B-24's destroy RR bridge near Civitanova; bridges N of Pedaso and S of Porto San Eltidio also wrecked. A mission of 12 B-25's unable to bomb primary target destroys RR bridge S of Cupra Marittima instead. Fighter- bombers start destructive fires in Boiano; Cassino and Gaeta hit by for- mations of Bostons.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Slovenes break into Kostanjevica.</p> <p>Aegean: Nazis occupy Lenta I. Cos, Melos, and Syros harbors bombed with unobserved effect by small forces of Wellingtons. Light raid on Antimachia made by 2 Hudsons, 1 of which crashes. Two B-24's and 5 Halifaxes bomb Maritza, causing explosion probably from hit on hangar. One Halifax crash lands.</p> <p>Mediterranean: SS Padua (Polish cargo ship, 665 tons) sunk by mine at 43-19 N, 05-20 E.</p>	

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<p>Burma: Twelve B-25's bomb Kawlin and Wuntho in 4 flights: 3 flights score hits on runway and in dispersal area at Kawlin, while 1 flight destroys rolling stock and RR tracks at Wuntho; excellent results achieved at both targets. RAF Beaufighters and Wellingtons attack rolling stock on RR running E from Thazi Junction, Mandalay, and airfield at Magwe; 35 cars destroyed, 11 locomotives heavily damaged, an engine shed set on fire; another fire started at Magwe. Other Wellingtons bomb Akyab, while Vengeances, operating farther N, dive-bomb Japanese army buildings at Kyauktaw and Mawlaik; direct hits scored in both target areas, and in addition, Kyauktaw is strafed.</p> <p>Burma-China: In addition to the 2 main enemy advances, 1 from Tengchung and the others from Myitkyina, Japanese launch a 3d drive in the Shan States of Burma: after crossing the Salween R. at Kunlong, enemy ad-</p>	<p>Gilbert Is.: Small force of U.S. Navy Liberators bombs Tarawa, meeting considerable AA fire but no enemy planes.</p>	<p>Solomon Is.: Coastwatchers reports indicate that at least 3,000 Japanese remain on SW Choiseul between Sangigai and Choiseul Bay; only Japanese S of Sangigai are at Kakasa.</p> <p>Japanese concentrations at Kakasa bombed and strafed during evening by 18 SBD's, 11 F6F's, and 14 P-39's; considerable black smoke observed following raid. Kakasa also bombed during morning, by 3 B-34's. Kara airfield, NW of Kahli, bombed at 1130 by 20 SBD's and 12 TBF's with 20 fighters as escort; runway, AA positions, and buildings receive numerous hits. Smaller raids are made on same target before dawn and during afternoon: 4 B-34's striking at 0430 cause fire and explosion; 1 B-34 missing; at 1600 2 F4U's destroy 5 planes parked on runway. Four B-34's, in predawn strike on Ballale, leave runway unusable, hit AA position, and cause explosions and large fires.</p> <p>New Britain: Four RAAF A-20's attack and probably destroy a barge on Lolobau I., bomb the dump area at Gasmata, and strafe the coast between Gasmata and C. Beechy.</p> <p>New Guinea: A small enemy group succeeds in infiltrating to the coast S of the Song R., but 200 are killed.</p> <p>Four B-25's bomb and strafe villages and bridges along the Bogadjim road, supply route for enemy forces in Ramu Valley; huts are destroyed.</p> <p>Fourteen enemy aircraft bomb Finschhafen and 60 Allied surface vessels in the area, causing negligible damage.</p> <p>N.E.I.: Three RAAF Beaufighters bomb and strafe Trangan runway, Aroe Is., and also strafe a troop laden barge; 1 Beaufighter is lost. On Timor I. Fulloro airdrome and village are attacked by 6 Dutch B-25's and 3 RAAF Hudsons; hits scored in the dispersal areas and several buildings destroyed.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>can Ambassador to Russia W. Averell Harriman arrive in Moscow and are met by Foreign Commissar Viacheslav Molotov.</p> <p>Great Britain: Field Marshall Jan Christiaan Smuts in a speech reviewing the course of the war says that "in the assault upon Hitler's Europe next year the U.S. will undoubtedly take a leading part-- perhaps the leading part. Although the U.S. has played a great industrial role in the war thus far, American manpower he refers to "as our grand strategic reserve in the West for the final moves of the war."</p> <p>France: Press dispatches indicate that General Charles De Gaulle, Rene Massigli, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs of the French Committee of National Liberation, Secretary of State Cordell Hull, and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden meet in Algiers prior to the Moscow Conference.</p>	<p>19</p>

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20	<p>Germany: Ninety-two B-17's from force of 213 dispatched bomb Dueren (between Cologne and Aachen) through complete cloud which totally obscures target and results; 18 of the remaining bombers raid targets of opportunity; P-47's and P-38's provide escort for bombers; over 150 enemy planes encountered; AA fire, apparently radar controlled, lighter than usual for the Ruhr; 9 B-17's fail to return; 11 enemy planes destroyed, 2 probably destroyed, and 10 damaged. For the 1st time, heavy bombers employ leaders with "O" electronics equipment.</p> <p>At night 272 RAF Lancasters drop 1,013 tons of bombs on Leipzig through complete overcast; 16 attackers fail to return; 1 enemy plane destroyed, 1 probably, and 1 damaged.</p> <p>England: Approximately 30 Axis planes bomb targets in East Anglia and along SE coast during night, 10 of them reaching London area; some damage and casualties caused: 2 enemy</p>	<p>Russia: Offensive SE of Kremenchug continues; RR towns of Zheltye Vody, Kasinovka, and Tishchenkov captured. S of Rechitsa, Soviets take strong defensive points at Mokhovo, Kolpen, Senskaya, Borets, and Pobeditel. In Gomel area, bridge heads on W bank of Sozh enlarged.</p>	<p>Italy: In coastal area 46th Div maintains contact with enemy; local clashes occur during night; units of 7th Armd Div reach S. Andrea and engage small Axis groups at road junction SW of Sparanise. Fifty-sixth Div continues progress N of Capua, reaching Formicola about 7 mi. N; patrols move toward Sparanise. Enemy arty constantly shells 3d Div area between Liberi and Dragoni; unit of 34th Div reaches Alife. In central Italy 1st Cdn Div makes gains, despite Nazi resistance, in area NW of Campobasso, recapturing S. Stefano and Busso and occupying Oratino.</p> <p>Casale landing field attacked by 36 Fortresses escorted by 37 P-38's. Eighteen B-17's score hits on airdrome at Marcigliana but miss grounded planes. Thirty-six B-25's drop bombs in dispersal area of Cerveteri airfield. Thirty-nine Wellingtons fire hangar at Furbara and leave 12 grounded planes burning; 1 bomber missing. Thirty-six Marauders demolish RR bridge at Montalto di Castro. Bridges at Orvieto, Acquapendente, and Orleteslo, and Albinia attacked by other formations of medium bombers. Train blown up and RR station hit in attack on Ancona marshalling yards. Twelve Baltimores start fires in Cassino but similar force overshoots targets at Mignano. Minor raids made on San Salvo, Isernia, Castro Pignano, Frosinone.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Nova Varos taken by Partisans. Susak finally won by Germans after days of bitter fighting. Sanski captured by Partisans; heavy fighting occurs outside Prijedor. RR yards at Nis hit for first time by Allied planes; 36 Marauders leave roundhouse burning fiercely. Twenty-four P-38's hit Skoplje RR yards and sheds. Two JU-87's shot down off Dalmatian coast by Allied fighter patrol. German efforts to occupy several small Adriatic islands repulsed.</p> <p>Aegean: Nazis complete occupation of</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>vances NE across the Chinese border toward Mengting. Chinese 36th Div, located between Tengchung and Htawgaw, has been dispersed and is now engaging in guerrilla warfare.</p> <p>Burma: Allied fighters, dive bombers, medium, and heavy bombers concentrate attacks on RR installations in central and N Burma: Meza R. RR bridge bombed by 23 B-25's in 2 waves; near hits scored in target area with excellent results; at Kanbalu, engine sheds are hit by 7 B-24's with damage uncertain; P-40's and 1 B-25 raid Pahok, Hopin, Sahnaw, Mogaung, and Loikaw bridge, while 8 A-36's and 5 P-51's successfully strafe and bomb supply dump areas S and NE of Kamaing; excellent results achieved at Loikaw bridge and poor results at Pahok; elsewhere results are unreported. RAF continues attacks in the Kalemyo and Kalewa sectors; troop positions in 1st area successfully dive-bombed and strafed, while Mohawks carry out similar attack on enemy village E of Kalewa. In addition, Vengeance dive-bombers and Hurricanes attack enemy troops in the Buthedaung area.</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: Twenty-four B-24's escorted by 14 P-38's drop 66 tons of bombs on Kahili airfield; AA position hit and 5 large fires started; B-24's shoot down 5 of 15-20 Zeros intercepting over Tonolei, while P-38's destroy 1 from group of 10-15 others. Twenty-four F4U's sweeping Kahili area 10 minutes later destroy 3 of 20 Zeros contacted; 3 F4U's damaged, of which 1 crash lands at Barakoma. Allied planes continue active against Japanese concentrations on Choiseul; Kakasa raided by 2 groups of B-34's, totalling 6; target observed to be practically demolished; 4 B-34's bomb and strafe islands in Choiseul Bay area with some success.</p> <p>New Britain: B-24 on rcn bombs possible enemy DD approximately 22 mi. NE of C. Orford; vessel believed sunk. Two RAAF A-20's bomb dump areas at Gasmata.</p> <p>New Guinea: Two enemy attacks S of the Song R. are repulsed; Allied forces counterattack and gain high ground overlooking Katika, preventing enemy efforts to establish a solid line along the Song R. from Sattelberg to the mouth of the river.</p> <p>Four P-47's destroy 6 floatplanes near Kairiru I. and also strafe a village and merchant vessel in the area. In central New Guinea 4 B-25's bomb stores in the Bogadjim area and damage a bridge over the Gori R. In the Sattelberg area houses and trails to the NW of the town are destroyed by 9 A-20's, while 10 RAAF Vengeances bomb and strafe area to the NE of the town.</p> <p>In Dutch New Guinea 3 B-24's bomb stores at Manokwari and sink a freighter-transport NE of Sorong.</p> <p>Thirty enemy aircraft bomb the Salankau plantation at Finschhafen, causing slight damage and casualties.</p>	<p>U.S.: General George Marshall and Secretary of War Henry Stimson, in a progress-of-the-war report to the House of Representatives say that if Russia were to give the U.S. use of airfields, the defense of them now would be too difficult to be helpful; reluctance of the Germans to engage Allied fighters is due to a desire to save their planes to repulse bombing raids; Japan is still building planes faster than the U.S. is destroying them; and that logistics is the main problem of the war.</p> <p>Argentina: The government of Argentina orders the University of Cordoba closed because of protests over President Pedro Ramirez's dismissal of professors and government employees who signed declaration for "effective democracy and fulfillment of international pledges."</p> <p>Brazil: The Brazilian Army begins physical examinations of</p>	<p>20</p>

