

World War II in the Pacific



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Week 1: The Run-up to Pearl Harbor

Week 2: Japan attacks

Week 3: Japanese success/U.S. fights back

Week 4: Asia and America fight back

Week 5: America attacks

This week: American victory and its aftermath

Today: Victory in the Pacific:

- 1. B-29 bombing campaign and Iwo Jima.**
- 2. MacArthur's conquest of the Philippines.**
- 3. Nimitz' attack on Okinawa.**
- 4. The atomic bombs and the defeat of Japan.**
- 5. What happens after the war.**

World War II deaths:

- **Soviet 24M (10M military, 14M civilian) (13%)**
- **China 20M (3.5M military, 16M civilian) (3%)**
- **Germany 7.7M (5.5M military, 2.2M civilian) (10%)**
- **Poland 5.6M (almost all civilian) (17%)**
- **Dutch East Indies 3.5M (almost all civilian) (5%)**
- **Japan 3.1M (mostly military) (4%)**
- **Philippines 800K (60K military, 750K civilian) (6%)**
- **UK 450,000 (380K military, 70K civilian) (1%)**
- **U.S. 418,500 (virtually all military) (.3%)**
- **Australia about 40K (mostly military) (.6%)**
- **New Zealand about 12,000 (1%)**

B-29 Bombing Campaign



B-29 in flight



B-29s release bomb loads



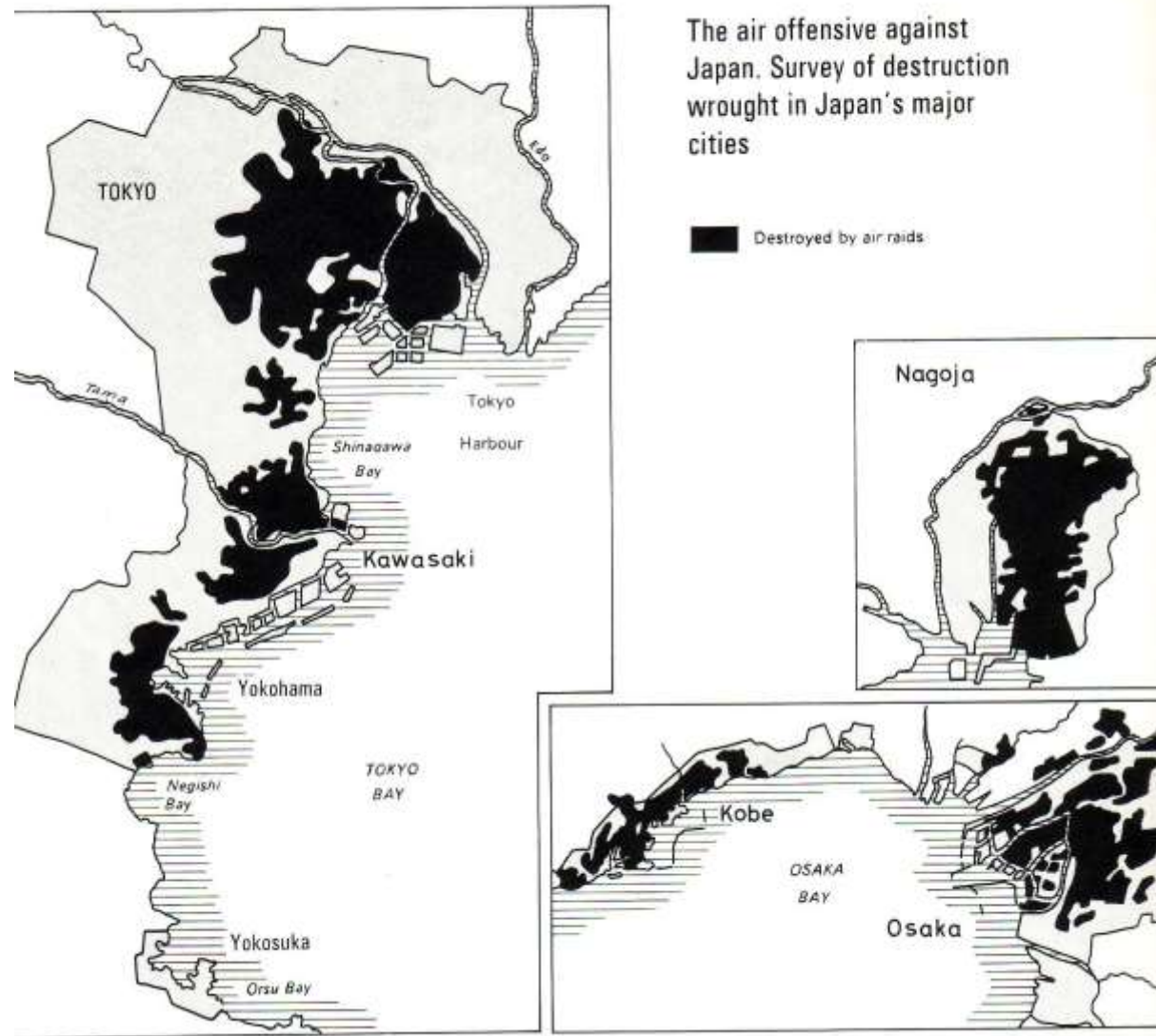
General Curtis LeMay



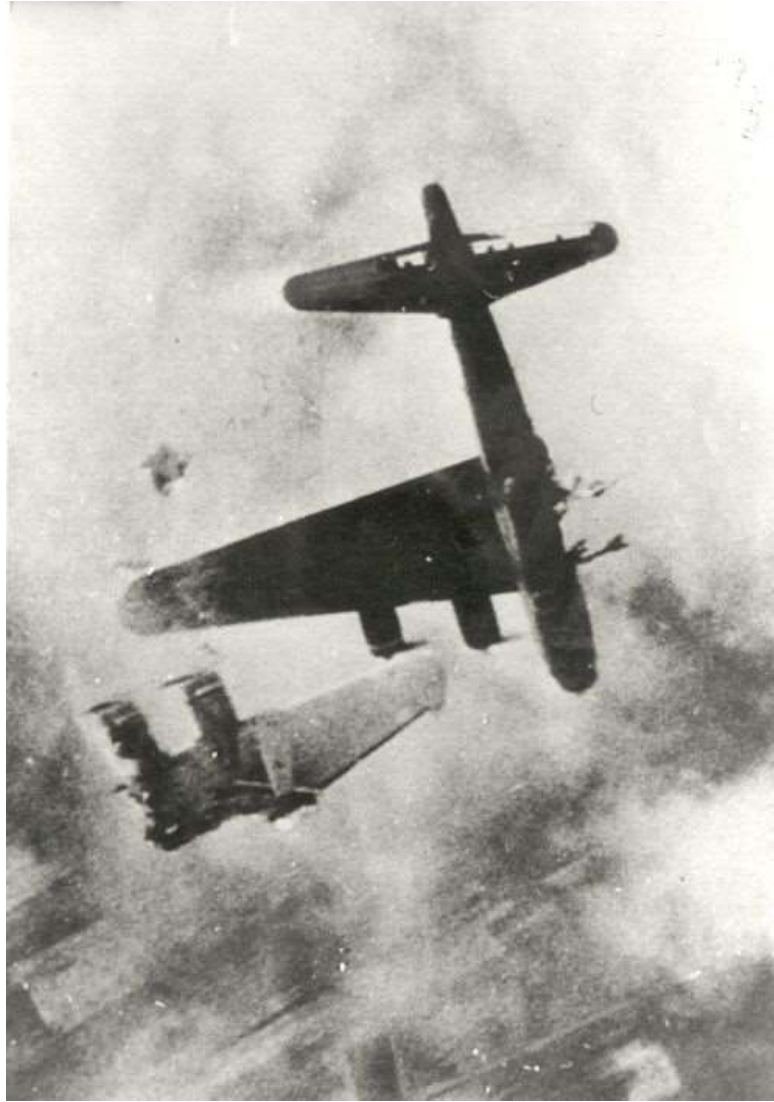
Firebombing Japanese cities



Firebombing Tokyo



Areas of Japan destroyed by firebombing

