

World War II in the Pacific



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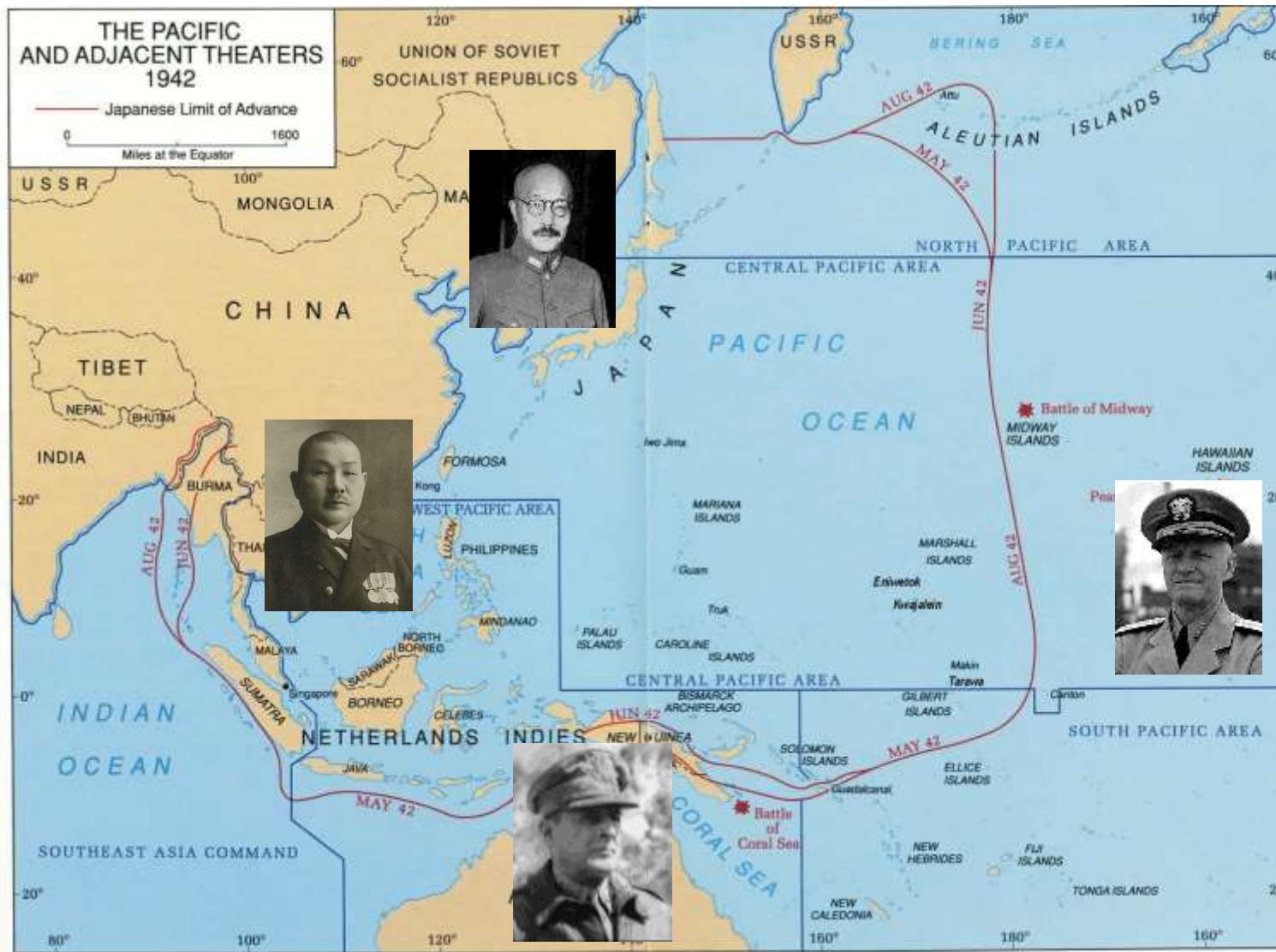
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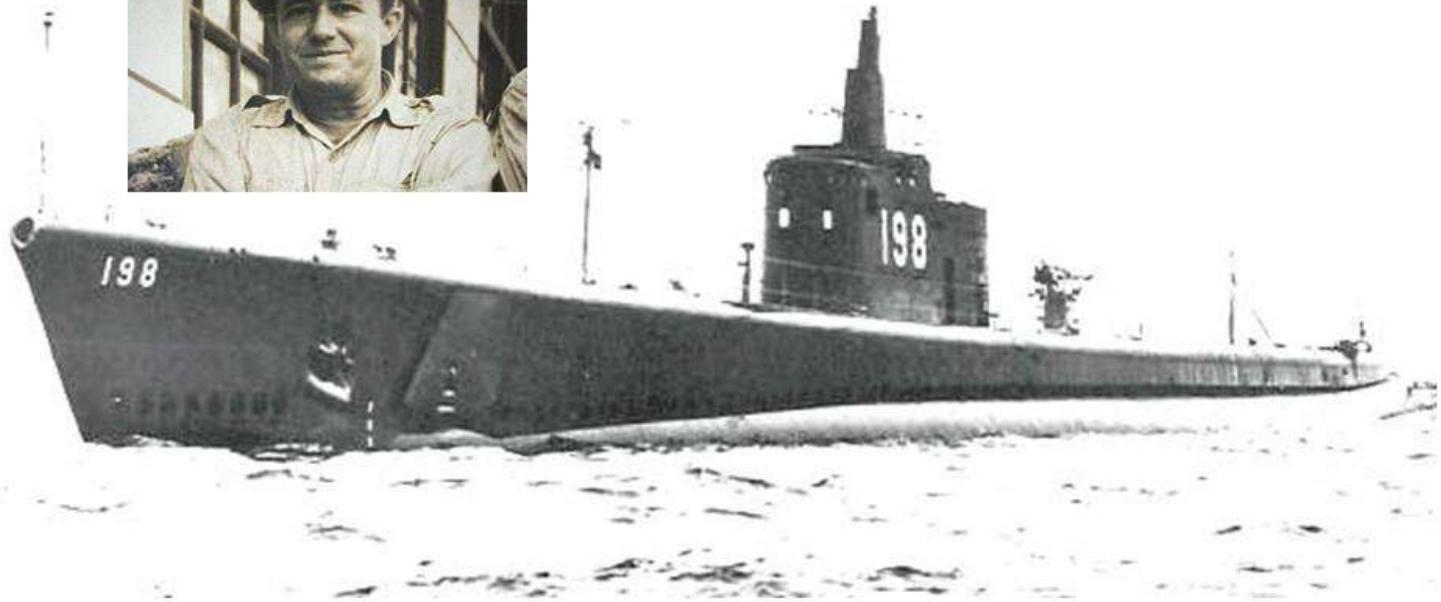
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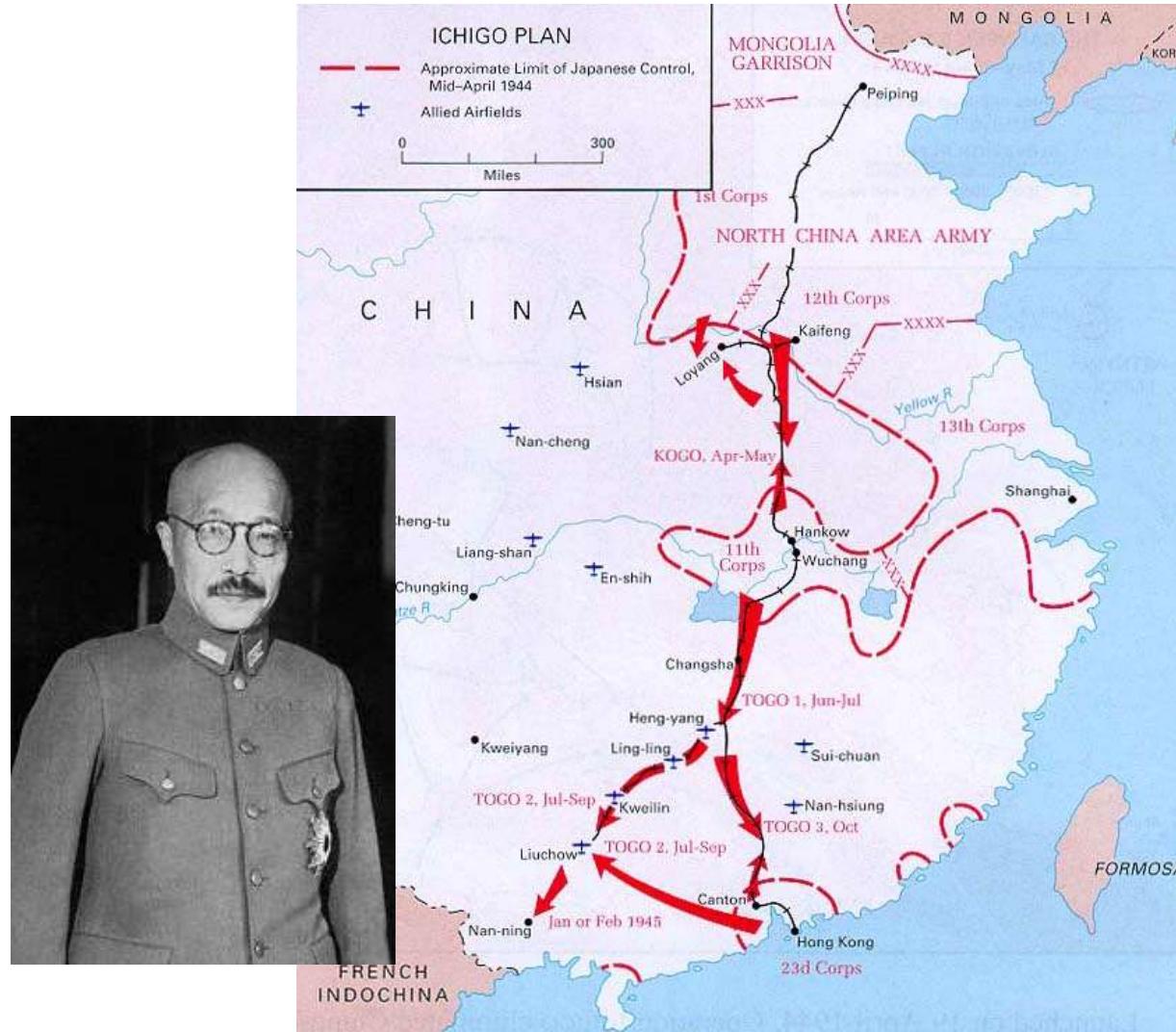
Japanese Defense Line, established August 1942