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	NORTH AND LATIN AMERICAN THEATERS	(Cont'd) planes destroyed by night fighters.		(Cont'd) Simi.
21	<p>England: During night 8 Axis planes operate over SE coast, 3 reaching London; light scattered bombing results in some damage and a few casualties.</p>	<p>Russia: SE of Kremenchug, Red Army occupies Petrovo, district center of Kirovograd Province. S of Rechitsa, Russians capture enemy bases at Chaplin, Starodubka, Kanzimirovka, Iskra, Novosutkov. Stubborn resistance delays offensive push N of Kiev. Central part of Melitopol cleared of Germans. Fifty-two Nazi planes shot down by Soviet Air Force; Nikopol and RR junctions of Znamenka and Fastov bombed.</p>	<p>Italy: Forty-sixth Div, which is entrenched along line of Agnena Canal, N of the Volturno, defeats Axis counterattack. In 6th Corps area normal rear guard action is encountered; 34th Div advances 2 mi. beyond Alife and frustrates enemy counterattack. Canadians make further progress N and W of Campobasso, capturing Montagano and Campochiaro. Patrols of 78th Div reach Trigno R. S of M. Bello.</p> <p>RR bridge and tracks badly damaged by raids on Montalto di Castro, Orbetello, and Acquapendente. Six enemy aircraft shot down in resultant encounters with interceptors. At Cassino 33 B-25's score direct hits in RR yards and center of town. Forty-seven Wellingtons drop effective bomb concentrations on Giulianova. Minor raids made on Chieti, Pescara, and Castiglione. Twelve Baltimores and 23 Bostons hit guns and troop concentrations S of S. Salvo; ammunition dump</p>

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<p>India: Twenty-four enemy bombers escorted by 18 fighters attack Chittagong, near Burma border; 21 Hurricanes intercept the formation; as a result of combat, 3 Hurricanes are shot down and 3 damaged; very slight damage is done in area around main jetty.</p> <p>Burma: Seven B-25's attack Myitkyina landing strip with fair results, while 9 B-25's and 14 B-24's, respectively,</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: Kara, Bougainville, effectively raided by 12 B-25's escorted by 36 fighters. Seventeen SBD's escorted by 16 fighters bomb and strafe Kakasa, Choiseul I.; 2 explosions and considerable black smoke result. Three B-34's raiding same target are opposed by some rifle fire, although no Japanese are observed.</p> <p>New Ireland: Twenty-five RAAF Beauforts attack 2 CL's off the E coast of New Ireland, damaging 1; 1 Beaufort is missing.</p> <p>New Britain: Thirty-six P-40's and 2 RAAF A-20's bomb dump areas at Gasmata with unreported results.</p> <p>New Guinea: Allied patrols are active in the mountains W of the Ramu R. During the night the enemy evacuates Katika and coastal positions S of the Song R. in the Ramu Valley.</p> <p>In support of Allied ground forces P-40's led by RAAF Boomerangs dive-bomb and strafe enemy troops at</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>troops for an expeditionary force, Rio de Janeiro announces today.</p> <p>Italy: Marshall Pietro Badoglio and Count Carlo Sforza meet to discuss Italy's political problems. Sforza promises to give the Badoglio Government full support, but he will not join it unless King Vittorio Emanuele III is removed.</p> <p>In an interview with American correspondents, Marshall Badoglio declares that he will resign as soon as hostilities end, making way for a non-military government freely chosen by the Italian people.</p> <p>India: Field Marshall Archibald Wavell is sworn in as the 19th Viceroy and Governor General of India.</p> <p>U.S.: President Roosevelt announces that Lincoln MacVeagh, U.S. Minister to the Union of South Africa, is ordered to Egypt to serve as ambassador to the Greek and Yugoslav governments-in-exile.</p> <p>President Roosevelt rejects demand of labor leaders to abandon the Little Steel formula, but invites them to name a special committee to check the Labor Department's methods of de-</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>raid Mogaung and Myingyan RR yards; trackage, rolling stock, and buildings destroyed. In NE Burma 10 P-40's bomb barracks area at Kunlong; results unknown. Troop positions and communications again are principal targets for RAF bombers and fighters over Burma: Vengeances dive-bomb Japanese troops in Kalemyo area with good effect, while Beaufighters start fires among army huts at Monglong, 70 mi. NE of Mandalay; in the Shwebo district, Meiktila and Sagaing RR and airfield installations bombed by Wellingtons and Beaufighters.</p> <p>China: About 800 enemy troops are advancing SE of Mengting, thus making a 2d prong on the attack of this town.</p>		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Daumoina, toward which Allied troops are working, while 4 B-25's destroy bridge and 2 villages along the Bogadjim road. Fifty-seven B-24's and 19 B-25's, attempting to stop enemy ground action in the Sattelberg area, bomb and strafe this town and Wareo 4 mi. to the N; all buildings at Sattelberg and all but a few at Wareo are destroyed; 2 ammunition dumps are blown up. Patrolling B-24's straddle 11 barges near Natama, causing damage and starting fires on the beach.</p> <p>N.E.I.: Four RAAF Hudsons bomb Hansisi, Timor I., starting large fires.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>termining living costs.</p> <p>The House of Representatives repeals the Chinese Exclusion Act.</p> <p>Secretary of War Henry Stimson announces that more than 140,000 prisoners of war are now confined in 56 permanent camps in the U.S.</p> <p>Argentina: The Ramirez government names General Alberta Gilbert as Foreign Minister.</p> <p>Montevideo reports that the Argentina Federation of University Students calls a strike in the country's 6 universities.</p> <p>England: General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson calls on patriot groups within Greece to stop internecine strife.</p> <p>France: Cremieux Decree of 1870, which gave Algerian-born Jews French citizenship, is declared fully operative by the French Committee of National Liberation.</p> <p>General Jean Marie-Joseph Bergeret, commander of the North African Air Force, is arrested on charges of treason.</p> <p>Italy: A dispatch of 21 October reports General Gastone Gambara has been appointed as Chief of the General Staff of Mussolini's Fascist Republican Army.</p>	<p>21 C'd</p>

