The Texts of the Day’s Communiqués on Fighting in Various Zones

United Nations


1. In an attack in the southern sector a French Allied force has captured a number of prisoners, our forces in the neighborhood of Tchawr are consolidating their positions. 2. The docks at Bizerte were bombed in daylight yesterday and both day and night raids have been made on the airfield at Tunis. Our fighters have made sweeps over the forward areas of British and US coastal areas between Tunisia and Gabba.

British

CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 4 (T. S. Signal Corps)—A joint British Headquarters and RAF communiqué: There is nothing to report from our service.

United States

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4—Naval communiqué 213: A successful surprise raid was executed at night in the northern area of Stalingrad where the US troops have advanced 200 to 300 yards and occupied enemy fortified positions. In the southern area of Stalingrad our troops have occupied the enemy fortified line over a locality and dug themselves in. The enemy lost 600 officers and men and two tanks.

A High Command communiqué was recorded yesterday by the Associated Press: The hospital ship Città di Venezia has been torpedoed and sunk. The hospital ship Classe di Venezia has been torpedoed and sunk.

French

LONDON, Dec. 4—A General Headquarters communiqué broadcasting over the Marseilles radio: Our troops together with an Allied contingent have captured important enemy positions and taken a number of prisoners, mostly Germans, east of Gafsa.

Russian

MOSCOW, Dec. 4 (TASS) — The Soviet Information Bureau’s news communiqué: There were some night activity early last night over a coastal area of Northeast England but no bombs were dropped.

Italian

A High Command communiqué was broadcast from Roma and recorded by The Associated Press: Our troops have advanced in the Ceylonian front and successfully repelled enemy attacks.

German

Northeast of Tuapse and on the Terek River the Soviets again vainly attacked with strong forces. German mobile formations carried out successful attacks in the region north of the Terek during the last two days, making considerable territorial gains and annihilating several enemy cavalry and motorized units. Numerous prisoners and large quantities of arms and ammunition were captured.

Japanese

There is nothing to report from our service.

THE NEMESIS OF JAPANESE FORCES IN THE ALBATREANS

Hand-to-hand fighting. Two Red Army men brought down a three-engined enemy transport plane by rifle fire.

In the north coastal artillery and two enemy transport vessels. The attack was repulsed by a German infantry unit supported by two tanks, killing 150 Germans in}

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