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Japs Trying To Hold On

U. S. Holds Firm Grip On Palaus

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, PEARL, HARROR — (AP) — American control was secure ever Pedeliu and cight satellite islets in the Southern Palaus to-day, after seventeen days fighting against stubborn defenders and heart-breaking terrain.

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WEATHER

Reds Blast Nazi Balkan Life Line

Gain Steadily On Broad Front

By DANIEL DE LUCE
MOSCOW — (AP) — Russian fighter-bombers swarmed over Yugoslavia in round-the-clock raids on German forces as Russian ground troops gained steadily today along a curving, mountainous front 70 to 100 miles southerest of Belgrade in a drive that is bottling up an estimated 200,000 Nazil troops in the lower Balkans.

The Germans were fererely defending their Balkans Hie Jing but yesterday Red Army Toops, with Marshal Thios Yugoslav Partisans acting as advance Bootis, dented Nazi defenses another 23 miles to settling 42 miles of the

the Narls were everwhelming the administing guerrillus. Soviet, progress toward the Morava Valley route of the Belgrades and the Narlay Valley route of the Belgrades portion; advance claimed stoday along the entire Eastern Front. Aerial observation and information from Yugoslav Particians physical progress of the Narlay Valley Were do the Narlay Valley Vall

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Planes Blaze Path Through Nazi Wall

LONDON—(AP)—More than 2,700 Allied warplanes struck in close and deep support today of the great new American offensive against the Siegéried Line in the Aachen sector of Northwest Germany.

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Sky Troops' Plight Described By Officer

Battle Waged To Break 4th Siegfried Hole

Steel Wedge Two Miles Deep On Six-Mile Front Driven

LONDON—(AP)—The U. S. First Army, striking of the greatest offensive blows of the war in an effort break a new hole in the Siegfried Line, drove a steel two miles deep on a six-mile front north of Ashan to Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' infantry and trushed forward toward Gellenkirchen in German 18 the Dutch village of Greenstraft, ten miles world of and sphashed across the little Wurm River processing the Dutch German leader in the first 48 miles actacle.

The attack still was going forward tonight in to fleavy resistance from enemy pillboxes, and fleatillery and six-barrelled mortars.

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Surging into the rubble of German defenses albefore the debris had stupped flying from one of greatest aerial and land bombardments, the Amer were reported pouring through a lane of ruin pe at the Bhine between Cohece and husuring door in the Kalle are made in the Rube.

at the finne between Colores and hissolver, and door to the With and main Alpheny to Berlin.

"I doubt if they will stop one until they have reached the Rhine," said one front line correspondent. Hodges, ending a stalemate of aimset two weeks, let off the assent with a tremendous massed at libery barray in which ten-inch guns thundered salvees into the enemy fixed positions, and an hour-long aerial attack by hundreds of medium and fighter-bombers.

Many of the enemy positions were shattered, and the defenders of others were pinned helplessly in their concrete posts.

Great towers of earth, stone and debris rose as the exholosives tore great holes in the green German country-side and blew awart Nazi buildings, while residents at nearly German, Belgian and Dutch villages watched the SOLDIERS LEAP AHEAD

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By ROGER GREEK
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American Infantry & Tanks Smash Ahead

By HAL BOYLE

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