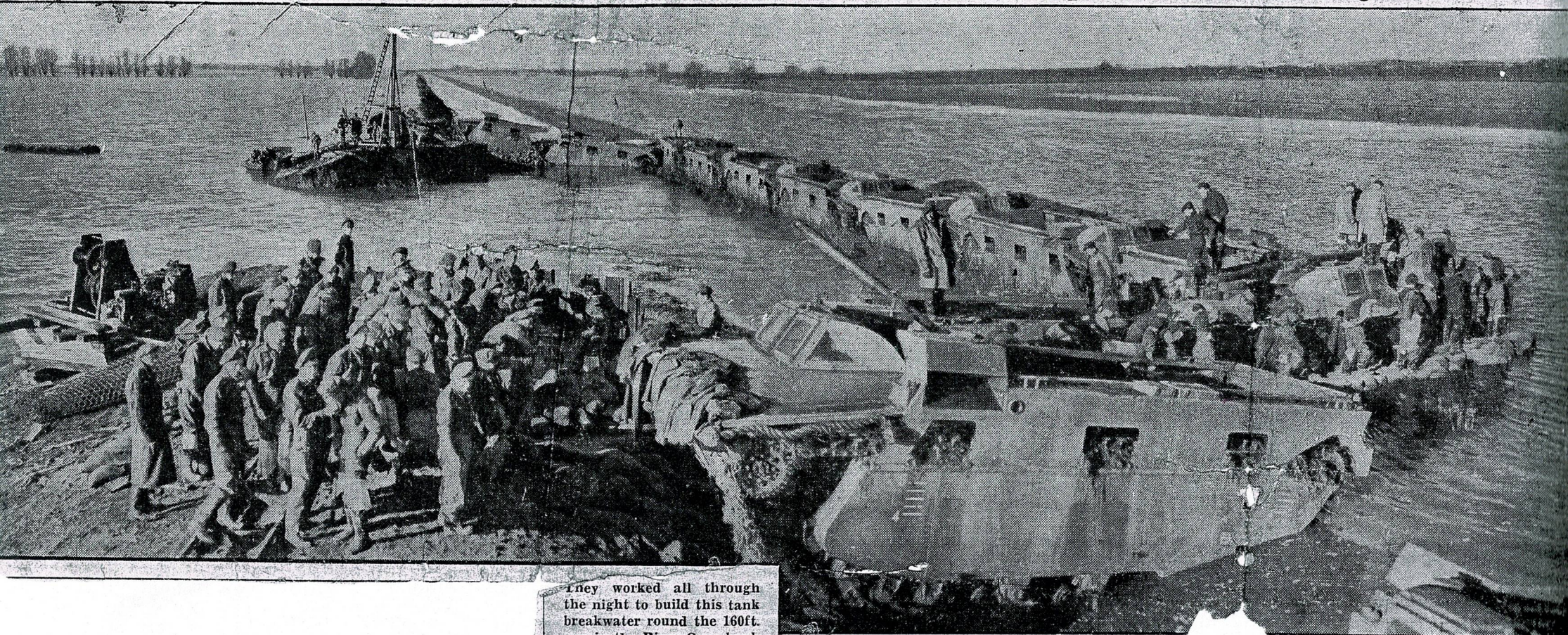


# *At last the battle of the Earith gap is nearly won*



They worked all through the night to build this tank breakwater round the 160ft. gap in the River Ouse bank at Earith, Hunts—prisoners of war and British troops battling side by side with river officials. Ten Neptune tanks were sunk, forming a box to shut off the river from the gap, and the outside of the box was reinforced with sandbags supported by some of the wire mesh strip that was used to form emergency runways for Britain's aircraft during the war.

