N VICTORY OPENS BALTIC TO RED

Bloody Battle Ahead Before **Germany Falls**

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German Situation Termed Hopeless

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ALLIES BATTLING TO LINK UP RAPPED AIR DIVIS

Red Fleet Ready To Cruise Sea

Russian Troops Move On Riga

By EDDY GILMORE MOSCOW — (AP) — Soviet minesweepers to day started clearing a safe change whole area was its first combat cruise in the Baltic in three years following the capture of Tallium, Estonian anaval base and capital.

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Amasing Airborne Troops

They Fight With Pure Guts

trees chaps hopping mad. You should have heard their language.

Then the whole area was intensively shelled and mortared for the rest of the morning. Our commander walked around among his men as cooly as though it were their regimental sports day. The guits of these air-borne troops is won-derful.

Alarms Japs



SCENE OF FIERCE BATTLE— bugh a Nazi ring of steel to le ops besieged in the Arnhem area in from Eindhoven to Nimeson.

Nazis Plan Fight East Of The Rhine

By DON WHITEHEAD
WITH THE FIRST ARMY IN GERMANY
The Germans are feverishly preparing defenses of
Rhine River in anticipation of the day when the
will move deeper into Germany.

Yanks Widen Gothic Gap

Not A Bone Is Broken

Reach Rhine's South Bank In Rescue Drive

Shells Thrown Across River In Support Of "Lost Battalion"

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Rockets Hit Nazi Ship Falls 3.000 Feet And

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