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1. Enemy pressure increasing along entire UN front--North Korean forces are exerting heavy pressure along the entire UN defense line, but there have been only slight changes in position during the past 24 hours. Massed North Korean troops are exerting extreme efforts to exploit the near-breakthrough they achieved in the Kyongju-Yongchon area; counterattacking UN defenders, however, are managing to hold their new positions. Enemy forces along the southern front are following up their sustained artillery-mortar barrage of the past 24 hours with local attacks which may develop into a major drive toward Pusan. The combined UN air forces made their heaviest tactical assault to date, with 440 of the record 620 sorties being flown in support of UN ground troops in the northeast sector. US heavy bombers struck iron works in Chongjin, located along the east coast in North Korea.



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