WEEKLY WAR NEWS

Nov 27

TOKYO BOMBED

A big force of Super Fortresses bombed Tokyo and Yokohama en November 24. These places were raided by carrier-based planes in 1942.

Targets hit included the Mushashino Military Aircraft plant, the Nakajima aircraft factory, a hydro-electric plant and dams in Yakohama, as well as shipping in the port.

All but two of the attacking planes completed the round trip of more than 5,000 kms from their base on Saipan.

Another force of these planes had already bembed industrial targets in Kyushu on November 21. They also made secondary attacks on Shanghai and Nanking.

PHILIPPINES

The stubbern defence of the Limon position in NW Leyte is over. American troops have captured it and advanced over the Leyte river.

A measure of the vital importance of the Leyte struggle is the persistent Japanese attempts at reinforcement. According to news to hand, four such attempts have resulted in the loss for the Japanese of 16 transports and 14 escorting warships. A great number of Japanese troops have lost their lives in these attempts.

Air attacks on Manila Bay and its surrounding airfields have continued. During six weeks American carrier planes have destroyed 845 Japanese aircraft, and sunk or damaged 134 ships in the Manila area.

NAVAL BOMBARDMENT IN THE KURILES

On November 22 an Allied naval task force bombarded Matsuwa in the Kurile islands. There was no return fire from the Japanese side.

MORE SHIPPING LOSSES

Attacks on Japanese shipping in Brunei Bay, Borneo, have in less than a week crippled 1 battleship, 1 heavy cruiser, 2 light cruisers, a destroyer and 2 transports.

One 6,000 ton freighter transport was sunk by bombs off Macassar, while, according to the latest reports, American submarines have sunk 27 mere Japanese ships of various types.

EUROPE

4 Allied armies are now fighting inside Germany on the western front. British and American forces are pressing in towards the industrial districts of the Ruhr and the Saar, while French forces have entered the border fortresses of Metzand Strasbourg and reached the banks of the upper Rhine. In this sector the Germans are in general retreat along a 160 km. front.

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Japanese Forces - General.

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