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22	<p>France: Two formations of B-26's, totalling 215, dispatched against airfields in N France: of 71 dispatched in 1st group, 65 bomb Evreux St. Fauville with fair to good results; enemy opposition limited to weak AA fire; 2d group, consisting of 144 B-26's, abandons attack due to weather; Spitfires support 1st group and P-47's and P-38's, the 2d; 8 enemy planes destroyed by Spitfires; 1 Spitfire and 2 P-47's missing.</p> <p>Germany: Force of 443 RAF heavy bombers drops 1,669 tons of bombs on Kassel at night; well concentrated bombing around markers causes many fires; moderate AA fire and a number of fighters oppose attackers; 6 enemy planes destroyed and 3 damaged; 42 British bombers missing.</p> <p>England: Scattered targets in England bombed during night by about 20 GAF planes, of which 8 reach London; slight damage and a few casualties result.</p>	<p>Russia: S and SE of Kremenchug Soviet armies, in advances of 6-10 kilometers, capture Verkhne-Dneprovsk, center of Dnepropetrovsk Province. About 50 other inhabited places taken, including Lelikovskiy, Iskrovka, Borovkovka, Petrovka, Auly and several important RR stations. Dnepr bridgehead S of Pereyasavl widened; enemy strongpoints SE of Rechitsa liquidated.</p>	<p>Italy: Situation on 10th Corps front remains substantially the same; 6th Corps units make slight gains N of Alife and Piedimonte. Canadians contact enemy NW of Campochiaro, at S. Polo Matese; 5th Div occupies Lupara. In coastal sector patrols of 8th Ind Div move toward Trigno R. and reach outskirts of Montenero; area E of the town is reported clear of the enemy; 78th Div continues patrolling to Trigno between main road and the coast.</p> <p>Fifty-one Wellingtons make direct hits on RR bridge at Porto Civitanova, while 4 missions of A-36's achieve similar results at Minturno; 2 Messerschmitts shot down with loss of 1 American plane on latter raid. Twenty-four B-26's miss bridge SE of Orvieto but bombs come close enough to target to cause traffic block; 1 bomber missing. Four or more direct hits scored on RR bridge S of Grosseto by 36 Mitchells escorted by 35 P-38's. Lightnings on escort missions encounter 10 enemy fighters and destroy at least 1. Bridges at Pedaso and Orbetello bombed effectively, and air action over Cassino, Castel di Sangro, and Giudonola airfield result in destruction of 4 enemy fighters.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Bosanka Dubica, on Una R., occupied. Mining town of Ljubljia also falls to Partisans. Sipanj I. is taken.</p> <p>Greece: Thirty-six escorted B-25's bomb Eleusis airdrome; clouds prevent damage assessment; 1 enemy fighter destroyed in air.</p> <p>Aegean: British DD, Hurnworth, blown up by mine or E-boat; Greek DD, Adrias, beached off Turkey as result of similar enemy action.</p> <p>East Atlantic: SS Litiopa (Norwegian tanker, 5,356 tons) sunk by SS at 06-18 N, 11-55 W.</p>

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<p><u>Burma:</u> Storage area at Alon and Mu Canal bridge in central Burma bombed by 10 B-25's and 11 B-25's, respectively; at Alon, extensive damage is done to rolling stock and storage sheds; N of the bridge hits scored with excellent results. RR yards at Promé bombed by 6 B-24's; many hits scored. RAF Liberators attack Japanese airfields at Meiktila, Heho, and Thedaw in central Burma; bursts seen on runways at all targets, while at Heho, fires are started. In W Burma targets include Akyab, Kalemmyo, Paidim (village 50 mi. N of Kalemmyo), and road bridge W of Maungdaw; many fires started at Paidim.</p>		<p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Kahili and nearby targets bombed in force by several formations of Allied planes: 10 B-24s escorted by 23 F6F's drop 33 tons of bombs on Kahili with unobserved results; later, formation of 48 SBD's and 24 TBF's with 68 fighters as escort attack same target, destroying 2 grounded bombers, a tower, and several AA positions with hits on runway and causing explosion and fire in supply area E of Kangu Hill; 1 Zero destroyed over target. Japanese positions N of Kahili airfield receive 48 tons of bombs dropped by 12 B-24's with escort of 16 NZ P-40's; following the attack, P-40's damage 1 from group of 6-9 Zeros encountered between Fauro and Choiseul; 1 P-40 lost. Kara airfield, NW of Kahili, effectively strafed by 24 F4U's; 16 of an estimated 30 planes on the runway destroyed. Two Allied air missions hit targets on Choiseul I.: 9 B-24's escorted by 12 F4U's bomb Poroporo on N coast; an hour later, 9 B-24's escorted by 8 F6F's bomb SW central coast; F6F's destroy 1 of 9 or more intercepting enemy fighters; 1 F6F missing and another crash lands.</p> <p><u>New Britain:</u> Gasmata is again target for an attack by 33 P-40's; a bridge is destroyed, and fires are started. Off C. Dampier, S New Britain, Allied PT's sink enemy ammunition and fuel laden barges.</p> <p><u>New Guinea:</u> Twenty B-25's bomb villages and trails W of Sattelberg, destroying ammunition dump in the vicinity of the Masaweng R. mouth; excellent results achieved. Four P-39's and 2 Boomerangs strafe the Bogadjim road, shooting up 6 camouflaged trucks.</p> <p><u>N.E.I.:</u> Twelve B-24's attack Pomelae Celebes, starting huge fires on the jetties and scoring many hits on the Nickel Concentrates Plant, where explosions and fires are started.</p>	<p><u>U.S.:</u> The Northern Appalachian Coal Operators submit a new wage contract to the National War Labor Board, raising miners wages 88¢ daily for a 7 1/2 hour day. This formula is a compromise on the proposed Illinois wage contract.</p> <p>House Ways and Means Committee votes to abolish the 5% Victory Tax, substituting a 3% tax on low incomes, now reached only through the Victory Tax and normal income levy raised to from 6-10%. Yield from these rates marks a cut of \$9,000,000,000 in the Treasury Department's revenue expectations.</p> <p><u>India:</u> Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, Supreme Allied Commander in Southeast Asia, returns to New Delhi after military conferences in Chungking with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Chinese War Minister General Ho Ying-chin. American consultants include Lt. Gen. Joseph Stilwell, American commander-in-chief in the China-Burma theatre, Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, chief of the U.S. Army Services of Supply, Maj. Gen. George Stratemyer, chief air officer on Stilwell's staff, and Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault, commander of the Fourteenth U.S.</p>	22

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		Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Mediterranean
23	<p>West Atlantic: SS Campos (Brazilian cargo ship, 4,663 tons) sunk by SS at 24-07 S, 45-50 W.</p>	<p><u>English Channel:</u> British CL, Charybdis, and DD, Limbourne, torp. and sunk off N Brittany. Typhoons sink small enemy tanker and damage a DD off St. Malo.</p> <p><u>England:</u> Of 26 Axis planes over the coast during the night, 8 raid Cromer area and 6, targets in SE counties; 2 of the latter group bomb London; minor damage sustained at scattered points.</p> <p><u>East Atlantic:</u> Enemy planes sink Allied infantry landing ship NW of C. Finisterre.</p>	<p>Russia: Melitopol fighting ends; German effort to defend Moloch-Naya R. defense line fails. Red Army seizes Pushkarevka and Verkhovtsevo S and SE of Kremenchug. Bridgeheads extended in Pereyaslav-Khmelnitski and Rechitsa areas.</p>	<p>Italy: In area NW of Capua units of 5th Army are advancing, forming possible flanking movement against Axis positions along the coast; Sparanise occupied by 56th Div and attack is continuing. Thirty-fourth Div drives W of Piedimonte, occupying S. Angelo d'Alife. Canadians are attempting to clear enemy from area W of Campobasso and are fighting in outskirts of Colledanchise; enemy arty heavily shells area. Patrols of 5th Div report Lucito and Castelbottaccio clear of enemy. In coastal area units of 8th Ind Div move NW of Montecilfone; troops of 78th Div cross Trigno R. on Highway 16 and establish bridgehead on other side; patrols during night find Montenero clear of enemy.</p> <p>Seventy Wellingtons cause explosions and fires at Guidonia airdrome; 3 bombers missing. Kittyhawks and Warhawks very accurate in bombing enemy strongpoint at Spinete. RR bridges at Albinia and Montalto di Castro damaged by direct hits. Fighter bombers destroy a locomotive and 6 RR coaches at Ancona and score 6 direct hits on highway bridge near Minturno. British fighters also destroy a locomotive near Fano.</p> <p><u>Balkans:</u> Yugoslavia: Many damaging blows struck by Partisan saboteurs. Kopriva, Visnyvrh, Novigrad, and Gradisca captured in Slovenia.</p> <p><u>Aegean:</u> British raiding party fails to land on Levita. Six Halifaxes, 3 B-24's abandon mission against Heraklion because of 10/10 clouds. British DD, Eclipse, sunk by mine while en-route to Leros.</p> <p><u>Mediterranean:</u> British mine sweeper sunk by mine in Strait of Bonifacio.</p>

