



# WWII: The Pacific Theater

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# Introduction

"I fear all we have done is to awaken a sleeping giant and fill him with a terrible resolve"



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Japanese Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto regarding the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor by forces of Imperial Japan



# Pearl Harbor

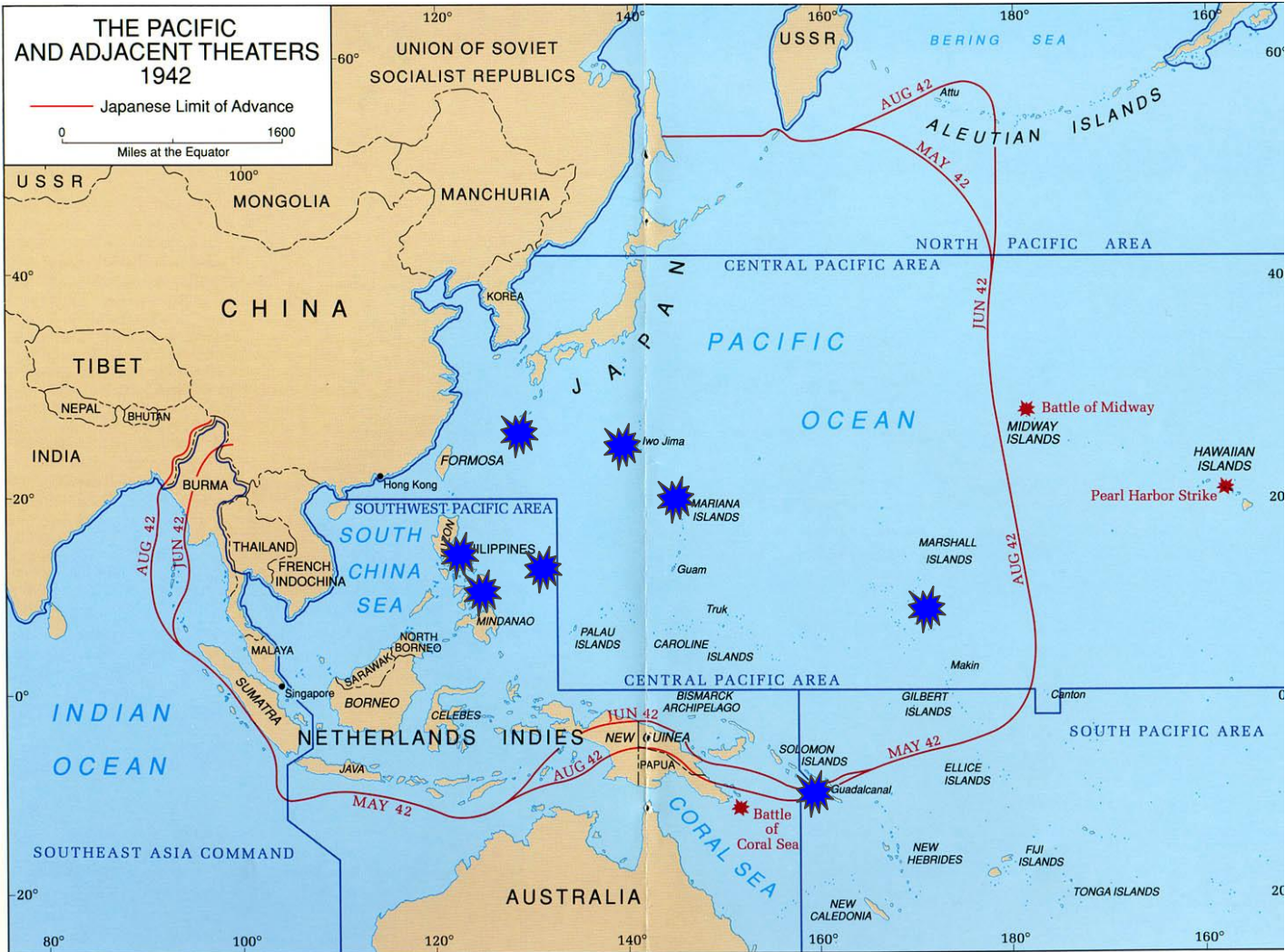
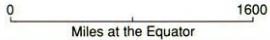


