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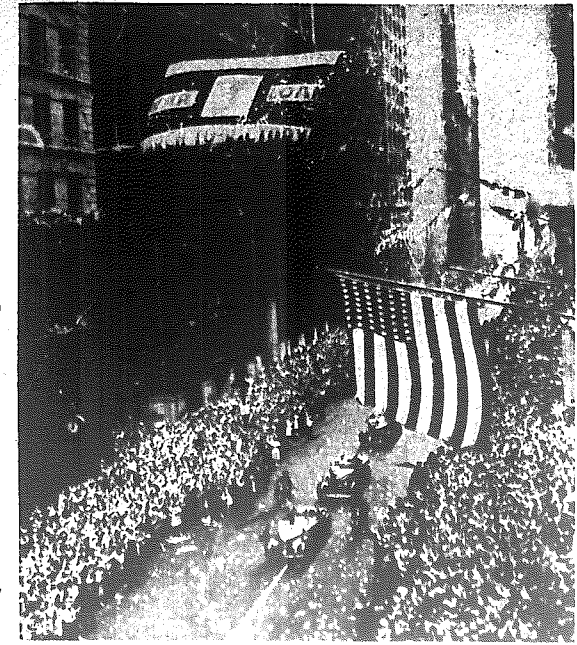
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Slums & Crime

Lack of city planning has made Charlotte in more ways than one, a New York study, on Page 5-A of today's edition, taken up one phase: the growth of Negro slums from a failure to provide decent Negro residential areas.

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NEW YORK WELCOMES 'IKE'—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower (arrow) waves to a tumultuous, excited and happy crowd of New Yorkers, as his auto moves through the financial district. Nearly a half million people crammed the streets and as high as the 50th story of buildings hoping to get glimpse of the supreme commander in this area only.

Truman Moves

Early Conclusion Of Parley Sought

OLYMPIA, Wash.—(AP)—President Truman sought today to speed up the conclusion of the San Francisco security conference as prospects steadily diminished.

Report Dept.

Cop Says He Saw Bodies Of Hitler & Eva

By DANIEL DE LUCA, MONTGOMERY'S HEADQUARTERS—A German policeman from Berlin said today he saw the bodies of Adolf Hitler and Eva Braun buried at the end of the Reich Chancellery's outer wall.

Five Groups Rush Draft Of Charter

Associated Press Diplomatic News Editor

Jap Ships Sunk By Yank Bombers

Eleventh Air Force Headquarters June 12 (Delayed)

Mecklenburg Casualties

KILLED: Pvt. Marshall Henry Batten.

Irish Protest To Japs

DUBLIN—(AP)—The Irish Free State today said it had protested to Tokyo the reported detention of four Irish pilots in the Japanese at Manila.

Eisenhower Views Cadets

WEST POINT N. Y.—(AP)—

Wave ways of steel-helmeted, khaki-clad cadets paraded slowly in review today for General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower on the sun-drenched parade ground of the United States military academy.

Funds For OWI Handed Back

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Senate Appropriations Committee has restored funds for operation of the Office of War Information's overseas activities.

Lifting Of Controls As Soon As Feasible Urged

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Each week lifting of wartime economic controls, but not until an end of almost all government interference in production, power and business expansion.

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and warmer today. High and low 74 and 82. Wind light and variable. Thursday partly cloudy and moderately warm.

Munitions Center Is Wiped Out

Superforts Make Heavy Attack

By ROBBIN COONS
GUAM—(AP)—Superfortresses dumped 3,000 tons of fire bombs on three Japanese industrial sites today, setting wind-fanned fires, which pilots said were visible 75 miles away and wiped from the map as a war target. The munitions center of Shienkai, 85 miles southwest of Tokyo.

Can't Make Stand

Japs Badly Off Balance On Luzon

By SPENCER MOOSA
MANILA—(AP)—It appeared unlikely today that the disorganized Japanese in the Cagayan Valley—Luzon's headhunting-land—could consolidate anywhere for a stand against the river-hopping 27th Ohio Infantry Division, fast approaching to within 100 miles of the island's north tip.

Close In On Luchow

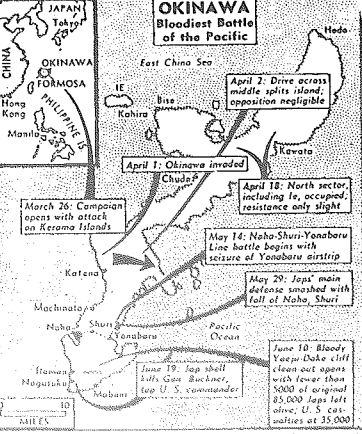
By SPENCER MOOSA
CHENGDE—(AP)—Chinese troops were added to capture three miles of the former American front at Luchow while they were in winter training area.

German General's Opinion

By GEORGE TUCKER
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BLOODSTAINED CLIFF OVER—The battle of Okinawa, which cost some 10,000 killed and wounded on the American side against more than 28,000 Japs, now leads the list of bloody battles in Pacific operations. This map traces the campaign from the initial invasion of the Karakura Islands (see inset) through the mopping up phase now proceeding in the Yaguchi Plateau area. (NEA)

Big Numbers Of Japs Leap To Their Death

More Of Enemy Troops Surrender; Some Nips Still Fighting Desperately

By LEIF ERICKSON

GUAM—(AP)—Large numbers of Japanese leaped to their death from the cliffs of southern Okinawa today and more and more were surrendering as U. S. tanks and troops broke through to the south shore.

Two Marine regiments seized 700 yards of the south coast as they fanned out, an artillery spotter plane pilot said he saw many Japanese or civilians leaping into the sea in the first mass suicides since the Saipan campaign.

Other Japanese troops in increasing numbers were slipping in among the thousands of civilians streaming through the American lines and were surrendering. Many of the few thousand still fighting were wounded.

Some of the most stubborn opposition was met before Mabuni, near the island's southeastern coast, where the enemy's commanding general was believed to be with his staff, determined to stand and die.

A Tokyo radio broadcast conceded the loss of Okinawa and declared its fall would have enemy accounts that a fall since Allied force is in action off Balikpapan, big oil refinery center on the east-central coast. His comment, however, was not a full report on the situation.

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