

BATTLE IN CHERBOURG

JAP & U.S. FLEETS SQUARE OFF

Great Naval Engagement Might Be On

Mighty American Forces Eager And Ready To Meet Challenge

U.S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor—(AP)—Giant battle fleets of the United States and Japan faced each other today in the 1,500 miles between the Philippines and Marianas amid indications that preliminary blows already may have opened a history-shaking naval engagement.

Main Jap Fleet May Be Cornered

WASHINGTON—(AP)—American forces may at last have won a principal battle of the fleet for a show-down point, and so far as Admiral Ernest J. King is concerned, the sooner the Japanese fleet fights, the better will be satisfied.

U. S. Forces Sweep Across Saipan Isle

By Percy Litch—Representative of the Combined American Press—Distributed by the Associated Press.

U. S. Public Debt Is 190 Billion

WASHINGTON—The public debt of the United States has passed another milestone—500,000,000,000.

Buy More War Bonds—Support The Invasion—Protect The Nation And Your Own Future

Berlin Area Raided By Americans

Striking Deep Into Germany

LONDON—(AP)—More than 1,000 American Flying Fortress and Liberator bombers blasted Berlin and the capital's outskirts today and the German radio indicated that at least some of the planes flew on eastward—possibly in the first shuttle raid from Britain to new American bases in Russia.

Reds Smash On Toward Helsinki

Victorious Russian Troops Who Occupied Finland's Fortress

LONDON—(AP)—Victorious Russian troops who occupied Finland's fortress seaport of Viipuri yesterday drove on today toward the capital city of Helsinki, where the Germans were reported exerting pressure to keep their small ally from suing for peace with Premier Joseph Stalin.

Eighth Army Sweeps On

By Lynn Henninger—Rome—The Eighth Army veterans have hurled the last stubborn Nazi defenders out of ancient Perugia, communications hub 69 miles north of Rome, and advanced some four miles north of the city, Allied Headquarters said.

Nazis' Secret Weapon Proves To Be Fizzle

By John M. Hightower—Washington—From a strictly military viewpoint, the Nazis' greatest secret anti-invasion weapon, the highly-touted flying bomb, is a fizzle.

Nazi Panzer Strength Crippled In Normandy

By Edward J. Roberts—Representative of the Combined American Press.

Weather

Fair and mild tonight, partly cloudy and slightly warmer tomorrow.



MEETING THE TRAP FOR GERMANS AT CHERBOURG—An American vehicle, crammed with doughboys and trailing a gun, passes through St. Saver's Veli-colour on the United States drive across the Cherbourg. (AP wirephoto via Signal Corps radio.)

Surrender Call Made

Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force—The Germans in Cherbourg to surrender have been dropped by Allied planes.

Allies Capture Burma Village

SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMAND—The Allies today captured a village in Burma, the village of Nya-U, near the village of Nya-U, near the village of Nya-U.

Hundred of German Radars In Hospitals

BEANFIELD—The Headquarters of the British Army today reported that a hundred of German radars were in hospitals.

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