

GERMANY:

AMERICAN THIRD ARMY TANKS AND MOTORIZED INFANTRY THRUSTING DEEP INTO THE SAAR PALATINATE ARE SERIOUSLY THREATENING 80,000 GERMANS, WHO MAKE UP THE LAST BIG ENEMY FORCE WEST OF THE RHINE. THE GERMANS ARE FALLING BACK BEFORE GENERAL PATTON'S ARMORED SPEARHEADS IN GROWING CONFUSION AND GREAT COLUMNS OF VEHICLES AND MEN ARE STREAMING BACK TO THE RHINE RIVER. AMERICAN THUNDERBOLTS ARE WREAKING GREAT HAVOC AMONG THE GERMAN COLUMNS AND YESTERDAY ALONE THE FIGHTER BOMBERS KNOCKED OUT OR DAMAGED MORE THAN 1000 MOTOR TRUCKS AND MORE THAN 100 TANKS AND ARMORED CARS.

TWO TANK-TIPPED SPEARHEADS HAVE PUSHED BEYOND THE RIVER NAHE WITH ONE OF THEM REPORTED 14 MILES FROM THE CITY OF MAINZ ON THE RHINE. ONE OF THE SPEARHEADS DRIVING IN FROM THE WEST WAS LAST REPORTED ONLY 7 MILES AWAY FROM A LINKUP WITH ANOTHER COLUMN RACING TO THE SOUTH. THE GERMANS WHO ARE LEFT WEST OF THE TWO SPEARHEADS DRIVING EAST AND SOUTH ARE IN DANGER FROM TWO NEW THIRD ARMY COLUMNS WHO JUMPED OFF FROM NEAR TRIER TODAY. THIRD ARMY TROOPS NOW CONTROL 30 MILES OF THE WESTERN BANK OF THE RHINE, EXCEPT FOR ONE SMALL POCKET, TO THE SOUTH OF COBLENZ. MOTORIZED INFANTRY OF THE THIRD ARMY HAVE EXTENDED THEIR GRIP ON THE NORTHERN END OF THE SAAR PROVINCE WHERE THEY ARE MOPPING UP PLACES THAT HAVE BEEN OVERRUN OR BYPASSED BY THE TANKS.

TANKS HAVE JOINED THE AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY'S PUSH TO THE NORTH BETWEEN SAARBRÜCKEN AND THE RHINE AND ONE ARMORED COLUMN DASHED 7 MILES TODAY TO TAKE THE TOWN OF WISSEMBOURG. OTHER AMERICAN TROOPS ARE FAST CLOSING ON SAARBRÜCKEN AND ZWILLBRÜCKEN. FRENCH TROOPS FIGHTING ON THE RIGHT FLANK OF THE YANKS HAVE ADVANCED ALONG THE BANK OF THE RHINE TO REACH LAUTERBOURG.

AMERICAN FIRST ARMY TROOPS IN THE REMAGEN BRIDGEHEAD NOW HOLD A 6 MILE STRETCH OF THE SUPER HIGHWAY LINKING COLOGNE WITH FRANKFURT. YANK TROOPS ARE PUSHING TO THE EAST IN THE FACE OF INTENSE FIRE FROM HEAVY GUNS. AT THE SOUTHERN END OF THE BRIDGEHEAD THE AMERICANS HAVE GAINED ANOTHER 1000 YARDS.

MORE THAN 1200 AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS TODAY ATTACKED TARGETS IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN GERMANY. THIS MORNING, RAF LANCASTERS DROPPED 5½ AND 10 TON BOMBS ON 2 BRIDGES IN GERMANY. LAST NIGHT RAF MOSQUITOS AGAIN HAMMERED BERLIN FOR THE 27TH CONSECUTIVE NIGHT FOLLOWING THE BIGGEST DAYLIGHT ATTACK EVER MADE ON THE GERMAN CAPITOL. RAF HEAVIES LAST NIGHT BOMBED WITTEN IN THE RUHR AND HANAU NEAR FRANKFURT.

RUSSIA:

THE GERMANS AGAIN TODAY REPORTED "VIOLENT FIGHTING" TO BE GOING ON IN WESTERN HUNGARY. MOSCOW HAS STILL REMAINED SILENT ABOUT THIS FRONT. THE RUSSIANS ARE REPORTED TO BE MASSING ALONG THE HON RIVER IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA FOR A DRIVE TOWARDS BRATISLAVA WHERE THE DANUBE ENTERS AUSTRIA AND FLOWS TO THE WEST TO VIENNA AND GERMANY. BEYOND THE RAIL TOWN OF ZVOLEN IN SLOVAKIA, GENERAL PETROFF'S TROOPS HAVE TAKEN MORE TOWNS.

IN UPPER POMERANIA THE REDS HAVE TAKEN KOLBERG ON THE BALTIC AND IN EAST PRUSSIA THEY HAVE TIGHTENED THEIR GRIP ON KOENIGSBERG AND ARE SPLITTING THE GERMANS UP INTO SMALL GROUPS AND ANNIHILATING THEM.