The Pacific chessboard, August 1942



Lieutenant Commander "Chick" Parsons



The Ichigo Plan

B-29s in China



General Harold H. "Hap" Arnold



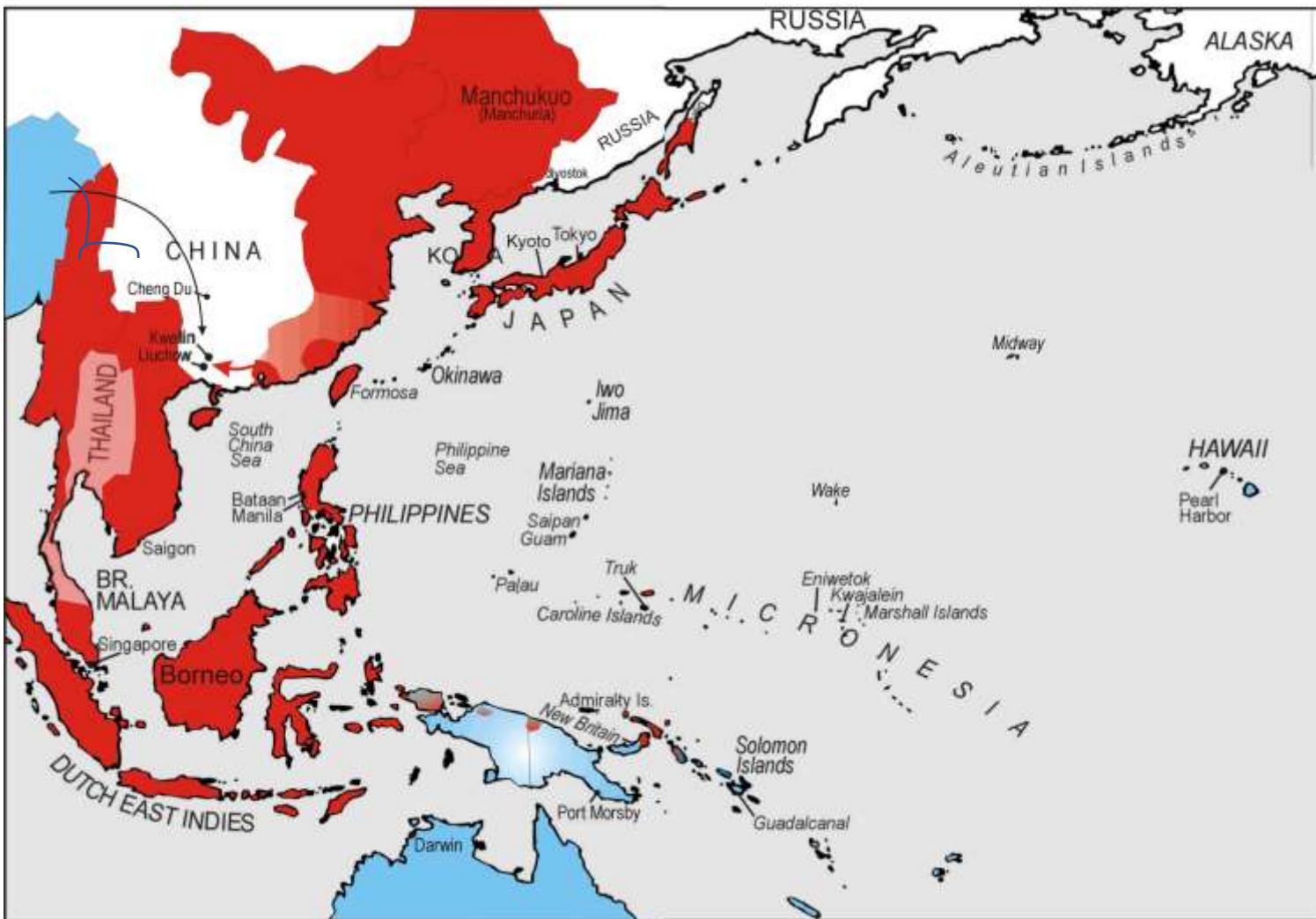
Major General Claire Chennault



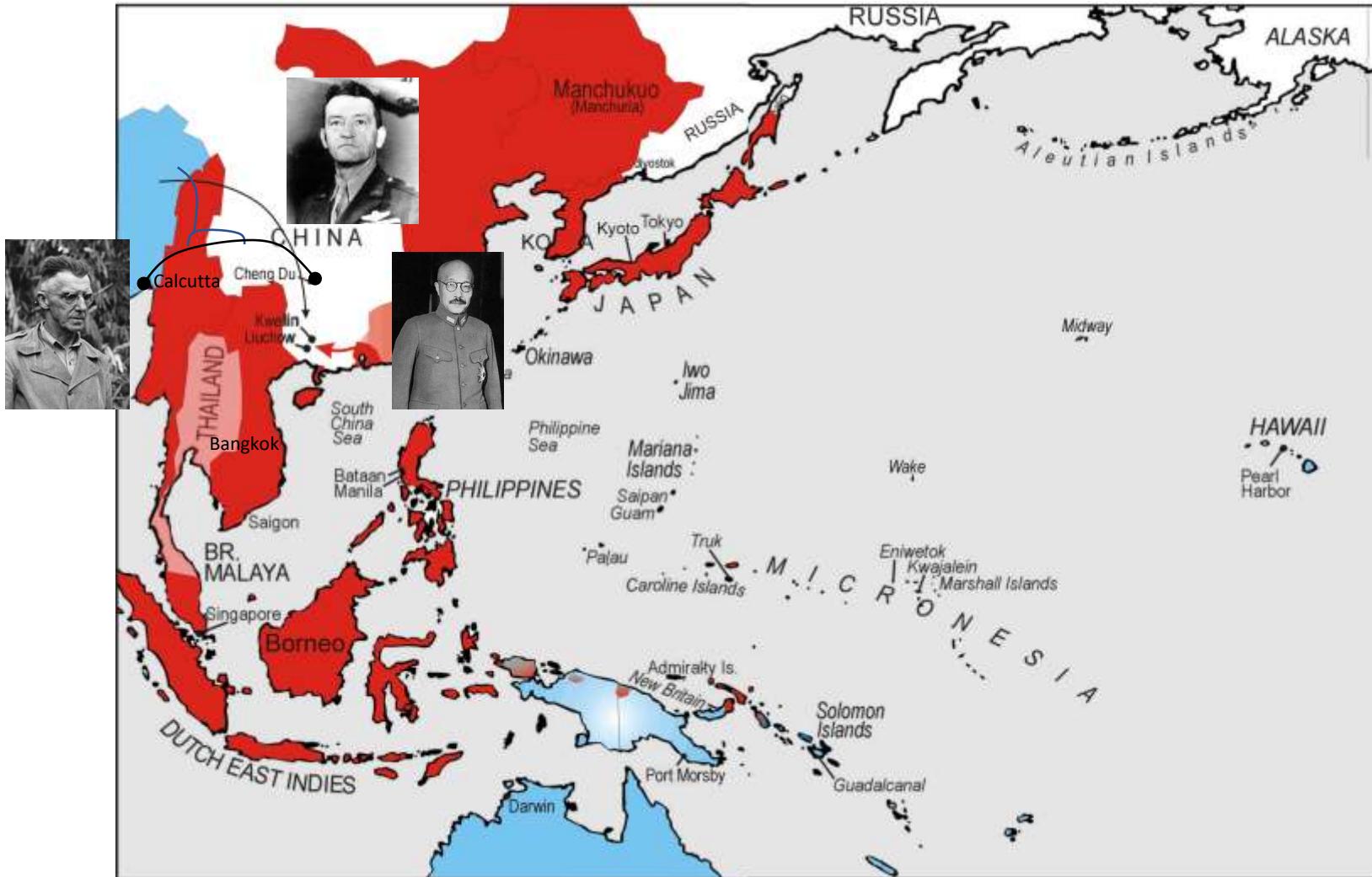
B-29 “Superfortress”