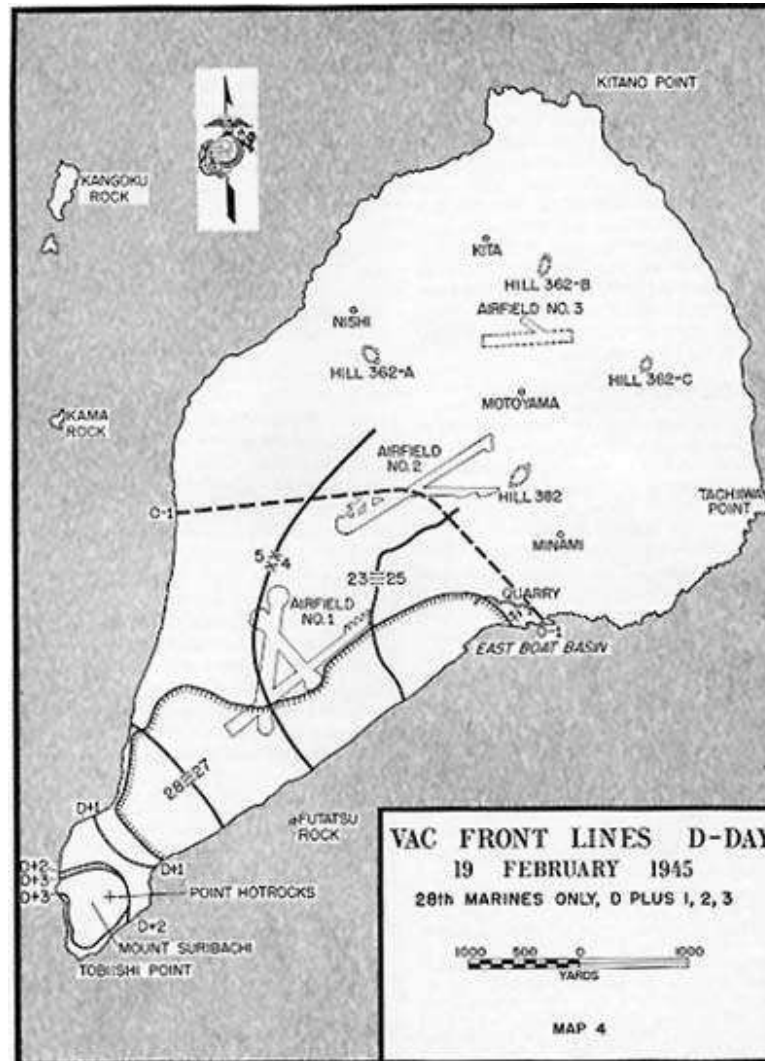


B-29 hit

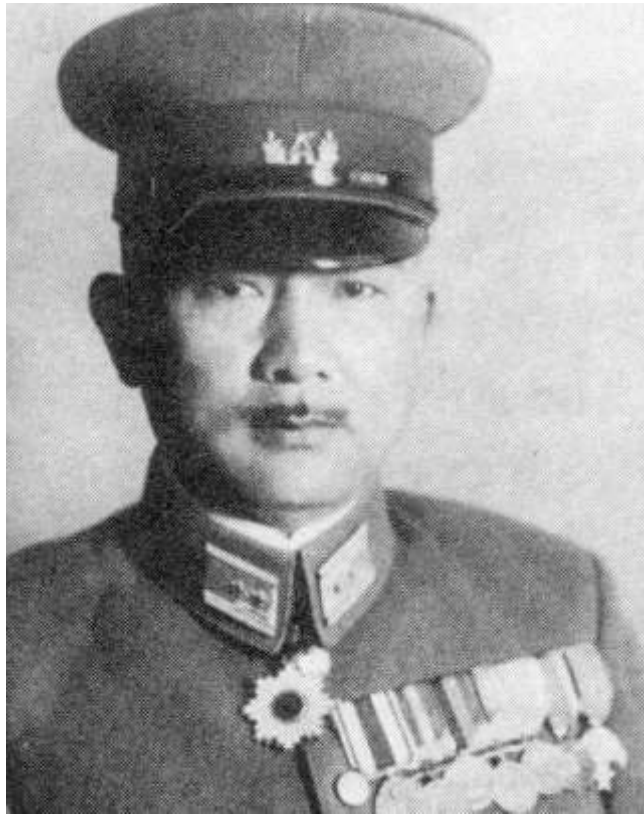
Iwo Jima



Pacific Defense Line after Leyte



Iwo Jima



Lieutenant General Kurabayashi



Iwo Jima preparations



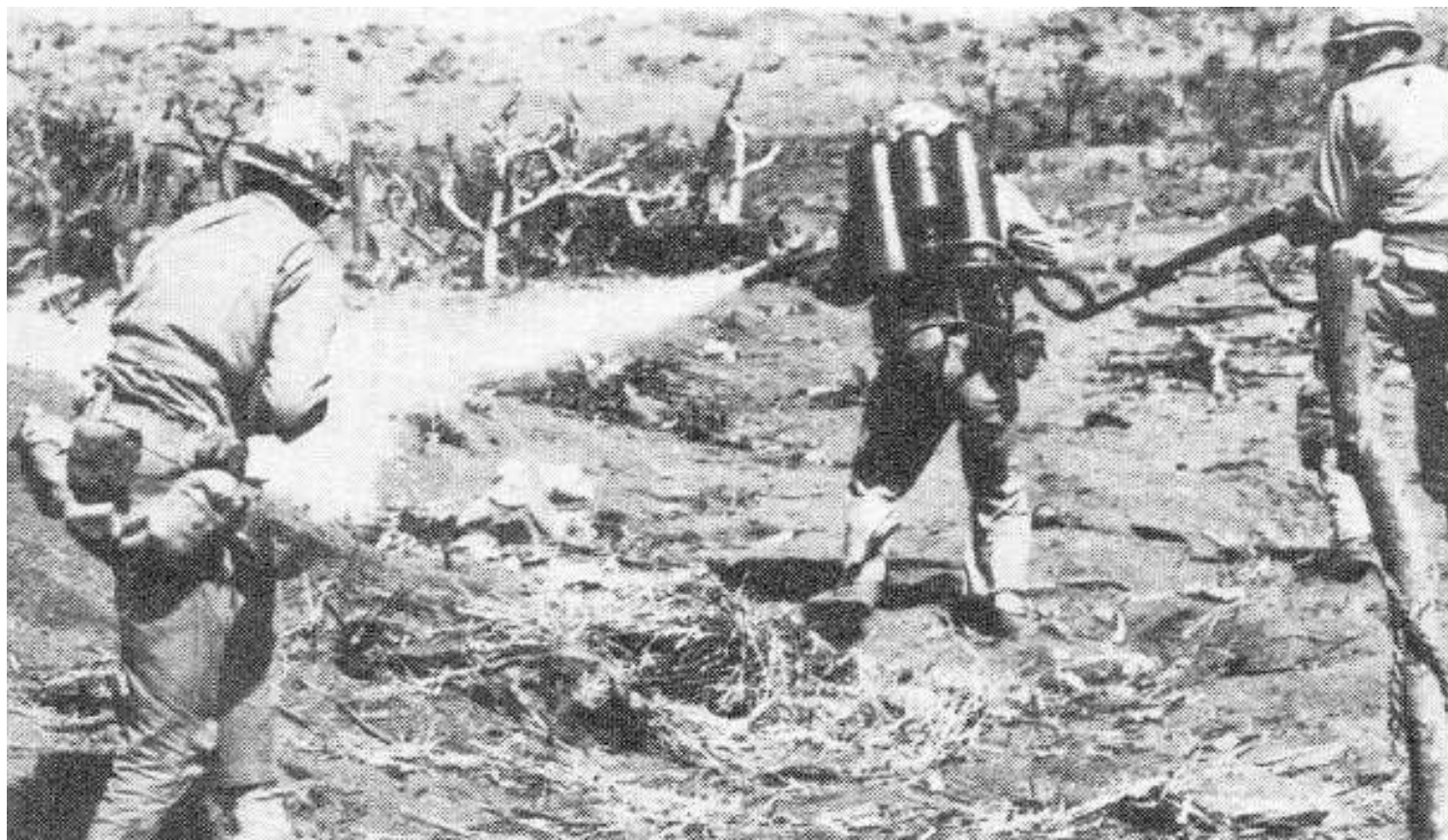
Iwo Jima landings



Iwo Jima landings

Mount Suribachi





Flame throwers in use on Iwo Jima



3rd and 4th Marines graveyard, April 1945

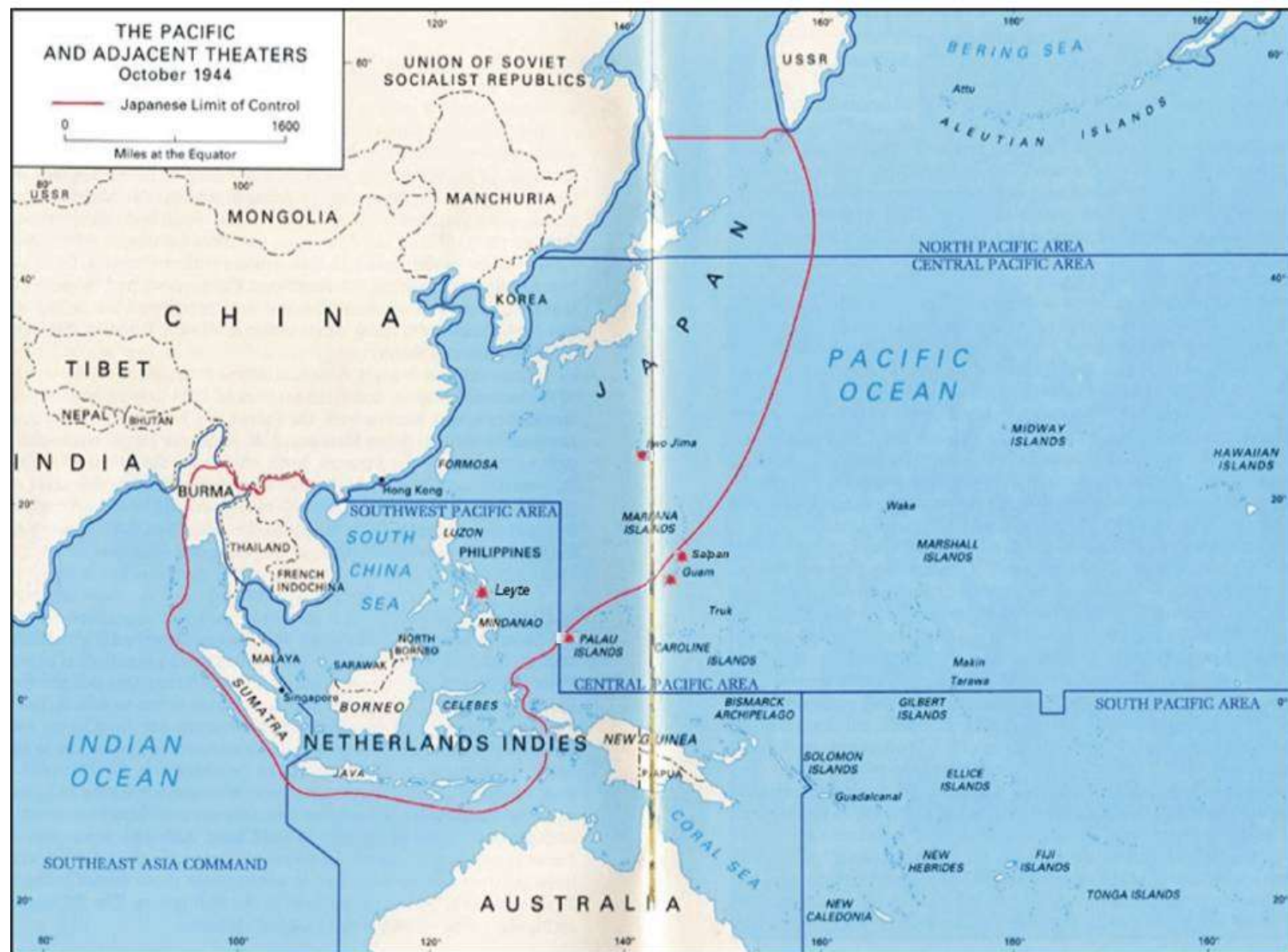


Iwo Jima



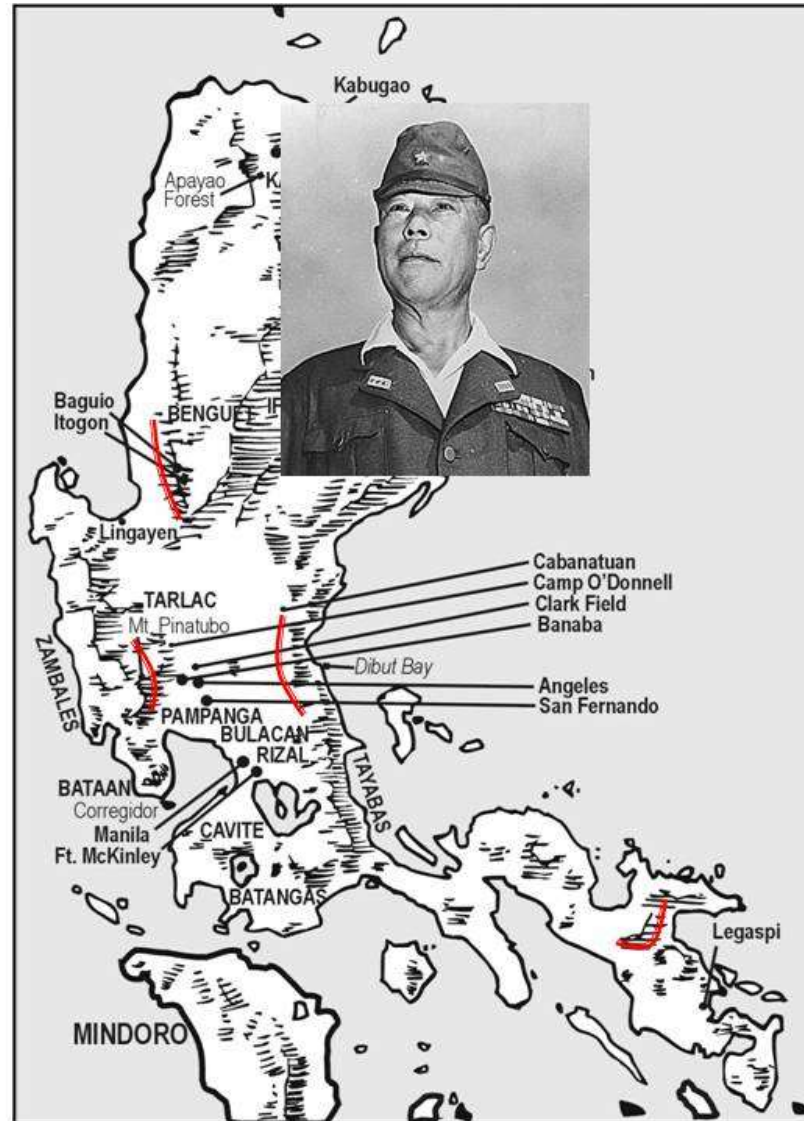


B-29 crash landing



Pacific after Iwo Jima

Luzon



General Yamashita's Sho-Go1 Plan



U.S. warships entering Lingayen Gulf



Landing boats in Lingayen Gulf



Lingayen landings



Guerrilla leader
Colonel Russell Volckmann



MacArthur's Sixth Army commander
Lieutenant General Walter Kreuger



Kreuger invades Luzon



Luzon artillery fire



Woman guerrilla with Japanese POWs



Lieutenant Colonel Henri Mucci with Captain Robert Prince



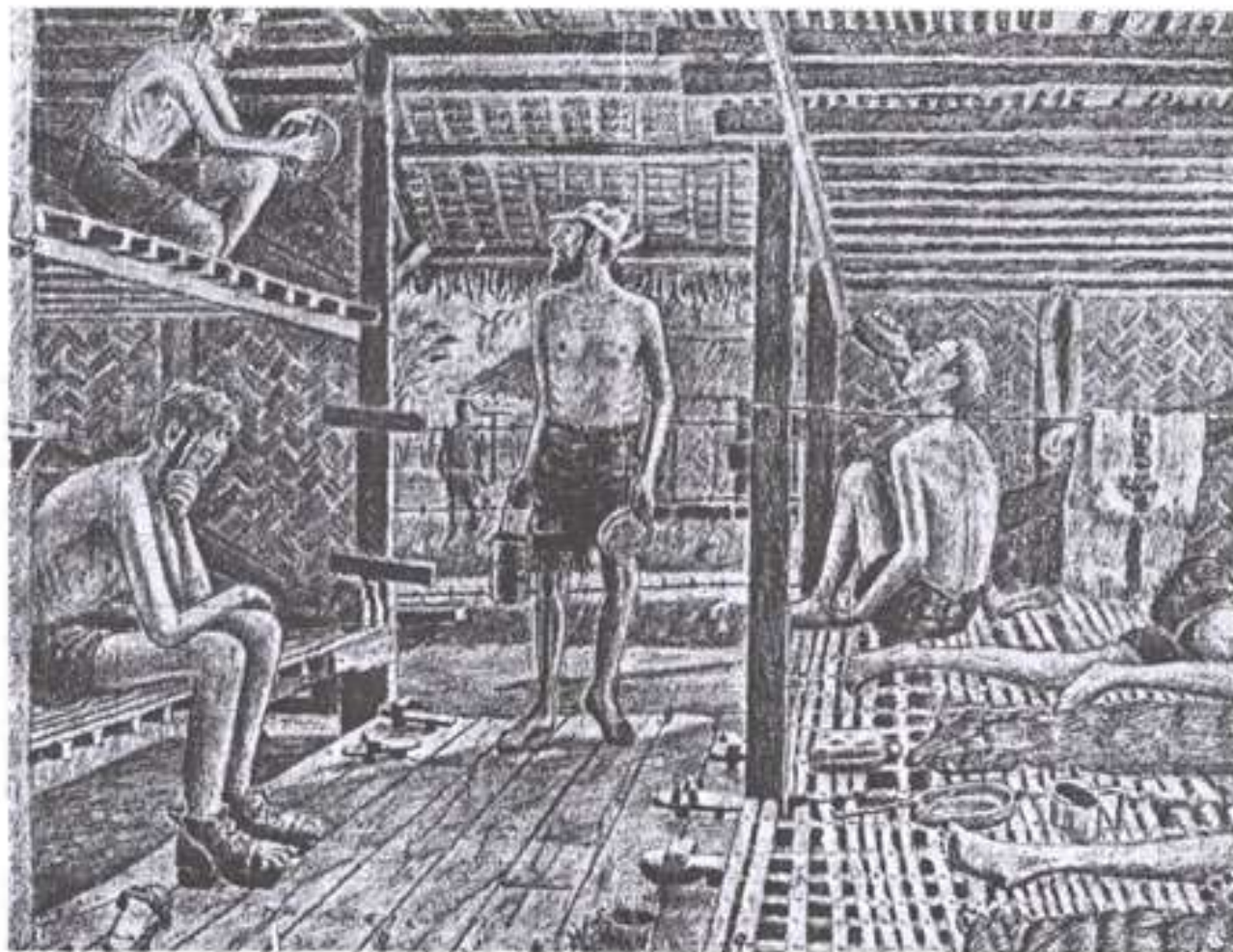
Cabanatuan prisoner rescue
“The Great Raid”



Filipino guerrilla soldiers



Guerrilla Captain Juan Pajota



HOME SWEET HOME AT CABANATUAN

A typical scene of the barracks, and barracks life of a Prisoner of War in Cabanatuan.
 (This pencil drawing was found under the cat-walk of one of the barracks at Cabanatuan, by one of the Rangers who went in to release the Prisoners of War there in early 1945. Artist Unknown.)

