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The Thousand bomber raid was launched for several reasons: It was expected that the devastation from such raids might be enough to knock Germany out of the war or at least severely damage German morale. The raids were useful propaganda for the Allies and particularly for Sir Arthur Harris, 1st Baronet, and the concept of a Strategic Bombing Offensive. Battle of the Atlantic. However, just before the raid took place, the Royal Navy refused to allow the Coastal Command aircraft to take part in the raid. Harris scrambled around and, by crewing 49 more aircraft with pupil pilots and instructors, 1, bombers eventually took part in the raid, two and a half times more than any previous raid by the RAF. In addition to the bombers attacking Cologne, other aircraft on "Intruder" raids harassed German night-fighter airfields. The recent introduction of GEE allowed the bombers to fly a given route at a given time and height. The British night bombing campaign had been in operation for some months, and a statistical estimate could be made of the number of bombers likely to be lost to enemy night fighters and flak, and how many would be lost through collisions. Earlier in the war four hours had been considered acceptable for a mission; for this raid all the bombers passed over Cologne and bombed in a window of 90 minutes, with the first having arrived at It was anticipated that the concentration of bombing over such a short period would overwhelm the Cologne fire brigades and cause conflagrations similar to those inflicted on London by the Luftwaffe during the Blitz. In the raid, aircraft bombed the main target with 15 aircraft bombing other targets. The total tonnage of bombs dropped was 1, tons with two-thirds of that being incendiaries. Two and a half thousand separate fires were started with 1, classed by the German fire brigades as "large". The action of fire fighters and the width of the streets stopped the fires combining into a firestorm, but nonetheless most of the damage was done by fire and not directly by the explosive blasts. Among the buildings classed as totally destroyed were: The only military installation damaged was the flak barracks. The damage to civilian homes, most of them apartments in larger buildings, was considerable: The number reported killed was between and, of whom were civilians and 58 military. The RAF lost 43 aircraft German propaganda claimed 44, [5] 3. A posthumous Victoria Cross was awarded to Flying Officer Leslie Thomas Manser who sacrificed himself so his crew could abandon the aircraft.

Chapter 2 : Timeline of World War II () - Wikipedia

This second volume, of a three volume set, covers from May to January As with the first volume, this book also appears for the first time in English, and contains over additional photos not published in the original German language edition.

On January 2, , the Philippine capital of Manila was occupied by the Japanese army. Learn about this and the other important World War II events that occurred during the month of January below. World War II Timeline: January 1-January 11 January: In a directive that is important for troop morale, British General Claude Auchinleck reminds his Eighth Army that Erwin "Desert Fox" Rommel is an ordinary, though successful general, and not an invincible, supernatural force. The United Nations is born from an agreement among 26 Allied nations not to make separate peace with the signatories of the Tripartite Pact. Auto dealerships across the United States close their doors after steel conservation measures force a moratorium on new car and truck sales. Twenty-three Czech partisans are murdered by the Nazi occupation force on suspicion of sabotage. The rampaging Japanese army occupies the Philippine capital of Manila. China emerges victorious in a battle for Changsha, Hunan. The Chinese drive some 70, Japanese troops into full retreat. New Japanese bases in Thailand are now operational. Washington and London announce plans to station American troops in Britain to help further Allied military goals in Europe. The Japanese launch a propaganda war in the skies over the Philippines, dropping leaflets on Allied troops that press for their surrender. Japan invades the Celebes Islands, part of the Dutch empire, and declares war on the Netherlands. Japan continues its campaign of conquest with the seizure of the Malaysian capital of Kuala Lumpur. British Borneo falls to Japan: Japanese infantry go on the assault in British Borneo. Mountainous and heavily jungled, with a limited network of roads, Borneo was strategically important due to its position on the main routes between Japan and Malaya. It also offered large supplies of oil and raw materials to the resource-starved Japanese though for Japan to successfully transport oil along shipping lanes that would see increased Allied activity would be difficult. For the moment, though, the possibility of Japanese access to additional oil was unappealing to the Allies. British strategists had long realized that Borneo could not be held. Nevertheless, the only Allied ground unit on Borneo, an outnumbered Indian battalion of the 15th Punjab Regiment, managed to resist for 10 weeks before it was overwhelmed. The Battle of Changsha, China: A Chinese soldier mans a light machine gun during the Battle of Changsha. The Japanese offensive against the city began with , troops in late December The Chinese army resisted with , men, which harassed the Japanese advance and then established lines of defense in Changsha itself. The Japanese assault penetrated the city, but on January 1 the Chinese counterattacked, inflicting heavy casualties. Other Chinese units swept down from the mountains to sever Japanese supply lines. Suddenly finding themselves besieged, the Japanese began a costly retreat, finally reaching the safety of the Sinchiang River on January Brazil linked to Nazi Germany: Vargas cleverly played upon those fears to win economic concessions from the U. In Brazil finally came into the war on the Allied side. However, enemy agents and the large German population in South America provided pro-Axis pressure and cover for Axis communication facilities well into See the next section for a timeline and more headlines from January Learn more about the significant events and players of World War II in these informative articles:

Chapter 3 : V-1 and V-2 Intelligence - Wikipedia

history of the pik as geschwadervolume 2: may january jagdgeschwader 53 or as it was better known, the pik as (ace of spades) geschwader was one of the oldest german fighter units of world war ii with its origins going back to the year.