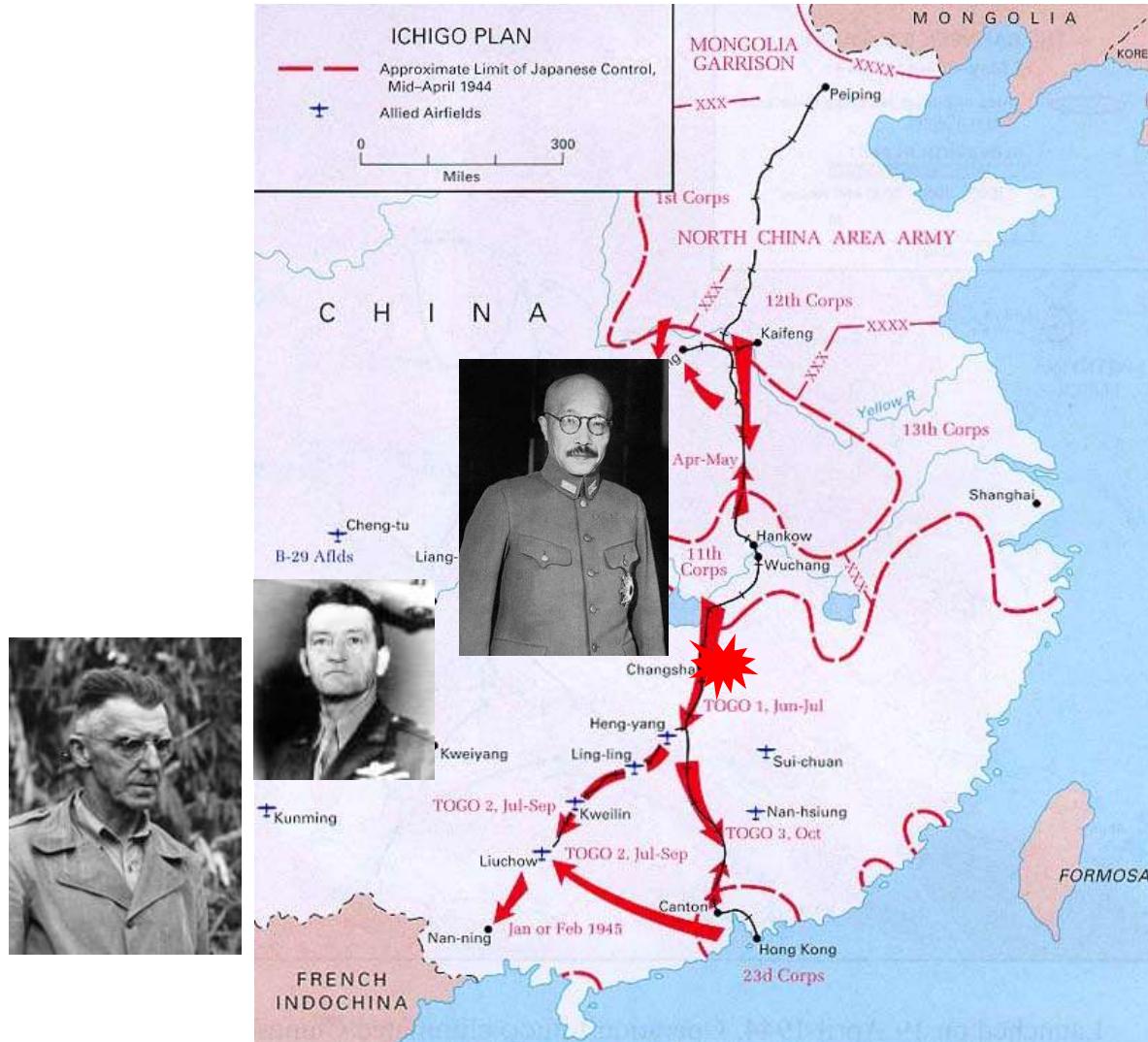
B-29 crew in China



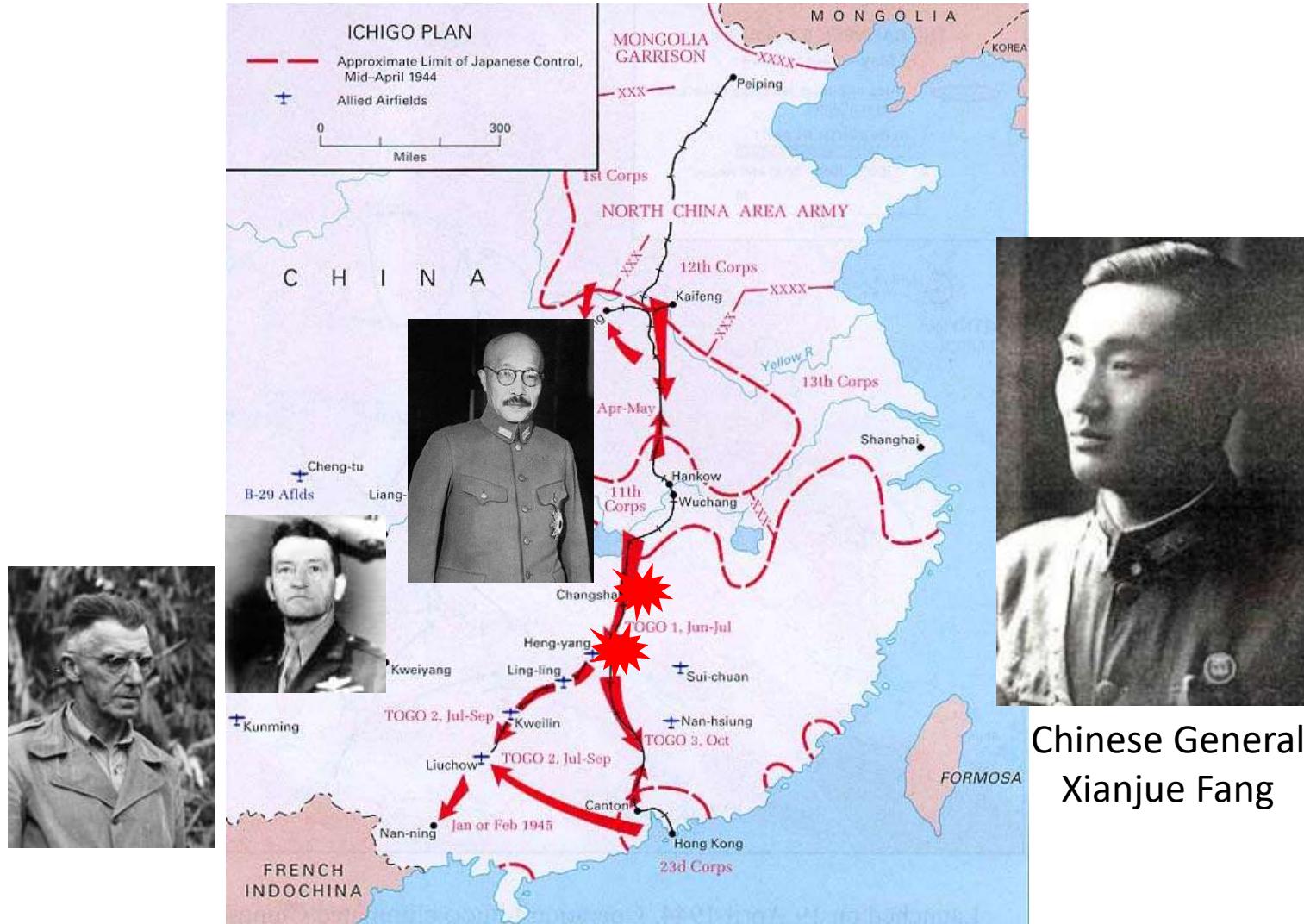
The Pacific and China, 1944



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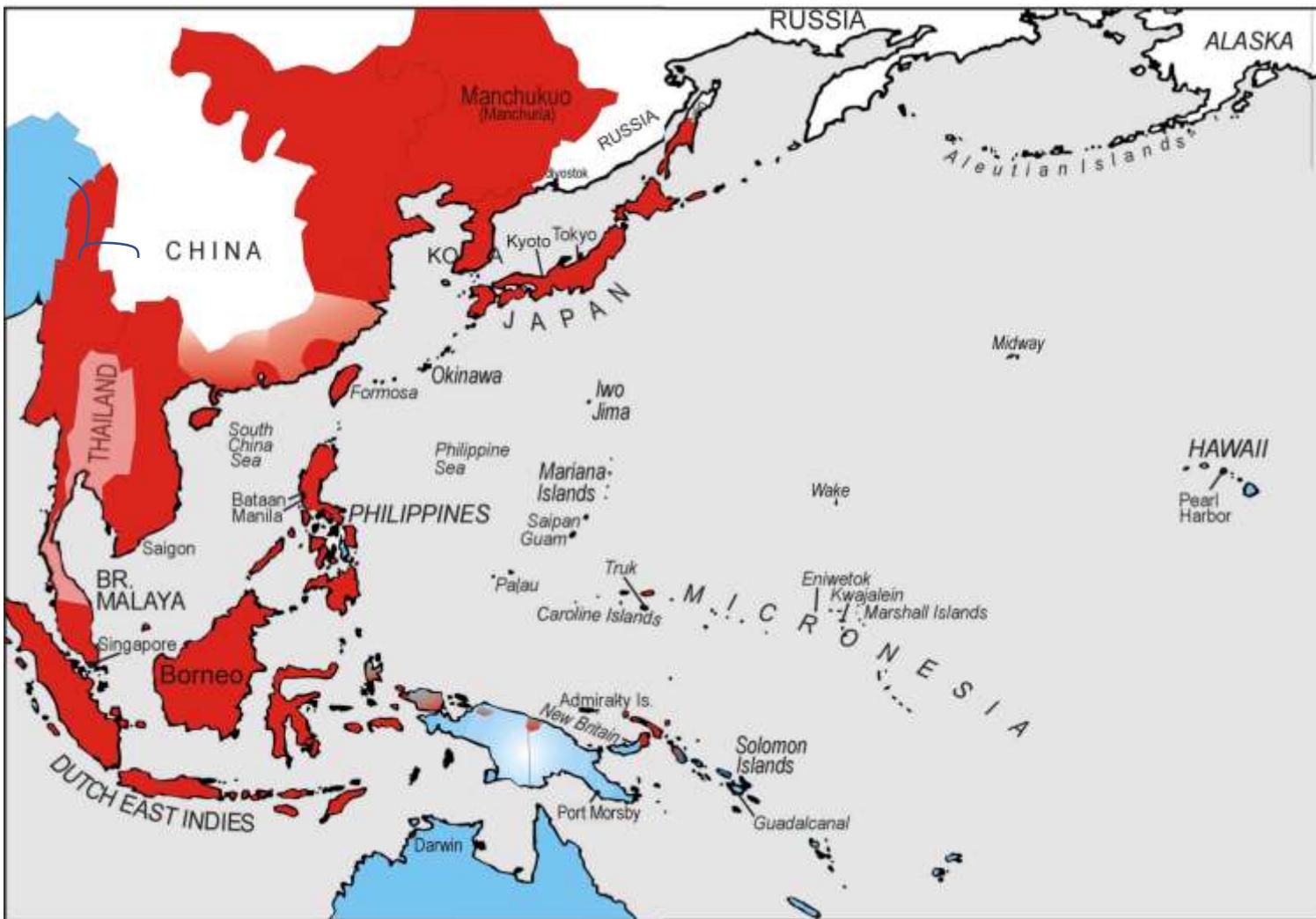


Ichigo—June 1944, Japanese attack Changsha



Chinese General
Xianjue Fang

Ichigo—July 1944, Japanese attack Heng-yang

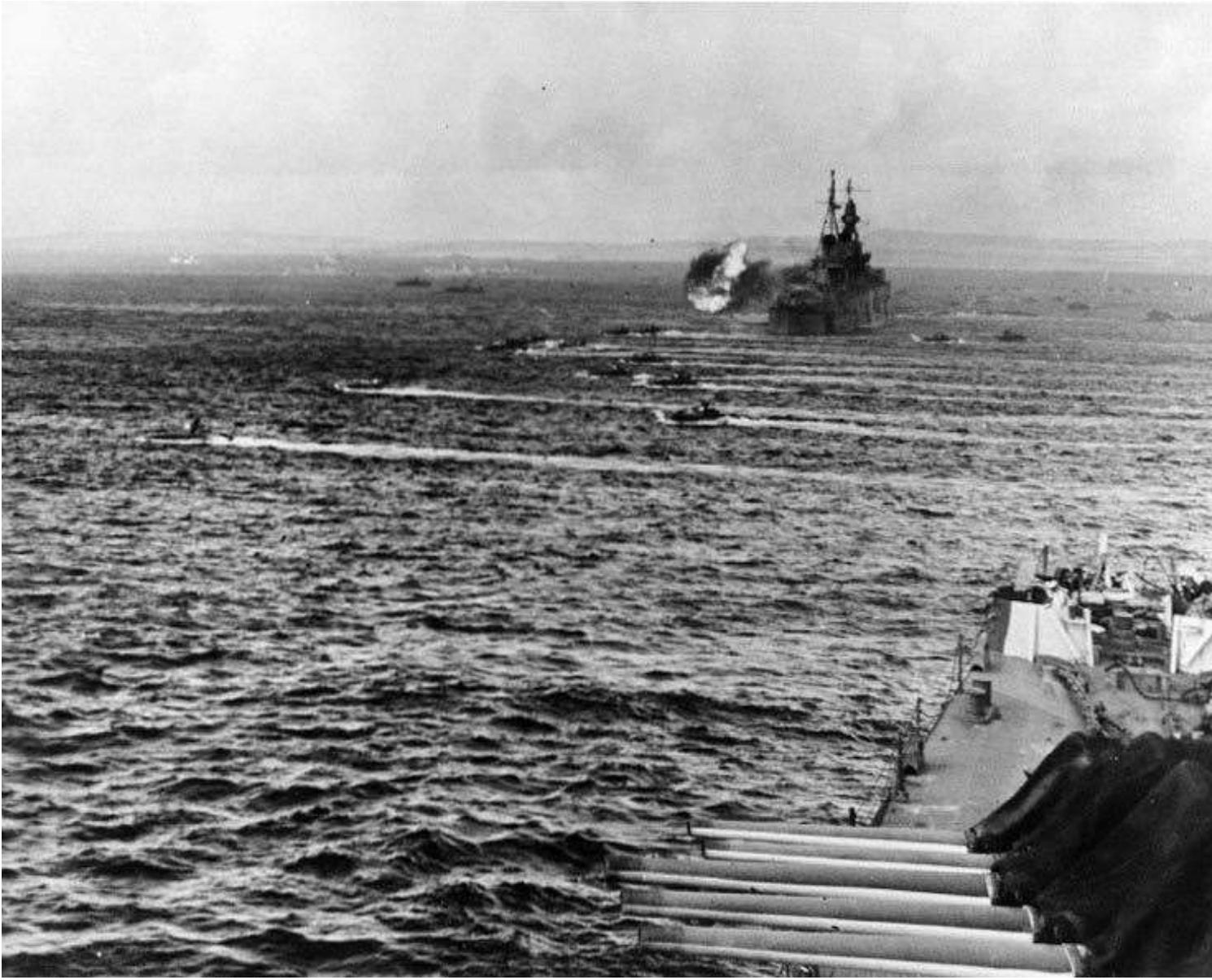


Ichigo is successful, November 1944

Saipan/Philippine Sea



Invading Saipan, June 1944



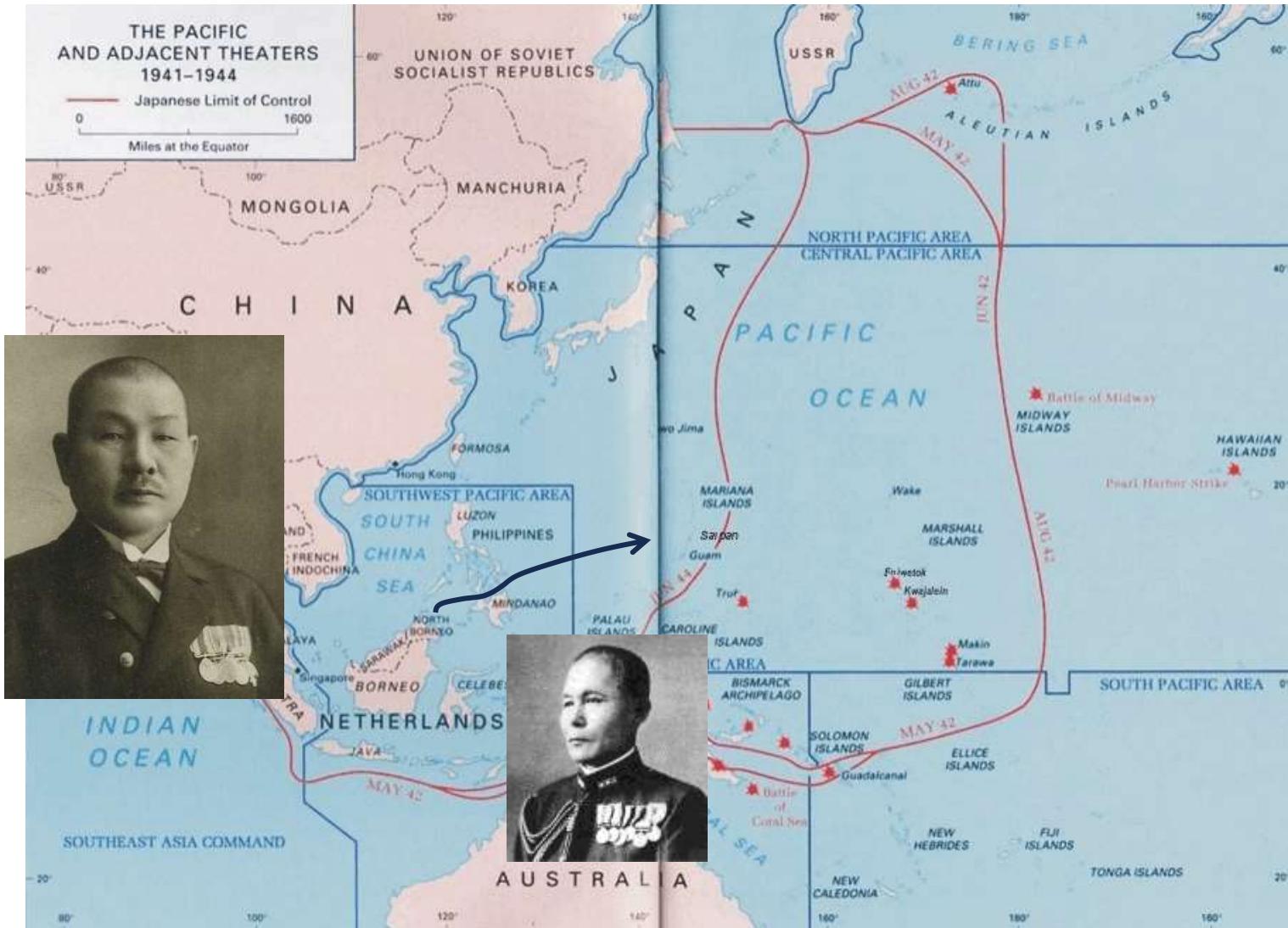
LVTs attack Saipan



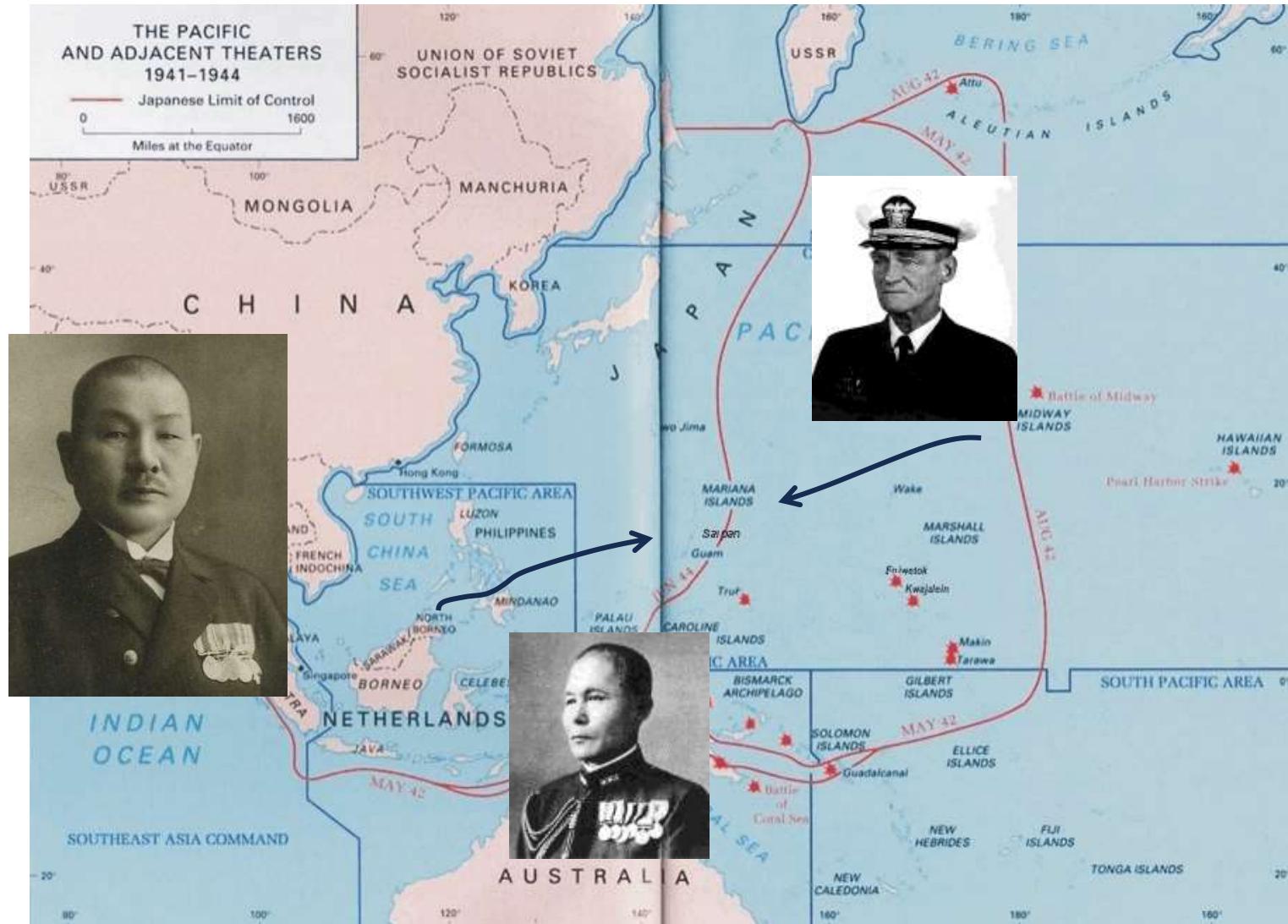
Marines hit the beach in Saipan



Admiral Toyoda Soemu, August 1944



Admiral Toyoda orders Vice Admiral Ozawa Jisaburo
to defend Saipan with the Japanese fleet



