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Final

British Stab Miles Into Salient's Tip

By JAMES M. LONG
PARIS.—(AP)—Allied troops captured strategic La Roche today and British patrols in a swift ten-mile advance through the collapsing western end of the Belgian bulge reached the Champlain area, a mile east of the north-south road between La Roche and St. Hubert.

The road was cut without opposition. The Germans quitted their skillful, orderly withdrawal in the deep snow as the American First and Third Armies drove in from north and south and the British Second Army pushed through profuse minefields from the west. The main German force was four miles behind the salient, which penetrated the Champlain area, almost through the difficult First Forest. The town is thirteen miles west of Houthulst, which Field Marshal von Rundstedt had attempted to make the center of a new defensive front shielding the eastern half of the bulge.

The Allies captured the final crest of La Roche (Pop 1520) on the north side of the salient at 9:05 A. M. Patrols entered the town, fourteen miles northwest of Bastogne, yesterday and found it lightly held.

BLIZZARD RAGES ON
The critical action for both sides was the continuing blizzard with temperatures 10 above zero. A short break in the clouds allowed a few Allied planes to get into the air about 10:00. The British plan for a change. Two squadrons of fighters bombers raided the area east of the German base of St. Vith and pilots reported they exploded some tanks and ammunition. A train and ten railcars. Two other trains were reported badly damaged. The First Army patrol reached the sector and stabbed deeply below Malmeld, encountering no opposition. The First Army then bridged across the Salm River within nine miles of St. Vith and coasted to Verdun. A river crossing held.

Two-Minute News Roundup
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Pacific
General MacArthur's invasion forces are making good headway in their drive toward the interior of Luzon. The Japanese on the Gulf beach behind them 22 miles away. The Japanese said that American reinforcements still are moving ashore. But one Tokyo propaganda broadcast twice that heavy fighting has started.

Western Front
Allied forces driving into the German north in Belgium have captured the strategic road town of La Roche (Pop 1520). And British patrols have reached the crumbling western end of the German penetration have advanced ten miles, reaching one point a mile east of the lateral highway running between La Roche and St. Hubert, which the Nazis say they have evacuated. The British move in from the west are turning into German minefields, but the main British force in this area is said to be only four miles behind the advance.

Home Front
President Roosevelt held a long conference with a bipartisan group of Senators today. And one of the men attending, Texas Senator Tom Connally, has emerged from the meeting to urge that the Senate postpone further discussion of the international situation until after the next Roosevelt-Churchill-Stanley meeting. Connally says the Senate had a very pleasant and satisfactory meeting with the President and that the discussion took place in the whole field of international relations.

Resistance Crumbling In Budapest

Reds Hold Three-Fourths Of City

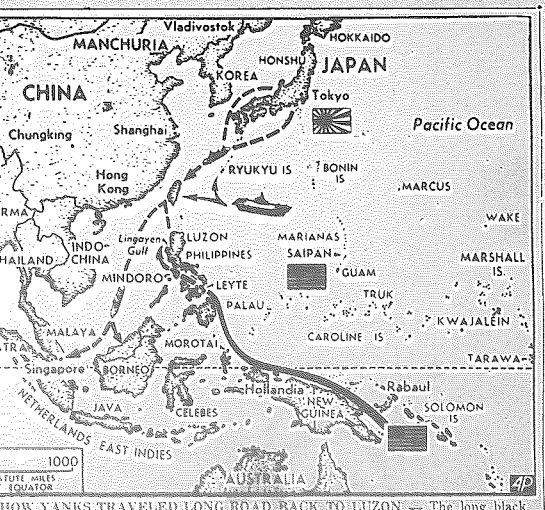
By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW.—(AP)—The battle for Hungary entered what appeared to be the final stage today. With the Germans making an all-out effort to reach the collapsing Nazi garrison in Budapest before being outflanked by the westward Russian advance south of the Danube, four inside the devastated capital, three-fourths of which is now in Russian hands, the Red Star correspondent reported Hungarian soldiers have halted and surrendered in such great numbers that the Soviet troops have been able to enter the city within a matter of hours. The Red Star correspondent reported Hungarian soldiers have halted and surrendered in such great numbers that the Soviet troops have been able to enter the city within a matter of hours.

NO GERMAN BOLT
At no point in the huge drive did von Rundstedt appear to be in difficulty. Unless Field Marshal Montgomery, the British and U. S. First Army, had been able to turn the German position, the German position would have been a disaster. The German position would have been a disaster. The German position would have been a disaster.

