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North of Buthidaung an enemy counter-attack on the 5th April on one of our positions was repulsed. South of that village the enemy still offers resistance to our advance. Elsewhere on the Arakan front, there was no important activity.

On the Assam front the Japanese continue to exert pressure north of Imphal. Successful ambushes in which casualties were inflicted on the Japanese were laid on the roads, both North and South of Imphal. A small attack against a position on the Palel-Tanu road was repulsed with loss to the enemy. Among equipment captured on the Tiddin-Imphal road were the sword and medals of the commander of the Japanese attacking force.

Chinese troops driving the Japanese south in the Upper Mogaung Valley have captured Marangah Tawng and Mihloigar Tawng. They are in contact with the enemy, and are advancing on Wakawng.

A strong Japanese position is being eliminated near the confluence of Hpalu Hka and Kathan Hka. Chinese units which crossed Hpadn Hka under fire South-east of Laban have advanced South in contact with the enemy.

On the Sumprabum-Myitkyina road, Kachin levies advancing southward have reached the Tiang Hka.

In a srike against Aungban airfield in Central Burma on 4th April the Air Commando Force of the Tactical Air Force in six minutes destroyed twenty-four enemy aircraft on the ground, probably destroyed two and damaged eight others. The enemy were completely surprised and not one of our aircraft was lost. In addition to the aircraft destroyed on the ground one Japanese fighter was destroyed in air combat. The Commando Force also shot up Ack Ack positions and buildings North-west of the airfield. One enemy bomber was also destroyed at Anisakan airfield. Next day when fighters returned to the scene of the attack, Aungban airfield appeared almost completely burnt-cut. Two enemy aircraft on the runway were machine-gunned. Heavy bombers of the Strategic Air Force on the night of 4/5 April attacked Japanese headquarters and transit camp at Nagorn Sawarn. Fires were visible twenty miles away after the bombing. Other heavy bombers made a well-concentrated attack the same night on railway yards and jetties at Moulmein. Fighters of the Tactical Air Force on the night of 4/5 April and in daylight on 5th April were active over the Arakan, Mayu and Kaladan areas, silencing machine-gun posts, setting buildings in flames and starting one large oil fire. R.A.F. and I.A.F. dive-bombers also attacked targets in these areas. On 4/5 April communications, enemy positions, enemy-occupied villages, tanks and M/T were among objectives of dive-bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters operating over the Chindwin, Chin Hills, Naga Hills and North-west Burma. Medium and fighter-bombers were active on 4th April over North Burma and long-range fighters on the night of 4/5 April and in daylight on 5th April maintained an offensive against communications in South Burma. They attacked and hit one two-hundred-ton vessel. From all these operations, three Allied aircraft are missing.

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