Toyoda, Ozawa and Mitscher



Fighter plane contrails during the Marianas Turkey-shoot



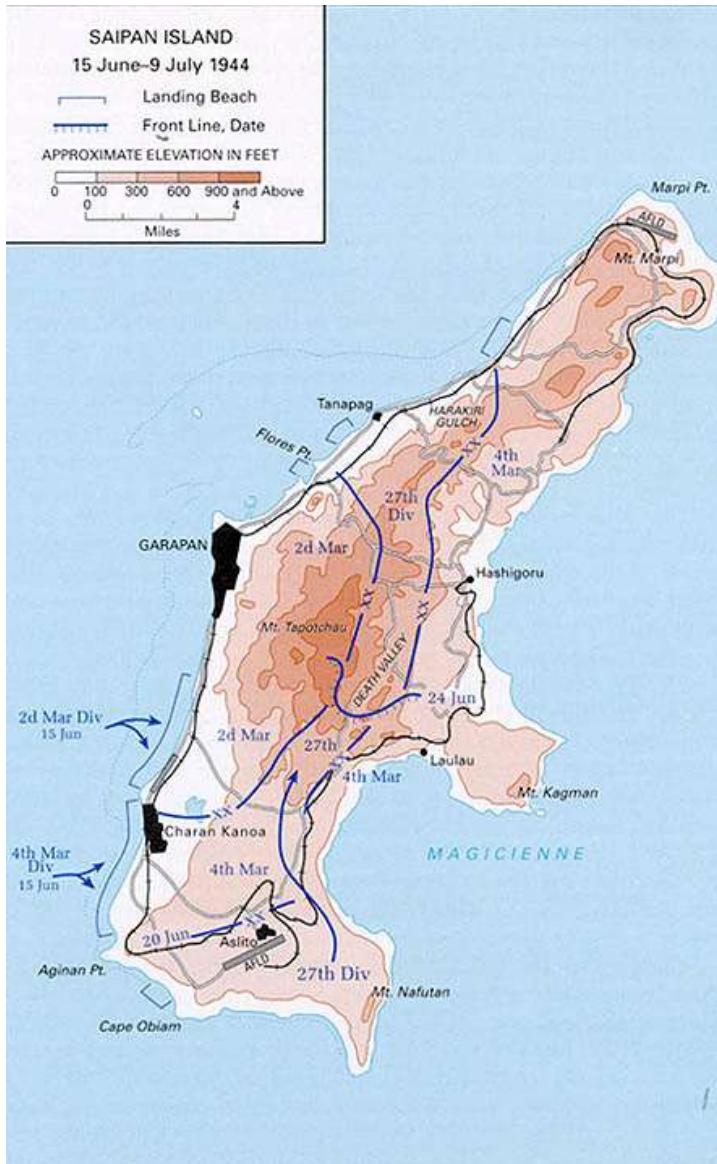
Japanese bomber shot down



U.S. ships and flak off Saipan



Zuikaku and two Japanese destroyers dodge U.S. bombers



Battle of Saipan



U.S. Marines blow up Japanese bunker



Navajo code-talkers



Saipan mop-up



U.S. Marine flame-throwing tank



Suicide cliffs, Saipan



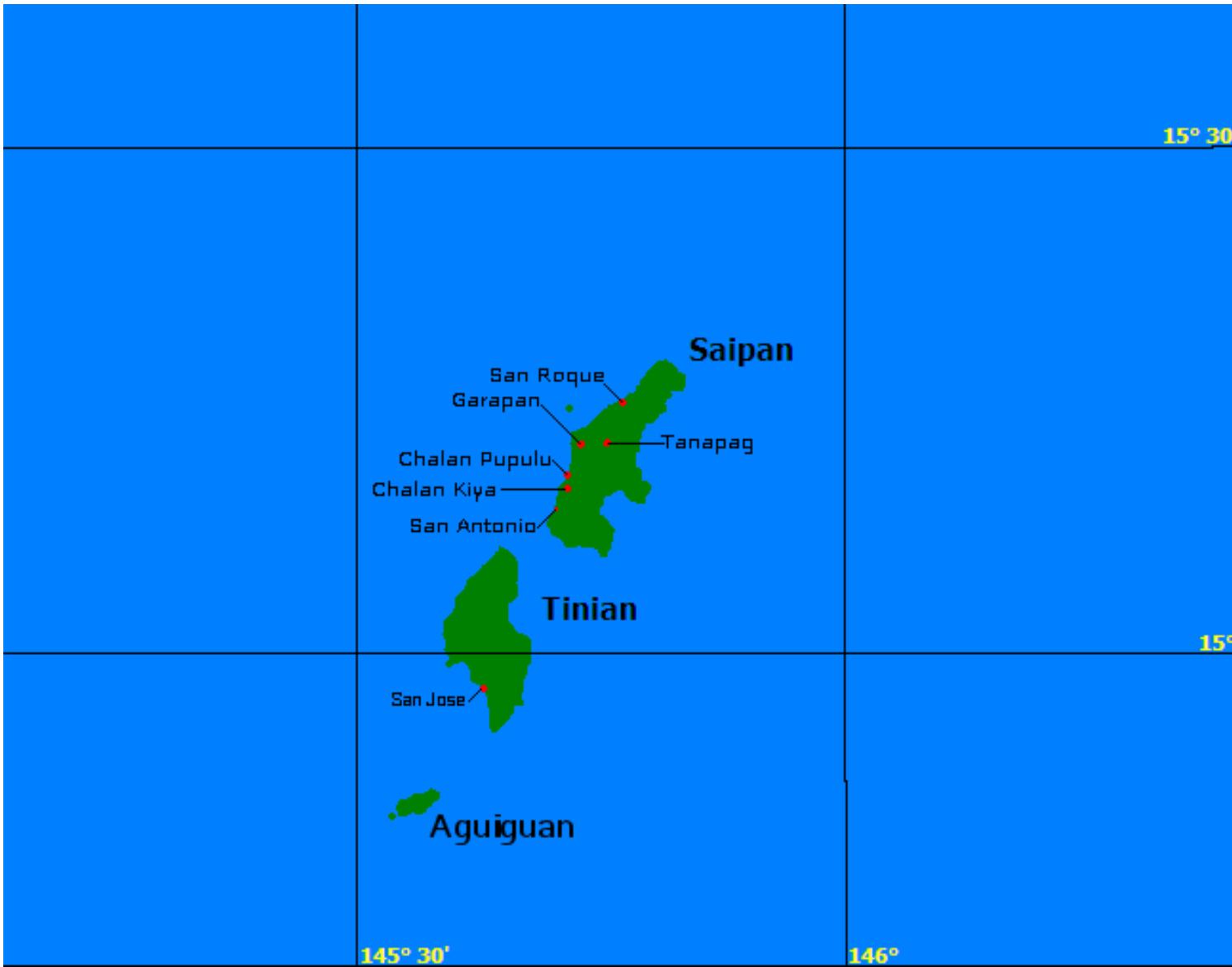
U.S. Marine with Japanese baby



Hideki Tojo



Kuniaki Koiso



Tinian and Aguiguan



Airfields on Tinian



B-29 loading on Tinian



The Pacific, July 1944, after Saipan



Guam landing



Japanese dead after a “Banzai” charge

U.S. Pacific Planning

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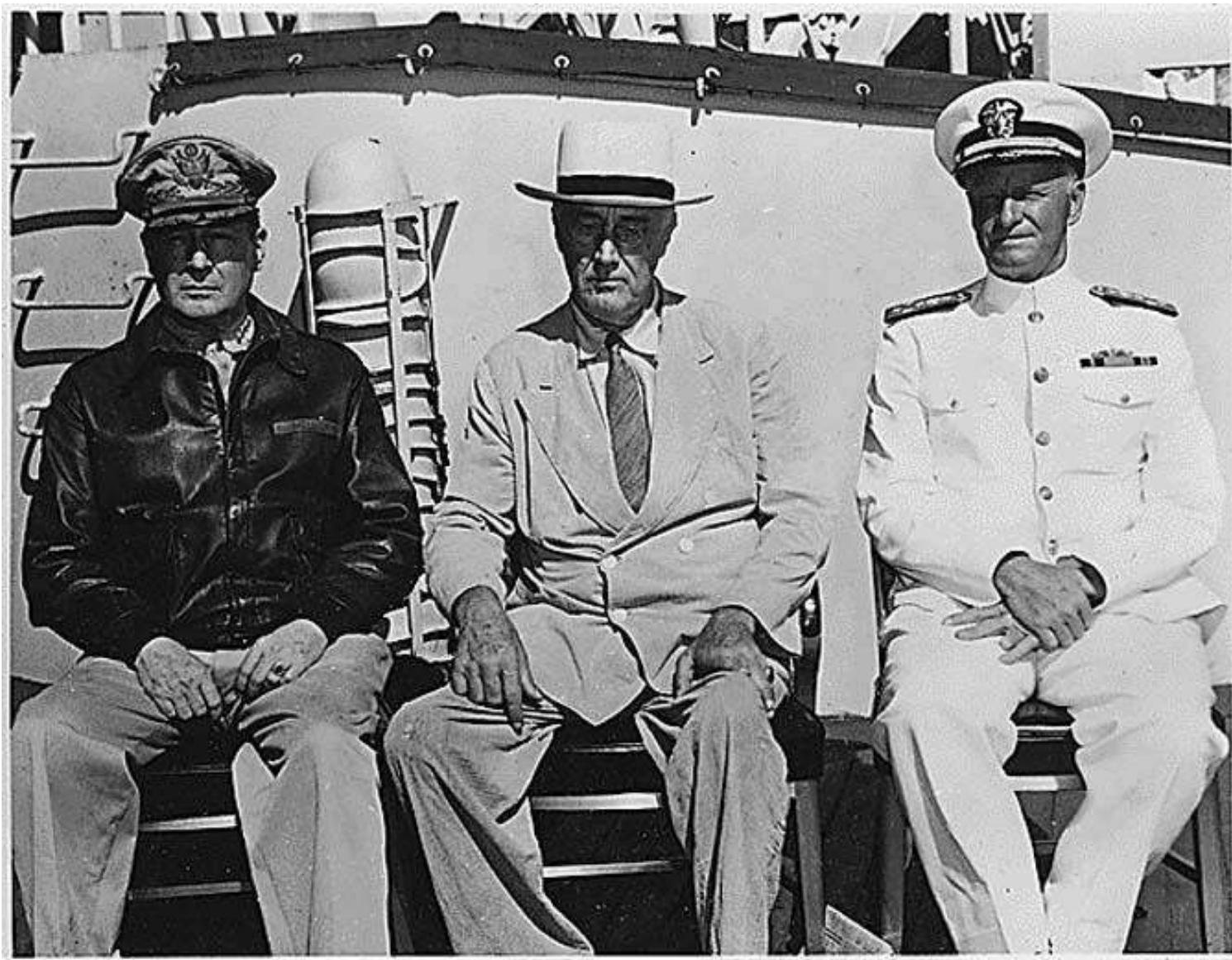


General Douglas MacArthur

Photo # 80-G-416886 Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King



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MacArthur, Roosevelt and Nimitz in Hawaii



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Nimitz' presentation at the Hawaii conference