Inside Cabanatuan



Prisoners being rescued



U.S. Army
Medical photo



1st Cavalry "Flying Column" to Manila



Santo Tomas internment camp

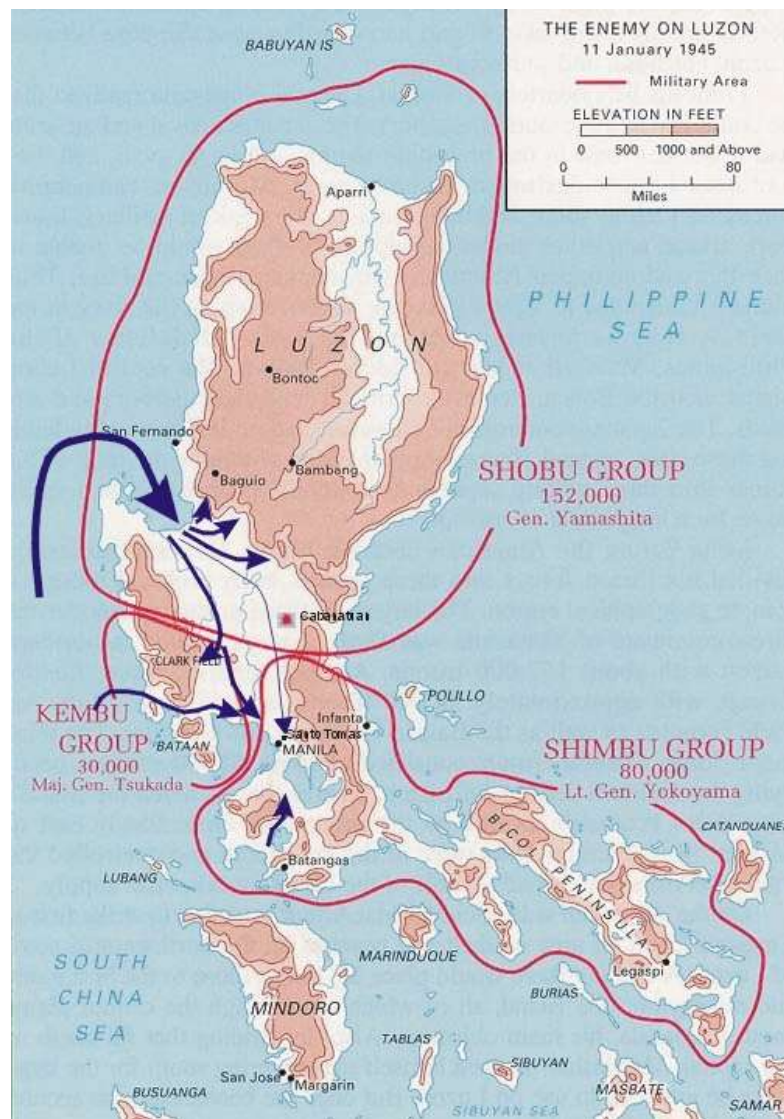


Liberation of Santo Tomas





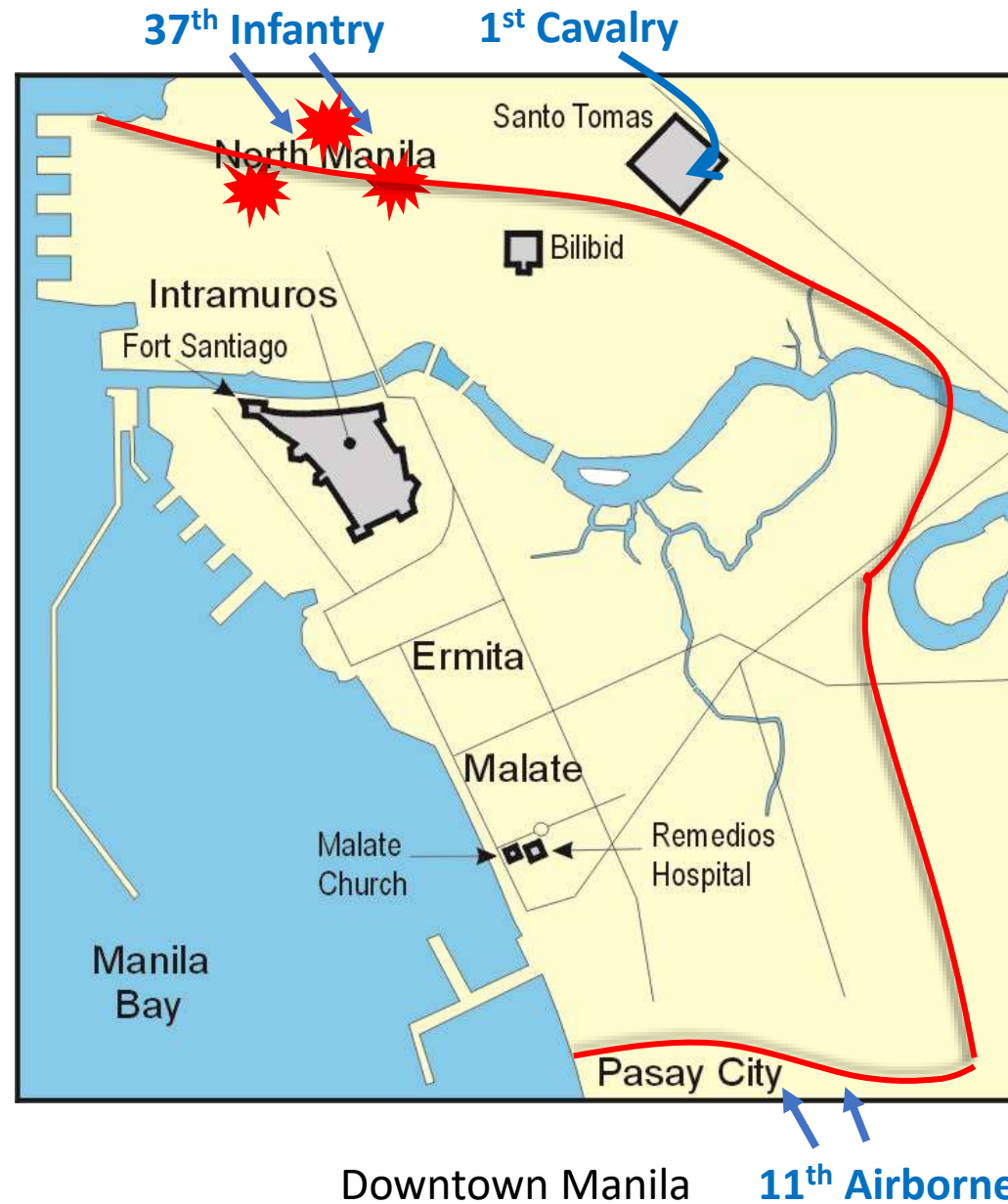
11th Airborne troops
In Batangas



Initial attack on Manila

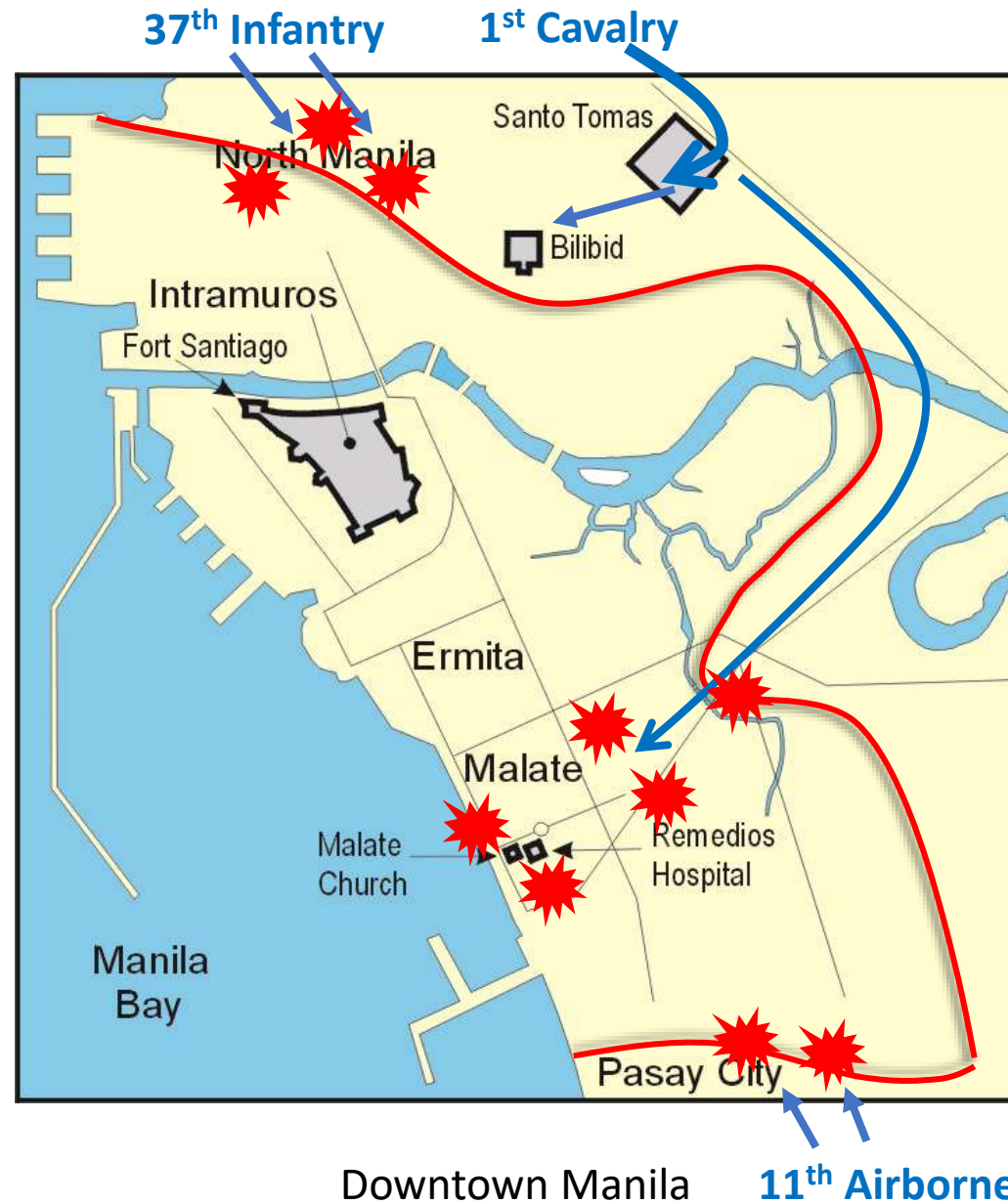


1st Cavalry troops in
Manila, Feb 3, 1945



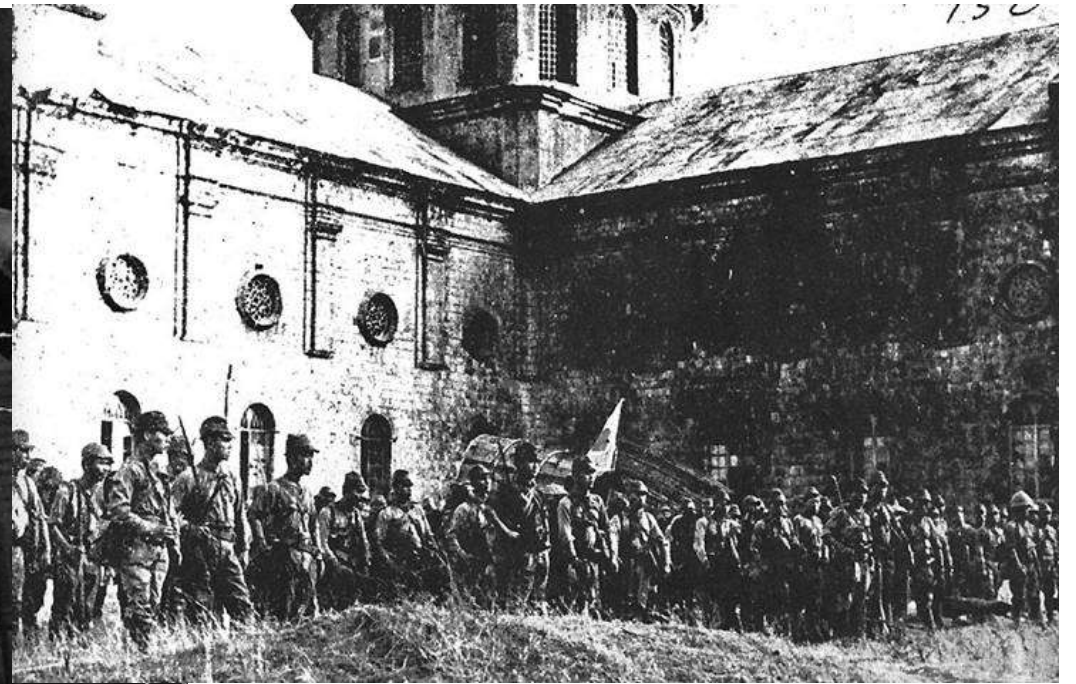


Bilibid Prison

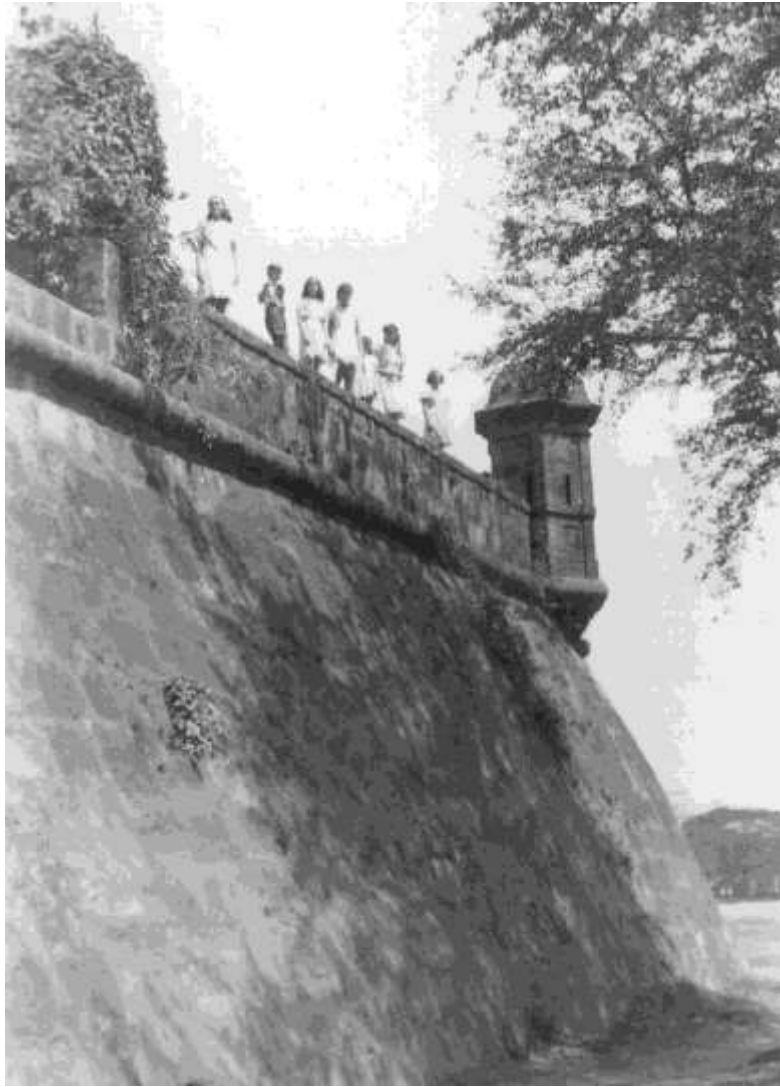




37th Infantry Division troops in Manila



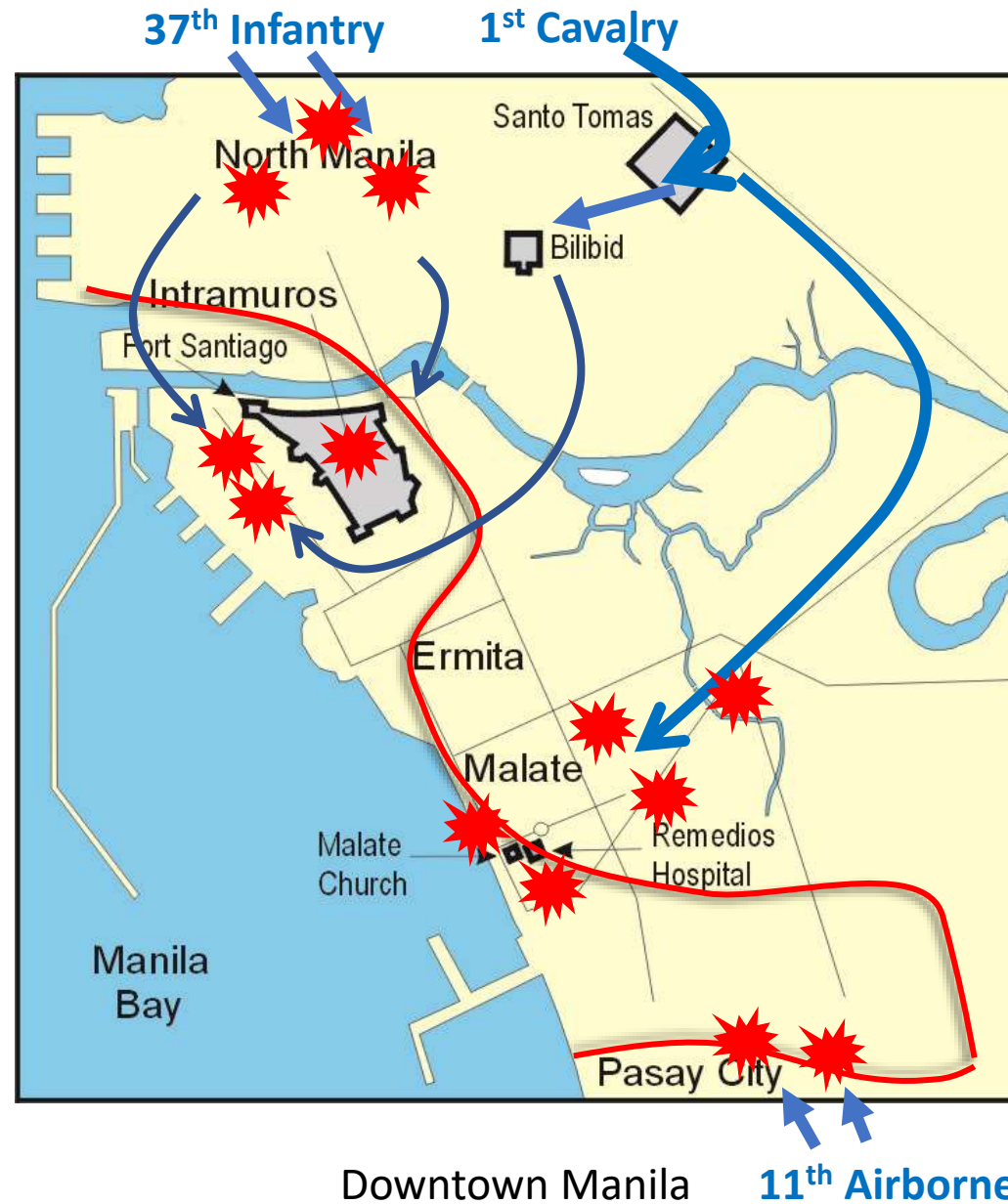
Japanese in Manila



Intramuros



Fort Santiago

