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Mitscher's Ships Dare Nip Navy To Wage Battle

Carriers Operate In Jap Waters

By ELMONT WAITE U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, GUAM (AP)—Vice Adm. Marc A. Mitscher's mighty carrier force was reported today to be ready for a third straight day—defying the Imperial Fleet to come out for battle and giving the lie to enemy communique claims that seven of Mitscher's capital ships were sunk and one damaged.

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By FRED HAMPSON MANILA—(AP)—The big broom sweeping the Japanese from the Philippines reached Panay Island Sunday as Maj. Gen. Rapp Bugh's 40th Infantry Division, again achieving complete surprise, invaded the flat Southern coastal plain and quickly closed in on the port capital of Iloilo and its big airfield. Headquarters announced the invasion today.

Two-Minute News Roundup

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Western Front A spectacular expansion of the American First Army bridgehead across the Rhine is revealed by reports from the front. The Yanks have launched a heavy attack at the southern end of the bridgehead, have reached a point about 20 miles east of the Rhine's east bank opposite Andernach. If the enemy cannot prove to be true, our breakthrough has been lengthened to 25 miles. The Germans say that Lt. Gen. Courtney Hodges' troops are within eleven miles of the fortress of Ehrenbreitstein directly opposite Koblenz. The bridgehead measures a full eight miles in depth.

Russian Front

Marshal Stalin has announced the capture of Braunsberg in East Prussia. Braunsberg is near the Baltic, 20 miles southwest of Königsberg. A regiment of the Red Army offensive in Hungary is reported by the German High Command. Berlin says the Soviets have struck to within 58 miles of the city of Budapest. The Red Army is said to be within twelve miles of Komarom, on the Danube northwest of Budapest.

The Far East

In the war in the Pacific, the enemy has admitted that special force units in Tokyo and other big Japanese cities have not helped to stop the first landing since the American B-29s. The last attack was Monday's raid on Nagoya. There is no Allied confirmation of another Jap statement—the carrier plane attacks on Japan are the first touching off the brief communique announcing that Navy planes landed Kobe and its naval base Monday after alternate Hunsbrück defense lines in the Saar and Palatinate.

Air Warfare

The Reich has trembled under a fresh rain of bombs from both American and British heavy bombers. Flying Fortresses and Liberators bent on attacking German targets passed some 300 British heavies on their way home from striking the great freight yards at Hamm, Germany.

Rain Ruin On Reich Yank And British Bombers Attack

By HENRY R. JAMESON

LONDON—(AP)—Four hundred U. S. heavy bombers attacked German oil refineries, submarine yards, and port facilities in the Hamburg area today, while big RAF bombers continued the campaign to smash railroads behind the Rhine battlefront. British fleets totaling 300 planes Germany's largest eight yards at Hamm and another railway junction at Recklinghausen on the northern fringe of the Ruhr. Hundreds of other planes raked enemy positions near the great enemy knocking out nearly 5,000 German soldiers today. U. S. Eighth Air Force Flying Fortresses and Liberators, escorted by 300 fighters, hit the Blomhütte and various other installations in Hamburg's vast harbor area. and the rail and oil refineries at Hemmingstedt 55 miles northwest of Hamburg.

ATACK FROM ITALY

Fortresses and Liberators from Italy carried forward the campaign of ramb and devastation in Austria, smashing railroads at Amstetten and Werk on the main line from Vienna to Munich after their recent-breaking assault on German rail installations yesterday.

Berlin Hit Again

The RAF made its 28th consecutive raid on Berlin last night, but this time the incendiary attack shortly before dawn instead of midnight. Other night bombers attacked a variety of communications targets from the Ruhr to Hannover and south of Coblenz.

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By FRED HAMPSON The seventh major Philippine island was reported completely captured as the American high command reported that the island was taken without a shot being fired. The island is situated in the Philippine archipelago and is a strategic point. The Japanese had been building up a strong defense on the island, but the American forces achieved a complete surprise.

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The Seventh Army was through a stretch of the Siegfried Line between Saarbrücken and Zweibrücken. To the north the First Army lengthened its cross-Rhine bridgehead to 19.12 miles. The German High Command declared the Third Ukrainian Army pushing out northwest of Budapest had started beyond 12 miles from Komarom, German stronghold on the Danube's south bank at the Hungarian-Slovakian frontier. Komarom is 45 miles northwest of Budapest, and 85 miles from Vienna.

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By LOUIS F. LOCHNER Copyright, 1945, by Associated Press MOSE, Germany—(AP)—Heinrich Himmler, chief of the Reich Security Main Office, who resigned when the Hitler death plot was uncovered, is reported to have reneged after the plot was exposed.

OPA Men Inade Fullerton Market

CHICAGO—(AP)—Thirty OPA investigators, clad in white butcher coats, invaded the Fullerton market today, stopped peddlers unloading their goods with them to a nearby weighing station in an investigation the OPA said today. The men were accompanied by a U. S. Army Quartermaster Depot unit and a group of the city's bureau chiefs and messengers.



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Chilean Steamer Sinks

SANTIAGO, Chile—(AP)—The 2,500-ton Chilean Steamship Mapuche caught fire and sank today after leaving Valparaiso with 134 passengers and crewmen.

Sweeping Gains Scored By 3rd And 7th Armies

More Than 50,000 Of German Forces Of 80,000 Counted As Casualties

By JAMES M. LONG PARIS—(AP)—German defenses collapsed in the Saar Basin today while the rampaging American Seventh and Third Armies raced toward an imminent junction near the Rhine. Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army flanked completely the Siegfried and alternate Hunsbrück Lines in the Saar and Palatinate and in sweeping gains moved within four miles of the second Palatinate city of Kaiserslautern within 10 miles of Mainz and 23 miles of the chemical center of Ludwigshafen.

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