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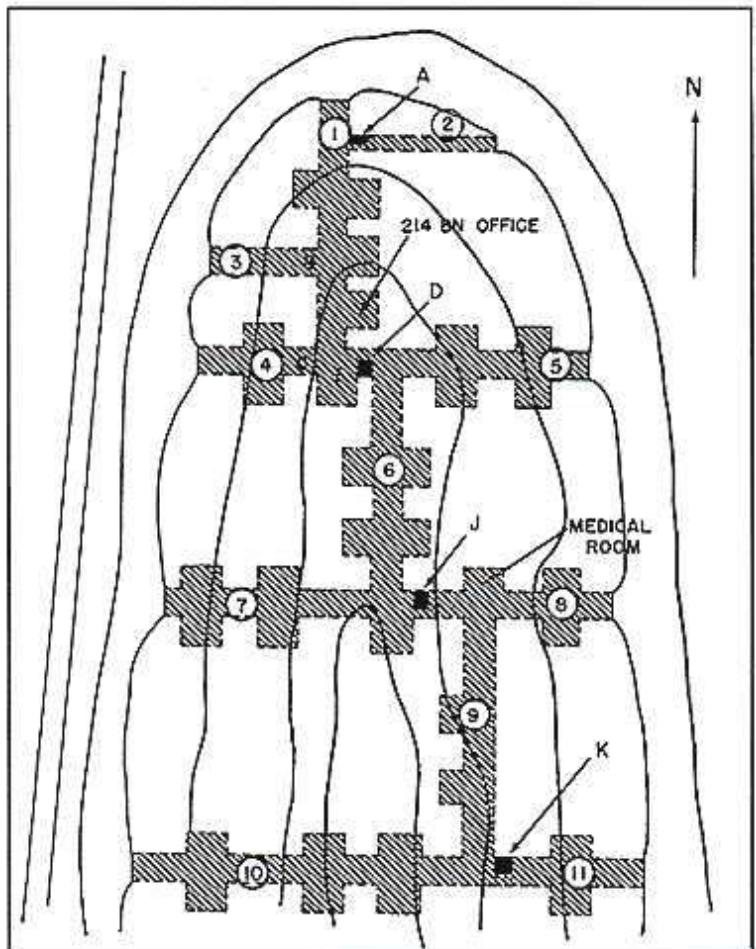