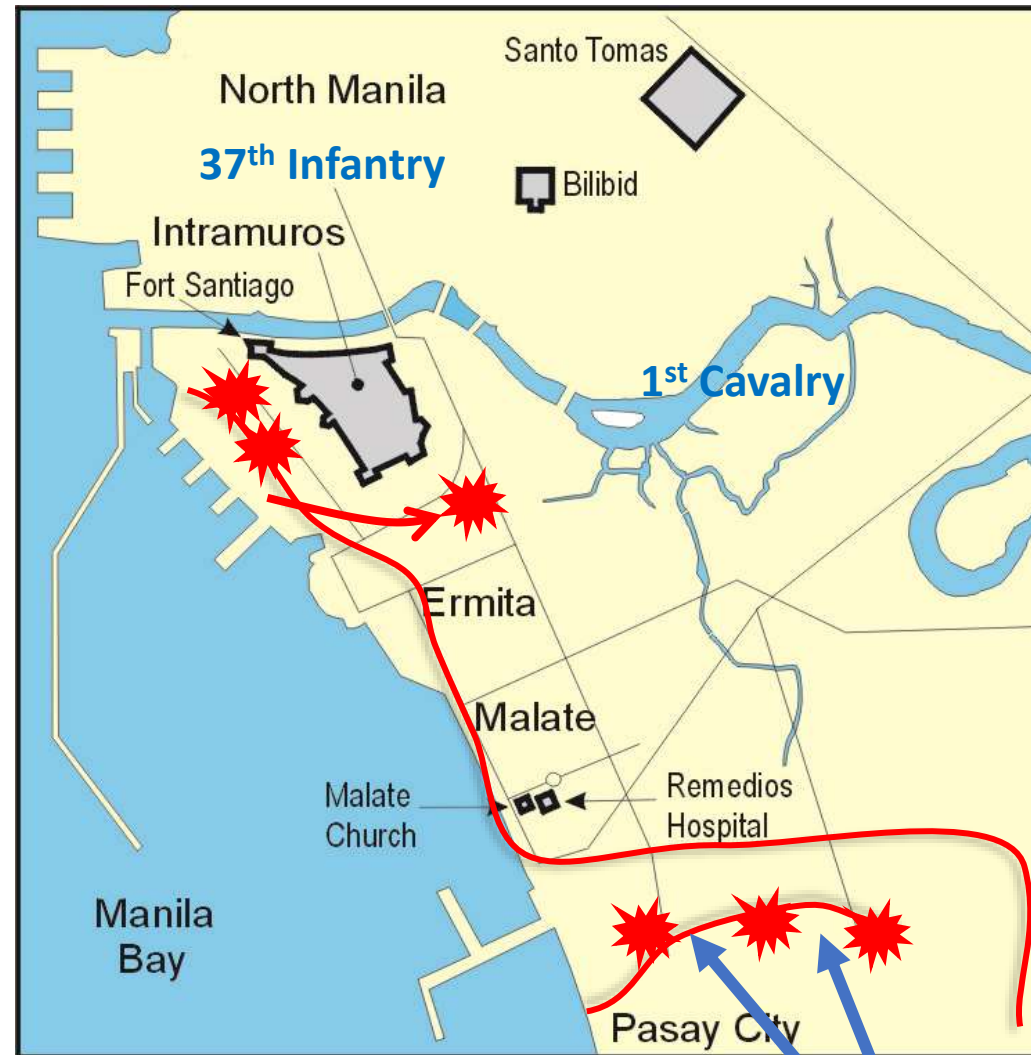




U.S. tank driving into Fort Santiago



Filipinos escaping from the Japanese



Downtown Manila

11th Airborne



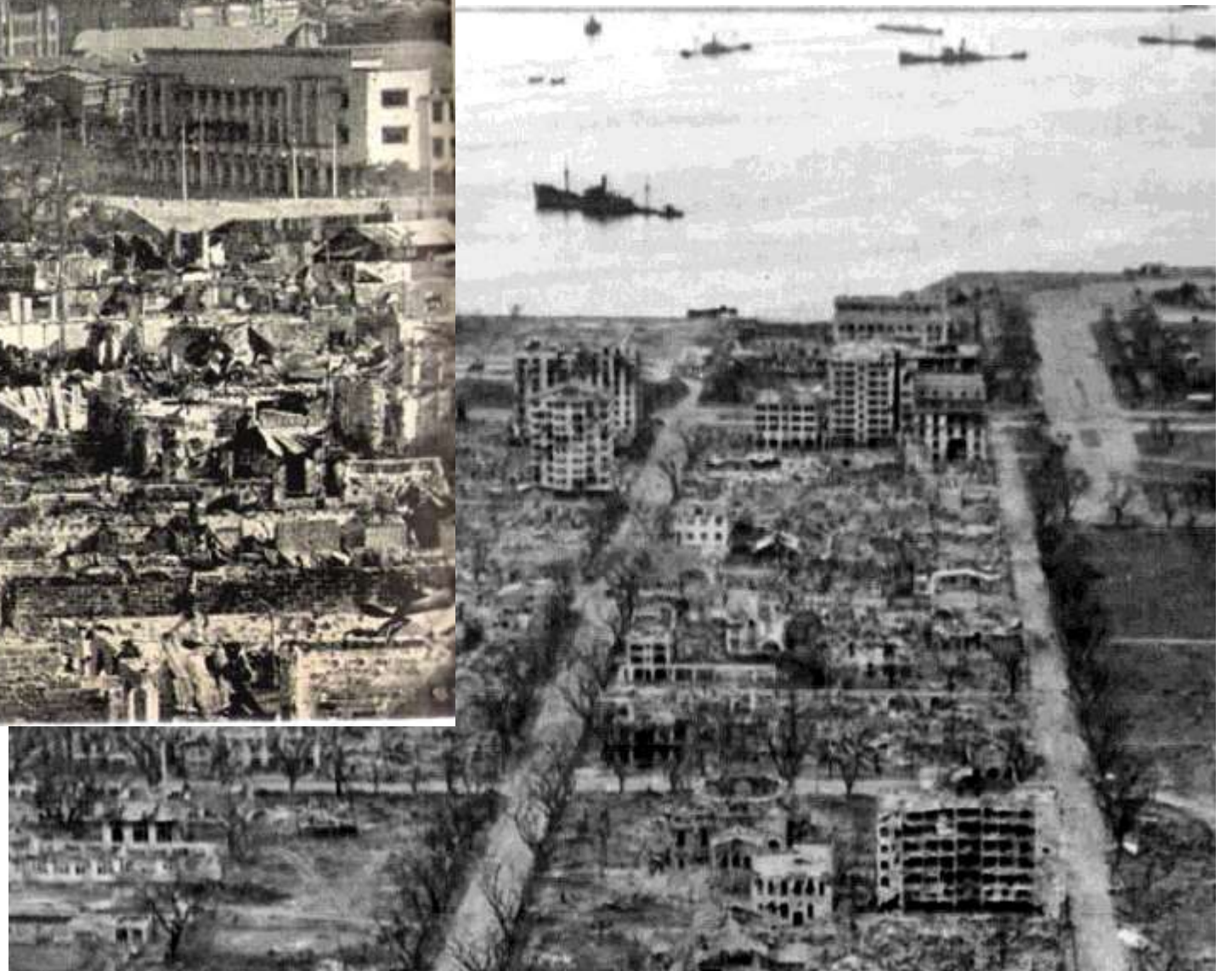
Manila after liberation





Santo Tomas

Pier 7
Area

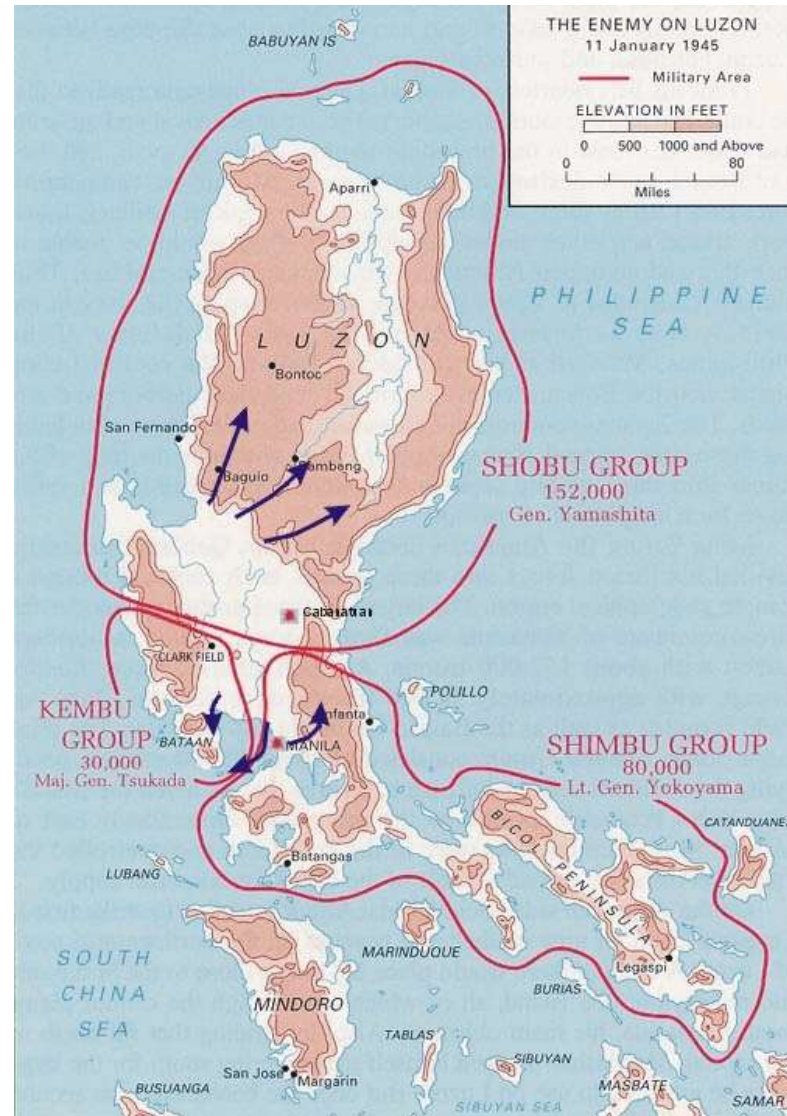




Manila Children

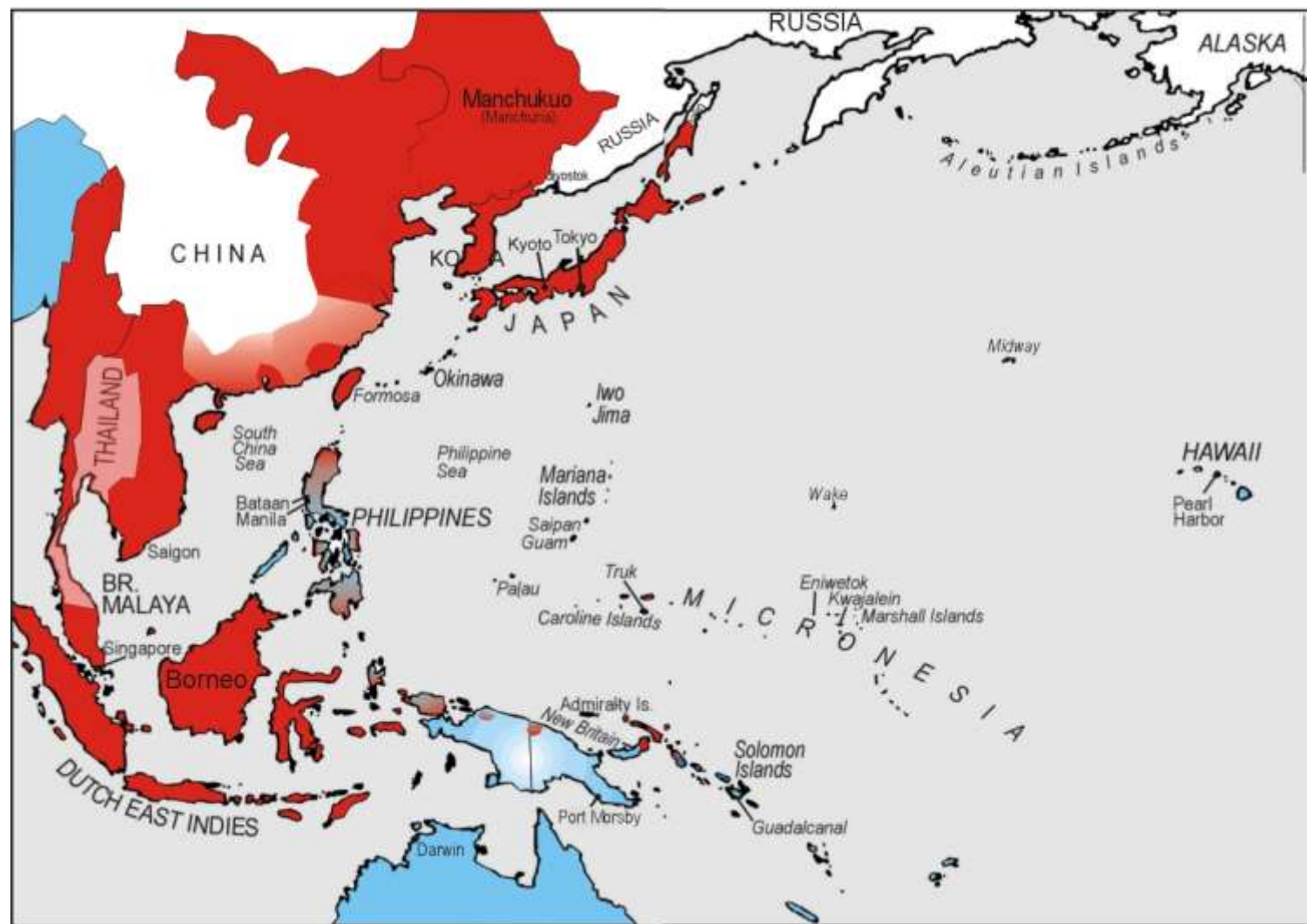


Memorare Manila



Luzon after Manila

Okinawa



Pacific after Manila



Okinawa invasion



USS Bunker Hill
hit by two Kamikazes



Okinawa
beachhead

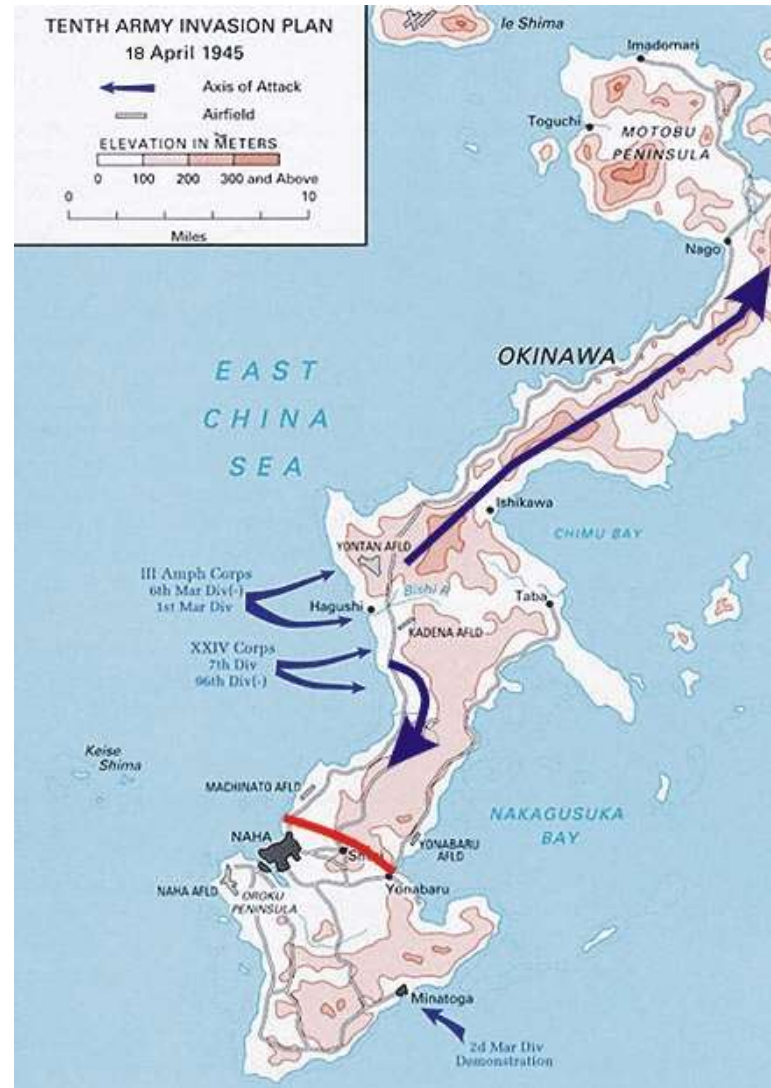


Battleship Yamato

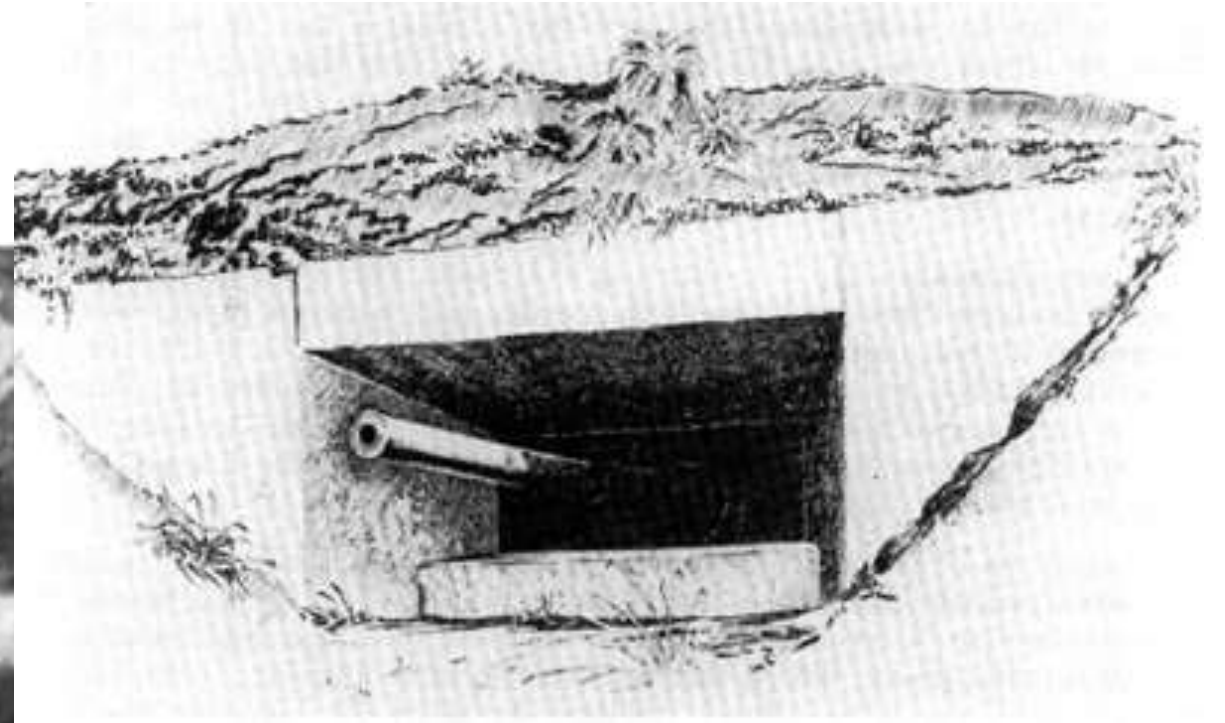
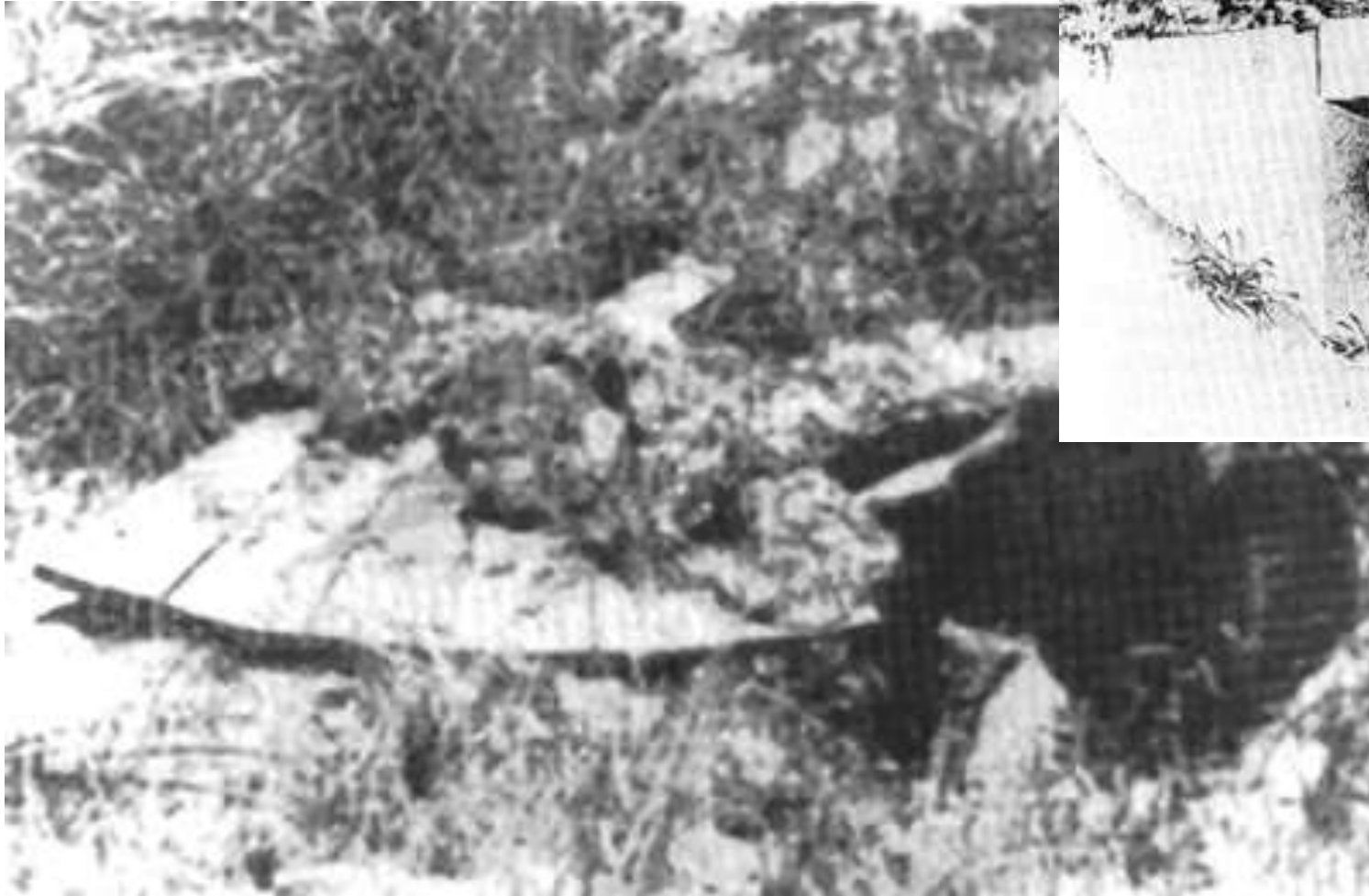
Yamato
explodes