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<p>Burma: Targets in N central Burma, mainly RR installations, attacked by total of 74 aircraft: at Kanbalu 6 B-24's score hits in RR yards and near engine sheds, causing large fires; excellent results likewise achieved by 8 P-40's at Lonkin where large storage building is hit and several others are set on fire; Meza R. RR bridge unsuccessfully bombed, 1st by 11 B-25's, while RR bridge at Sharaw, slightly to the N, is severely damaged by 12 P-40's; N and S approaches hit and center span destroyed; 6 P-51's, 11 A-36's, and 1 B-25 bomb Mogaung, scoring direct hits in W part of the town, and strafe Manywet and storage dumps between Manywet and Kamaing; installations at Sharaw Ga, Kantau, and Piapha Ga strafed and bombed by 4 B-25's and 8 P-40's; excellent results achieved through</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: Continuing destructive air attacks on Bougainville targets, 24 SBD's and 18 TBF's escorted by 60 fighters drop over 28 tons of bombs on Kara airfield, hitting runway and gun position. Same target later receives 30 tons of bombs dropped by 24 SBD's and 18 TBF's with 35 fighters as escort; hits scored on runway, dispersal area, 4 AA positions, and an ammunition dump AA fire destroys 1 SBD. Two damaging attacks on Kahili are made by 11 B-24's escorted by 16 P-38's followed by 6 B-24's escorted by 16 fighters; total of 68 tons of bombs dropped on runway with excellent results. Kakasa, Choisoul I., strafed by 3 flights of 2 Venturas each.</p> <p>New Britain: Two RAAF Beaufighters destroy a 200-ton vessel and barge off the N coast of New Britain, while 5 RAAF Beauforts bomb dumps at C. Hoskins and Gasmata. Forty-nine B-24's with an escort of 82 P-38's bomb the Rapopo airdrome, destroying 20, probably 7 more grounded aircraft; approximately 50 enemy fighters intercept the formation; enemy combat losses are 15 planes destroyed, probably 13 more, as against 2 P-38's lost.</p> <p>New Guinea: Enemy attempts to regain Katika and coastal positions are repulsed.</p> <p>Twenty-four B-25's escorted by 17 P-47's bomb and strafe the But and Dagua airdromes in the Wewak area and shipping at Mushu I.; 12 aircraft are destroyed on the ground, fires are started at the airdromes, and 11 ships are destroyed and 1 damaged; of intercepting force of 28 enemy fighters, 3 are destroyed, 3 damaged, as against 3 P-47's lost. To the E 9 B-25's raid the Daumoina-Bogadjim road, destroying huts, silencing machine-gun positions, and scoring hits on village and stores.</p> <p>At dawn 6 enemy aircraft bomb the Finschhafen area, causing no damage.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) Air Force. Japan-Spain: Tokio broadcasts that Foreign Minister Fransisco Jordana has sent a telegram to Jose P. Laurel, president of the Jap-created "Philippine Republic," congratulating him and "expressing the friendly sentiments of Spain."</p> <p>U.S.: War Production Board's Acting Chairman Charles E. Wilson reports production during September as "disappointing" except for a 6% increase in 4-motored bombers. House Military Affairs Committee approves amendment to Senate bill ending the War Manpower Commissioner's authority over Selective Service and giving it to Director Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey. Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau has received for delivery to the President a report of German atrocities in Naples. Representatives of the 4 railroad brotherhoods of the switchmen union, unanimously reject a 4¢ per hour wage increase offer and order a strike vote. Sweden: Stockholm reports "many indications" that a German fighter plane shot down a Swedish airliner which crashed 21 October off the</p>	<p>23</p>

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24	<p>NORTH AND LATIN AMERICAN THEATERS</p> <p>West Atlantic: SS Siranger (Norwegian cargo ship, 5,393 tons) sunk by SS at 00-40 S, 32-10 W.</p>	<p>Austria: From bases in Sicily and Italy, 136 B-17's and 59 B-24's escorted by 48 P-38's set out to attack the Messerschmitt factory at Wiener Neustadt, but are unable to locate target because of complete overcast; 23 of the B-24's bomb estimated position of target, while 18 B-17's bomb targets of opportunity; remaining planes return without bombing or jettison their bombs; 2 B-24's missing and 1 B-17 badly damaged.</p> <p>France: Of 216 B-26's dispatched against airfields in France, 64 strike Montdidier, 67 bomb Beauvais-Nivilliers, and 70, St. Andre de L'Eure; 1st 2 groups</p>	<p>Russia: Soviets advancing on Krivol Rog gain 6-10 kilometers; in Melitopol area, enemy strong points of Semenovka, Guttertal, Johannesruhe, Tashchenak taken. Dubrovka, Ostrov, Krasny Rog, Sevki fall to Russian forces in Rechitsa area. One hundred forty-eight tanks destroyed or damaged; 46 aircraft shot down.</p>	<p>Italy: Contact between 46th Div and Nazi troops is broken and enemy withdraws NW to area around road junction N of Agnena Canal; no substantial change reported in 6th Corps area. Canadians, in central sector, advance toward Bajano, capturing S. Polo Matese, Spinete, and Colledan-chise. Eighth Ind Div captures Palata and Acquaviva, SW of Termoli; 78th Div occupies high ground between coastal road and sea, at M. Bello; little opposition being encountered at Trigno bridgehead.</p> <p>Formation of 24 Fortresses fails to hit viaduct at Terni, but shoots down 8 fighters with loss of 1 escort plane. Twenty-four A-20's attack Frosolone and formation of Mitchells hits Formia junction. Eleven of 60 enemy aircraft encountered during day shot down. Thirty-five B-25's bomb bridge at Orvieto while 15 Marauders attack similar target a few miles north; each formation attacked by fighters and 6 enemy aircraft are shot down and 5 probably. Four Wellingtons lost out of formation of 48 that attacks Pistoria marshalling yards and aircraft assembly plant with unobserved results.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Sanskimmost, S of Prijedor, and Kozarac captured by 4th Div Bosnian Corps. Prijedor en-</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>out the area. In Arakan, RAF Vengeances dive-bomb Buthedaung and an enemy-occupied village nearby, scoring hits in target area. To the NE, in the Chin Hills, Vengeances and Mohawks start large fire in enemy village in Kalemyo sector. Farther S, Beaufighters start a number of fires in army hut areas along Taungup Pass road.</p> <p>Burma-China: In support of Chinese troops, 6 B-24's operating from a Chinese base, successfully bomb Htawgaw, starting small fires; 5 Japanese fighters intercept; no losses suffered.</p>		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Later 1 of 4 enemy planes attacking in the same general area is destroyed by Allied PT's. Other PT's score hits on enemy SS and destroy 2 barges off Finschhafen.</p> <p>N.E.I.: Three RAAF PBV's bomb the Laha airdrome, Ambon, starting numerous fires near runway and in dispersal areas.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Skagerrak coast. France: Jean Barthelet, Chief of the Vichy police for Toulouse and the whole of SW France, is killed by machine-gun fire.</p>	
<p>Burma: Ten B-25's bomb and strafe RR installations at Pintha, damaging trackage, RR station, and buildings 3 mi. to the N; other B-25's score hits on RR installations at Ye-u, damaging tracks, RR cars, and buildings believed to be warehouses. To the N, 4 P-51's and 8 A-36's bomb and strafe storage area near Kamaing, starting several fires, while 6 P-40's carry out similar attack on Sharaw Ga, achieving excellent results. In same general area, 1 B-25, 8 A-36's, and 6 P-51's bomb installations N of Myitkyina landing ground and successfully strafe Mogaung</p>	<p>Baker I.: Allied fighters destroy Japanese 4-engined flying boat about 58 mi. S of Baker I.</p>	<p>Solomon Is.: Kahili pounded between 0905 and 1125 by 3 waves of Allied planes, totalling 19 B-24's, 36 B-25's, 47 SBD's, 22 TBF's, and 70 fighters; 166 tons of bombs dropped on runway, revetments, repair area, and AA positions with excellent results; 3 or more Allied planes hit by heavy AA fire, but all return. S coast of Treasury Is. bombed during evening by 3 Venturas.</p> <p>New Britain: Airdromes in the Rabaul area are again target for an attack by 61 B-25's covered by 84 fighters; buildings are destroyed, fires started in the Vunakanau dump and dispersal areas, and 45 grounded aircraft, probably 10 more are destroyed; of an intercepting force of between 60 and 70 enemy planes, 46 are destroyed, probably 15 more, as against 2 B-25's lost. Lesser raids on 4 small craft in C. Orford, on a DD in Jacquot Bay, and shipping in Rein Bay are carried out by 8 P-40's, 1 PBV, and 2 B-24's respectively.</p> <p>New Guinea: Allied patrols disperse enemy parties between Kesawai and Kambaram in the Ramu Valley.</p> <p>Nine A-20's in support of ground forces strafe villages, tracks, and defense positions N of Sattelberg.</p> <p>A strong force of enemy dive bombers and fighters attacks Allied shipping in</p>	<p>Italy: Basel reports indicate that German shipments of coal to Italy are partially resumed today.</p>	24

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24 C'd		<p>(Cont'd) escorted by RAF Spitfires and 3d, by P-47's and P-38's; good results obtained at all targets; strong opposition encountered only at Montdidier, where 10 enemy planes are destroyed, 3 probably, and 12 damaged; from the 3 attacks, only 1 Spitfire fails to return; 1 B-26 crashes at base.</p> <p>England: During night 5 enemy planes bomb targets in East Anglia, causing minor damage. British naval units sink 4 and damage 7 of about 30 E-boats engaged off Cromer at night.</p>		<p>(Cont'd) circled. Fierce defensive battle fought by Partisans near Karlovac.</p> <p>Albania: Airdrome at Tirana, effectively bombed from Italy by 36 Mitchells.</p> <p>Greece: Eleusis airdrome lightly attacked.</p> <p>Indian Ocean: SS Faneromeni (Greek cargo ship, 3,404 tons) sunk by SS at 15-35 S, 40-50 E.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) and Namtu, while 10 P-40's attack Namkwin RR bridge, scoring near misses. RAF bombers and fighters attack communications and troop positions in central and W Burma: Beaufighters, patrolling area between Prome and Magwe, strafe about 50 enemy troops, inflicting many casualties and setting fire to an oil barge and a number of army huts; farther N, other Beaufighters damage RR installations at Ye-u and steamers on the lower Chindwin R.; to the W, in the Kalemyo sector, dive bombers and fighter bombers make a series of attacks on Japanese-occupied villages and troop positions.</p> <p><u>Burma-China:</u> Eight B-24's based in China bomb Htawgaw in N Burma; about 20 of bombs fall in target area.</p> <p><u>French Indo-China:</u> Fourteen B-24's escorted by 12 fighters bomb Cobi, SE of Gialam airdrome; results unobserved.</p> <p><u>Indian Ocean:</u> SS Congella (British cargo ship, 4,533 tons) presumed sunk by SS at 01-02 N, 71-14 E.</p>		<p>(Cont'd) the Finschhafen area; 23 Allied fighters intercept and destroy 4 enemy planes, probably 6 more.</p>		<p>24 C'd</p>

