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Super-Forts Carry War To Heart Of Japan

Rain Bombs On Capital City

TWENTY-FIRST BOMBER COMMAND, SAIPAN — (AP) — A mighty armada of B-29 Super-Fortresses blasted Tokyo today with hundreds of tons of bombs, opening what Gen. H. H. Arnold said was "an attack which will be carried on relentlessly from the air until the day of land-sea invasion of Japan's home islands."

An undisciplined number of Super-Forts roared from newly-completed air bases here at dawn for the 3,000-mile flight which marked the initial attack on Japan's capital by land-based planes and its first bombing since April 18, 1942.

Chief of Gen. H. H. Arnold's 21st Bomber Command, N. Y., 35-year-old James West Point told the historic attack, said, believed to be the latest attack yet made on Japan's home islands.

BANSSEL COMMANDER — The aerial task force was from the recently established 21st Bomber Command of the 20th Army Air Force operating from the Marianas, under the command of Brig. Gen. Howard S. Bansell, Jr., of San Antonio, Tex.

The first use of these giant bombers and of Tokyo since the 1935 aerial attack against Japan's capital, which was B-29's first mission from the westward.

Early reports gave no indication of the heaviest bomb ever. But the Army Air Force revealed yesterday in Washington that a Super-Fortress can carry as much as 100 tons of bombs.

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Two-Minute
News Roundup
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Home Front — An attempt to break into the Japanese-held island of Iwo Jima was repulsed today, according to a report from the front.

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Eastern Front — The United States, Great Britain and the Soviet Union have signed an agreement to coordinate their military operations in the Pacific.

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Yanks Grab Limon, Turn Southward

Enemy Division Is Destroyed

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, PHILIPPINES — (AP) — Mud-slogging American infantrymen lunged southward from Limon today after capturing that town in the Japanese Yami line in the longest and bitterest fighting of the entire Leyte Island campaign.

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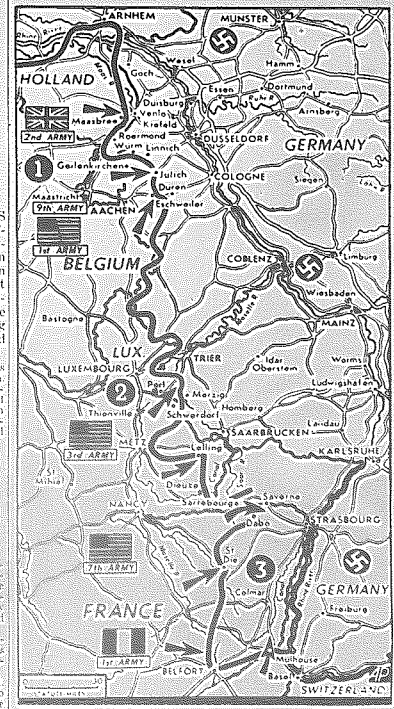
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**Widespread Phone
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**Three-Power Agreement
Rule Over Germany Planned**

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**FBI Laboratory Is Now
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Advance Units Said To Have Made Crossing

Strasbourg—Except For One Bridgehead—Is In Allied Hands

LONDON — (AP) — Allied advance units were reported today to have crossed the flooded Rhine east of Strasbourg, which French and American troops had captured save for a small but powerfully defended bridgehead at the western end of the main bridge.

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FRENCH SWEEP ON — The famous French Second Armored Division commanded by Maj. Gen. Jacques Le Clerc crashed into Strasbourg yesterday after an eighteen-mile advance and by noon had cleared the foe from all the narrow, crooked streets in the western part of the city.

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**All Estonia
Liberated**

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WEATHER — Partly cloudy and cool with light rain. High 45, low 35.

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