# Island Hopping

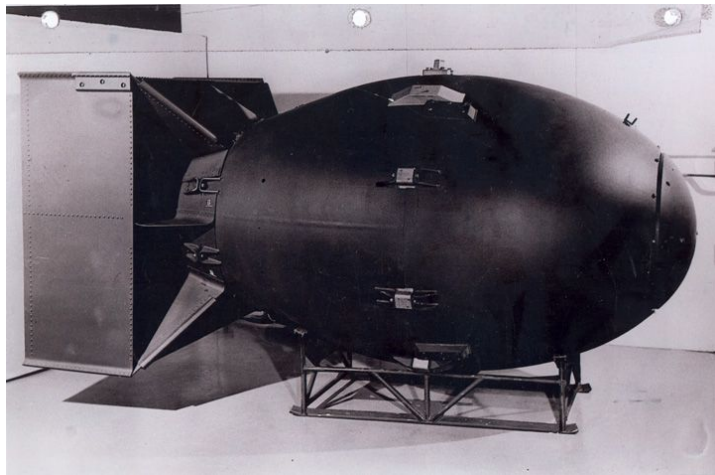


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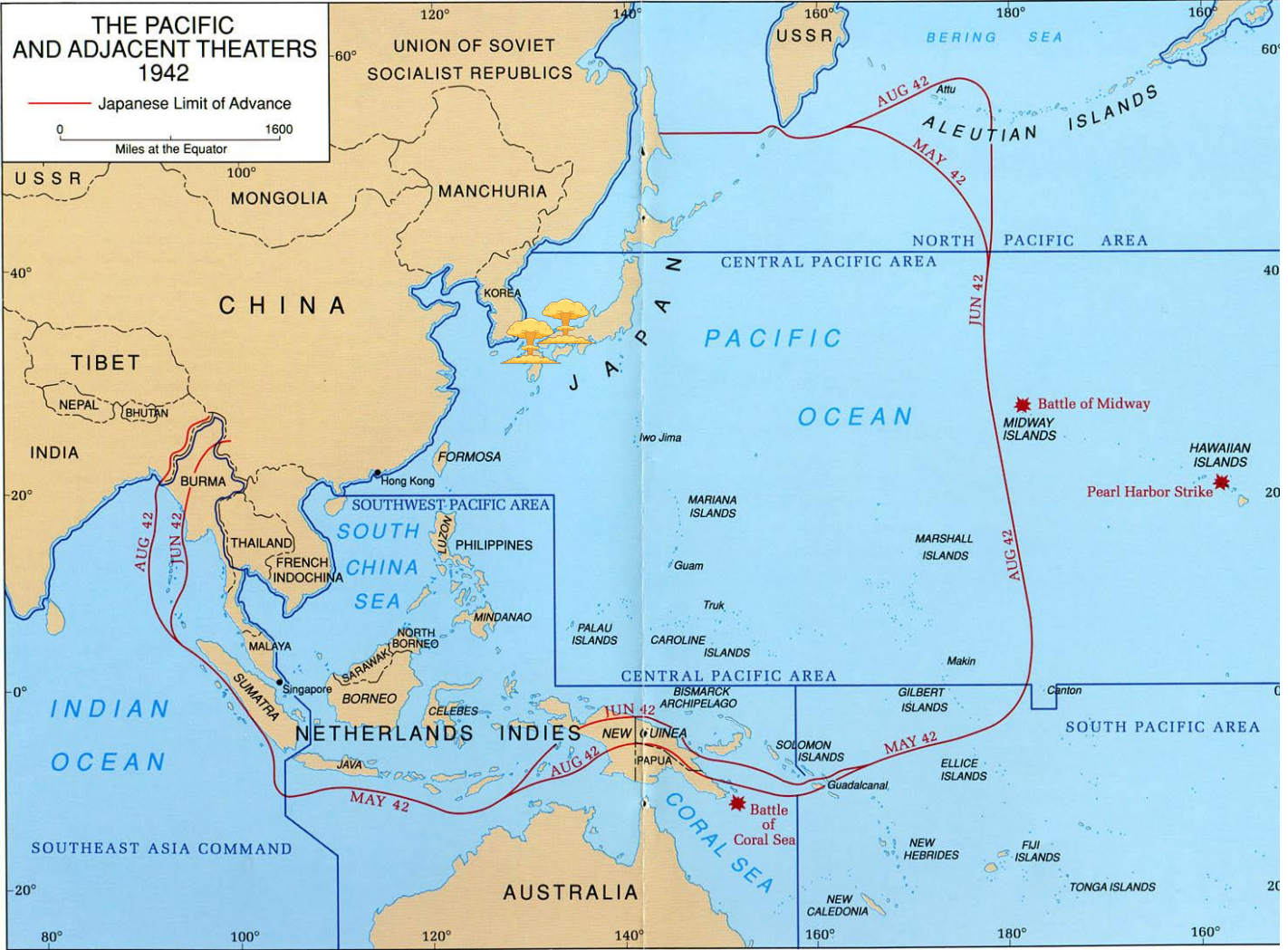
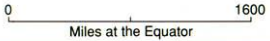