U.S. Marines and dead Japanese

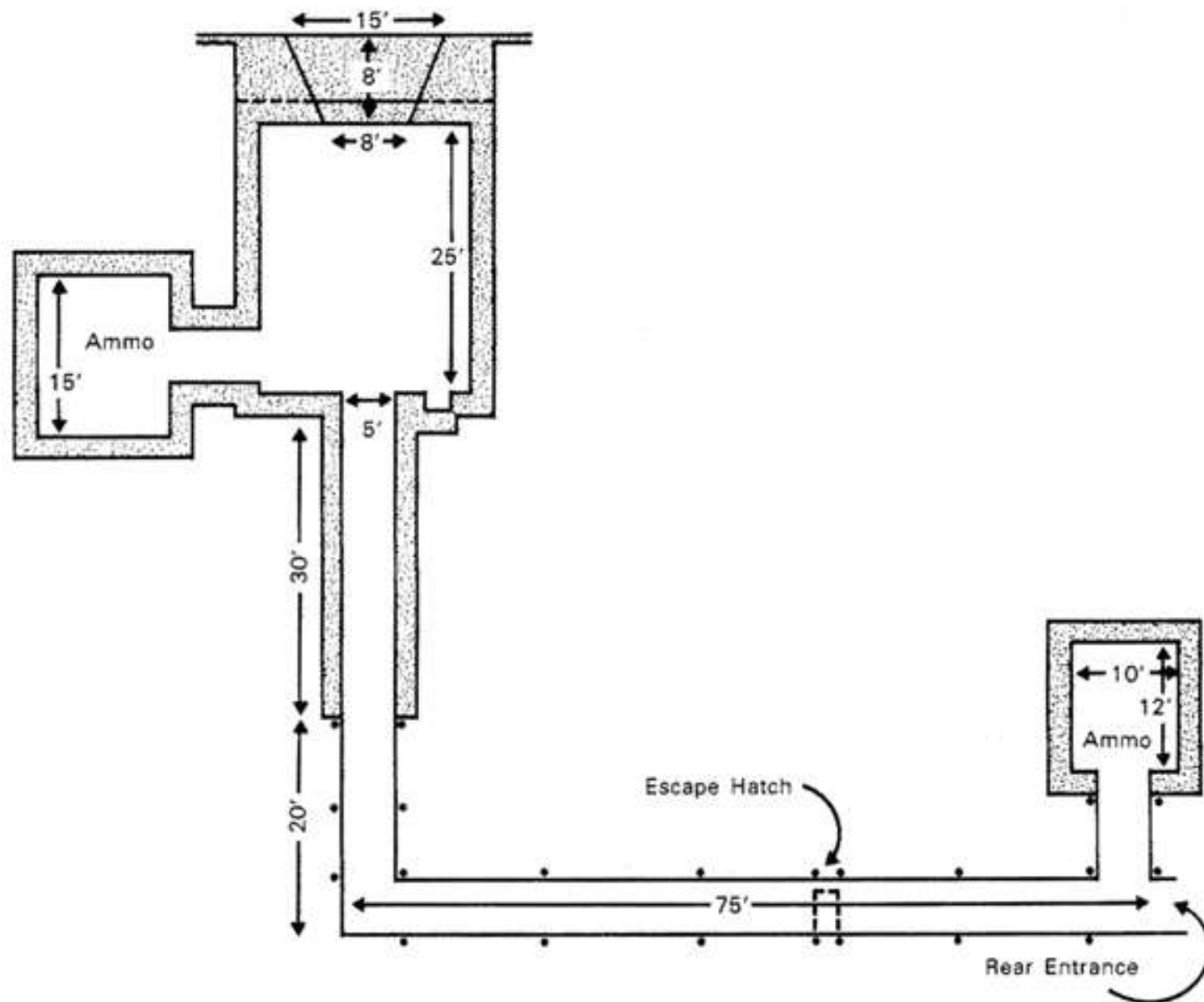


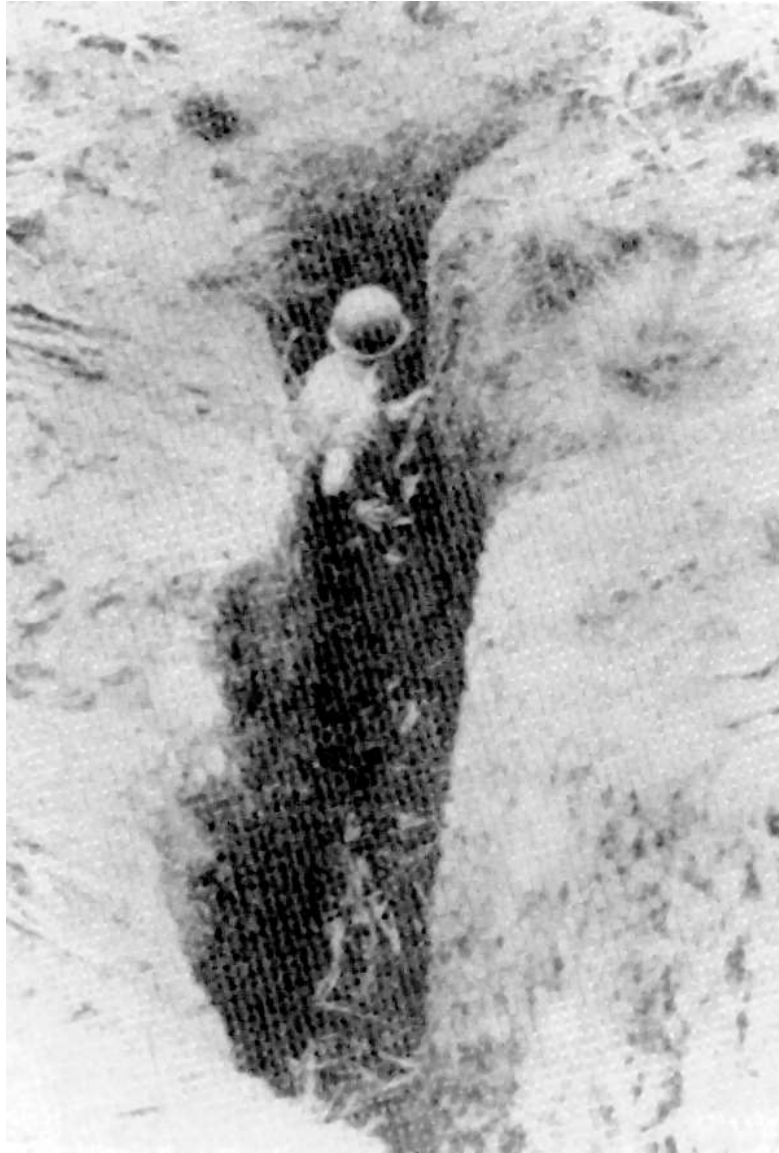
Okinawa—Shuri Line



150mm gun

Pillbox cover

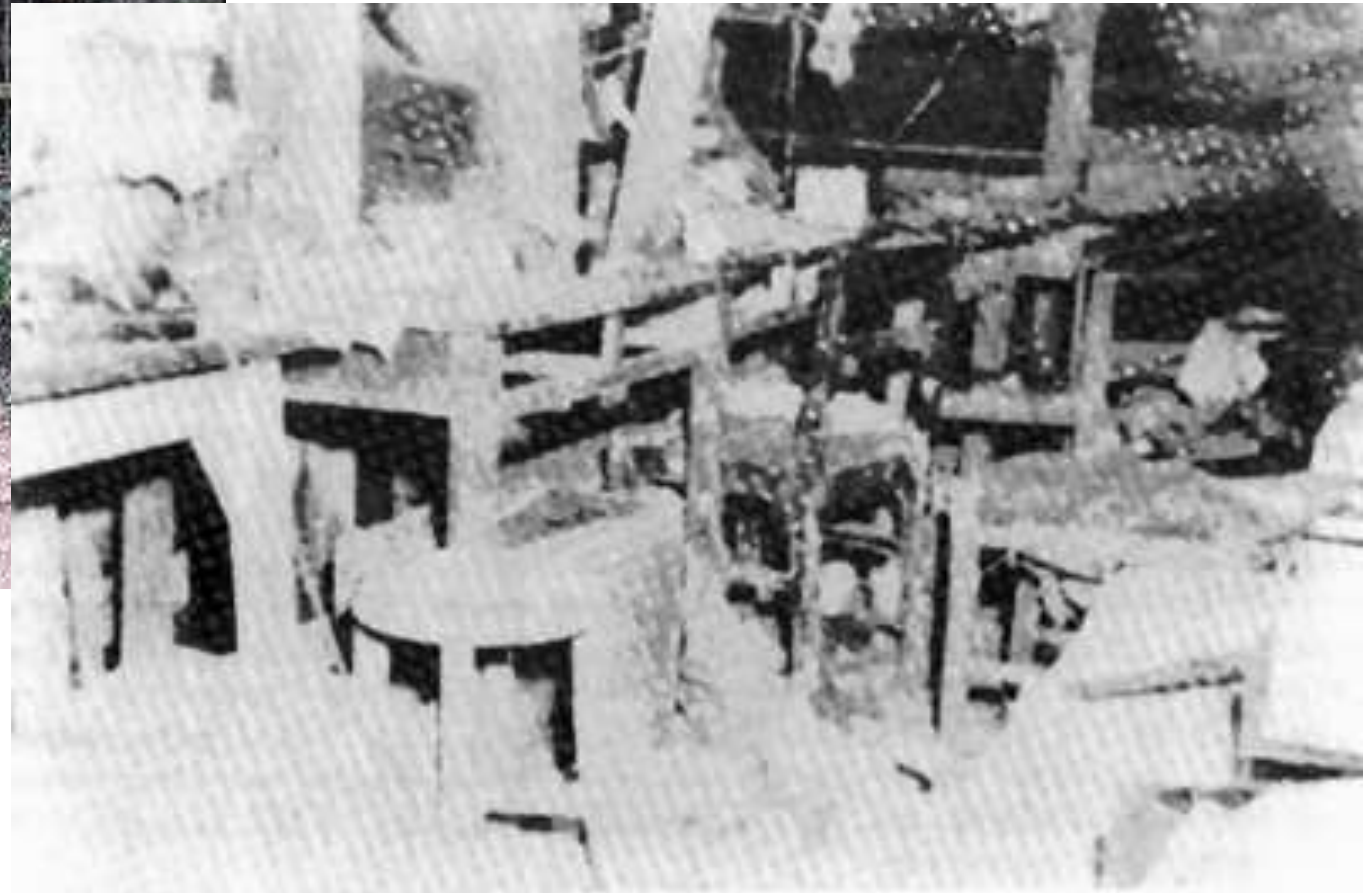




Okinawa communication trench



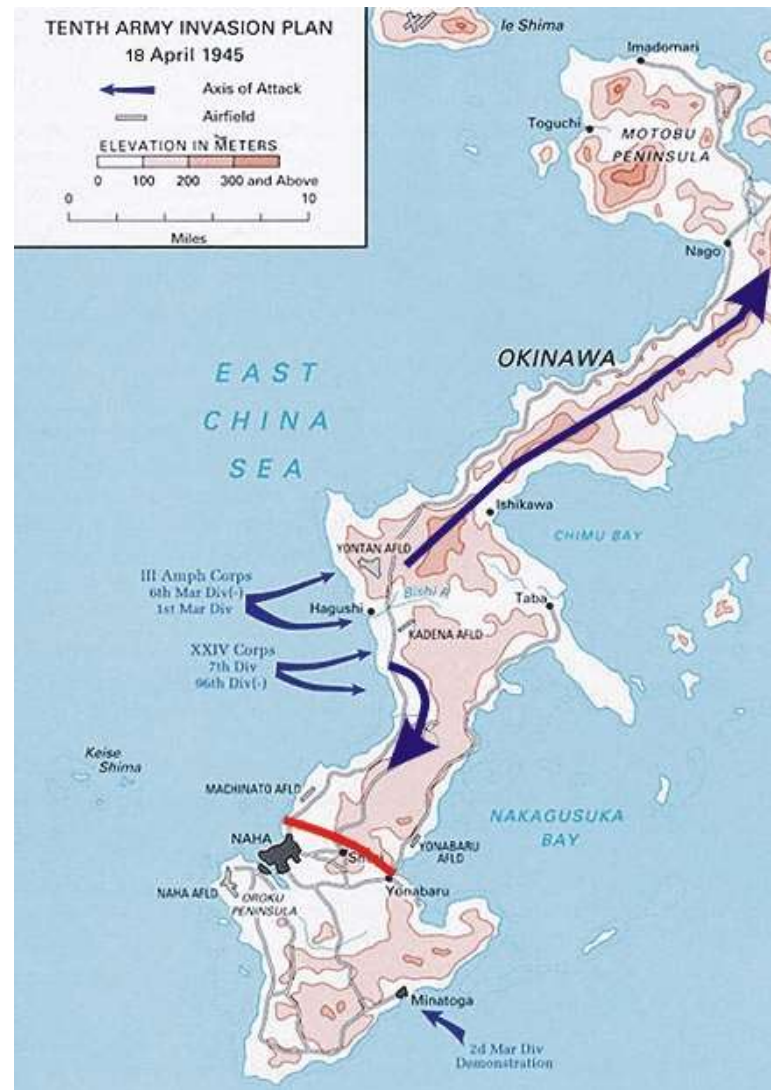
Shuri Bunkers



Shuri
headquarters
Bunker



Okinawa: Attack on Bloody Ridge



Okinawa—Shuri Line



Shuri Castle



Shuri Castle walls



Kankaimon Gate



"Ronson" flames
a tomb



Smoked attack



Remains of Shuri Castle



Japanese prisoners on Okinawa



Soldiers on Okinawa hear of victory in Europe

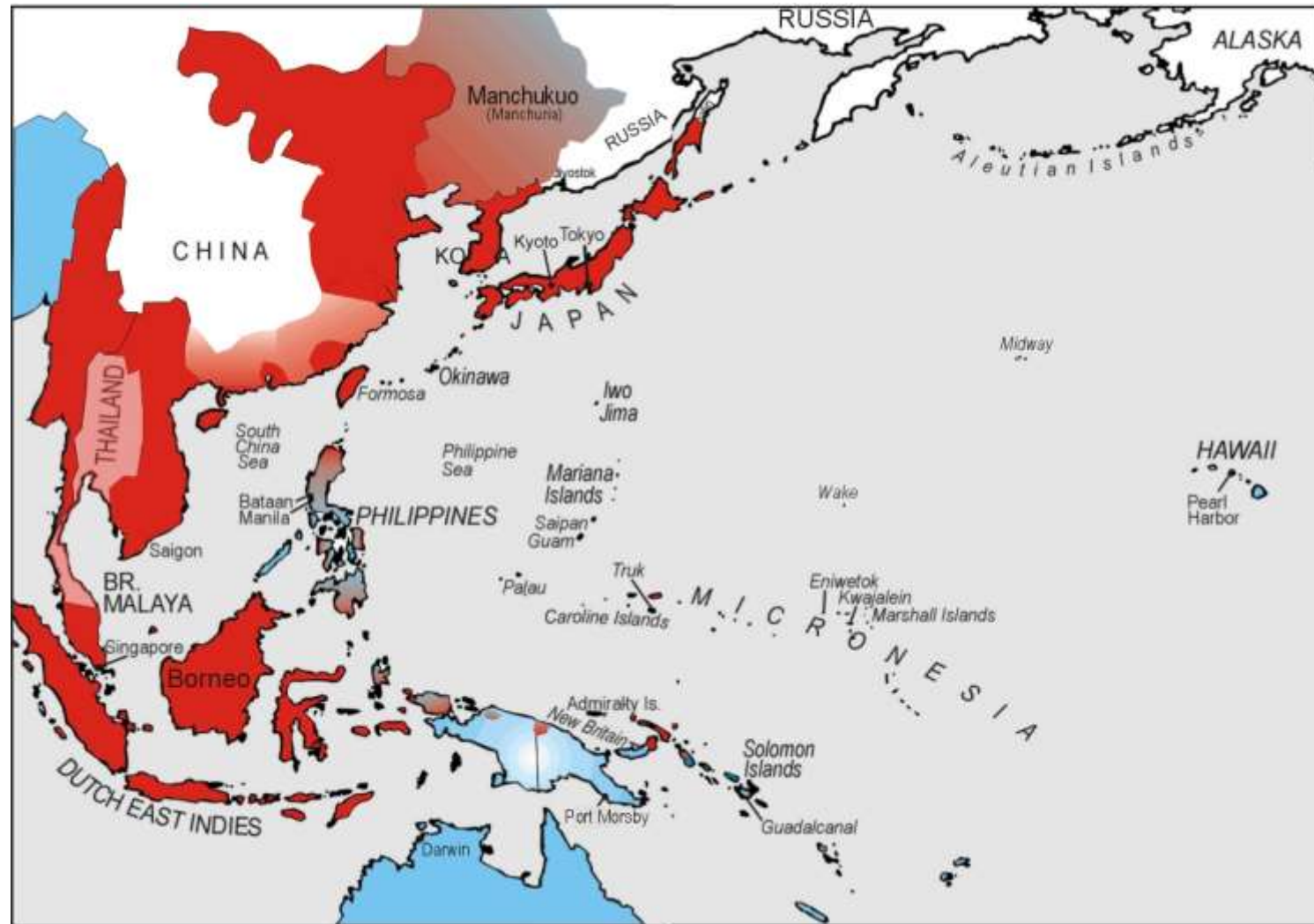


Suzuki Kantaro

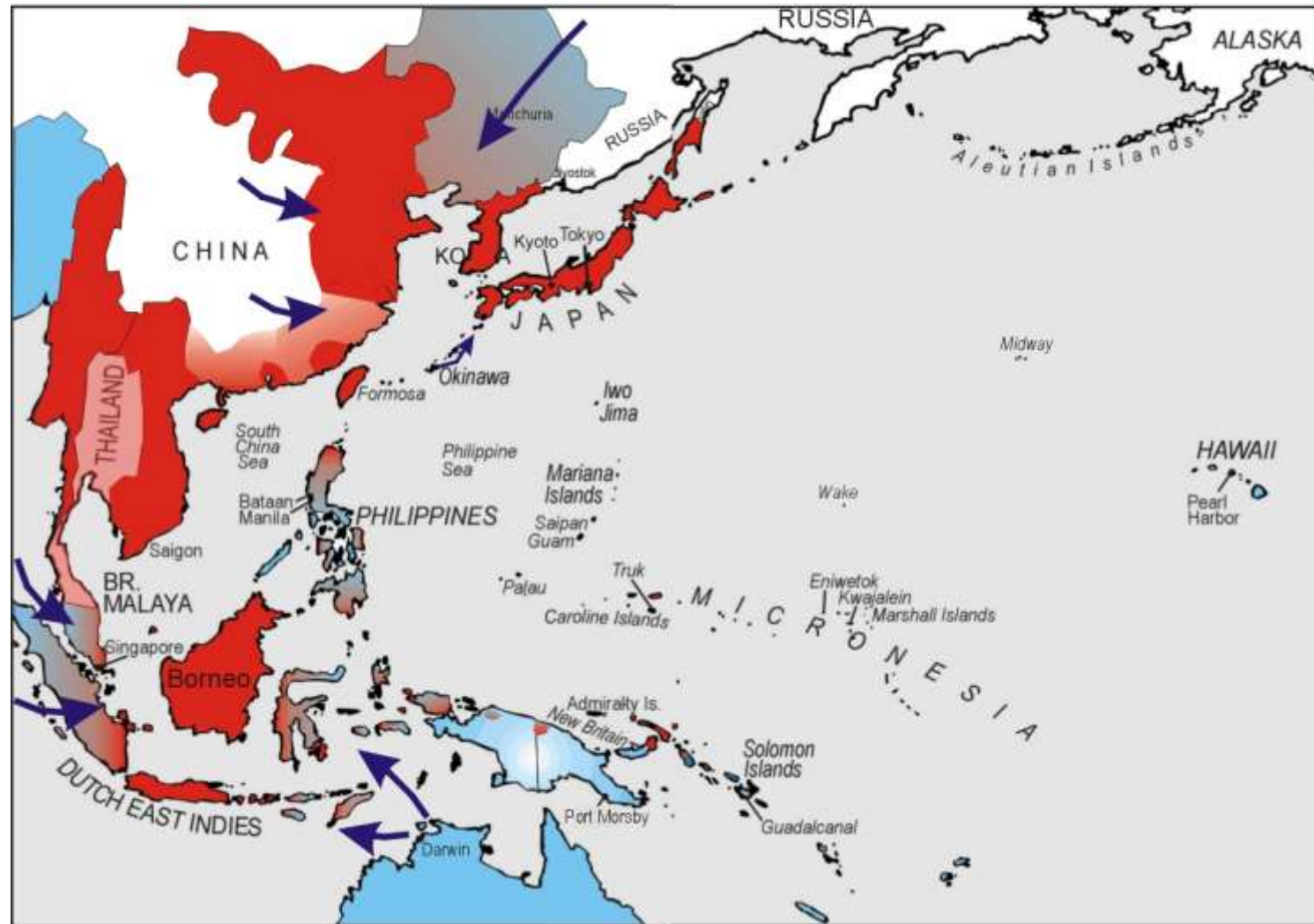


Churchill, Truman and Stalin in Potsdam

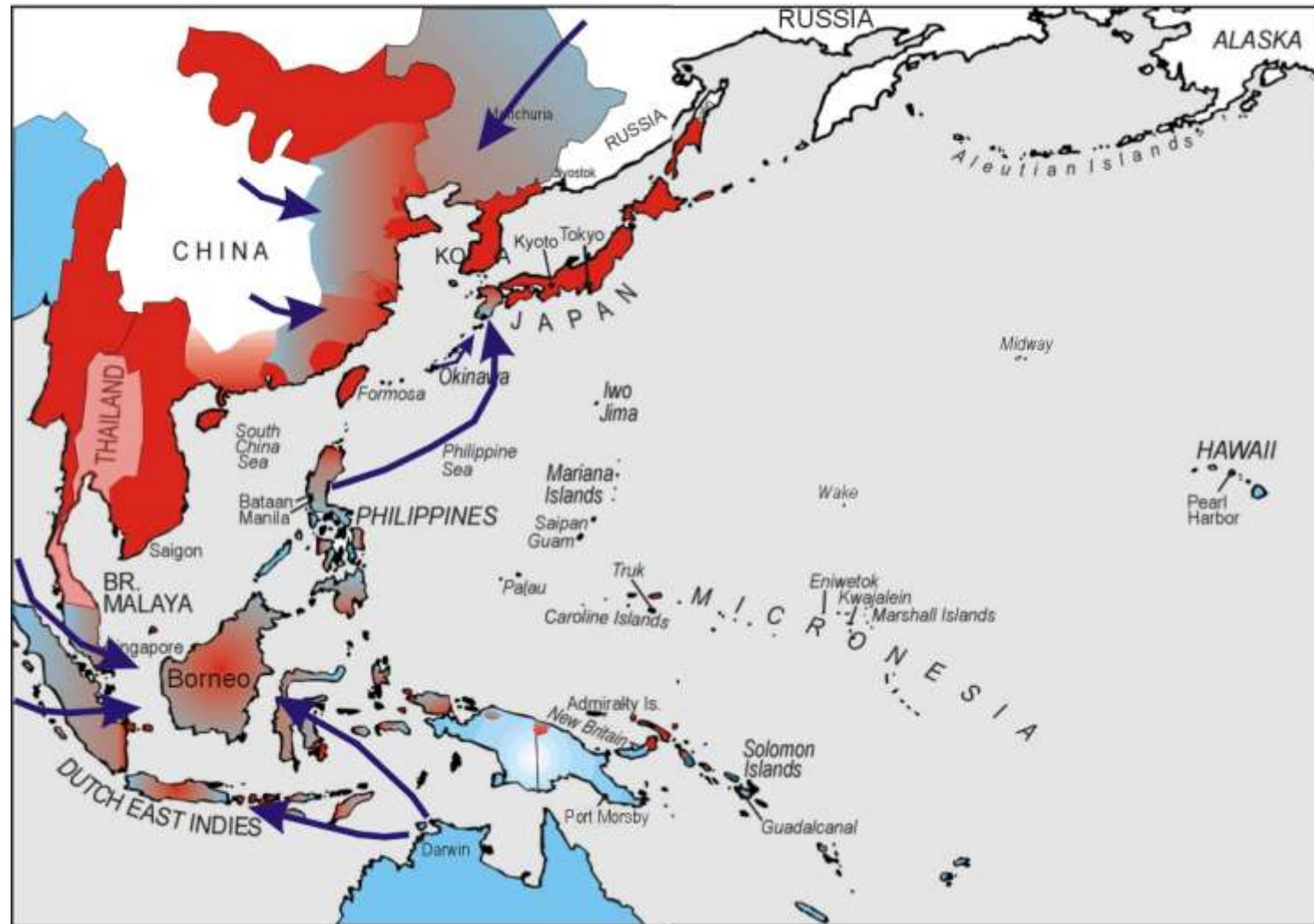
Invasion of Japan (Operation Downfall)



