

**THE WEATHER**  
For Wisconsin: Fair tonight,  
Thursday. Continued cold tonight.  
Warmer Thursday.

Local weather facts for 24 hours  
preceding 7 a. m.: Maximum 9;  
minimum -8.

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## Yanks Land Near Bataan; Race to Cut Off Peninsula

**BY C. YATES MC DANIEL**  
General MacArthur's Headquarters, Luzon—(P)—Landing unopposed from 150 ships 60 miles northwest of Manila, strong U. S. Eighth army forces blasted any hopes the Japanese may have held for a large scale withdrawal to Bataan by driving swiftly east today toward a juncture with the Sixth army which would seal off the historic peninsula.

## Rapids One of Coldest Spots In Wisconsin

Wisconsin Rapids proved to be one of the coldest spots in the state today as the breezy cold wave which blew into Wisconsin two days ago sent the mercury hurtling down to 15 below zero at 8 o'clock this morning.

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# Reds Continue "Berlin Drive;" "Big Push" Developing in West

## Americans Cross Reich Border at Two New Places

**Paris—(P)—**Whiteclad infantry of the American First army stormed across the snow-drifted German border at two new places today and Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' artillery started pouring shells into the main concrete works of the thinly held Siegfried line.

## Berlin Says Some Ready to Quit; Refugees in Way; Hitler Speaks

**London—(P)—**Some Germans are ready to surrender, the Berlin radio said today, but declared "those cowardly creatures who try to desert the fatherland—in its hour of need—are relatively few among our people."

## RUSSIANS COLD; GERMANS HUMBLE

**Moscow—(P)—**The Red army and the German population, as well as can be learned, are getting along in cold silence in the huge areas of the Reich occupied by the advancing Russians.

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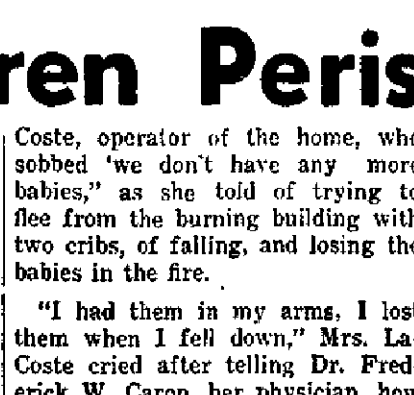
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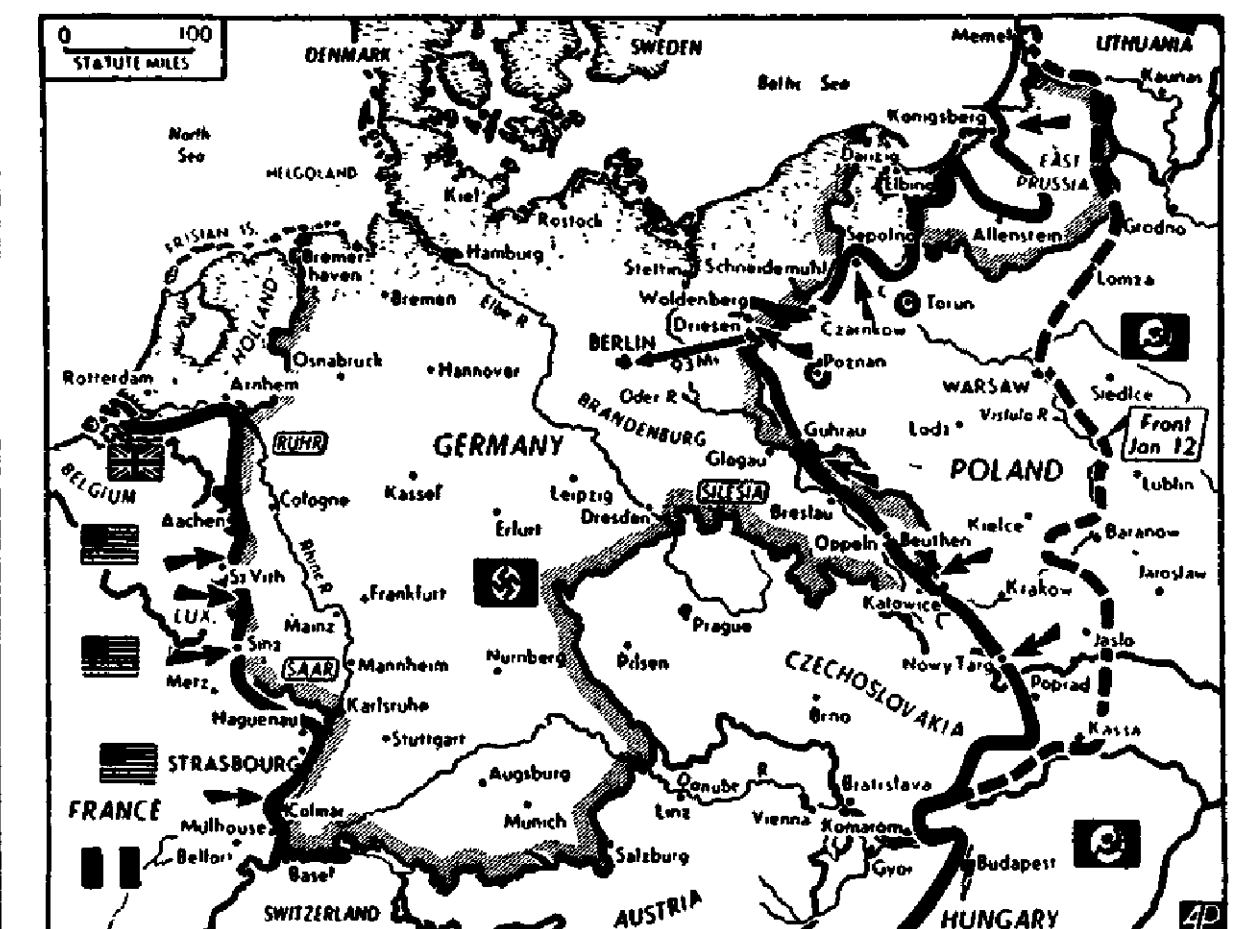
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**ALLIES GAIN IN GERMANY ON BOTH FRONTS**—The Allies advanced on German soil on both fronts (heavy lines). In the west Americans drove into the reich south of St. Vith and farther south captured Sinz, Driesen. In the east the Red army burst into Germany in a new area, capturing Woldenberg and Driesen. In East Prussia the Russians neared Koenigsberg. In the south gains were made beyond Katowice. Near the Czechoslovakian border, Nowy Targ was captured.

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