General Douglas MacArthur

Palau/Peleliu



The Pacific, July 1944, after Saipan



Cross-section of elaborate Japanese cave system found on northern Peleliu

Interior of fortified hill on Peleliu

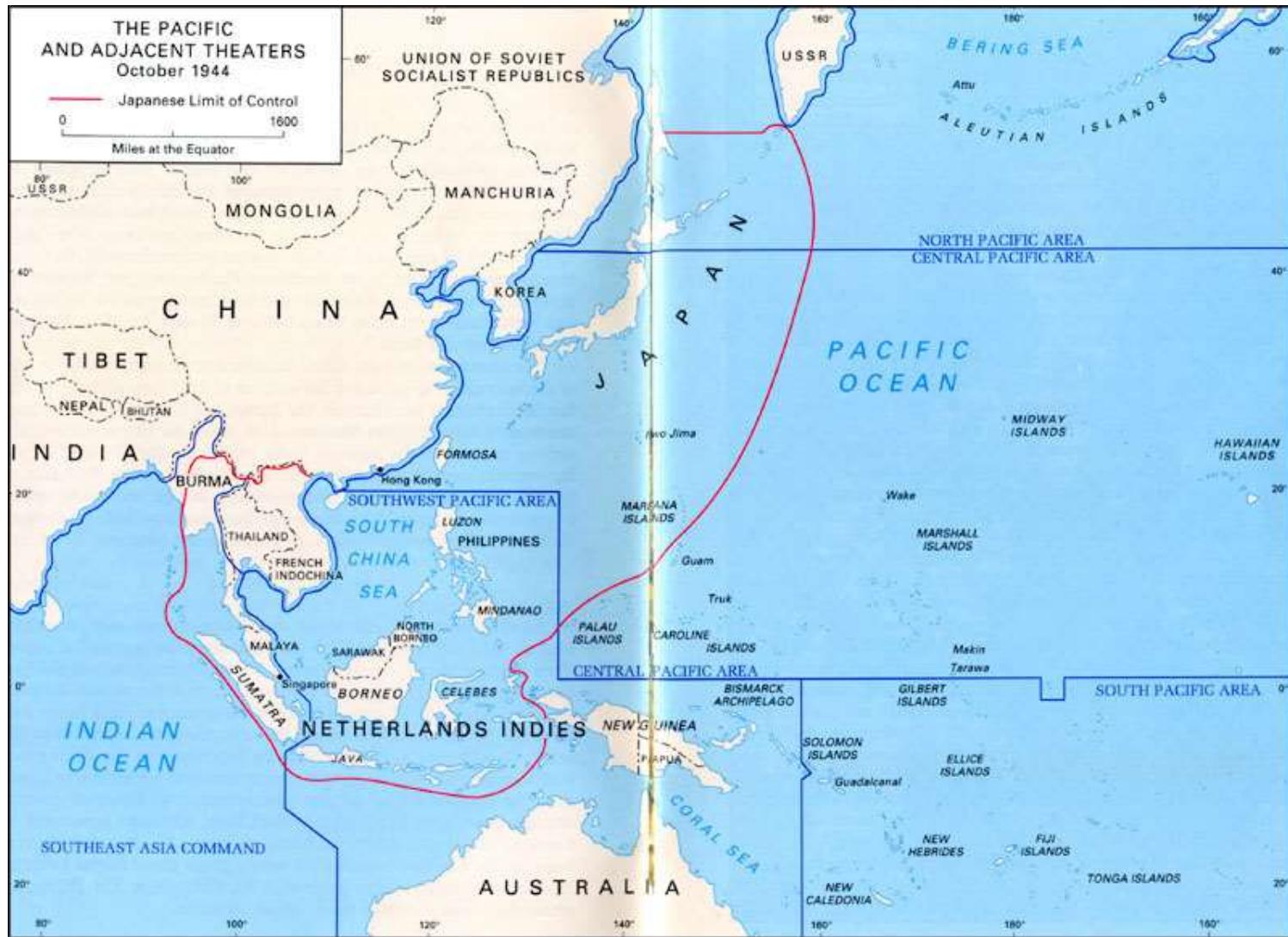


Japanese defensive fortification on Peleliu



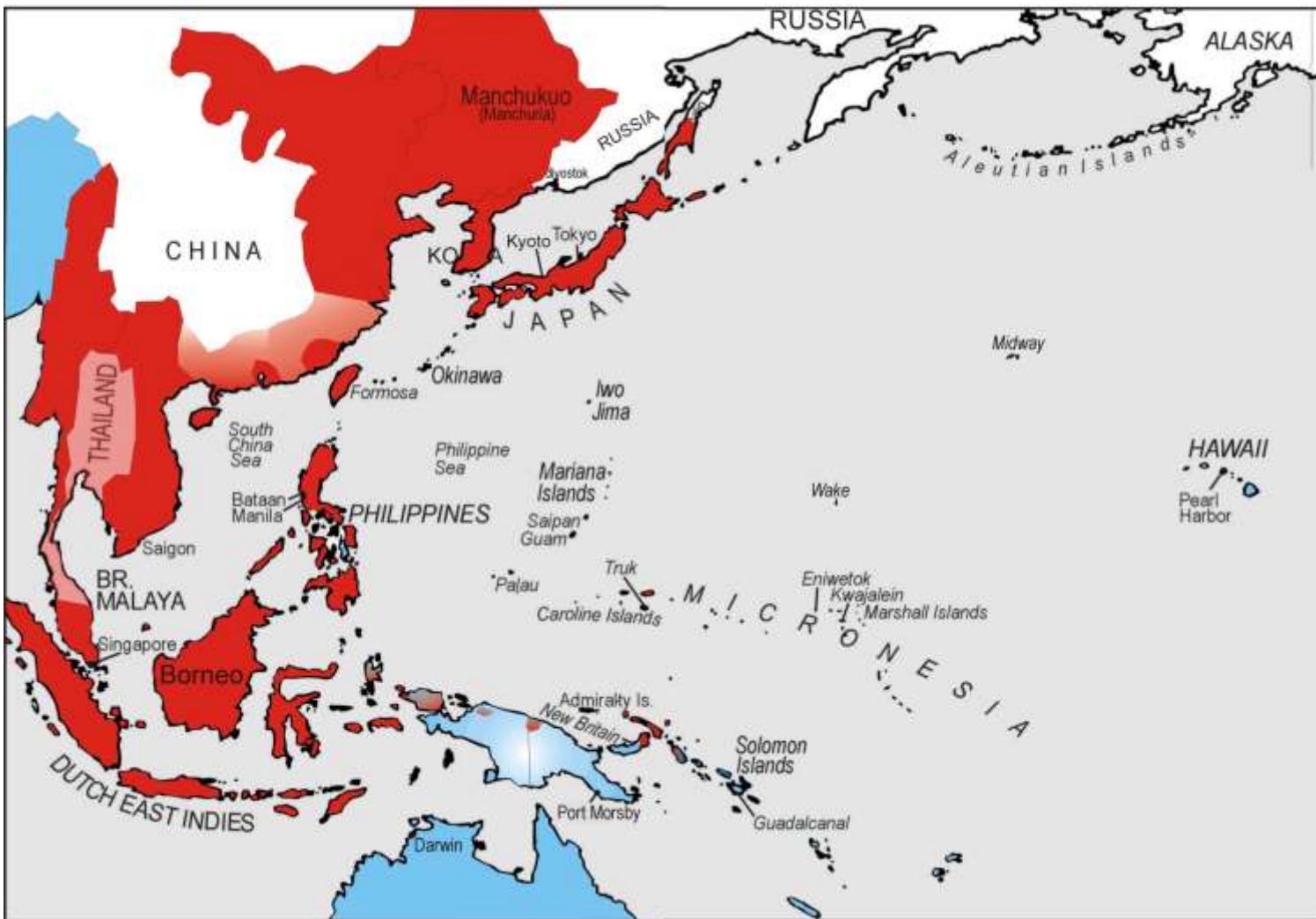
Graveyard at Peleliu



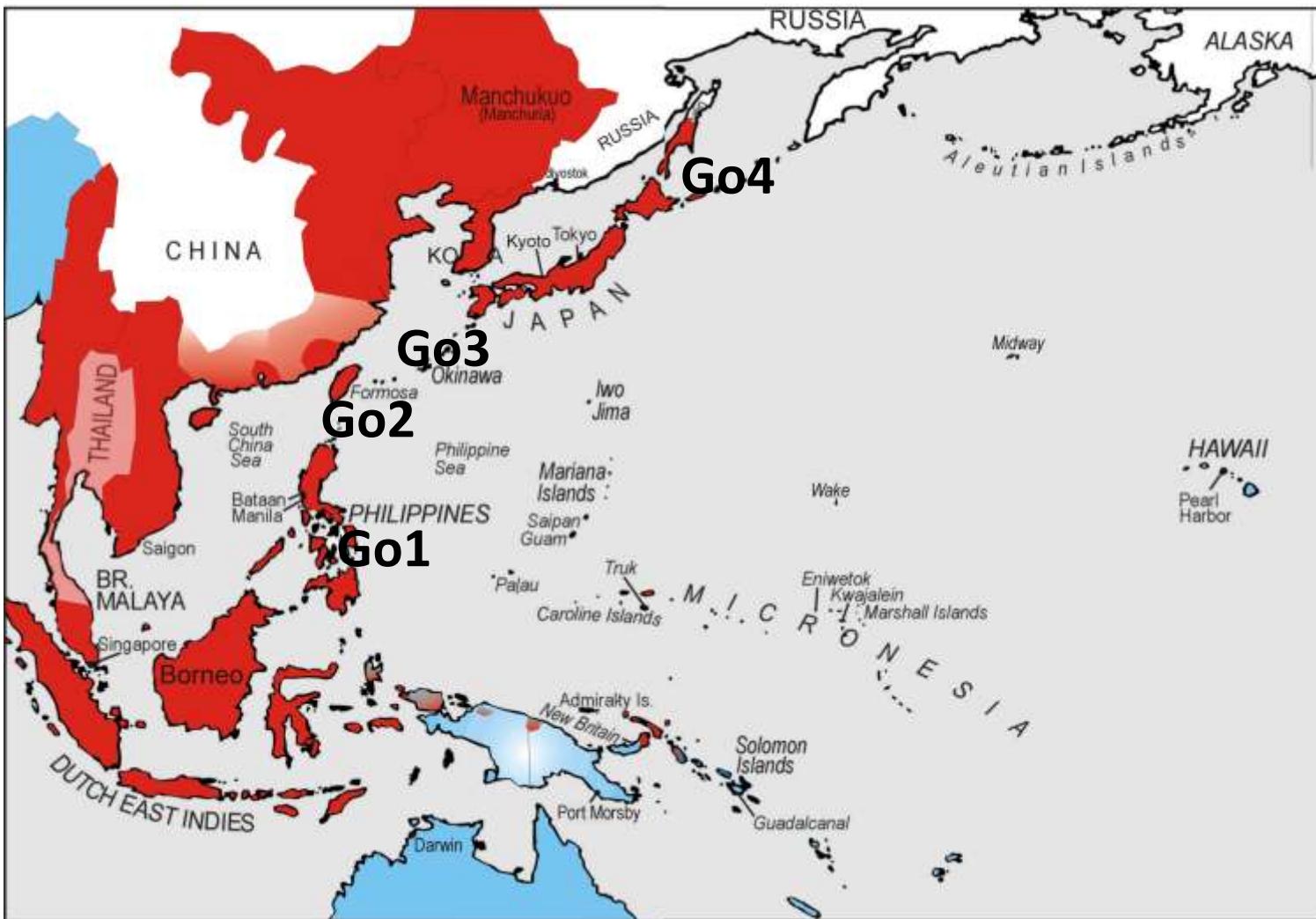


Pacific after Peleliu

The *Sho* Plan

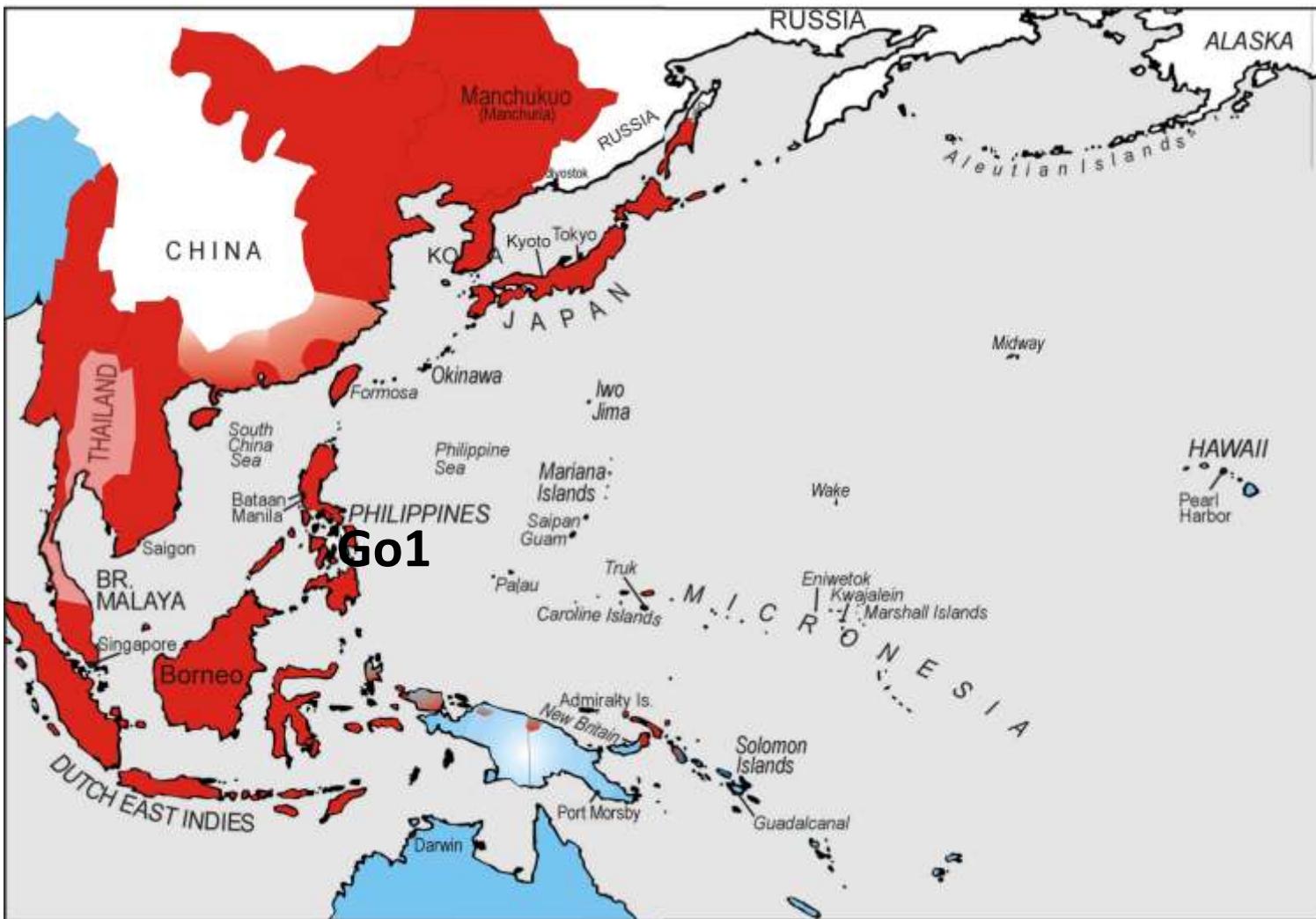


The Sho Plan, December 1944



The *Sho* Plans, December 1944

Preparing the Philippines For Sho-Go1



The *Sho* Plans, December 1944



Lieutenant Commander "Chick" Parsons



USS Narwhal



Guerrilla organizations on Luzon



Juan Elizalde



Blanche Walker Jurika
Chick Parsons' Mother-in-Law

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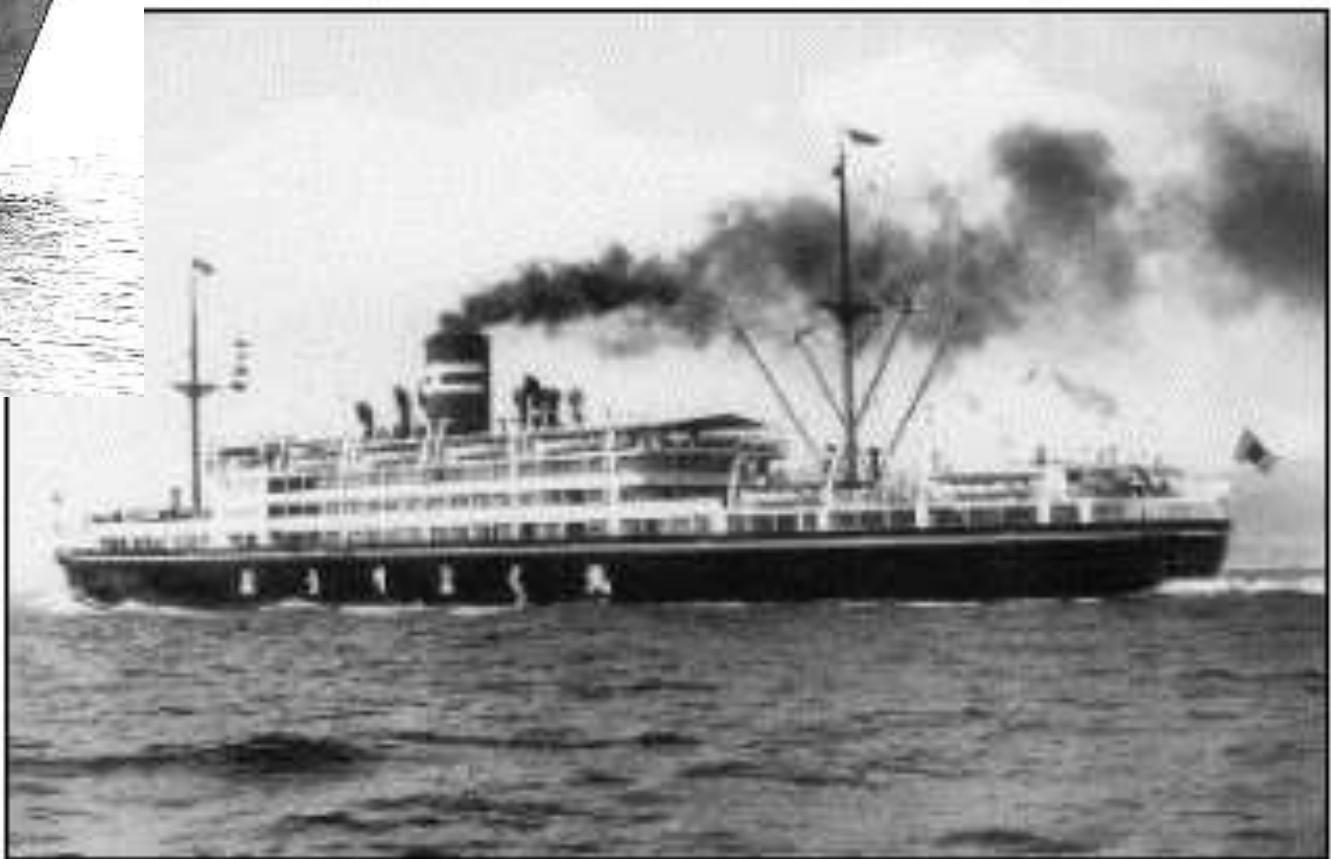
Margaret Utinsky and Claire Phillips



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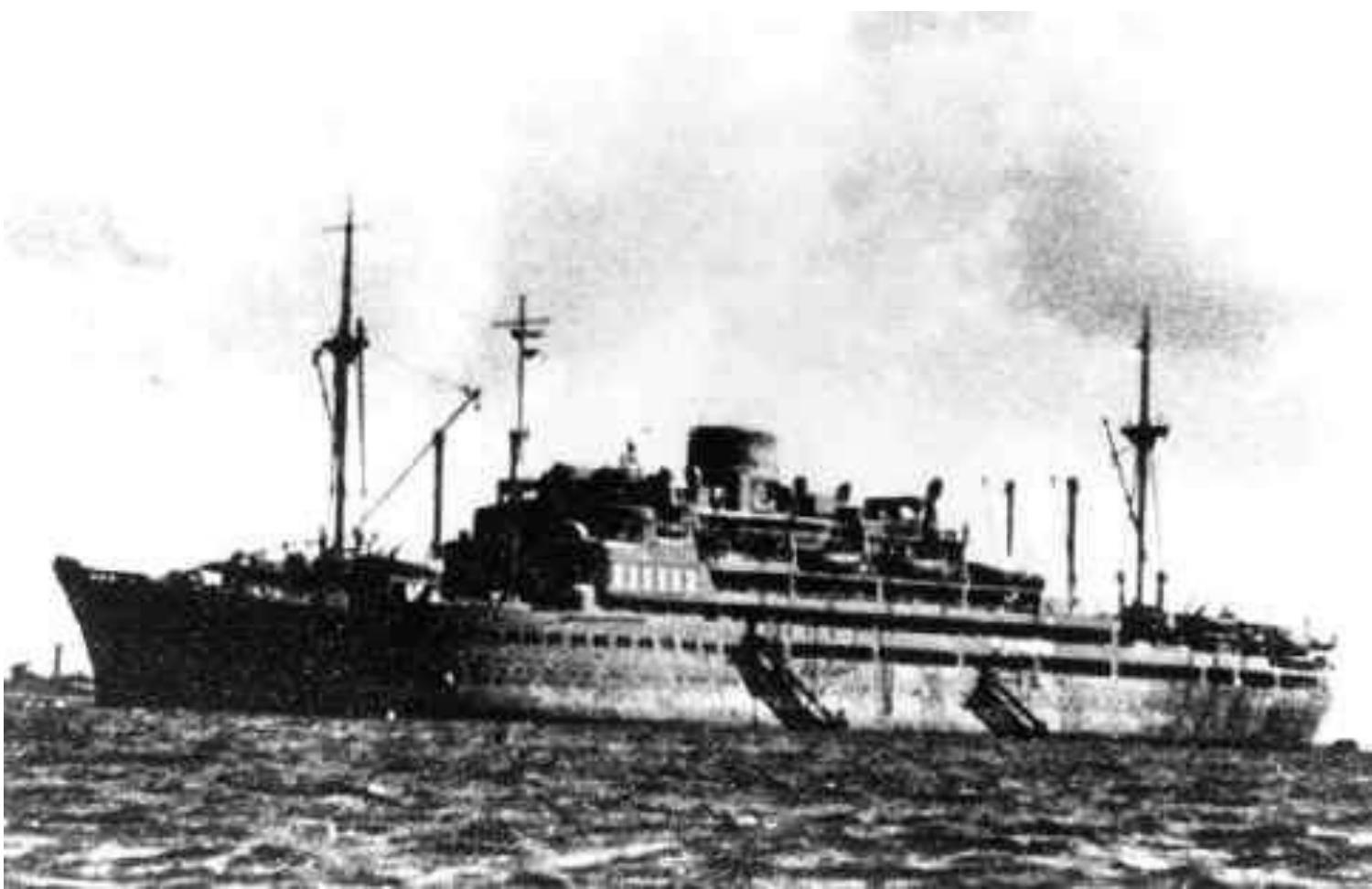
Arisan Maru



