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STURM GET INTO
WAR TO QUALIFY
FOR CONFERENCE

Ankara Discloses Stalin
Backed Colleagues In
Demand At Crime
ANKARA, Feb. 23.—(AP)—Russia declared war on Germany and Japan tonight after nearly six years of uneasy neutrality, frankly admitting that the declaration was executed by the "Big Three" of the United Nations.

DEATH, DERRIS LINE BLOODY ROAD TO JAP PILLBOX ON IWO JIMA

American marines proved this Jap pillbox on Iwo Jima wasn't impregnable—but they paid heavily with their lives to prove it. Their bodies are scattered along the bloody road to the pillbox. Bodies, clothing, gas masks and other articles, many of them ripped by shrapnel, are scattered around the sand. Rifles are blown in half. Even fuses are strewn among the debris as though the war instead on going into a man's private life.

STRONGHOLD OF
POZNAN NOW IN
RUSSIAN HANDS

25,000 Nazis Are Seized
And Equal Number Are
Slain, Says Moscow
LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 23.—(AP)—Russian sappers captured the west Polish stronghold of Poznan (Posen) yesterday after a month's siege, killing or capturing 48,000 Germans and opening vital supply arteries for the impending knockout offensive against Berlin.

ISLAND SLOPES STREAM WITH
JAP DEAD AFTER YANK ADVANCE

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, GUAM, Saturday, Feb. 24.—(AP)—The raging battle for Iwo Jima swung in favor of three United States marine divisions Friday as they occupied one end of an airfield in the island's center and strewn the volcanic slopes of Mt. Suribachi on the south tip with Japanese dead.

FOES OF WATER
PACT DEFEATED

But United States-Mexico
Treaty Fights Fight On
Floor Of Senate
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—(AP)—The proposed United States-Mexico water treaty got an approving nod from the senate foreign relations committee today and was slated for the floor of the senate.

5 SURVIVE WHEN
PLANE CRASHES

Remainder of 22 On Board
Believed Killed; Youth
Goes For Assistance
CEDAR SPRINGS, Va., Feb. 23.—(AP)—Five, and perhaps six, of the 22 persons aboard an American airplane which crashed on a rough mountain slope here today, were reported alive by Ray W. Wright, a local resident who discovered the wreckage and ran several miles to the village.

INTER-AMERICAN CONFERENCE
GETS LINE UP

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 23.—(AP)—Plans for an inter-American conference were placed before the Inter-American conference today in the United States and several other countries.

DESPERATE JAPS IN IWO JIMA
USE ROCKET MORTARS ON YANKS

ABOARD ADMIRAL TURNER'S
Landing ship on Iwo Jima, Feb. 23.—(AP)—The Japanese are using a new weapon, the rocket mortar, in their desperate fight for Iwo Jima.

YARDMAN KILLED
IN TRAIN MISHAP

YUMA, Feb. 23.—(AP)—A switching engine on a train was struck by a passenger train today, killing a yardman and injuring several others.

STRIKE IN MONTAGNA

By a strike in Montagna, Italy, the Italian government has ordered a general strike in the area.

JUELICH IS CAPTURED

Yanks Hurdle Swollen
Roer, Push 2 Miles
East Of River
PARIS, Saturday, Feb. 24.—(AP)—The American First and Ninth Armies launched their long-awaited drive toward the Rhine yesterday on a 22-mile front along the Roer river, quickly captured the ancient fortress city of Juelich and fought their way into Duern.

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