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## F. R. Streamlines Army In Sweeping Reorganization

Military Functions Grouped Into Three Basic Units

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—President Boosevelt ordered today a streamlined reorganization of the Army, giving new recognition to the importance of the air forces.

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## British Hold West Bank Of Sittang

Strive To Smash Japanese Thrusts Toward Burmess Capital

LONDON.—(AP)— British patrols ranging along the Sittang River faught today to break up feeler thrusts by Japaneses forces massed in gathering strength for a drive across the river toward virtually deserted Rangoon, the Broad transadity, and the approaches to India.

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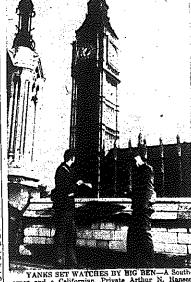
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## ${\it Nazis Admit Great}$ Red Army Power

Germans Fighting Only Defensively, High Command Reports

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#### Marshall Deplores Calls To Keep Men at Home

## Furious Blows Delivered By Isle Defenders

Situation Admittedly Grave but Japs Are Taking Terrific Pounding

By WITT HANCOCK

BANDOENG, Java, (By Telephone to New York), 30 P. M., (12 Noon EWT)—(AP)—An Allied counter oke delivered against Japanese invasion forces wedging to Java was declared officially tonight to have "devel-ed satisfactorily" but all details of the hard fighting de-

The official war report acknowledged flatly that "the

BATAVIA, Tuesday.—(AP)—Destruction of all vital installations in this capital of The Netherlands East Indies has been started as a preliminary measure, Aneta agency said today, quoting an authoritative source. It ndded, however, that there was "no question" of any immediate threat to the city.

situation in some parts of Java is obviously critical" but added that the invaders were "receiving blows, hammer

"Up to now," it continued, "there is no informa-tion received about fifth column activities.
"Everywhere our troops are going to meet the Japanese.
"Although there is no question of a direct threat to Batavia, vital objectives are being made useless to exclude all risks."

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The Dutch and Allied counter moves against the invaders' three hard-won beachheads were described in the communique with these words:

"From well-informed circles it is heard that action against the Japanese troops developed satisfactorily. Although in councetion with the character of the operations and estails can be published; it can be said that the enemy received fair hits."

NO NEW LANDINGS

Anota reported that up to a short time before mid-night there had been no word of any new Japanese land-ings on the Java coast or of the approach of any new invasion armada.

(Informed circles in London said that despite staggering losses inflicted on the invaders by Allied air attacks and the stubborn ground defense, the Japanese were believed to have landed (ive and a half divisions—some \$5.000 men—an Java.

("They are willing to gamble at least ten divisions, or 150,000 men, on the subjugation of Java, one source shid. "Their losses have been heavy in men, but losses of material will be what will stop them.")

A desperately determined taxicals army has been ushed into a counter attack and may already have fought vital engagement against invaders who in two shorts.

#### Reporter Gets Close To Fighting On Java

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