Oryoku Maru



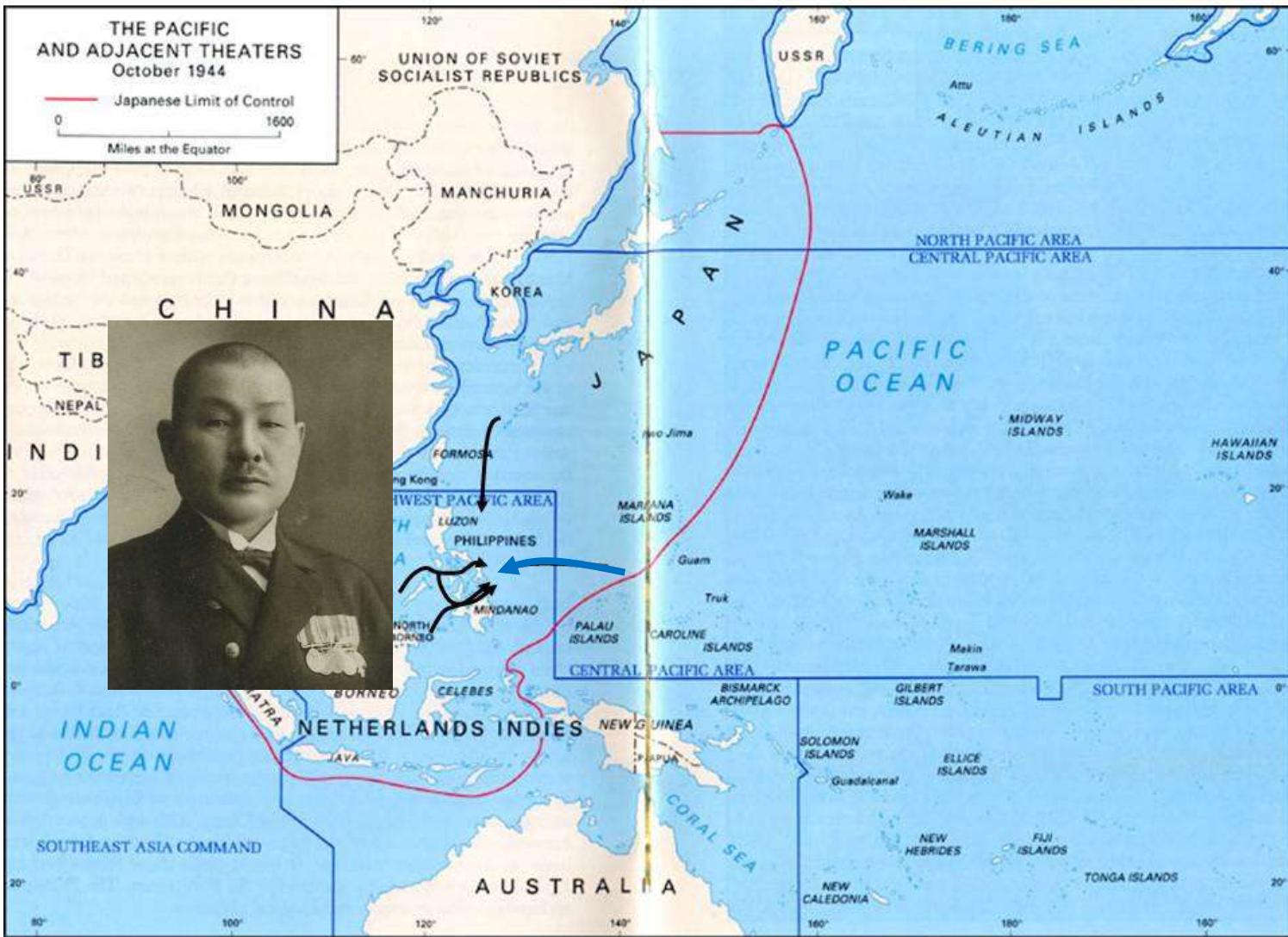
December 15, 1944, Oryoku Maru burning
in Subic Bay



Brazil Maru



General Yamashita



Admiral Toyoda's Sho-Go1 Plan



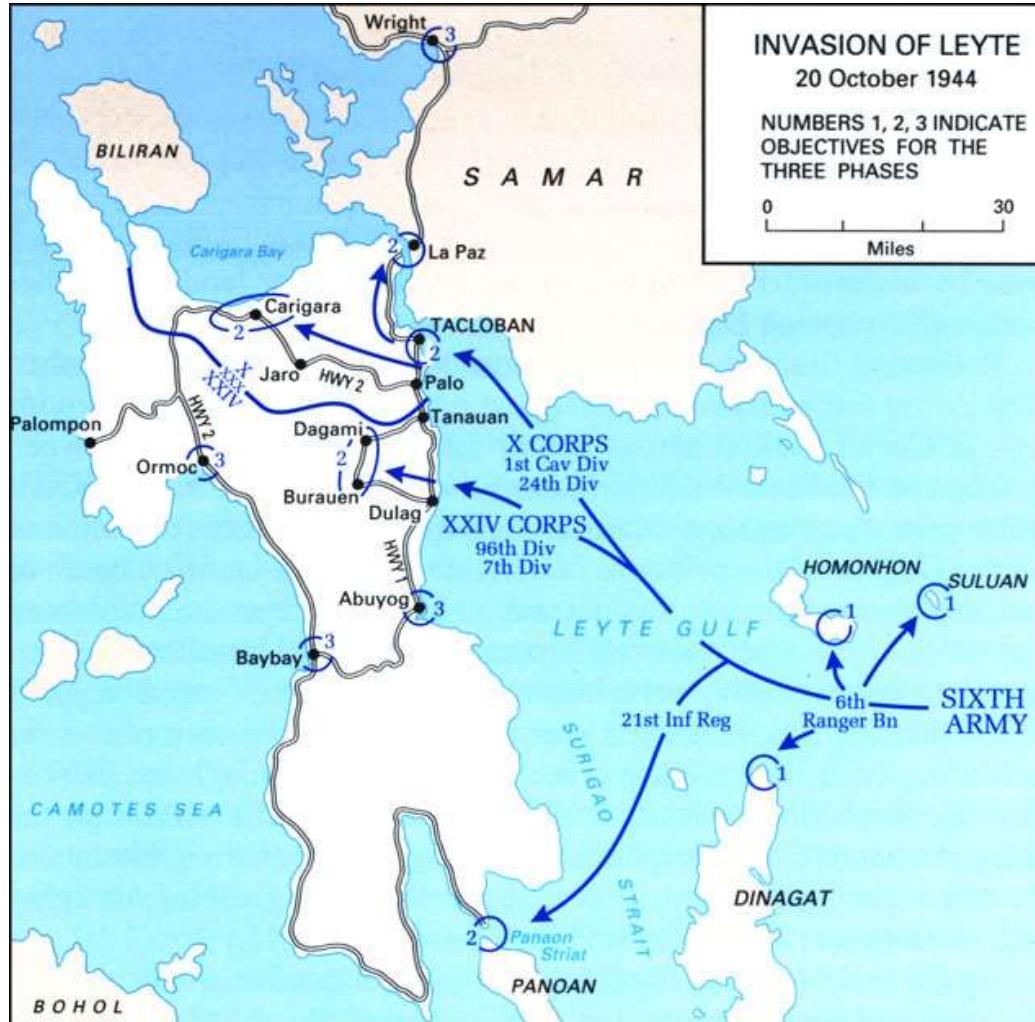
Admiral Takijiro Ohnishi



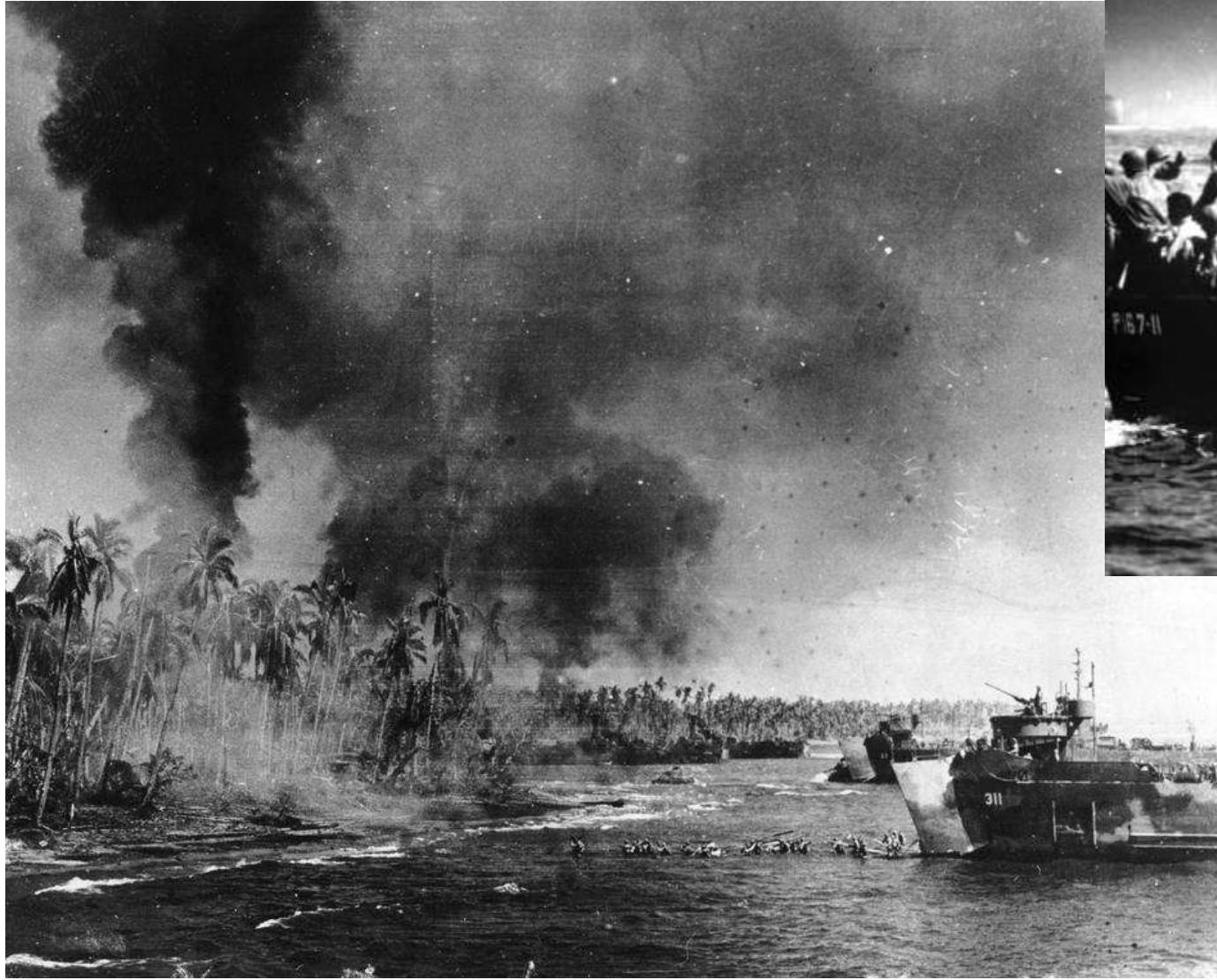
Admiral Ohnishi with the Shikishima Unit, 201st Air Group



Admiral Ohnishi with the Shikishima Unit, 201st Air Group
the first Kamikaze Corps