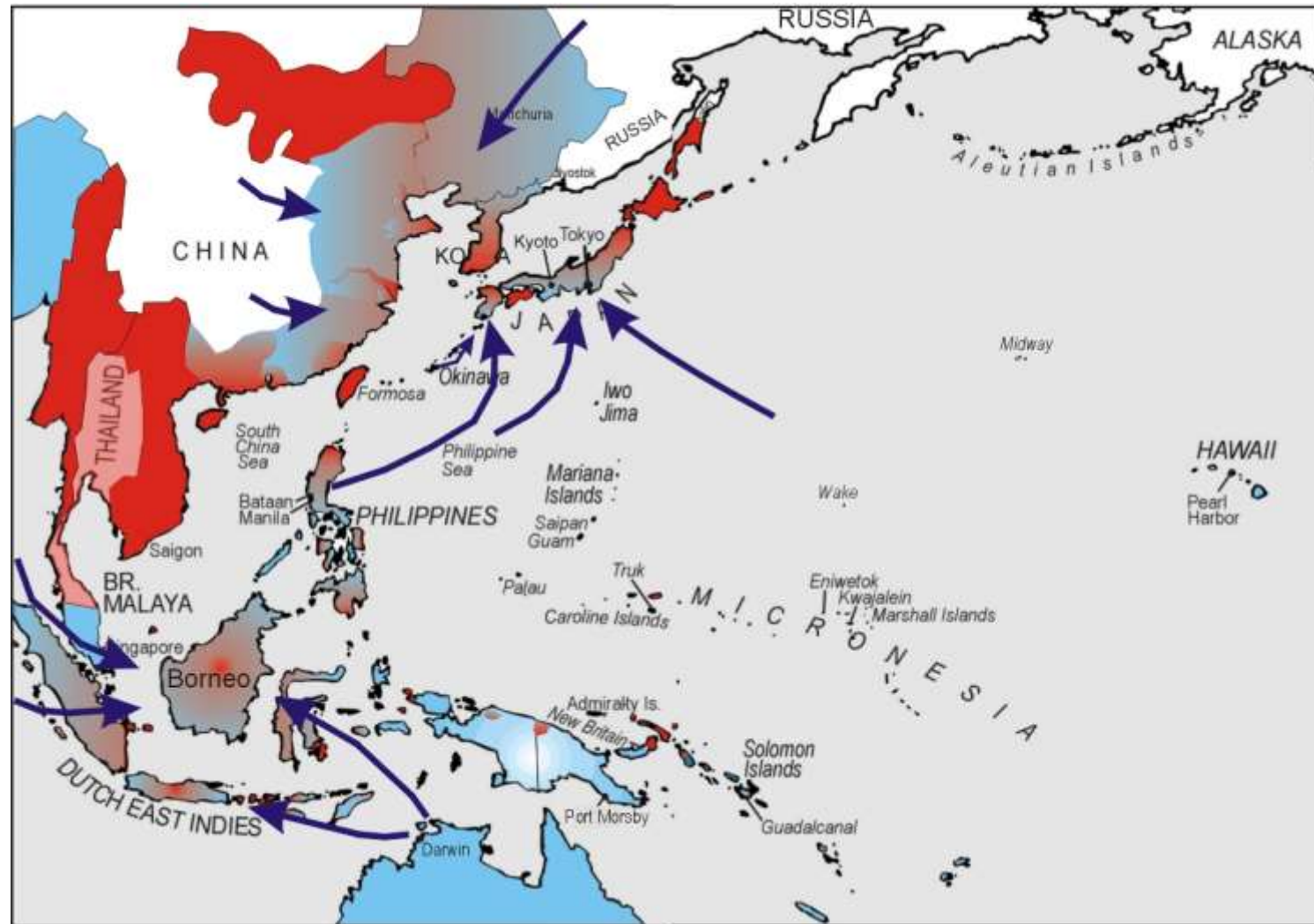
The Pacific after Okinawa



Downfall, Phase I: Operation "Olympic," 10/27/45



Downfall, Phase I: Operation "Olympic," 11/1/45

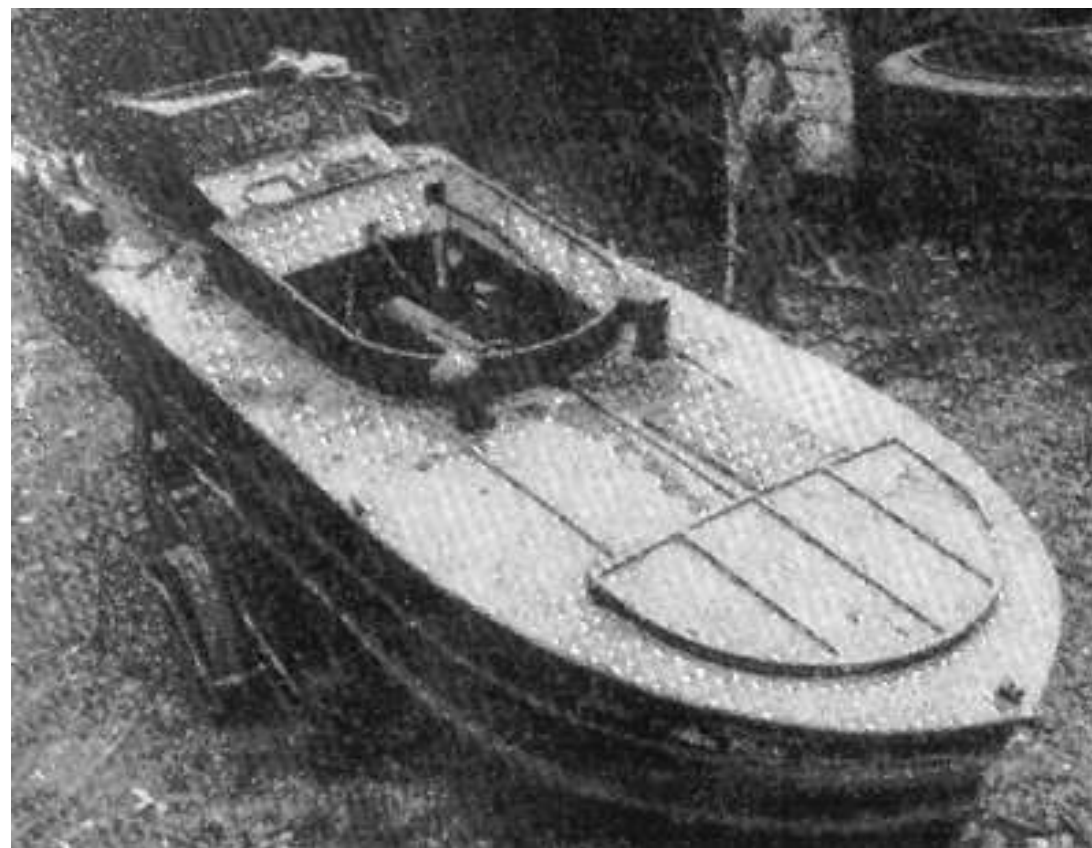


Downfall, Phase II: Operation "Coronet," 3/1/46



Ohka rocket-powered, human-guided
Kamikaze flying bomb

Kamikaze motor boat





Civilian women being trained to defend Japan



Monks drill with rifles

Atomic Bombs



USS Indianapolis

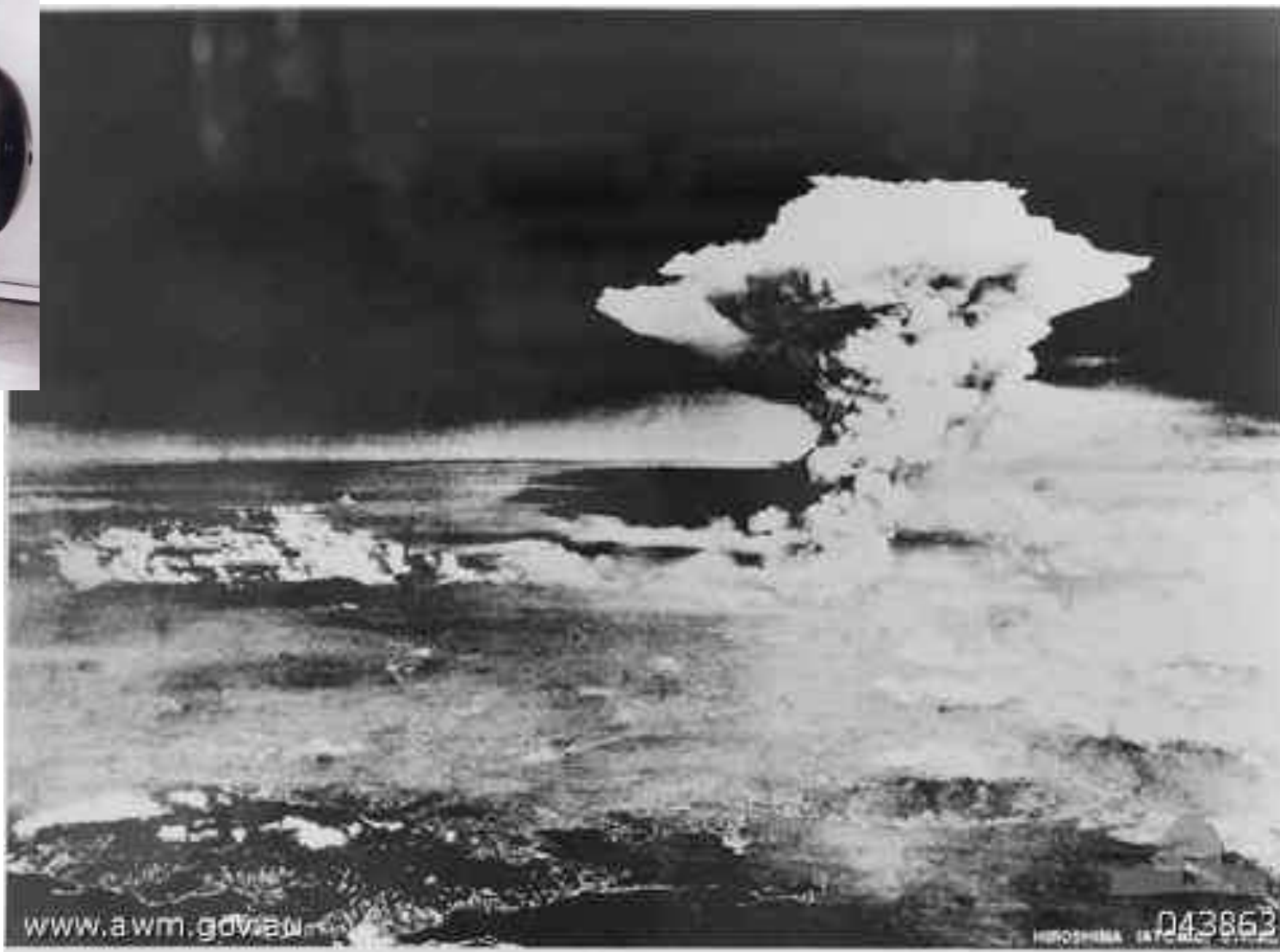


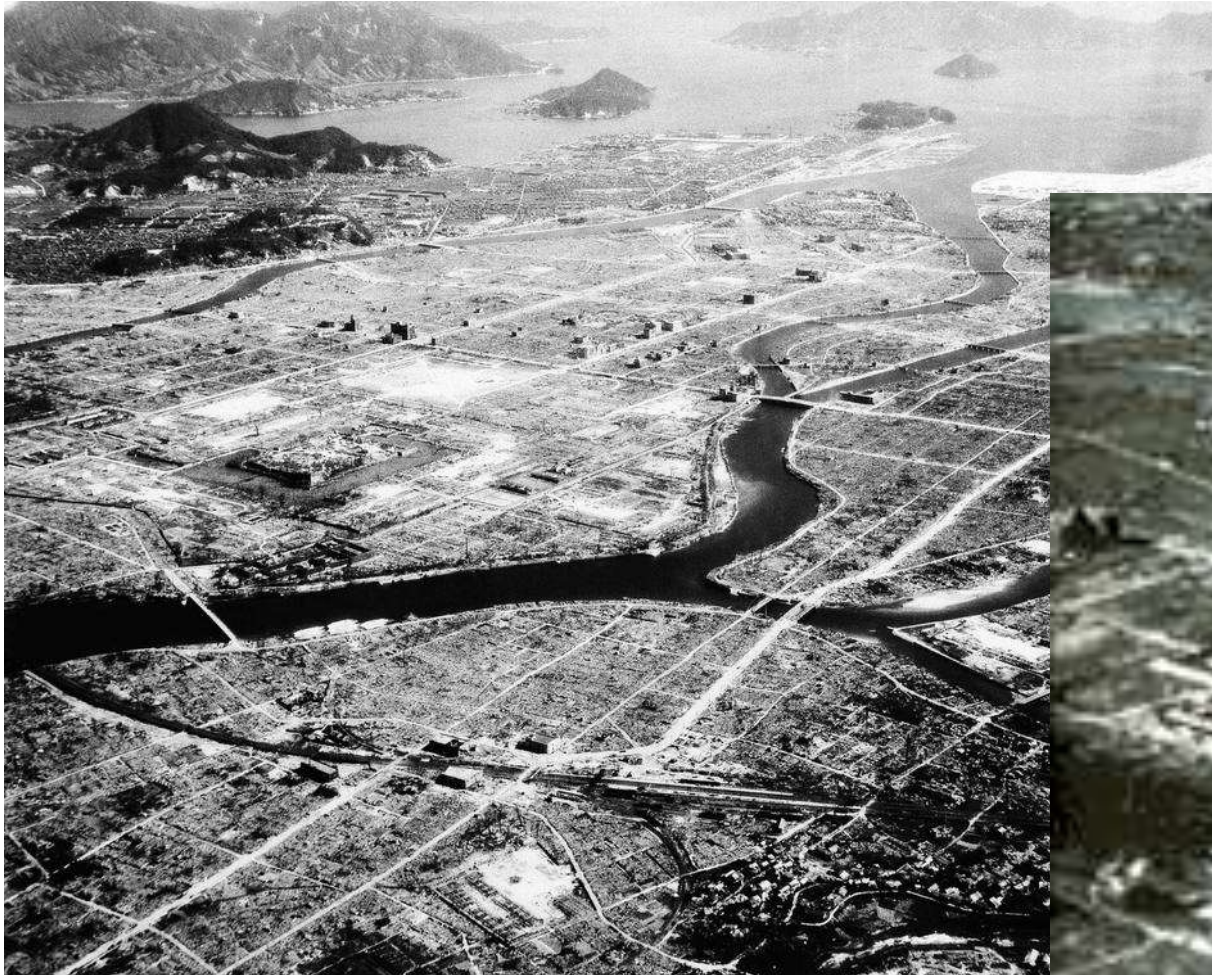
Paul Tibbitts and the Enola Gay



Little Boy

Hiroshima,
August 6, 1945





Hiroshima after the bomb.
66,000 killed





Hiroshima, 69,000 injured



Hiroshima business district





Burns (left), radiation poisoning (right)



Isley Field, Saipan—B-29s line up for takeoff

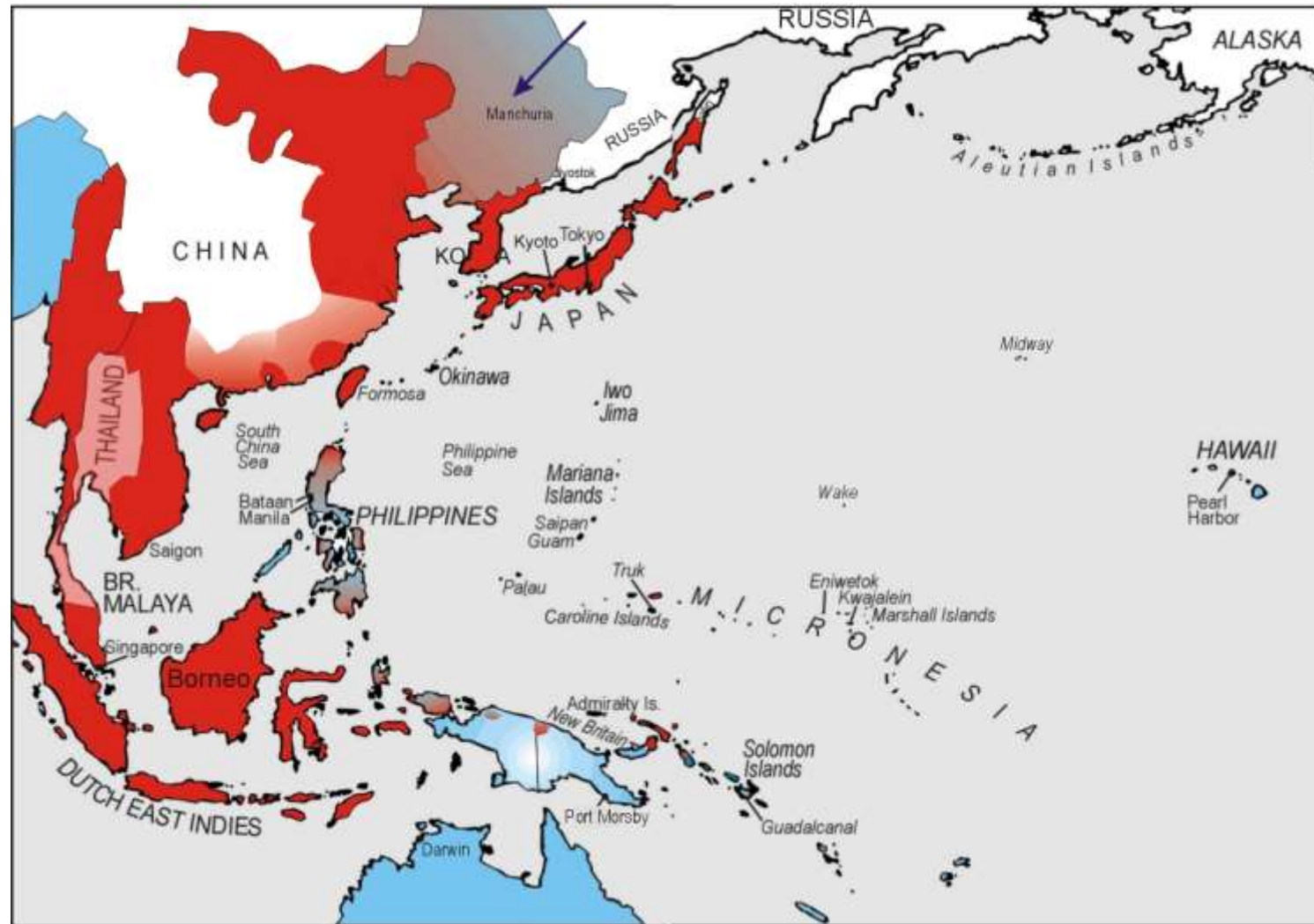
Planes scorch Japan's No. 2 city

June 1, 1945