PACIFIC:

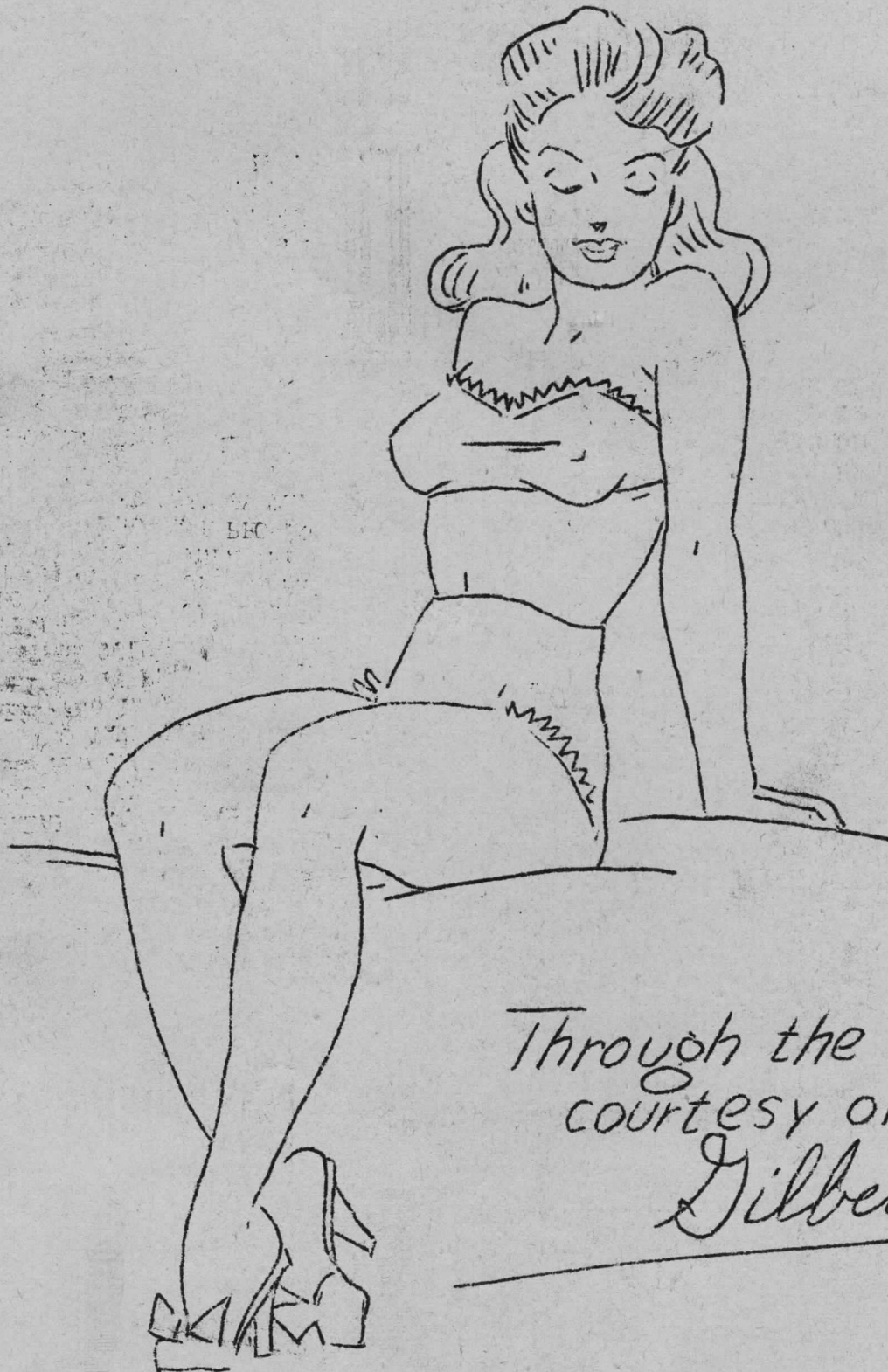
TOKIO RADIO TODAY SAID THAT AMERICAN SUPER FORTRESSES WERE BACK ATTACKING THE GREAT CITY OF NAGOYA ON HONSHU ISLAND. EARLY THIS MORNING A VERY LARGE FORCE OF SUPER FORTS HAD UNLOADED ALMOST 2000 TONS OF FIRE BOMBS ON THE INDUSTRIAL CITY.

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THE JAPANESE RADIO ALSO SAID THAT AMERICAN CARRIER BASED PLANES HAD RETURNED FOR THE SECOND DAY RUNNING TO ATTACK TARGETS ON THE ISLANDS OF KYUSHU AND SHIKOKU. IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED THAT A LARGE FORCE OF AMERICAN CARRIER PLANES ATTACKED THESE TWO ISLANDS YESTERDAY. AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBERS HAVE AGAIN HIT FORMOSA.

BRITISH 14TH ARMY TROOPS IN CENTRAL BURMA HAVE SMASHED JAP COUNTERATTACKS IN THE MEIKTILA AREA SOUTH OF MANDALAY. IN THE TOWN OF MANDALAY THE JAPS ARE STILL HOLDING OUT IN THE CENTER OF THE TOWN.



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