# Atomic Bombs



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# V-J Day



"All the News That's Fit to Print" **The New York Times** LATE CITY EDITION  
 NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 1945  
**JAPAN SURRENDERS, END OF WAR!  
 EMPEROR ACCEPTS ALLIED RULE;  
 MACARTHUR SUPREME COMMANDER;  
 OUR MANPOWER CURBS VOIDED**

HIRING MADE LOCAL COMMUNITIES, LABOR AND MANAGEMENT WILL UNITE EFFORTS  
 6,000,000 AFFECTED  
 Draft Quotas Cut, Service to Drop 5,500,000 in 18 Months

Third Fleet Falls 5 Planes Since End  
 Hundreds of Thousands Fear Joy After Victory Flash Is Received  
 TIMES SQ. IS JAMMED  
 Police Estimate Crowds in Area at 2,000,000—Dispersing

ALL CITY LETS GO  
 HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS FEAR JOY AFTER VICTORY FLASH IS RECEIVED  
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PRESIDENT ANNOUNCING SURRENDER OF JAPAN  
 BELONG UNQUALIFIED, TRUMAN SAYS  
 Japan Is Told to Order End of Hostilities, Notify Allied Supreme Commander and Send Embassies to Him  
 MACARTHUR TO RECEIVE SURRENDER  
 Formal Proclamation of V-J Day Awaits Signing of Those Articles—Case File Order Given to Allied Forces

**FINAL EDITION** **OFFICIAL VICTORY!** **THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER**  
 WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 15, 1945  
**WAR ENDS AS JAPAN QUITS**  
**TODAY, THURSDAY ARE LEGAL HOLIDAYS**

U.S.S. Indianapolis Lost; All Aboard Are Dead, Missing Or Injured HAD ATOMIC BOMB ROLE  
 Cruiser Carried Explosive To Guam Base Before Sinking With 1,196  
 WAR CONTRACTS Are Swept Away  
 Cincinnati Writes Off \$40,000,000 Lost

CELEBRATION WILDEST IN HISTORY OF CITY  
 MacArthur Is Appointed To Accept Surrender, President Says  
 HIROHITO IS ALLIED TOOL  
 All Man-Power Controls Are Removed—Draft Calls To Be Cut

1,548 DAYS