U. S. Losses At 564,351 Before Drive
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson disclosed today that Army casualties have reached 564,351, exclusive of losses suffered in the German counter-offensive launched Dec. 16 on the Western Front.

U. S. Jet Planes Used Against Robots
LONDON.—(AP)—Headquarters of the U. S. Eighth Air Force, which is now in the process of being re-equipped with the latest American jet fighters, disclosed today that the jet fighters had been used to intercept German robot planes. The jet fighters had been used to intercept German robot planes. The jet fighters had been used to intercept German robot planes.

Foreign Ministers To Hold Parley
MEXICO CITY.—(AP)—An international conference of American foreign ministers will here Feb. 15 with the case of Argentina as an important item on the agenda. The Pan-American Union announced last night that Argentina had invited the Pan-American Union to hold the conference in Washington. The conference would discuss the situation in the war effort.



HOW YANKS TRAVELED LONG ROAD BACK TO LUZON—The long black arrow on this map traces the step-by-step advance of American forces leading to the landing on the Lingayen Gulf coast of Luzon Island in the Philippines. The invaders are now pushing, southeastward toward Manila. The broken lines on the map with the ship symbols indicate the Japanese supply routes which have been virtually severed by U.S. carrier plane attacks on Ryukyu and Formosa Islands. The lines also denote American advance in the Philippines. (AP Wirephoto Map).

B-29s Raid Malay Area

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Superfortresses thundered across the Bay of Bengal today to hammer Japanese military installations on the Malay peninsula.

Draft Explanation
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—War Secretary Stimson said today the Army was measured in terms of effectiveness. He made the assertion at a news conference to explain the current call for an accelerated induction of war plants this Spring to help meet demands from the armed forces for 900,000 men by July 1.

Night Clubs May Close
MIAMI, Fla.—(AP)—Night clubs here and elsewhere in the country may be asked to close as a measure to curb absenteeism in war plants. Dr. James S. Thompson, director of the Federal Government's War Relocation Authority, said today that he had received word from the War Relocation Authority that night clubs may be asked to close as a measure to curb absenteeism in war plants.

Pacific Front Bristles

Allied Strategy May Undergo Changes As Big Three Confer

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—A sweeping review of Allied grand strategy is now expected to be made by military and political chiefs beginning with the Big Three conference around Feb. 1.

Head Toward Major Battles With Japanese

Beachhead Widened To 22 Miles; Four Key Towns Captured

By C. YATES McDANIEL
GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, LUZON.—(AP)—Manila-bound American infantrymen stretched their beachhead over 22 miles of Lingayen Gulf and drove inland from four key towns today toward impending major battles with Japanese reinforcements struggling north over bomb-cut roads.

Japs Report New Effort
By ASSOCIATED PRESS
Tokyo Radio asserted today American forces attempted another amphibious landing on Luzon island, nine miles north of the original beachhead, but were wiped out within ten minutes.

Stimson Cites Luzon's Value
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Luzon when it is taken will provide bases for American attacks on the Japanese in Indo-China, China, Formosa and Japan itself. Secretary of War Stimson said today.

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Clipper Crash Victims Sought

Weather

Pair and weather today. Forecast for today. Temperature at 8:00 today. High & Low today. Wind today. Clouds today. Visibility today. Barometer today. Humidity today. Dew point today. Frost today. Snow today. Ice today. Rain today. Sleet today. Hail today. Thunder today. Lightning today. Fog today. Mist today. Smoke today. Dust today. Ash today. Sand today. Gravel today. Stones today. Bricks today. Tiles today. Lumber today. Cement today. Steel today. Iron today. Coal today. Oil today. Gas today. Electricity today. Water today. Food today. Clothing today. Shelter today. Transportation today. Communication today. Defense today. Industry today. Agriculture today. Commerce today. Culture today. Education today. Religion today. Politics today. Law today. Medicine today. Science today. Technology today. Art today. Music today. Sports today. Entertainment today. Recreation today. Health today. Safety today. Security today. Peace today. War today. Victory today. Defeat today. Surrender today. Capitulation today. Retreat today. Advance today. Progress today. Regress today. Stagnation today. Decline today. Growth today. Expansion today. Contraction today. Fluctuation today. Oscillation today. Rotation today. Revolution today. Translation today. Transformation today. Transmutation today. Transference today. Translocation today. Transmigration today. Translocation today. Transmigration today. Translocation today. Transmigration today.