

DEFENSE FORCES CAPTURE WAR PLANS WEAVE THEM INTO EAST PRUSSIA

Nazi Drive Endangers 7th Army Positions

Break Out Of Bridgehead End

By James M. Long Paris (AP)—The Germans burst out of the northern end of the Rhine bridgehead above Strasbourg today and linked up with other forces in Northeast Alsace, forming a solid front against the Seventh Army along 40 miles of the Maginot Line as far west as Bitch.

The situation on the southern front was regarded as Supreme Headquarters as increasingly grave. Into this potential springboard for another big attack, the enemy was pouring a steady stream of reinforcements over ferries and pontoon bridges, thrown across the Rhine from Strasbourg to Karlsruhe.

The weight of the enemy attack shifted abruptly from north of Haguenau to the Rhine near Bitch. Fighting at Haguenau, shell-toned in the Maginot Line for 10 days, suddenly became static except for artillery fire.

Two-Minute News Roundup

Russian Front—Premier-Marshal Stalin has issued three orders of the day, each order disclosing a new Soviet victory in a different area of the Soviet Eastern Front.

B-29s Hit Air Plant On Honshu

Explosions And Fires Observed

WASHINGTON (AP)—A fleet of Saipan-based Superfortresses today smashed at the big Kawasaki aircraft plant in Akashi on the Japanese home island of Honshu. Explosions and fires were observed.

A sizable force of B-29s, perhaps upwards of 100 bombers, plastered the target in daylight with what War Department communicators described as "good results."

It was the first strike by the big bombers against Akashi, a few miles east of Kobe, Japan's biggest port. Only a few enemy fighters took the air to oppose the raiders.

Bulge Battle Losses Given

Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force, Paris (AP)—The Germans suffered 120,000 casualties from Dec. 17 to Jan. 11 in their offensive to split the Allied front in the Ardennes, Supreme Headquarters announced today.

Chinese Drive Near Wanting

CHUNGKING (AP)—Chinese forces in western Yunnan Province have seized several villages in an area only a mile and a half from Wanting, important Burma base.



AMERICAN MORTAR CREW ADVANCE ON LUZON—An American mortar crew sets up for action in the Philippine rice fields to fire on Japanese positions harassing our troops as they advance past the town of San Jacinto on Luzon. (Photo by Stanley Trouman, NFA Photographer.)

Yanks Smash On Luzon Highway Town Captured

By C. Yates McDaniel GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Luzon (AP)—American mobile guns, mortars and armor, smashing in a cleverly concealed concentration of Japanese tanks and artillery in a 24-hour battle, captured the Highway 5 town of Urdaneta early yesterday.

Nurse Draft Imperative

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Army Surgeon General said today that adequate nursing care in the face of a 250 per cent increase in battle casualty patients, makes it imperative that nurses be drafted.

Our Reporter's A Sadist

Pineapple Land Is Flowing With Butter And Cigarettes

Fats & Oils Sales Frozen

WASHINGTON (AP)—Housewives trying to stretch food ration points over a fast-growing list of commodities requiring stamps had the added task today of budgeting for fats and oils.

BITTER NOT COVERED

Butter and margarine already under rationing, are not covered by the sales freeze.

Dixie Live Talk

'You All' Ought To Understand

Penetration Of 30 Miles Into Reich Effectuated

Reds Roll Through Shattered Enemy Defenses All Along East Front

LONDON (AP)—The Russians rolled through broken German defenses all along the Eastern Front today, capturing Krakow and driving into East Prussia to a depth of 30 miles in their greatest penetration of the Reich.

Marshal Stalin announced the loss of two more offensives in East Prussia and in the Carpathians of Southern Poland.

Churchill Wins Test

LONDON (AP)—An attempt to express censure of Prime Minister Churchill's interventionist policy in liberated lands was beaten 7 to 1 today in the House of Commons.

CHURCHILL ATTACKED

Earlier in the two-day war debate Laborite Ernest Bevan charged that Churchill had allowed the loss of the war.

Air Offensive Kept Going

LONDON (AP)—RAF bombers kept the Allied aerial offensive going last night with a series of attacks on targets in Western Germany despite bad weather.

Antwerp Dock Strike Ended

BRUSSELS (AP)—Antwerp dock workers and ship repairmen ended their strike today.

WEATHER

RAIN this afternoon and evening with showers and gusty winds.