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		Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Mediterranean
25	<p>England: Three GAF planes operate over Sussex and Surrey during night, 2 of them reaching London; a few bombs dropped without effect.</p>	<p>Russia: Soviet Army gains decisive victory by capturing Dnepropetrovsk and Dnieprodzerzhinsk. SW of Melitopol troops of 4th Ukrainian front exploit breakthrough to capture Chekhograd, Novonikolayevka, Darmstadt, Dmitrovka. Offensive towards Krivoi Rog scores local successes. Znamenska and Nikopol heavily bombed by Soviet Air Force.</p>	<p>Italy: In Fifth Army sector Boiano is captured. Francolise, Raviscanina, Rocchetta, also taken. Eleventh Brig crosses Trigno R. Units of 1st Cdn Brig cross Biferno R. under heavy fire; position being consolidated. Twenty-four Mitchells put all bombs in target area at Frosinone. Twelve A-20's bomb Formia with good results, while 24 Bostons and 12 Baltimores are fairly successful in attack on bridge near mouth of Sangro R. Two direct hits observed on bridge NW of Torino; fighter bombers attack roads and bridges near Terracina, Fondi, Arunca. Bivouac area SE of Venafro left aflame; 2 locomotives destroyed by strafing missions.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Croat units capture Ivonic, near Zagreb. Airdrome at Podgorica in S Yugoslavia attacked by medium bombers.</p> <p>Aegean: Heraklion airfield on Crete straddled by bombs from 9 heavies.</p>

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<p>India: Enemy aircraft are over Cox's Bazaar, doing no damage to military installations but causing civilian casualties.</p> <p>Burma: In central Burma 8 P-40's on offensive rcn successfully bomb and strafe Namtung, Taro, and Nanyaseik, starting several fires. To the S, at Pakokku, 19 B-25's bomb market area, scoring many hits and starting huge fires. In N Burma targets for 14 P-40's, 6 P-51's, 12 A-36's, and 1 B-25 include storage bashes at Lak-chang Ga, RR bridge at Namkwin, and ammunition dump at Sahmaw; most serious damage is done at Sahmaw where fierce fire and violent explosions are started in dump area; in addition, box cars are strafed, barracks burned, and several guns silenced. RAF B-24's attack Rangoon central station and Akyab; at both places fires are started by bombs bursting in target area; near Rangoon 1 B-24 is attacked by 3 enemy fighters, 2 of which are damaged. Throughout the day widespread sorties in Kalemyo lower Chindwin R., and Sagaing areas carried out by Vengeances, Hurricanes, Mohawks, and Beaufighters.</p>	<p>.. ..</p>	<p>Solomon Is.: Thirty-one SBD's and 18 TBF's escorted by 40 fighters carry out destructive bombing and strafing attack on Ballale, during which the partially repaired runway is again left unserviceable; AA positions and revetments are damaged by direct hits, and a grounded bomber is destroyed; no fighter opposition encountered; AA fire damages 1 SBD, but all attacking planes return.</p> <p>New Ireland: Three PBV's bomb the Kavieng airdrome, causing an explosion and destroying a searchlight.</p> <p>New Guinea: Allied arty silences enemy gun positions NW of Katika and shells enemy falling back upon Sattelberg.</p> <p>Seventeen B-25's bomb and strafe supply dumps and villages in the Alexis-hafen area; fires are started and AA positions silenced. Nine A-20's attack defense positions and villages in the Masaweng R. area, 10 mi. N of Finschhafen. In Dutch New Guinea 3 B-24's start fires in the building area at Man-okwar!; 3 RAAF Hudsons bomb and strafe Japero Village, Timoeaka area, starting fires.</p> <p>Six enemy aircraft bomb Langemak Bay area, causing slight damage.</p>	<p>U.S.: Because of strikes, Solid Fuels Administrator Harold Ickes says that coal production has declined 480,000 tons during the week of 16 October.</p> <p>Canada: Canada becomes a member of the Combined Food Board along with the U.S. and Great Britain.</p> <p>Japan: In his opening message to 3rd special session of the Japanese Diet, Premier Hideki Tojo says that the Allies "defeated at the beginning" are now "overcoming many difficulties and dangers" and that "the war is growing in intensity."</p>	25

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26	<p><u>Russia:</u> Spectacular Russian success continues with capture of Veseloye, district center of Zaporozhe Province, and Solenoye, center of Dnepropetrovsk. Krivoi Rog drive retarded by German defenses. Three thousand-ton enemy transport sunk in Baltic; Soviet Air Force delivers strong attacks on enemy troop concentrations.</p>	<p><u>Italy:</u> Monte San Nicola and Pratella reported occupied in Fifth Army sector. Fifty-sixth Div occupies high ground NE of Sparanise.</p> <p>Operations restricted because of weather. Twenty-four B-25's bomb Frosinone; 12 A-20's attack Formia and 36 Bostons and Baltimores attack bridge near mouth of Sangro. Roads and bridges between Terracina and Fondi also lightly bombed.</p> <p><u>Balkans:</u> Yugoslavia: Seventeenth Yugoslav Div takes Vares Majdan, last industrial center of Bosnia held by Nazis. All RR stations between Vares and Brez in Partisan hands. Sixteenth Div crosses Sava R. to penetrate Brcko and Gunya on right bank of river but are forced to withdraw by German reinforcements. Three hundred Germans killed in offensive against Partisans in Matesevo area.</p> <p><u>Greece:</u> B-25's attack Salonika Sedes and Megalo Mikra airdromes; targets well covered by bomb clusters.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>French Indo-China: Six Allied fighters strafe shipping near Haiphong, sinking 3 small boats.</p> <p>China: Two B-25's escorted by 4 fighters bomb enemy shipping on W coast of Hainan I.; 2 ships sunk and 1 damaged</p> <p>Burma: Mu R, Canal RR bridge NW of Mandalay attacked by 21 B-25's in 2 raids; N and S ends of bridge damaged by hits and near misses. In S Burma 25 B-24's carry out extensive attack on shipping facilities and on central station in Rangoon area, damaging 2 freighters and sinking 1; intense AA fire encountered over target; about 20 enemy fighters intercept; 3 are destroyed and several damaged, as against 1 B-24 shot down and 5 damaged. In central Burma the RR station at Sagaing is target for RAF Wellingtons which cause a large fire. Army lorries, locomotives, and wagons in the Shwebo area to the E damaged by Beau fighters. Enemy-occupied villages in Chin Hills sector successfully attacked by Vengeances and Mohawk fighter bombers. From these operations 1 RAF plane is missing.</p> <p>French Indo-China: This year B-24's with 15 plane escort bomb RR yards at Haiphong; many direct hits</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: Kahili airfield receives 2 shattering attacks by Allied planes: at 0900 36 TBF's, 49 SBD's, and 22 B-25's escorted by 69 fighters strike; excellent results achieved with 88 1/2 tons of bombs and strafing; 2d force, consisting of 20 B-24's and 7 PB4Y's escorted by 16 fighters, attacks at 1030, using 77 1/2 tons of bombs; numerous hits scored on runway; attacks opposed only by AA fire; 1 TBF crashes. Nearby Kara airfield heavily hit by 30 SBD's and 18 TBF's covered by 42 fighters, which drop almost 33 tons of bombs on runway, AA positions, and buildings and strafe target areas; 3 fires result from excellent hits, and strip, which had been repaired prior to raid, is left unserviceable. Eight P-38's effectively strafe Bonis and Buka airdromes during afternoon; of approximately 2,500 Japanese working on Bonis runway, 200 estimated killed; at Buka, 2 large fires started and 5 grounded enemy fighters and 1 bomber destroyed, as well as 1 auxiliary craft; enemy opposition confined to light AA fire from 2 ships. An hour later 6 B-25's with 15 P-38's as escort carry out low level bombing and strafing raid on Buka without interception; 1 enemy bomber destroyed. All airfields on S Bougainville reported unserviceable as result of day's raids.</p> <p>Green I.: Allied rcn plane attacks 3 small Japanese AK's off Green I., setting 2 on fire and leaving the other beached.</p> <p>New Ireland-New Britain: Five PBY's set out to bomb Kavieng; because of weather 2 attack Gasmata, starting large fire, as well as vessels E of Talasea; remaining 2 hit intended target with unobserved results. Sixty-one B-24's and a light escort bomb Lakunai airdrome, Rabaul, inflicting extensive damage on installations and destroying 21 aircraft on the ground, probably 23 others; 70 enemy fighters intercept; 39 are shot down, 21 more probably, as against 1 B-24 missing. Three B-24's attack 3 DD's and 2 AK's W of Ubili; hits and near misses scored on</p>	<p>U.S.: The National War Labor Board rejects the Illinois Coal Operators Association contract with the United Mine Workers.</p> <p>Foreign Economic Administration is created to absorb Lend-Lease Administration, Office of Economic Warfare, Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation, the foreign procurement division of the Commodity Credit Corporation, and the State Department agencies dealing with foreign economics.</p> <p>Italy: Reports say that a free press has been restored in the liberated areas of Italy by the Badoglio Government and that "all political parties of the nation are entitled to publish their papers freely and express their political ideas freely."</p>	<p>26</p>