OSAKA BECOMES STEAMING CAULDRON. Smoke and flames boil skyward from Osaka after B-29 Superfortresses raided the second largest city and industrial center of Japan. The devastating incendiary attack set the entire water front ablaze. Four hundred and fifty B-29s dropped 3,200 tons of fire bombs; one hundred and fifty Mustangs escorted the Superfortresses.

Osaka firebombed



Downfall, Russia, August 1945



Admiral Ohnishi Takijiro



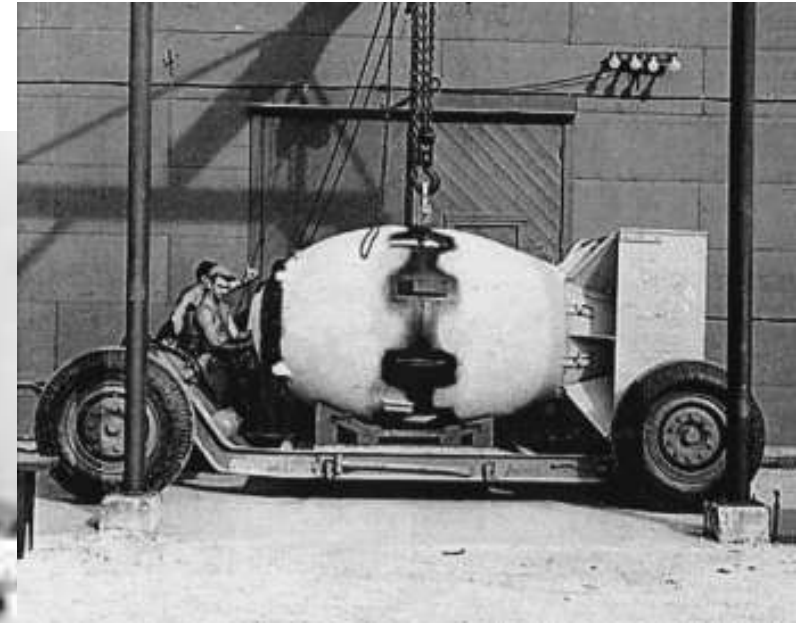
Admiral Toyoda Soemu



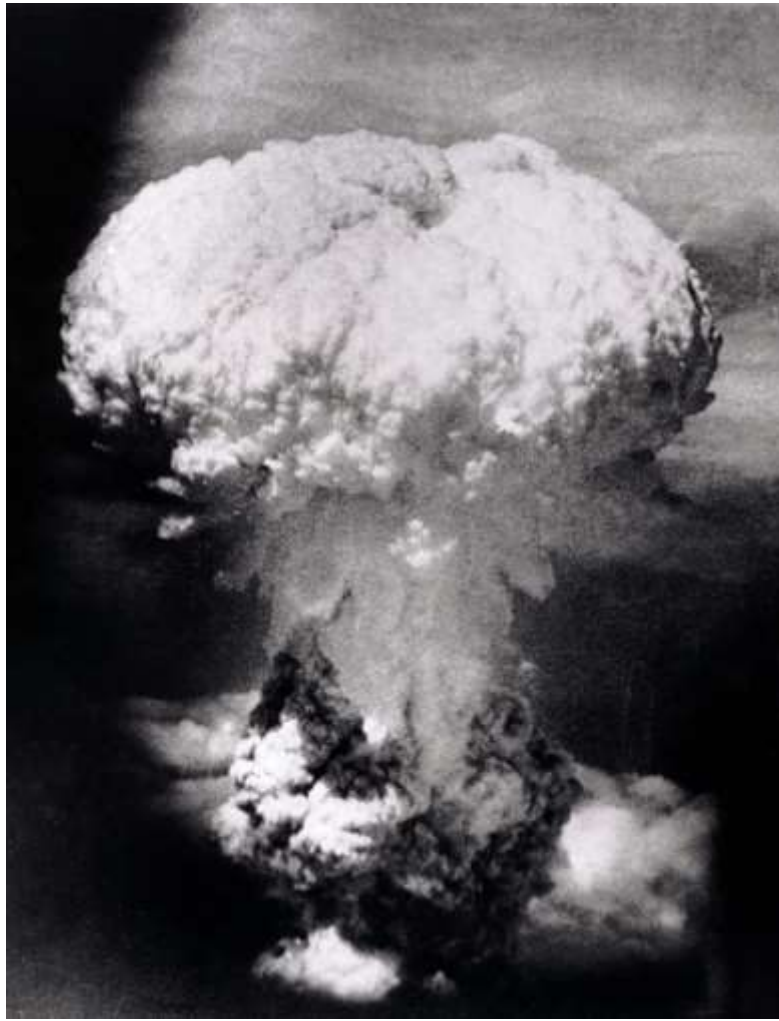
Admiral Suzuki Kantaro



Bockscar



Fat Man



Nagasaki, August 9, 1945



Nagasaki





Nagasaki, Urakami Cathedral



Suzuki Kantaro



Emperor Hirohito



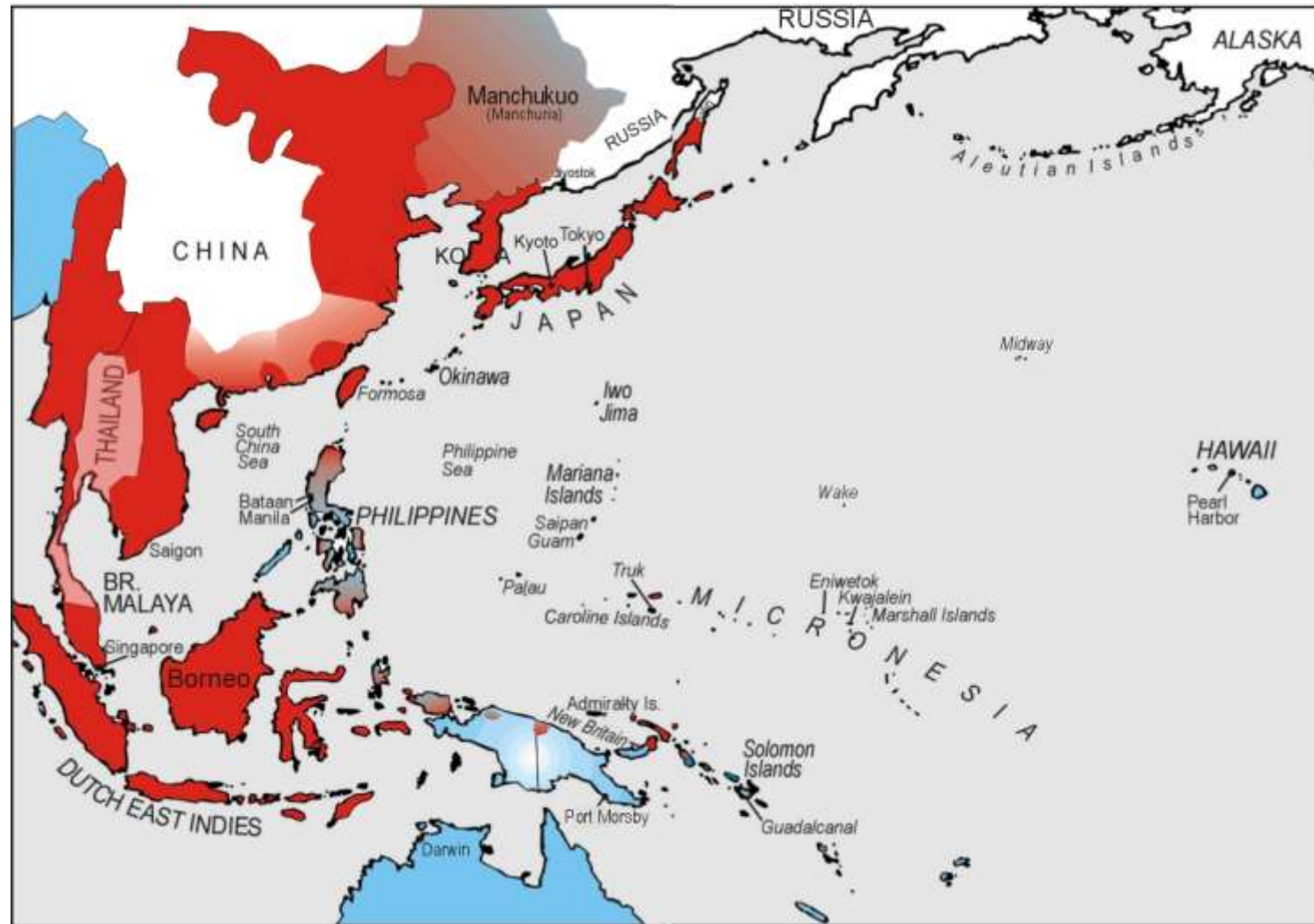
POW liberation



POWs set free by their Japanese guards at Fukuoka, Japan, 9/15/1945



Lieutenant General Jonathon Wainwright





Generals Percival, MacArthur and Wainwright



Japanese delegation arrives on the Missouri for the surrender ceremony.