Manila is captured by Japanese forces. They also take Cavite naval base , and the American and Filipino troops continue the retreat into Bataan. The beginning of a major Red Army offensive under General Zhukov. The British advance continues to El Agheila , on the western edge of Libya. In his State of the Union speech, President Roosevelt promises more aid to Britain, including planes and troops. The Soviet Winter counter-offensive comes to a halt, after having pushed the exhausted and freezing German Army back 62â€”mi from Moscow. Siege of the Bataan Peninsula begins. Heavy air attacks on Malta; it is estimated that the bomb tonnage dropped on the island is twice that dropped on London. Japanese troops penetrated the outer lines of defense at Kuala Lumpur , Malaya. Japanese advances in Borneo met with little opposition. Japan declares war on the Netherlands. Japanese troops capture Kuala Lumpur, Malaya. Japan invades the Dutch East Indies. The Red Army takes Kirov and Medya, as its counter-offensive continues. Japanese forces take large numbers of British troops prisoner, north of Singapore. Nazis at the Wannsee conference in Berlin decide that the " final solution to the Jewish problem " is relocation, and later extermination. Japanese bomb Singapore as their troops approach the city. The Battle of Rabaul , on New Britain begins. American troops land in Samoa, as part of a strategy to stop the Japanese advance in the Pacific. Thailand declares war on the United States and United Kingdom. Japanese troops invade the Solomon Islands. The first American forces arrive in Europe landing in Northern Ireland. The British withdraw all troops back into Singapore. Brazil breaks off relations with the Axis powers. For the next few months, the two sides will rest and rearm. Hitler speaks at the Berlin Sportpalast and threatens the Jews of the world with annihilation; he also blames the failure of the offensive in Soviet Union on the weather. On the Eastern front, the Germans are in retreat at several points. The last organised Allied forces leave Malaya, ending the day battle. February [edit] 1: Japanese air power conducts airstrikes against Java , especially the naval base at Surabaya. British troops are now in full retreat into Singapore for a final defence. Top United States military leaders hold their first formal meeting to discuss American military strategy in the war. The " Channel Dash " - The German battleships Scharnhorst and Gneisenau , with the heavy cruiser Prinz Eugen , rush out of Brest through the English Channel to northern ports, including Wilhelmshaven, Germany; the British naval units fail to sink any of them. The battle for Bataan continues. Singapore surrenders to Japanese forces; this is arguably the most devastating loss in British military history. Being discussed in high American government circles are plans for the internment of Japanese-Americans living generally in the western US. The Japanese commit the Banka Island Massacre in which they open fire on Australian military nurses, killing Orders are given for Rangoon to be evacuated as Japanese forces approach. Roosevelt signs Executive Order allowing the United States military to define areas as exclusionary zones. A military conscription law is passed in Canada. Japanese troops cross the important Salween River in Burma. Japanese invade Bali and Timor by a combined use of paratroops and amphibious troops. The internment of Japanese-American citizens in the Western United States begins as fears of invasion increase. Princess Elizabeth registers for war service. Vivian Bullwinkel , the only survivor of the Banka Island Massacre , is captured and imprisoned by the Japanese. Japanese land forces invade Java. March [edit] 1: A Red Army offensive in the Crimea begins; in the north, the siege of Leningrad continues. Japanese aircraft make a surprising raid on the airfield and harbour at Broome , Western Australia. Malta receives more fighters for its on-going defence. Japanese troops entered Rangoon , Burma, which was abandoned by the British two days earlier. The Japanese land on Mindanao, the southernmost island in the Philippines. RAF launches an air raid against Essen, Germany. The Japanese are now threatening American forces around Manila Bay ; the retreat to Corregidor begins. The United Kingdom institutes rationing of electricity, coal, and gas; the clothing ration is decreased as well. Operation Outward begins, a program to attack Germany by means of free-flying balloons. A fractured convoy reaches Malta, after heavy losses to the Luftwaffe and an Italian sea force. Continued heavy bombing attacks on the island with slight opposition from