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		Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Mediterranean
27			<p>Russia: Enemy front from Dnepr to Sea of Azov broken as Red Army advances 10-30 kilometers. In Dnepr bend, Krinichki falls. NE of Vitebsk, highway from Nevel to Usvyaty cleared by local successes. Enemy counterattacks stopped in Krivoi Rog sector; Russian offensive proceeds. S of Melitopol, RR station and district center of Akimovka taken; to N, district centers of Vasiliyevka and Mikhailovka also occupied.</p>	<p>Italy: Fifth Army takes Riardo. Torella and Mafalda captured in Eighth Army sector.</p> <p>Forty-eight A-36's attack gun emplacements at Gaeta Point; huge explosion from destroyed magazine. Twelve Mitchells attacking same targets overshoot. Four guns silenced by Bostons at Spineti; raid on Minturno RR installations fails.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Partisan troops forced to retire from Andrijevica in Montenegro. German attacks on Vrogorac in Dalmatia repelled.</p> <p>Aegean: Heraklion, Crete, bombed by 4 Hudsons with unassessed results.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) scored on RR yards, sidings, and installations. <u>China:</u> Kiungshan Bay, Hainan I., bombed 1st by 2 B-24's and then by 6 B-25's; 1 transport, 2 tankers sunk and another freighter damaged; of a Japanese fighter force attempting to take off, 1 destroyed and 1 damaged; Allied losses are 1 B-25 shot down, 1 missing, and 2 damaged.</p> <p><u>Burma:</u> Eight B-25's and 8 P-51's operating against RR installations leading out from Kinu hit RR tracks, grade crossing, and warehouses. In N Burma 1 P-51 and A-36's bombard Lalawng Ga, Myitkyina, and Waingmaw across the river from Myitkyina; Myitkyina airdrome and barracks are bombed with excellent results; at Waingmaw storage buildings are hit and large fires observed in center of town.</p> <p><u>China:</u> Six B-24's on routine ferry trip bomb Lungling, a base in the combat area of recent Japanese offensive, starting fires; the formation is attacked by 8 Japanese aircraft just N of Sumprabum and on return trip by 8 more. 8 Japanese aircraft destroyed, 1 probably.</p>		<p>(Cont'd) the DD's and 1 AK is set afire, a 2d possibly sunk. <u>New Guinea:</u> Allied force still in contact with Japanese W of Katika. Enemy aircraft bomb runway and adjacent area at Kiriwina in the Trobriand Is.; slight damage is done. <u>N.E.I.:</u> Six Dutch B-25's bomb villages on Trangan I. in the Aroe group; fires are started. At Pomelaa in Celebes 4 B-24's escorted by 6 RAAF Beaufighters score hits in the nickel concentrating plant while the Beaufighters bomb and strafe villages and small craft in the area; 1 of 10 fighters intercepting the formation is destroyed, another damaged, as against 2 B-24's missing.</p> <p><u>Solomon Is.:</u> Eighth NZ Brig reinforced and including elements of 198th AAA Rgt lands on Treasury I., (S of Bougainville) at 0626; landing is effected in vicinity of Blanche Harbor against light resistance; enemy mortar fire hits 2 LST's but is later silenced; Japanese withdrawing towards Malsi on NE end of island; during night of 27/28 Allied forces suffer some damage and casualties from enemy mortar fire and light air raids. In further efforts to knock out enemy airfields on Bougainville, 17 unescorted B-24's drop 18 1/2 tons of bombs on Kara runway and 44 tons on Kahili runway, scoring many hits on each and encountering no opposition. Allied fighters destroy 12 of 25 Japanese dive bombers intercepted 15 mi. N of Treasury Is. Later 4 P-40's attacked over Kahili by 9 from group of 70 Zeros; during clash, P-40's destroy 3 Zeros. <u>New Ireland:</u> Three RAAF PBY's attack the Kavieng airdrome, causing large explosions. <u>New Britain:</u> Ten RAAF Beaufighters destroy an ammunition launch off Lolobau I. on the N coast of New Britain, while RAAF A-20's bomb dump areas at Gasmata and also score near misses on a small cargo vessel off the S coast of the island. <u>New Guinea:</u> Heavy Allied mortar fire forces enemy withdrawal from positions W of Katika. Nine enemy bombers covered by 31 fighters, are intercepted over the Finschhafen area by 16 Allied fighters; 12 enemy aircraft are destroyed, as against 1 Allied fighter lost.</p>	<p>U.S.: The Normandie is salvaged and renamed the U.S. transport "Lafayette." Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox urges that Republican and Democratic parties make "substantially identical" declarations on international policy in their 1944 platforms. U.S. Fleet Commander Ernest King in a Navy Day speech announces that up to 1 October 313 Japanese ships have been sunk; that our warships and carrier planes have destroyed more than 1/3 of the Japanese pre-war merchant fleet; our planes have destroyed Japanese aircraft at a 4-1 ratio. From May-August this year, the navy escorted 4,000 cargo ships across the Atlantic with losses under 1/2 of 1%. Former Ambassador to Japan Joseph Grew in a</p>	<p>27</p>

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		Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Mediterranean
28	<p><u>Russia:</u> Along lower Dnepr, advancing Soviets take Nizhniye Serogozy, district center of Zaporod-zhe Province, as well as about 30 other inhabited places. Another important success is the capture of Surazh-Vitebsk, near Vitebsk; western Dvina R. crossed. Progress being made in Krivoi Rog offensive.</p>	<p><u>Italy:</u> Eight Ind Div captures Montefalcone and Montemitro. Thirty-eighth Brig enlarges bridgehead on Trigno. Seventy-first Brig confronts strong enemy positions on Molino R.; 15th Inf places road block cutting Venafro road. Third American Div moves toward Pietravairano; 1 RCT 34th Div by-passes Pratella while another advances to within mile of Prata.</p> <p>Variano, Orvieto, Sesse, and Poligno lightly bombed; 2 enemy aircraft destroyed in resultant encounters. Forty-seven A-36's sweep targets N of Rome.</p> <p><u>Balkans:</u> Yugoslavia: Germans defeated with heavy losses in large scale attacks at Kolasin and Berani. Several prominent Quislings killed or captured including former Yugoslav General Djukanovitch.</p> <p><u>Aegean:</u> Ten Halifaxes and 3 B-24's cause explosion and large fires at Maritza airdrome on Rhodes. Enemy planes sink British tank landing craft off Castelrosso.</p>

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<p>Burma: Sixteen B-25's in 2 flights of 9 and 7 each bomb the Pakokku area below Mandalay; hits scored on NE sector of the town. To the S, at Toungoo, 12 B-24's bomb Japanese Hqs, starting several fires and causing 2 large explosions, and 14 B-24's hit the RR station, achieving only fair results.</p> <p>Loikaw bridge on RR line between Mandalay and Lashio bombed by P-51's and A-36's with good results. Other P-51's and A-36's attack Hqs buildings at Myitkyina, road bridge at Mogaung and buildings at Manywet. Irrawaddy R. area below Mandalay, Kalemyo sector, and Mayu Peninsula attacked by RAF Beaufighters, Vengeances, and Mohawks; river craft, enemy villages, and RR installations damaged.</p> <p>Enemy aircraft operating in Area</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: During early morning 2d Marine Parachute Bn lands without opposition on Choiseul I. at Voza (18 mi. SE of Choiseul Bay); single enemy plane unsuccessfully bombs 1 screening DD.</p> <p>On Treasury I., Allied patrols are active, while Japanese continue to retreat to the NE; Japanese planes unsuccessfully raid Allied positions during night; 1 enemy plane shot down by AA fire.</p> <p>Kara runway, repaired from earlier raids, again attacked, by 29 SBD's and 19 TBF's covered by 46 fighters; 2 hours later 19 unescorted B-24's hit same target; runway, revetment area, and AA positions heavily damaged; opposing AA fire slightly damages 3 TBF's; 1 TBF crashes off Barakoma. Thirty-eight SBD's and 21 TBF's escorted by 48 fighters drop 39 tons of bombs on Ballale runway, AA positions, and revetment areas, hitting all target areas and starting 3 large fires; AA fire damages several Allied planes, but all return. No Japanese planes on ground or airborne at either Kara or Ballale.</p> <p>New Ireland: Four RAAF PBV's bomb the Kavieng airdrome at night, starting large fires and causing a number of explosions.</p> <p>New Britain: Twenty-one RAAF P-40's start fires in the dump areas at Gasmata, while 4 P-47's destroy 3 large barges off the N coast and strafe buildings and personnel at Talasea. In the Open Bay area 2 RAAF Beaufighters destroy 2 barges and damage a 3d.</p> <p>New Guinea: Allied arty shells enemy positions N and E of Sattelberg.</p> <p>Four P-47's strafe N coast of Huon Peninsula, destroying 2 barges and starting many fires; Sio Mission is left burning.</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>Navy Day speech describes the character of the Japanese military man and emphasizes the necessity of the imposition of unconditional surrender upon Japan.</p> <p>Germany: A Goteborg dispatch says the Germans have closed the Norway-Sweden border after moving up additional troops.</p> <p>U.S.: In a discussion of post-war peace plans Herbert Hoover observes that "nationalism is the most powerful force in international relations."</p> <p>Brazil: Forty-five Axis-owned concerns, including 25 Japanese companies, are liquidated by Brazilian Government.</p> <p>England: The British Ministry of Economic Warfare claims that Germany has exacted 3,200,000,000 pounds from the occupied nations and taken goods paid for in blocked marks worth 1,300,000,000 pounds.</p> <p>Greece: Prime Minister Emmanuel Tsouderos of the Greek Government-in-exile broadcasts a program for post-war Greece: "a genuinely democratic political system," defensible frontiers, social security, control of capital for public benefit, and</p>	<p>28</p>

