

R.A.F. AND AMERICANS SHATTER DRESDEN .

800 heavies of Bomber Command set out in the last hours of daylight on a ~~night~~ flight of more than six hundred miles to make a night attack on the city of Dresden.

The town was a mass of fires when the ~~second~~ second wave of bombers came over ~~the town~~ two hours after the first arrivals had ~~assailed~~ ^{bombarded} their targets through dense clouds.

~~Dresden~~ Capital of Saxony, Dresden is less than a hundred-and-twenty miles south of Berlin. Less than fifty miles away on this night fought the spearheads of the Red Army. Primarily this raid was designed to shatter the German communications serving a large section of the Eastern Front.

When it was light hundreds of Flying Fortresses ^{Speed a to sub-strat 2} continued the attack. ^{Over} ~~Down~~ upon the hapless city the American heavies opened their bomb racks and great clusters of five-hundred-pounders went down on the target.

Dresden lies on both banks of the River Elbe. A city of great beauty in peacetime it is now a mass of ruins, one more sacrifice made by the German people to their insane desire for world domination.

These raids are a big contribution to the ^{crumblay} ~~destruction~~ of Germany's Eastern front, an example of the new combined blows which will be among the immediate fruits of the Allied conference in the Crimea.