Photo # USA C-2717 Gen. MacArthur speaking, 2 Sept. 1945

MacArthur delivers the remarks in today's handout.



MacArthur signs the surrender documents
with Generals Wainwright and Percival standing behind him.



80-G-421130 Carrier planes over USS Missouri, 2 September 1945



American POWs who survived the Japanese prison camps.

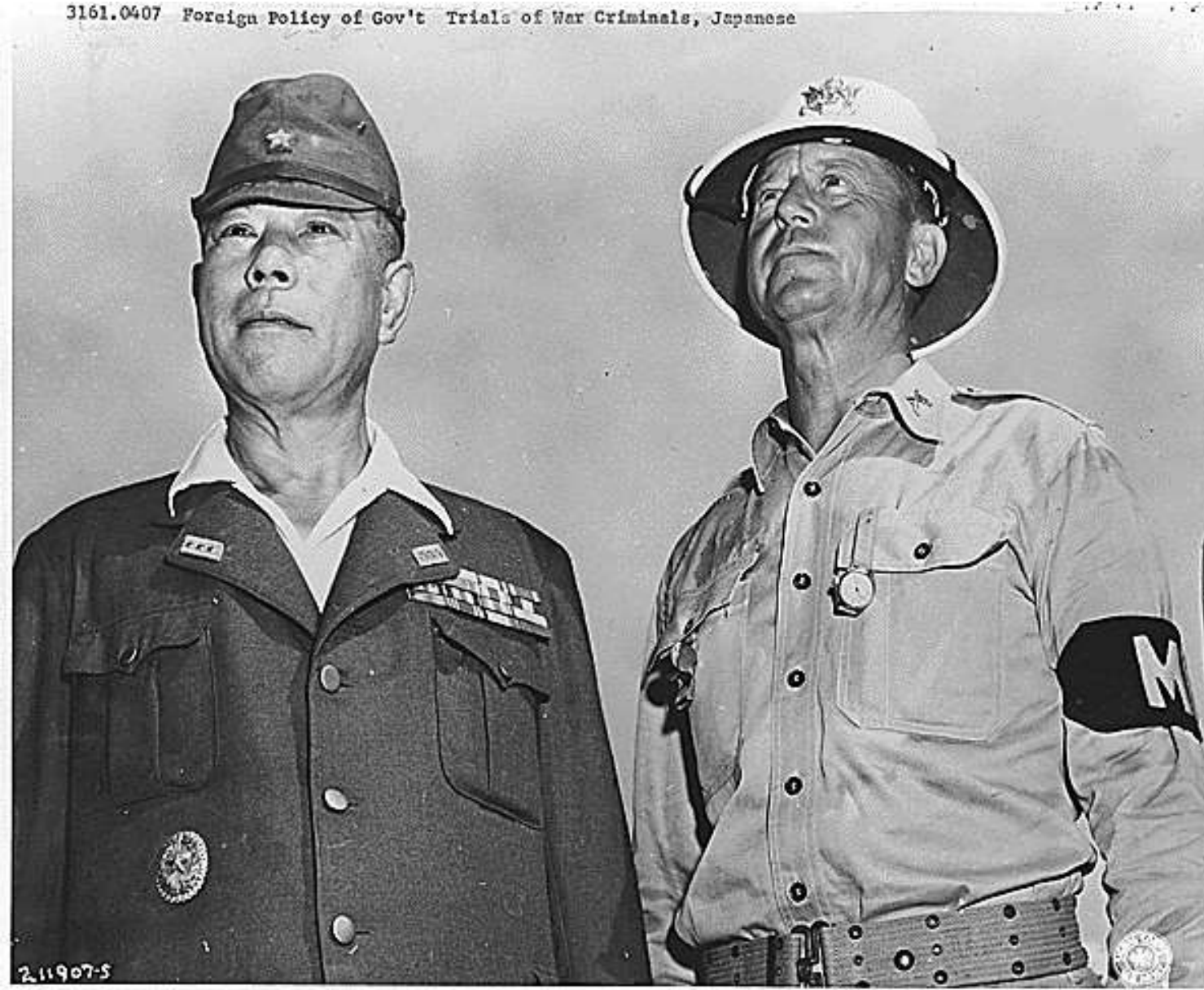


Margaret Utinsky and Claire Phillips



General Douglas MacArthur and Emperor Hirohito

War Crimes Trials



General Yamashita surrendered in the Philippines.



Captain Yoshio Tsuneyoshi



Hideki Tojo on trial in Tokyo

Aftermath



Aircraft factory worker in Tennessee



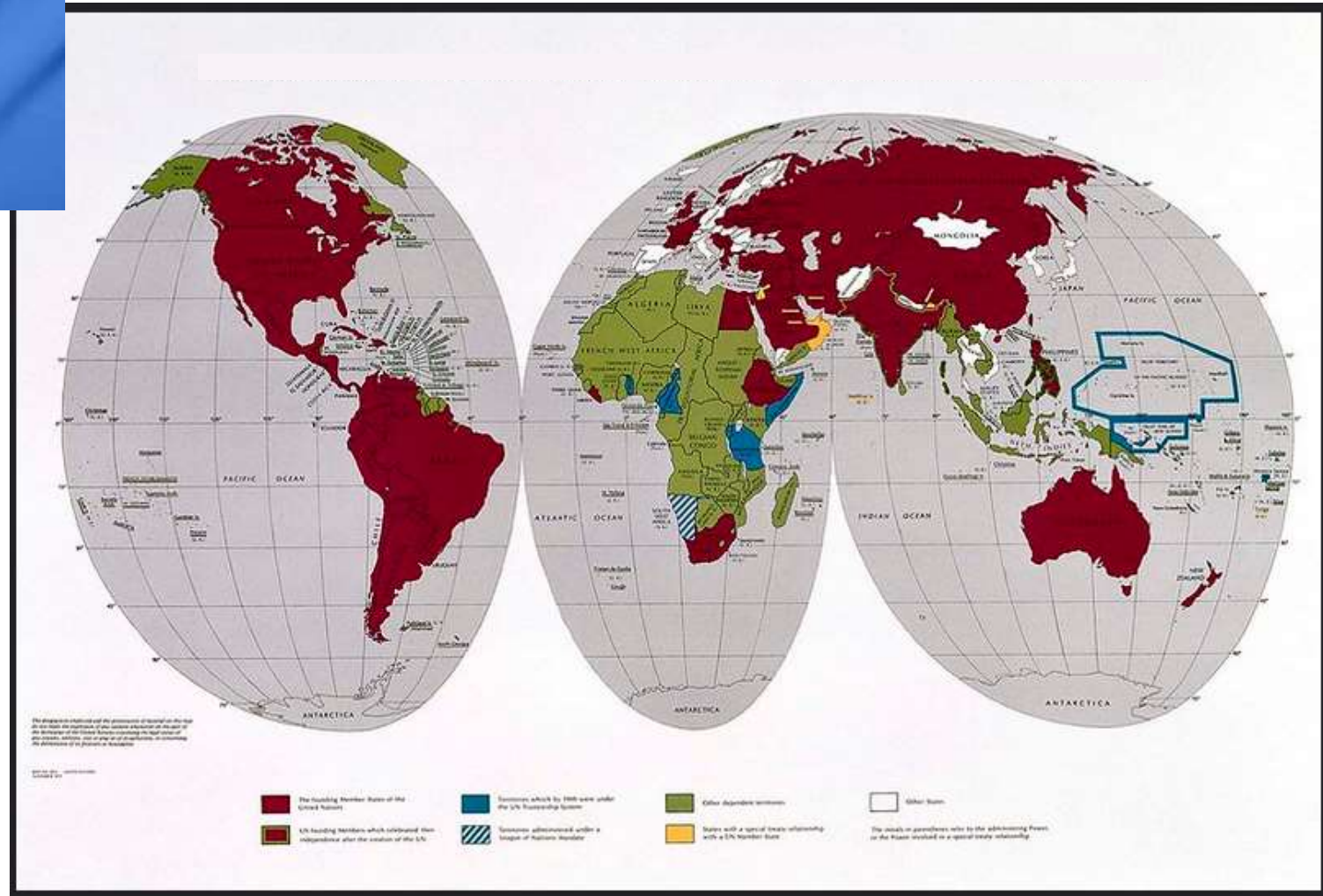
24th Infantry Regiment patrol on Bougainville

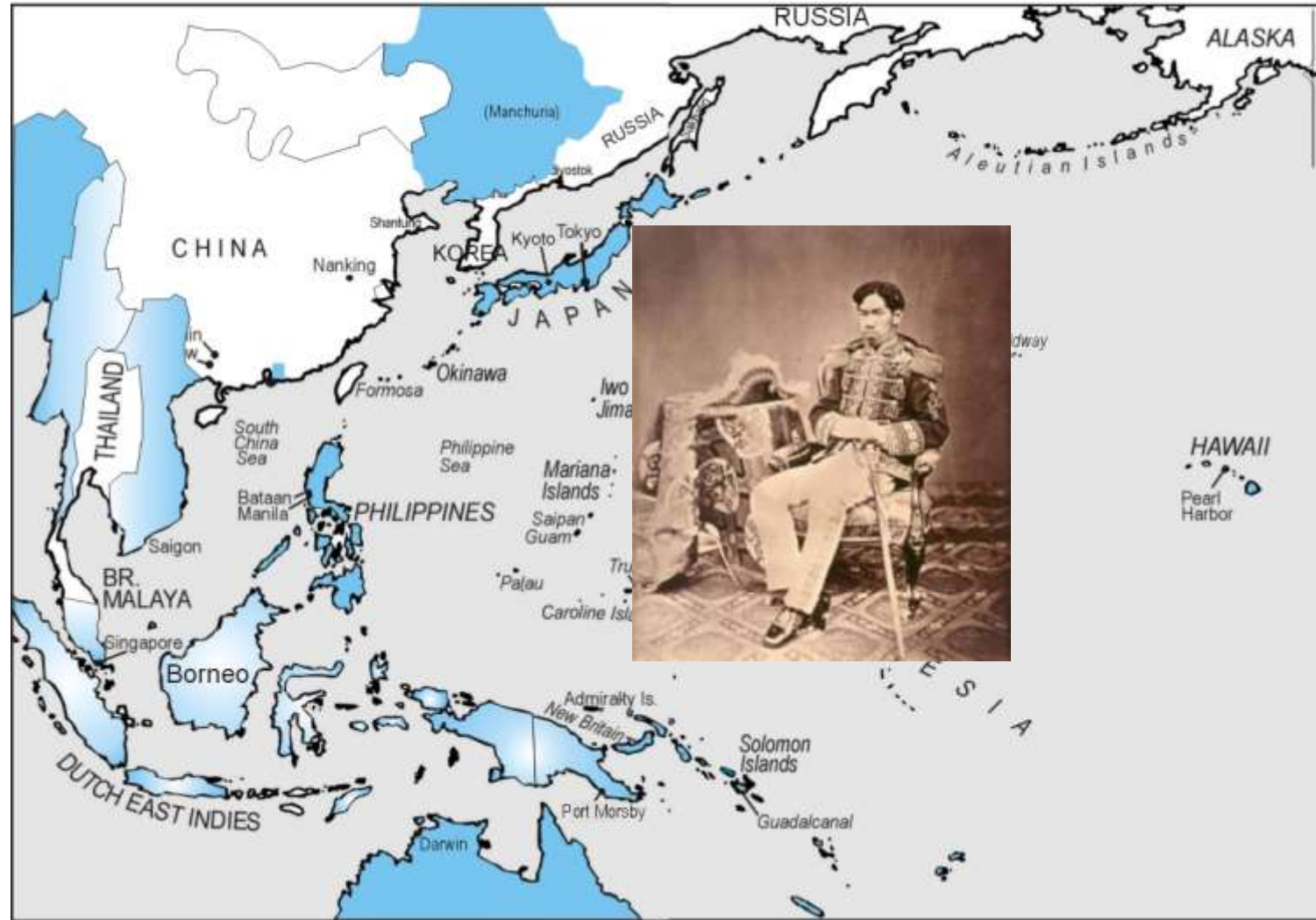


Home automation

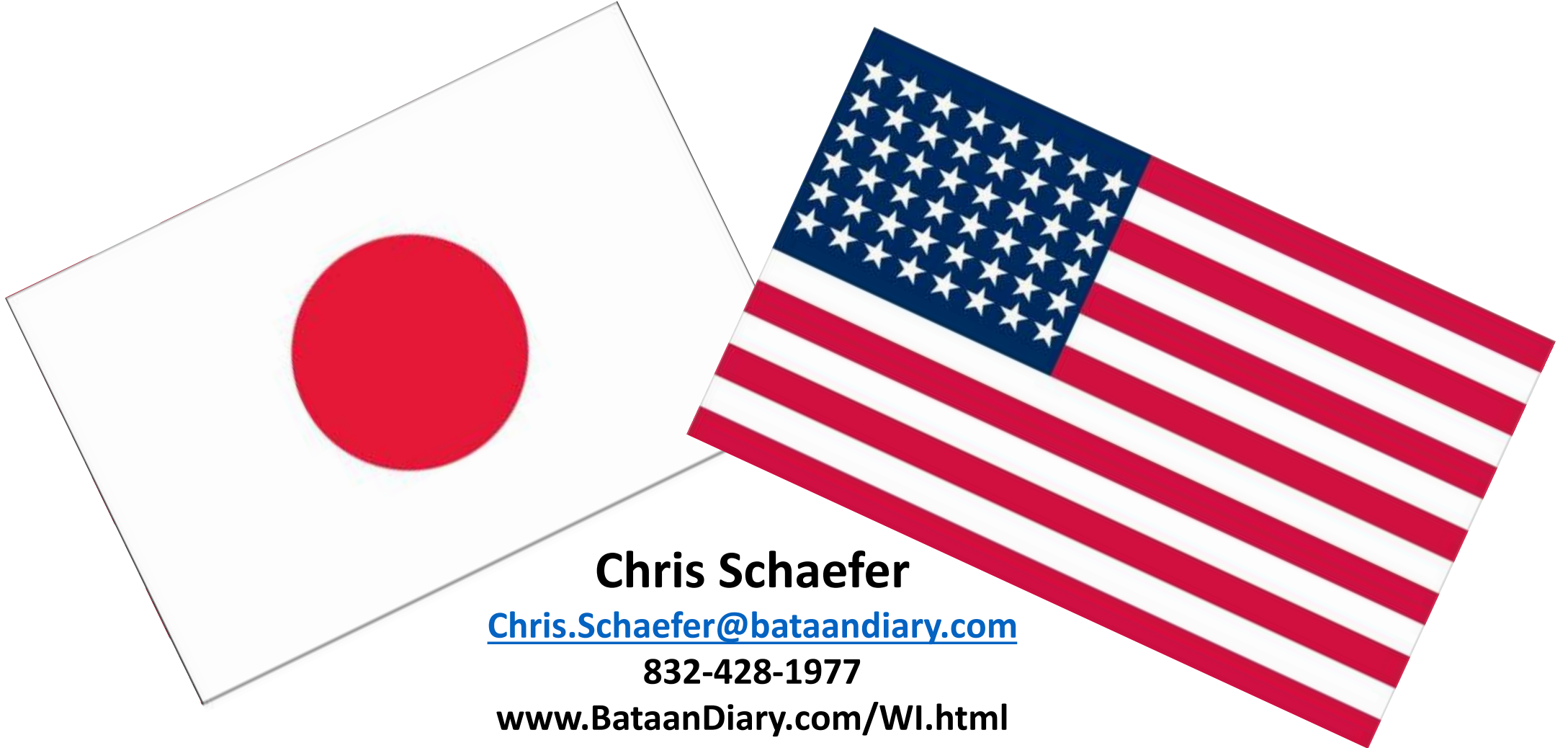


Industrial capacity





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