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29		<p>Russia: SE of lower Dnepr Bolshayabelozeka and Ivanoka, both district centers, fall to Red Army. In Dnepr bend region, SW of Dnepropetrovsk, Russian forces advance 6-10 kilometers and occupy 26 inhabited sites, including Konstantinovka, Alexandrovka and Rodyanka. Important towns of Mezha and Prudniki taken NE of Vitebsk. Enemy counterattacks in Krivoi Rog sector repelled.</p>	<p>Italy: Heavy rains impede operations; in Fifth Army sector 34th Div continues assault in Ailano-Pratella area. Mondragone reported abandoned; Pietravairano captured.</p> <p>Thirty-one Wellingtons cause 2 explosions and score many hits in RR yards at Grosseto; all bombs fall within 1 1/2 mi. radius of target center. Twenty of 27 B-17's, unable to bomb assigned targets because of weather, attack Genoa, severely damaging Ansaldo steel works, RR installations, and instrument works. One hundred thirty-eight Fortresses unable to reach Turin because of weather conditions; most of them return to bases, but a few bomb targets of opportunity. Bridge destroyed E of Minturno by fighter-bombers; bridges and MT's in Mignano area bombed and strafed. Six enemy aircraft not down during day with loss of two Allied planes.</p> <p>Balkans: Yugoslavia: Town of Rogatica taken by 27th Div in E Bosnia. Zagreb-Belgrade RR line cut in 130 places. Partisans achieve minor success at Brod on Sava R. Prijedor in Bosnia reported captured by Partisans.</p> <p>Greece: Eleusis is attacked by B-25's.</p> <p>Aegean: Nazis occupy Amorgos I.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) kan area drop few bombs, causing little damage and a few civilian casualties.</p> <p>Burma: Myingyan, RR center in central Burma, bombed 1st by 12 B-24's, then by 11 B-25's; supply dump area is hit and an explosion caused, while incendiaries start many fires; at Lashio the barracks are hit by 4 B-24's. In N Burma 8 A-36's attack ground troops at Taro and Kolum Ga, while at Myitkyina the airdrome is strafed and AA fire silenced; warehouse, barracks, and dump areas at Kamaing bombed and strafed by 12 A-36's and 4 P-51's; excellent results achieved. RAF Wellingtons at night pound Myingyan RR junction, starting fires. Other Wellingtons carry out attacks on Akyab, where bombs are seen to burst in center of town, while during the day Vengeances start fires in the Chin Hills area to the N.</p> <p>French Indo-China: Fourteen B-24's escorted by 14 fighters bomb the Kwangyenzinc smelter plant near Haiphong; all main buildings are hit and target is heavily damaged.</p> <p>China: Chinese announce the col-</p>		<p>Solomon Is.: Allied troops on Choiseul I. advancing SW toward enemy barge station at Sangigai; large force of Japanese encountered between Voza and Vagara.</p> <p>During the night, Japanese attempt to penetrate perimeter defense in Falamai area, Treasury Is., without success.</p> <p>Continuing neutralization of Japanese air power in Bougainville area, 8 B-24's escorted by 23 F4U's attack Bonis, damaging gun positions, buildings, and grounded aircraft with bombs and strafing; 1 bomber destroyed on runway; 1 B-24 crashes at Munda. A few minutes after Bonis raid, 9 B-25's bomb and strafe Buka airfield with some success. Sixteen F4U's strafe Japanese shipping in Tonolei Harbor, hitting 10-12 small AK's loaded with troops and many barges; 1 AK exploded and 1 barge destroyed, while 3 other barges are left burning and 3 AK's probably set on fire.</p> <p>New Britain: Two RAAF Beaufighters and 2 RAAF A-20's bomb and strafe barges along Kimbe Bay, leaving 3 burning and 2 others damaged, while 4 P-47's strafe coastal villages S from C. Gloucester; fires are started. In the afternoon 41 B-24's escorted by 75 P-38's drop bombs on Vunakanau dispersal areas, Rabaul, and destroy 20 enemy aircraft, probably 5 more on the ground; approximately 50 enemy fighters intercept, of which 27, probably 13 more are destroyed, as against 3 P-38's lost. At night 7 RAAF Beauforts bomb the Tobera airdrome, Rabaul, and installations on Brown I.</p> <p>New Guinea: Two P-40's attack an SS 50 mi. N of Kiriwina I. in the Trobriand group, while 2 P-47's, searching the coast of New Guinea N of Madang, sink a large barge in Hansa Bay and strafe 9 other craft in the area.</p> <p>Four enemy aircraft bomb Buna in the early morning; no damage is done.</p> <p>N.E.I.: Six RAAF Beaufighters strafe enemy positions in the Tanimbar Is. and a small vessel in the surrounding waters. Five Dutch B-25's follow up the 1st raid on the vessel with a bombing and strafing attack that sinks it, then strafe stores on the beach. Three B-24's on rcn score direct hits on and set fire to a sea truck in Waroe Bay, Ceram and start fires on the Selaru runway in</p>	<p>(Cont'd) the adaptation of industry to the needs of the country with workers sharing in the profits.</p> <p>U.S.: President Roosevelt expresses great pleasure over outcome of the Moscow Conference of Secretary of State Cordell Hull, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, and Foreign Commissar Viascheslav Molotov.</p> <p>General Henry Arnold of the Army Air Forces tells the Senate Truman Committee that air accidents in the year ending 30 June are less than in the peacetime period of 1931-1940.</p> <p>The War Department announces that Italian war prisoners in the U.S. will be released from detention camps for outside work where they can be trusted.</p> <p>France: It is announced today that the Soviets and the French Committee of National Liberation have reached an agreement for an exchange of military missions. Russia likewise agrees to hand over the Embassy of France in Moscow to the Committee's representative.</p> <p>Czechoslovakia: The Czech Information Bureau in London reports that 518 Czech patriots are</p>	29