overtaxed RAF air forces. RAF sends bomber raids against targets in France and Germany. Jews in Berlin must now clearly identify their houses. The port is completely destroyed and does not resume service till ; however, around two-thirds of the raiding forces are lost. April [edit] 1: The Eastern Sea Frontier , desperately short on suitable escort vessels after the Destroyers for Bases Agreement , institutes an interim arrangement known as the "Bucket Brigaid," wherein vessels outside of protected harbors are placed in anchorages protected by netting after dark, and move only under whatever escort is available during the day. As a result, in May more ships will be sunk in the Gulf, many of them off the Passes of the Mississippi, than off of the entire Eastern Seaboard. The Pacific War Council meets for the first time in Washington. Intended to allow the smaller powers involved in fighting the Japanese to have some input into US decisions, its purpose is soon outstripped by events, notably the collapse of the ABDA Command. Over 24, sick and starving troops American and Filipino are now trapped on the Bataan Peninsula. Japanese make landings on New Guinea, most importantly at Hollandia. Japanese forces begin an all-out assault on United States and Filipino troops in Bataan. Sustained Japanese air attacks on Mandalay in Burma. On Bataan, the Japanese overwhelm Mt. Samat, a strong point on Allied defensive line. The Japanese Navy attacks Colombo in Ceylon. Adolf Hitler issues Directive No. The main offensive is directed to seize the Russian oil fields in the Caucasus ; a secondary thrust is to capture Stalingrad and protect the flank of the main advance. Japanese naval forces put troops ashore on Manus Island in the Bismarck Archipelago some sources give a date of 8 April for these landings. Heavy RAF bombing of Hamburg. American forces are strained for one last offensive on Bataan. Bataan falls to the Japanese. The " Bataan Death March " begins, as the captives are taken off to detention camps in the north. Corregidor, in the middle of Manila Bay, remains a final point of resistance. Japanese land on Cebu Island , a large middle island of the Philippines. Japanese forces capture Migyaungye in Burma. Anton Schmid an Austrian soldier of the Wehrmacht is put to death, after witnessing the Ponary Massacre and saving Jews. Winston Churchill , concerned that the situation in Malta will cause the Axis forces in North Africa to be better supplied than British forces, sends a telegram to Sir Stafford Cripps in Cairo, asking him to pressure General Auchinleck to take offensive action before this can occur. Soldiers of the I Burma Corps begin to destroy the infrastructure of the Yenangyaung oil fields to prevent the advancing Japanese from capturing them intact. Doolittle Raid on Nagoya , Tokyo and Yokohama. The raids are a great boost of morale for Americans whose diet has been mostly bad news. This deprives U-boat commanders of background illumination, but provides only a very little relief from U-boat attack; as the nights grow shorter more U-boat attacks are occurring in daylight hours. General Dobbie , Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of Malta , sends a message to Winston Churchill saying "it is obvious that the very worst may happen if we cannot replenish our vital needs, especially flour and ammunition, and that very soon V fighters of No. Hitler assumes a kind of supreme authority over Germany. Rostock is bombed for fourth night in a row. A national plebiscite is held in Canada on the issue of conscription. It passes in favor of conscription; French Canadians are the main, though not the only, objectors. The finalized thirty-three page draft for the German Amerika Bomber trans-Atlantic range strategic bomber design competition is submitted to the RLM. The bulk of the British assault troops depart Durban in South Africa for Madagascar ; the slower ships, carrying transport and heavy weapons, have departed in great secrecy some days earlier. The " Baedeker raids " continue, focused on Norwich and York. Japanese cut Burma Road with the capture of Lashio in Burma.

Chapter 4 : Julia Bartlett Crane Durham : May 7, - January 2, | Richland, MI

In June , the Gruppe was again shifted to the east where it took part in the advance on Stalingrad where it suffered serious losses. saw the Gruppe still in Russia until it was recalled to the Reich to see further service in the defence of Germany between August and early June

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jagdgeschwader 53, volume may january Jochen Prien Continuing chronicle begins with the termination of the German air offensive against Malta and its split into three Gruppen --one on the eastern front and Stalingrad, the second in Sicily and the central Mediterranean, and the third in North Africa and Egypt.

Chapter 6 : Number of days between May 6th, and January 10th,

Jagdeschwader A History of the "Pik As" Geschwader Volume 2: May - January Jochen Prien Jagdgeschwader / "Wilde Sau": In Defense of the Reich with the Bf , Fw and Ta

Chapter 7 : World War II Timeline: January January 13, | HowStuffWorks

January 1: Twenty-six Allied countries signed the Declaration by United Nations during the Arcadia Conference. 2: Manila is captured by Japanese forces. They also take Cavite naval base, and the American and Filipino troops continue the retreat into Bataan.

Chapter 8 : List of Eastern Fleet ships | Military Wiki | FANDOM powered by Wikia

Military intelligence on the V-1 and V-2 weapons: developed by the Germans for attacks on the United Kingdom during the Second World War was important to countering them.: Intelligence came from a number of sources and the Anglo-American intelligence agencies used it to assess the threat of the German V-weapons.

Chapter 9 : SparkNotes: Diary of a Young Girl: November 17, â€“January 28, , page 2

World War II Timeline: January January 13, - This World War II timeline details the alliance of Chinese Nationalists with the U.S. and Britain. Learn about the major events of World War II here.