

Yanks Race To Wipe Out Destructive Japs In Manila Army Bombs Over River

Americans' Push Toward Rhine River Is Extended

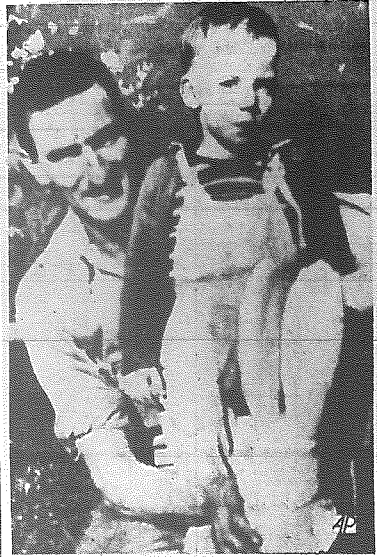
Parts of Four Divisions Strike By JAMES M. LONG PARIS (AP) — Third Army shock troops crossed the flooded Sauer and Our Rivers into Germany on a 22-mile front today and fought a half-mile into the Siegfried Line in a broad extension of the American drive toward the Rhine.

Neutral Report Hitler May Be German President

STOCKHOLM (AP) — The Stockholm newspaper Aftonbladet said today it believed that a reorganization of the German Government under which Hitler would give up the title of Fuehrer to become the Reich President, with Kurt Daluege as Chancellor, was imminent.

Bitter Fight Is Waged For Burning City U. S. Artillery Bombs Arcas

By FRED HAMPSON MANILA (AP) — Gen. Douglas MacArthur returned for a brief time to Manila today, fulfilling his pledge that he would return to the Philippine capital, while a grim race developed between the Japanese trying to clean out the city and a trapped enemy bent on destroying it.



SOLDIER SENTENCED TO DEATH—Pvt. Henry F. Weber, 21-year-old soldier from Vancouver, Wash., shown with his small son, Wayne, before induction, has been sentenced to hang for refusing to bear arms at Camp Roberts, Calif. His wife, Mrs. Grace Weber, said he had strong convictions that killing was wrong and had repeatedly sought to have Army officials transfer him to a medical unit, or some other non-combat duty. (AP Wirephoto.)

Nazis Report New Crossing Of Oder River

Red Star Says: 'Fighting Is Going On In The Fortified Forefield Of Berlin' LONDON (AP) — A German military spokesman declared today the Russians had set up a new bridgehead over the Oder south of Kuestrin, and expanded another foothold above Kuestrin and within some 35 miles of Berlin.

MacArthur Keeps Word

By RUSSELL BRINES SANTO TOMAS INTERMEDIATE CAMP, Manila (AP) — Gen. Douglas MacArthur who promised when he left the Philippines, "I will return," returned today to the civilians who long awaited him and who had gathered in the streets to greet him as he stepped ashore from the transport ship.

Cherry Warns State Must Live Within Its Income

RALEIGH (AP) — Governor Cherry and other State officials asked again today that North Carolina live within its income "and not plunge into a situation that may mean future debt and the hardships that debt brings."

Objectives Gained Americans Launch Attack In Italy

By NOLAN NORGAARD ROME (AP) — The strongest American attack in Italy since October has driven 600 yards into German lines southwest of Bologna and gained its initial objective despite stiff enemy resistance, headquarters announced today.

Try To Stymie George Bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — All-out efforts of Henry A. Wallace sought today to stymie the George Bill in the House and bring about its rejection by a direct Senate vote.

Bomb Vienna Refineries

LONDON (AP) — Oil refineries in the Vienna area, the most important remaining source of natural motor fuel for the Germans since the Russians seized a large part of Slovakia, the German radio said today.

Freed Prisoners To Come Home

WASHINGTON (AP) — General Douglas MacArthur has informed the War and State Departments that persons liberated in the Philippines will be permitted to come home at the discretion of the military situation permits.

Western Front

Action on the Western Front, 12 preceding a possible thrust to the Germans. Third Army tanks have crossed the Moselle and are now driving into the Heltz on a 22-mile front.

Philippines

A cheering announcement from General Douglas MacArthur in the Philippines has been received by the War and State Departments.

MacArthur May Well Get Job Of Leading Invasion Of Japan

China invasion assignment, despite his recent run-in with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, is Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's new ground force commander.

On To Tokyo? Cry

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER WASHINGTON (AP) — Gen. Douglas MacArthur's "On to Tokyo" cry has given rise to speculation that he may well get to lead the invasion of Japan.

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Air Warfare

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