

JAPS SURRENDER

The FACTS in RECONVERSION

Chronology of 1945

THE WAR

January

1-U. S. Third army attacks north of Bastogne against German's Belgium salient in France the Germans at last U. S. Seventh Army forces make a small gain in Italy. In the Pacific American planes raid Iwo Jima and Negros islands in the Philippines.

February

3-First U. S. cavalry enters Manila. 4-Manila falls to U. S. forces. 10-U. S. First army gains control of main Roer river crossing. U. S. superfortresses raid Japan from Guam base, hitting Tokyo district in daylight.

March

4-Chinese take Changling, important stronghold in Hunan province. 6-College, College and largest city, falls to U. S. First army. 10-Tokyo hit by 1,000 tons of incendiary bombs.

April

2-U. S. Tenth army invades Okinawa. 13-Vienna, capital of Austria, captured by U. S. forces. 15-Soviet fifth city of Germany, falls to U. S. First army. 19-Soviet seventh army takes Nuremberg, Nazi "sinners" city.

May

1-Premier Stalin of Russia in May day proclamation calls for accelerating Allied victory, saying "the collapse of Hitlerite Germany is a matter of the immediate future."

June

2-U. S. Third fleet, under Admiral Halsey, raids Japan from carriers. Daylight raid made on Osaka. This marks the 77th superfortress raid on Japan.

July

5-ENTIRE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS LIBERATED, AND CAMPAIGN VIRTUALLY OVER, GENERAL MACARTHUR ANNOUNCES. 14-U. S. Third fleet battleships shell Honshu island bases, only 215 miles north of Tokyo. This is first direct naval attack on home islands of Japan.

August

2-Berlin conference on Germany's future ends. ATOMIC BOMB USED FOR FIRST TIME. 8-RUSSIA DECLARES WAR ON JAPAN. Japanese begins offensive operations in Manchuria.

September

1-Atomic bomb dropped on Nagasaki, Japan, raising one-third of city. Total killed 10,000. This bomb was more powerful than one that blasted Hiroshima. 14-JAPAN OFFERS TO SURRENDER. Emperor Hirohito is left in power.

October

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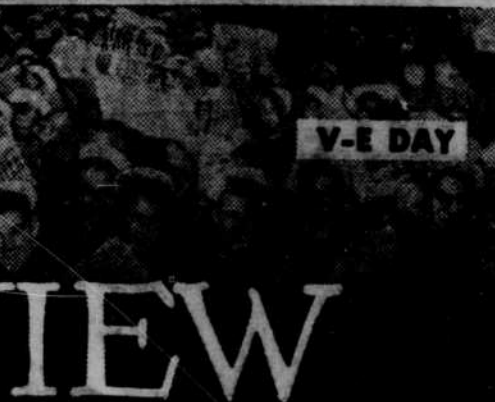
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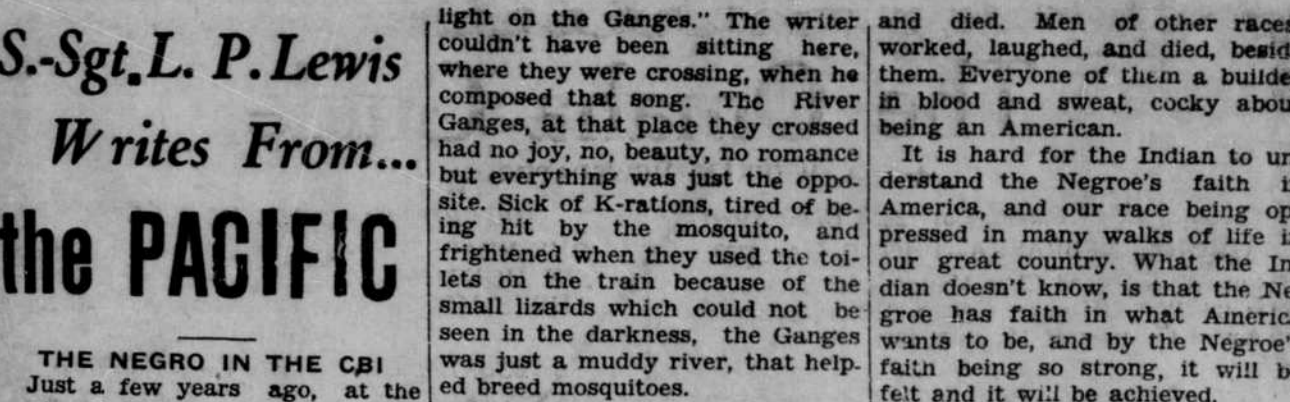
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Rumor of Large Surplus of Autos, Trucks, False. Advertisement with text and small illustrations.

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SEARS SWEATER CLEARANCE. Advertisement for sweaters with prices and descriptions.

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