CHERBOURG EXPECTED TO FA QUICKLY AS YANKS PRESS DRIVE

Nazis Report Red Summer Offensive On

Drive Said To Have Been Started Between Mogilev And Vitebsk

By LEWIS HAWKINS LONDON—(AP)—The Germans anno-Red Army, striking on the third anniv rise invasion of Russia, had launched

Subs Get 16 Jap Vessels

Nips Worried About Saipan

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German Resistance

In Italy Stiffened

Jap Saipan Defenders Face Doom Left To Fate As

Fleet Routed

WEATHER

Bombers Lash At | Japs Admit French Rail Yards | Ships Lost

Jap Fleet Believed To Be

Robots Do

Long Siege Of Port Regarded Hiding Behind Philippines As **Únlikely**

Americans Storm Over One Of Fortified Peaks Dominating Harbor

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDI-NARY FORCE — (AP) — Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's ely tuned American assault troops have stormed over one the three fortified peaks dominating Cherbourg's mili-y harplor, Supreme Headquarters announced today, and edy fall of the city is expected. Describing Cherbourg's defenses as "fairly formidable," headquarters announcement said a "prolonged siege is likely" now.

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Attacking with a storm of artillery fire, and a huge array of instruments of destruction, the Americans captured a height at Touriaville, four miles from the sea southered a height at Touriaville, four miles from the sea southered a height at Touriaville, four miles from the sea southere pillowess and prepared defenses.

TOO CLOSE FOR AIRMEN

Americans and Germans were so closely interlocked in the grim battle that Allied air forces were unable to give the close battlefront the support that marked the opening of the all-out attack yesterday.

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"quarantining" the battle area, hitting rail and road
communications in a semi-circle 100 miles deep in
France as the Americans clamped a vise on Cherbeurg
and smashed at the other two remaining hilliop bas-

ican clamp.

NAIIS LEAVE EASTERN TIP

The Germans apparently had withdrawn completely from the eastern tip of the peninsula in order to concentrate on defense of Cherbourg.

There was no confirmation at Supreme Headquarters of a German radio report that new Allied airborne landings had been made at Gavray east of Granville on the peninsula's west coast 60 miles below Cherbourg.

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The Germans were making a desperate bid to hold the strategic port as long as possible. Everywhere fierce resistance was encountered, and a particularly victous battle was being fought for control of the big airfield at Maupertus. (The British radio, quoting a British correspondent, said a captured German battle order declared the Germans in Cherbourg must "hold their positions or be shot."

BITTER FIGHT

Inside the besieged nort the German garrison atood use

Inside the besieged port, the German garrison stood up stubbornly under yesterday's 1,000-plane assault on the ports and pillboxes comprising the city's defense. The U.S. ground troops had to fight for every inch of their

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Small gains were registered around the port itself, but progress was made on both the eastern and western sides of the peninsula.

Only slight German resistance was reported by American troops which cut off the eastern tip of the peninsula by capturing the road junction of St. Pierre Eglise and then driving two miles westward and taking Carneville within sight of the sea.

CUT OFF NAZIS

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On the western tip of the peninsula, the Americans t forward in the area of Beaumont Hague against scat-d resistance, cutting off whatever Germans are in that

Allied bombers and fighters attacked German gun-posts and barracks on Alderney, one of the channel isles See YANK ATTACK on page 4

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