MacArthur's invasion of Leyte



Leyte troops landing from LSTs



Leyte landing barges



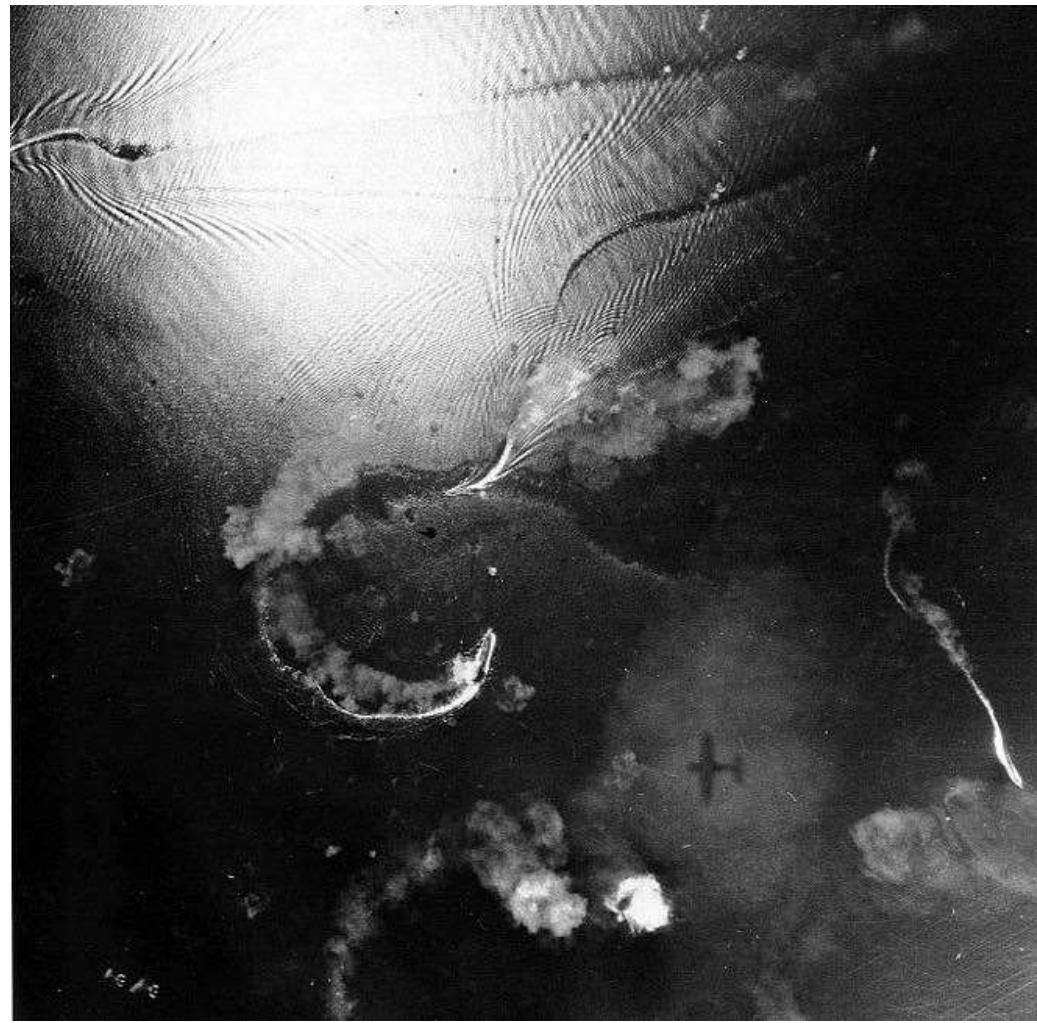
MacArthur wades ashore



Battle of Leyte Gulf



Battle of Leyte Gulf:
1. Center Force



Battleship Musashi attacked in the Sibuyan Sea



Battle of Leyte Gulf:
3. Cape Engano



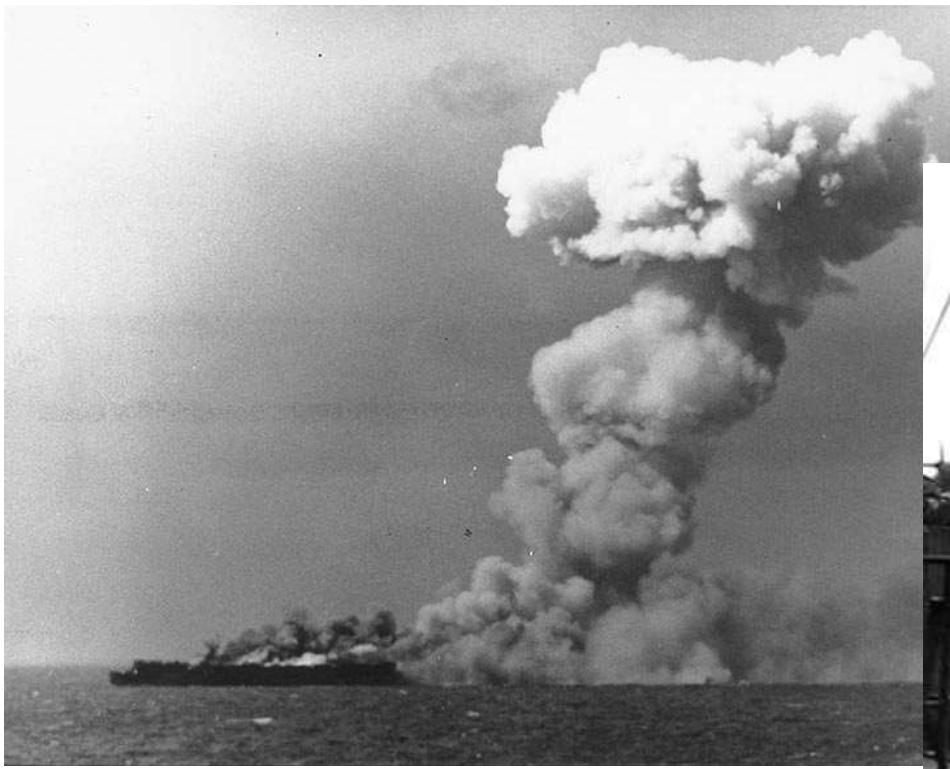
Battle of Leyte Gulf:
2. Surigao Strait



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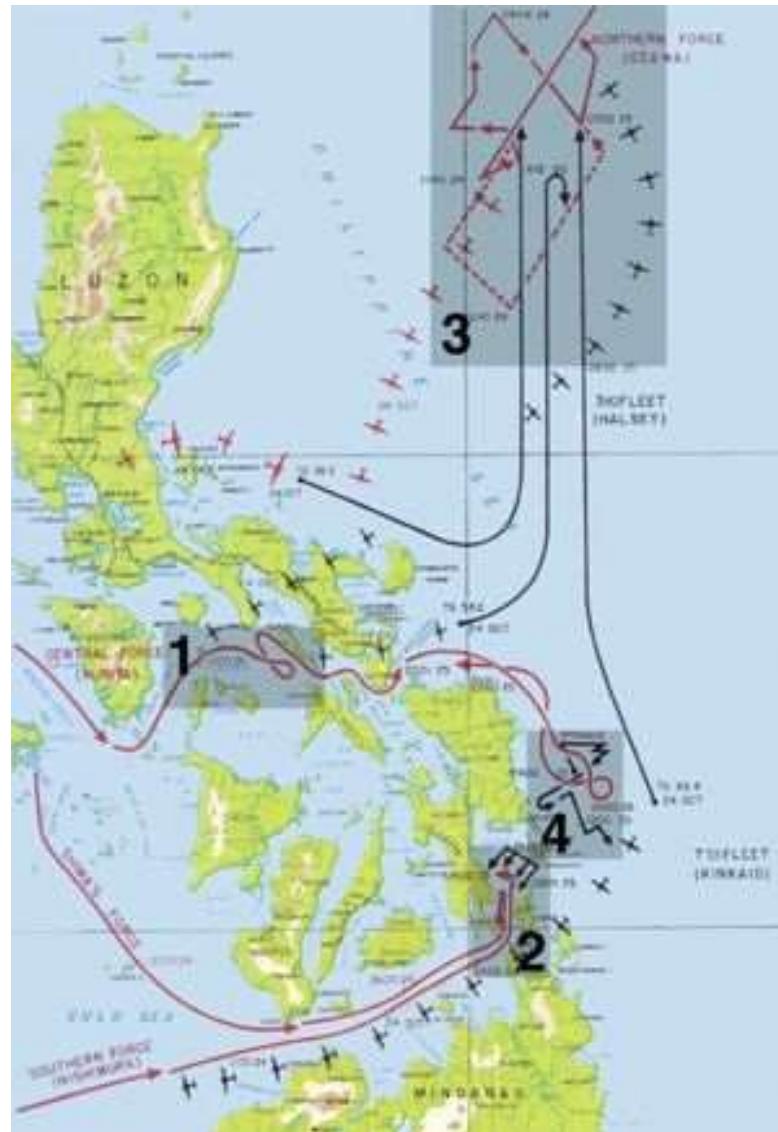
Lowering the flag on Zuikaku



US carrier Princeton burning



US cruiser Birmingham fights fires
on the aircraft carrier Princeton



Battle of Leyte Gulf:
4. Samar

Nimitz to Halsey:

"TURKEY TROTS TO WATER WHERE IS TASK FORCE
THIRTY FOUR REPEAT WHERE IS TASK FORCE THIRTY
FOUR RR THE WORLD WONDERS."



Destroyers generating smoke screen off Samar



Destroyer USS Johnston



Destroyer Samuel B. Roberts



U.S. aircraft carrier St. Lo explodes



Carrier Essex under
Kamikaze attack

Kamikaze hits



Kamikaze Zero about to hit aircraft carrier
Yorktown

On Leyte Island



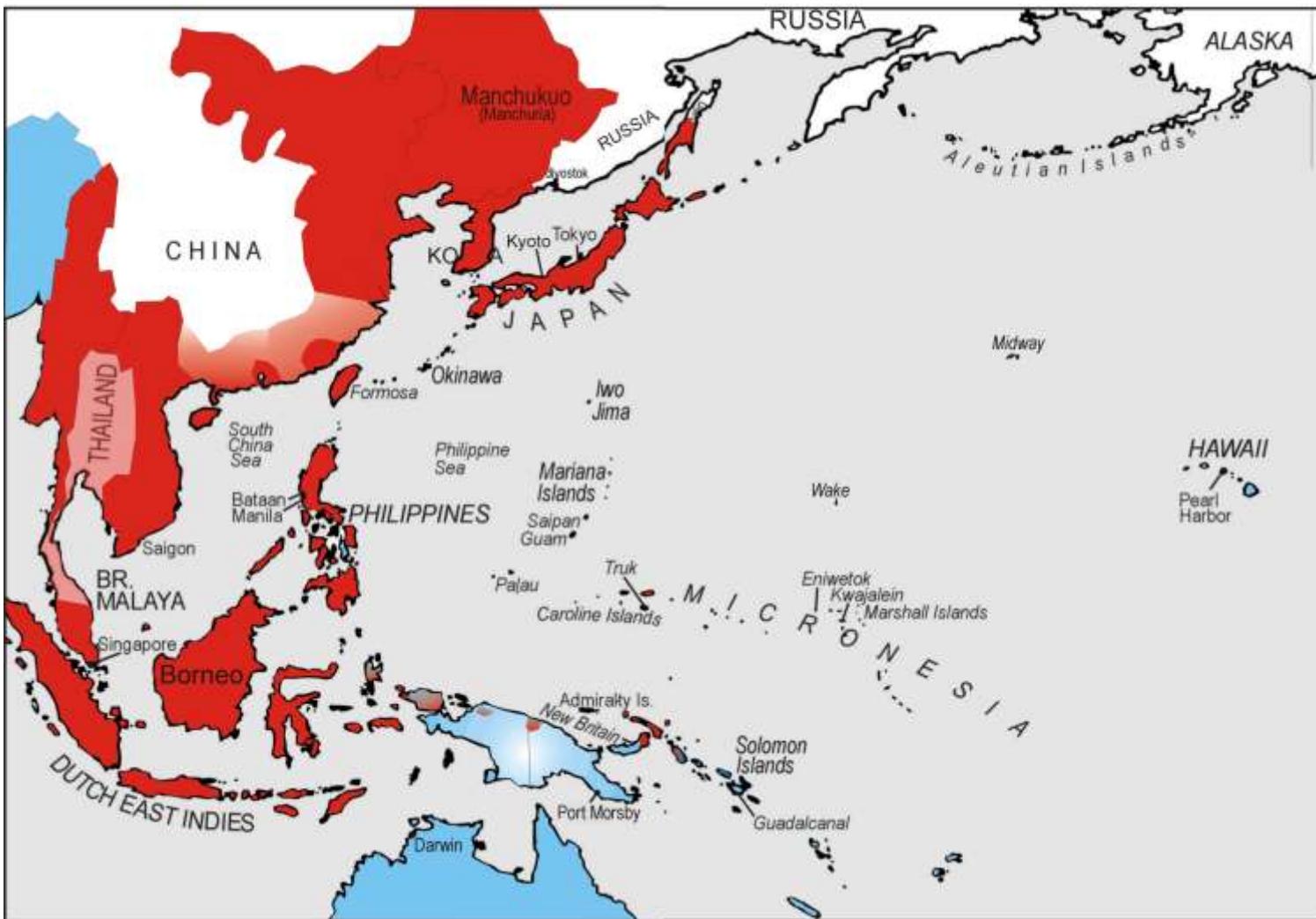
U.S. infantrymen being fired on by Japanese



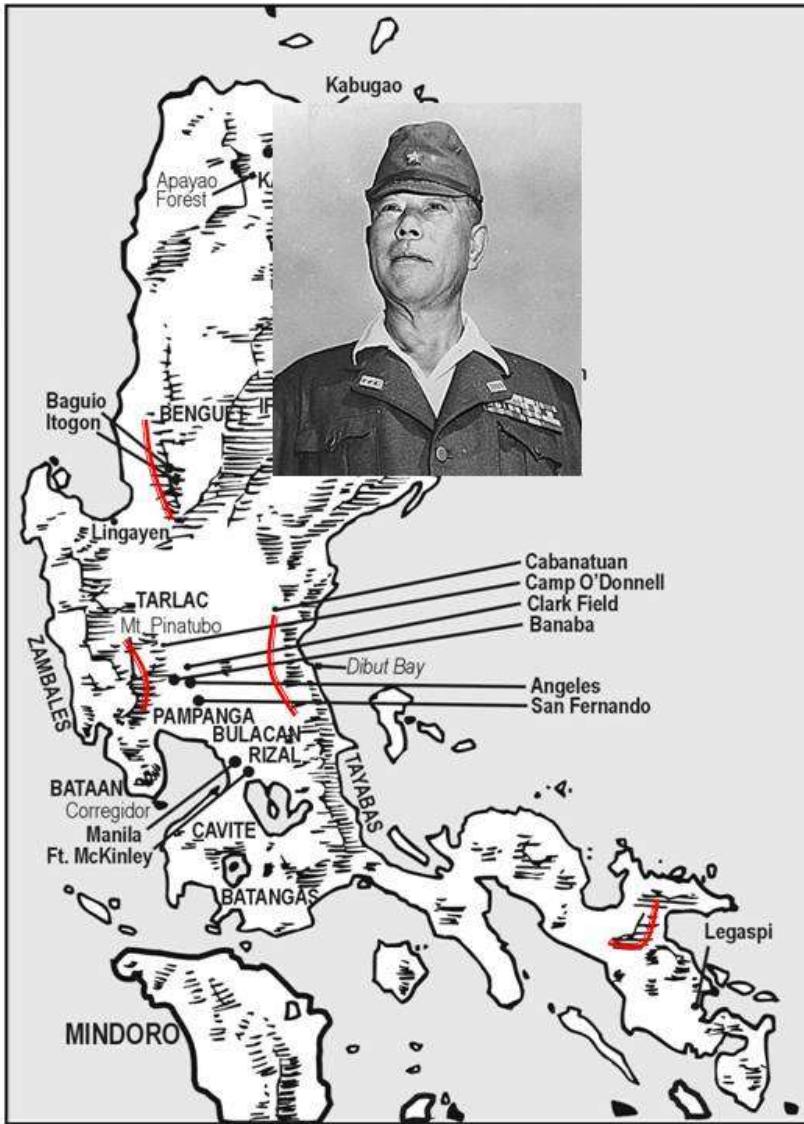
Filipino volunteers bring supplies forward,
help evacuate the wounded



Newly armed Filipino guerrillas wait for orders to move forward



The Pacific after Leyte, December 1944



General Yamashita's Sho-Go1 Plan, January 1945

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