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		Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Mediterranean
30	<p>England: At night 7 enemy planes bomb targets along SE coast, 3 of them raiding London; British night fighters destroy 2 of the attackers.</p>	<p>Russia: Genichesk taken in lower Dnepr area; in bend region, Shchersk, a district center, occupied; Petrovski and Ditlovo also fall to Red Army. Enemy counterattacks in Krivoi Rog area hurled back.</p>	<p>Italy: Thirteenth Brig captures Cantalupo in afternoon; troops on high ground S of town.</p> <p>Savona steel works and sulfur refinery at Savona badly damaged in raids by heavy bombers; marshalling yards at Genoa also attacked. Fires started by B-17's bombing Porto Maurizio; marshalling yards at Imperia hit; 1 Fortress lost. Thirty-one Wellingtons effectively bomb airfield at Perugia with loss of 2; 24 Mitchells bomb RR at Frosinone; A-36's destroy bridge near Roccamanfino; another bridge wrecked E of Minturno. Minor raids on Tora, Sessa, Arunca, and Giulianova. P-40's carry out strafing missions on roads between Cassino and Mignano.</p> <p>Balkans: Greece: Germans consolidate position in Epirus.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>lapse of Japanese October offensive within the Shanghai, Nanking, Hangchow triangle. Recapture of Siaofeng and Kwangteh claimed by Chinese.</p> <p>Various enemy concentrations and airfields strafed and bombed by B-25's, B-24's, P-40's, and P-38's; 7 B-24's bomb the Burma Road town of Mangshih, one of the enemy's major bases in his drive toward the Salween, with unreported results; 3 B-25's escorted by 7 P-38's hit Japanese barracks 10 mi. SW of Fort Bayard, causing many casualties and destroying 1 enemy plane on the ground; other fighters strafe Kienli, Yochow airdrome, and Kiukianu with fair success.</p> <p>Burma: B-25's and B-24's attack targets in central Burma, while P-51's and A-36's concentrate on areas in N Burma: 19 B-25's, in 2 raids of 11 and 8 each, bomb Meiktila barracks, scoring direct hits; at Kalewa, 2 B-24's successfully bomb office area, while at Onbauk to the W, 2 others score direct hits on landing ground; at Lashio in the Shan States, runway is damaged and barracks are hit; in N Burma, total of 24 A-36's</p>		<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>the Tanimbar Is.</p> <p>Solomon Is.: Allied troops on Choiseul I. attack and capture Sangigai, Japanese barge center, killing 72 Japanese and forcing remainder to flee to SE; considerable enemy equipment destroyed. Supporting Allied ground forces at Sangigai, 9 TBF's, 8 F4U's, and 8 P-40's bomb and strafe enemy positions 1/4 mi. NW of Sangigai.</p> <p>On Treasury Is., Allied units reach Malsi on NE coast; no Japanese encountered. To date, 44 Japanese known to be dead; while an estimated 100 remain in the jungle.</p> <p>Kara, Bougainville, heavily hit by 68 SBD's and 27 TBF's escorted by 46 fighters; 61 tons of bombs dropped on runway and AA positions with excellent results; escorting fighters strafe shipping and shore installations. An hour prior to this attack, same target bombed with unobserved results by 16 unescorted B-24's; 1 B-24 damaged by heavy AA fire. Two waves of Allied planes, totalling 17 B-24's, 4 PB4Y's, and 24 F4U's, strike Buka with 96 1/2 tons of</p>	<p>(Cont'd)</p> <p>condemned to death by Nazi court martial for alleged sabotage and terrorism.</p> <p>Germany-Italy: The Vatican and Berlin radios announce that Germany pledges Pope Pius XII's safety.</p> <p>Japan: Japanese Diet adjourns from its 3rd special session after adopting a resolution which expresses determination to "accelerate our efforts for the destruction of our long-standing enemies. . . to liberate Greater East Asia."</p> <p>Italy: Benito Mussolini's new Republican Fascist regime demands death penalty for King Vittorio Emanuele III and Marshall Pietro Badoglio, as well as for all 19 members of the Fascist Grand Council which ousted Mussolini.</p> <p>Marshall Pietro Badoglio arrives in Naples to discuss political affairs with Count Carlo Sforza and Benedetto Croce, anti-fascist leaders.</p> <p>Russia: Pravda celebrates "the Anglo-American</p>	<p>30</p>

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		Western Europe	Eastern Europe	Mediterranean
31	<p>England: Twelve hostile planes raid targets in S England during night, 4 of them dropping a few bombs on London boroughs; minor damage and casualties result; 1 GAF plane destroyed.</p> <p>East Atlantic: SS Hallfried (Norwegian cargo ship, 2,968 tons) sunk by SS at 46-05 N, 20-26 W.</p>	<p>Russia: In lower Dnepr region, Russians in pursuit of retreating Nazis take Sivashskoye, Rozdestvenskoye, and Novotroitskoye, all important economic and administrative centers. In bend area more localities taken; tank led German attacks in Krivoi Rog sector stopped.</p>	<p>Italy: Gioriani and important road center of Teano captured by 168th Brig; 128th Brig reaches San Croce. Seventeenth Cdn Brig captures Macchiagodena. In Fifth Army sector, 34th Div occupies Fontegreca.</p> <p>Thirty-six Mitchells escorted by P-38's score direct hits on docks, warehouses, and grain silo at Civitavecchia. Thirty-six Marauders drop excellent concentrations on Anzio dock area.</p> <p>Balkans: Albania: Two waves of Lightnings leave grounded aircraft burning after attack on Tirana airfield.</p> <p>East Atlantic: SS New Colombia (British cargo ship, 6,574 tons) presumed sunk by SS at 04-25 N, 05-03 E.</p>

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<p>(Cont'd) and 14 P-51's carry out bombing and strafing operations against troop positions at Taro, air-drome installations and buildings at Myitkyina, and Linton on Indawgyi Lake; good results achieved everywhere except at Taro; 1 B-25 that never reaches its Meiktila target is missing.</p> <p>China: Six B-25's escorted by 12 P-40's attack motor pool and barracks at Shayang with 80% of the bombs falling in target area. Nine P-38's attack dock and shipping areas at Kiukiang; on return from target formation is attacked by between 10 and 15 enemy fighters; Allied losses are 4 P-38's missing, as against 2 enemy planes destroyed.</p> <p>Burma: Three B-25's attack Zigon RR bridge, hitting span and approach and disconnecting them. Twenty B-25's hit Meza and its RR bridge with fair to good results. RAF Wellingtons on night raid score hits on RR station and yards at Myingyan; large fire is started. Fighters and dive bombers carry out attacks on villages and enemy positions in Arakan and in the Chin Hills and on river and RR communications; buildings set on fire and a locomotive and steamer</p>		<p>(Cont'd) bombs; excellent hits scored on runway and in revetment and dispersal areas. Simultaneously 12 B-34's and 1 B-25 bomb Bonis airfield, with 90% of the 3 tons of bombs hitting target areas.</p> <p>New Ireland: Six RAAF Catalinas continue attacks on the Kavieng and Panapei (about 2 1/2 mi. SE of Kavieng) airfields; large fires and explosions in the dispersal area are caused.</p> <p>New Britain: Nine B-25's strafe barges and buildings in Rein Bay while 2 RAAF A-20's bomb the Anwek R. dump area near Gasmata; 1 B-25 shot down as result of AA fire from Garove I.</p> <p>New Guinea: In the Ramu Valley elements of the Australian Seventh Div make contact with Japanese positions 3 mi. S of Daumoina.</p> <p>Seventeen B-25's bomb and strafe coastal villages, barges, and installations at the Gogal R. mouth S of Madang; a fuel dump is destroyed and fires started.</p> <p>Allied PT's sink a large barge and small escort off Blucher Pt.</p> <p>Solomon Is.: Preparatory to Allied landing on Bougainville I., naval task force effectively shells Buka and Bonis airfields during night, as well as entire Shortland area, including Poporang, Faisi, and Ballale; large fires started on Buka and Bonis airfields and many shore batteries silenced; enemy opposition consists of fire from shore batteries and attacks by single PT's and planes, the planes dropping flares throughout the night.</p> <p>Smashing air attack on Kara, Bougainville, is made by 34 SBD's and 25 TBF's escorted by 48 fighters, followed 10 minutes later by 23 B-25's with 16 fighters as escort; 1st group drops 31 tons of bombs on runway, AA positions, and buildings, while 2d drops 34 1/2 tons on same targets; runway left unserviceable from numerous craters and several buildings destroyed; no enemy aircraft observed on ground or airborne. Nineteen unescorted B-24's carry out 3d successful attack on Kara. Two formations of Allied planes raid Kieta simultaneously; 6 B-25's with escort of 32</p>	<p>(Cont'd) fighting alliance and sends best wishes to Allied troops in Italy and over Western Europe."</p> <p>U.S.: President Philip Murray reports to the national convention of the C.I.O. that labor leaders who encourage strikes and work stoppages in war industries are to be censured.</p> <p>Italy: Count Carlo Sforza reiterates his position that he will give Badoglio his parallel cooperation and would join the Badoglio government if there were purification of present leadership of fascist element.</p> <p>England: Ambassador Viscount Halifax, recently</p>	31

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<p>(Cont'd) damaged. China: Chinese communiques of the 30th and 31st announce the beginning of a new Japanese push into the central China "rice bowl" below Tungting Lake in the Hupeh-Hunan border area.</p>	<p>UNCLASSIFIED</p>	<p>(Cont'd) F4U's from tree top height bomb airfield with excellent results and strafe shipping, setting 3 AK's in Arawa Bay on fire; 3 F4U's missing; 2d force, comprising 4 NZ-Venturas and 12 P-39's, makes 3 bombing and strafing runs over target areas. All airfields on S. Bougainville reported unserviceable. Twenty-four F4U's and 12 P-39's strafe Japanese shipping in Tonolei Harbor with following results: 1 AK and 1 barge sunk, another barge set on fire, 5 barges damaged; 1 P-39 lost. New Ireland: Four RAAF PBV's bomb Kavieng, causing explosions and starting fires visible for 50 mi. New Britain: Six RAAF P-40's sink a large barge off C. Orford, also attack and probably destroy an enemy medium bomber escorted by 12 fighters. New Guinea: Allied forces surround enemy positions on trail 2 mi. W of Helsbach, inflicting a number of casualties. Six RAAF Vengeances bomb the supply area at Wareo, 4 mi. N of Sattelberg.</p>	<p>(Cont'd) returned to Washington from England, announces in a press conference that though the Germans are tough, the Nazi machine is brittle and may break. Spain: The Madrid weekly Espanol asserts that it has uncovered a "Spanish Masonic plot" to overthrow Generalissimo Francisco Franco and promote the return of Prince Juan and a constitutional monarchy, as a step toward the establishment of a republic in Spain.</p>	<p>31 Oct. C'd</p>

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