

Battle Nears End on Isle

Artificial Fog Used by Nazis; Evacuation Seen as Next Move

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The position, so far as it could be determined from axis announcements and the bare disclosures of the British, appeared to be this:

British, imperial and allied troops, perhaps as many as 30,000, had already lost the key points of Canes and Candia, were enclosed by the axis pincer formed by the German and Italian forces, and were expected in Rome and Berlin to surrender shortly.

Both the Germans and Italians claimed that demoralized British groups were trying to flee the island by sea from its rough and nearly inaccessible southern coast and that only a few had got away—most of them on small fishing boats—during the day.

The scene of the fighting that still went on was one of a strange horror, for the allied troops, already exhausted under 11 days of such "bombing" as troops had never suffered before, were reported in Rome to be struggling in an artificial fog laid down by the Germans. This fog, an instrument apparently intended to terrify the British as well as to make intelligent maneuvering difficult, presumably was a smoke caused by contact of certain liquids with the air.

The Italians claimed that the British Mediterranean fleet was in flight back to Alexandria, Egypt, under running air attack and declared in effect that Crete would be worse than Dunkerque for the British land forces.

In spite of all this, however, Italian press comment late in the day was to the effect that the fighting was not yet over and that a full and immediate victory was not yet to be expected.

Too, some time after German high command had termed the invasion successful and a virtually completed, a German military spokesman said there still was a question as to what the allies hemmed about in the southern part of the island would do. He acknowledged that there was one southeast port—Irakli—where it could conceivably be used for a major evacuation but said large ships could not enter even there. "They cannot all escape," he summed up.

Southwest of Canes, it was acknowledged in Berlin, the British still were fighting bitterly in underground fortifications built before the invasion.

The Germans, anticipating the fall of Crete, said that it provided a test of the vulnerability of island strongholds to air attack—clearly a suggestion intended to frighten the British at home.

They said, too, that Crete was one of four British "cornerstones" for the defense of the eastern Mediterranean and the near East and that the others—Haifa, Alexandria and Tobruk—had been made more vulnerable, as had Egypt and the Suez canal.

In this developing axis thrust to the near east, however, there was one piece of good news for the British. Raschid Ali Al Gailani, the anti-British premier of Iraq who took his country into war with Britain, was reported to have fled into Iran and this appeared to forebode to collapse Iraq's battle against the British—a battle supported by Nazi warplanes.

One unconfirmed report said Raschid Ali had taken six-year-old King Feisal II with him.

British troop columns during the day were said to have passed through the Garden of Eden to within five miles of the Iraq capital of Baghdad.

Whether or not it was connected with the apparent German-Italian success in Crete, Japan took a step to avenge speculation in the United States that she was not too keen about her axis membership and was trying to find a loophole from the provision requiring her to go to the aid of Germany or Italy if either is attacked by a new belligerent.

Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka declared that Japan had sworn not an inch from the alliance. He said, too, that if there should be "unforeseen" developments Japan might have to "reconsider" her policy of peace in the south seas—apparently a threat to the Dutch East Indies, from which the Japanese are demanding economic concessions.

The German news agency, DNB, carried a Damascus dispatch which said that even Major General B. C. Freyberg, the New Zealand World War hero who has commanded the allied defense in Crete, had been killed in a plane crash while he and his aides were fleeing to Alexandria. The dispatch said the information came from "the Cairo radio." (There was no confirmation from Cairo or London.)

LONDON, May 31—(Saturday)—Disorders have broken out in the Iraq capital of Baghdad following the flight to Iran of the anti-British premier, Raschid Ali Al Gailani, and the imminent entry of British troops, the British news agency Reuters reported today.

Bands of Arab irregulars are shooting in the streets amid widespread looting, according to travelers reaching Turkey, it is said from Ankara said.

US Army Units Guard Aircraft Factory



This anti-aircraft unit 216th Coast artillery shown guarding one building of the Consolidated Aircraft company at San Diego, Calif., in "practice" maneuver which army said would last indefinite period. Similar units placed on roofs other buildings at plant.

Oregon Joins Nation in Voting On Marketing Wheat Quotas

PORTLAND, May 30—(AP)—Oregon wheat growers will join others throughout the United States in voting Saturday on whether marketing quotas shall be established.

An affirmative vote of two-thirds of those balloting is needed

to put into effect the AAA program designed to keep surplus wheat from trade channels.

In Oregon more than 6500 farmers are expected to vote and the total for the country may be 700,000.

WASHINGTON, May 30—(AP)—In the AAA's first nationwide referendum wheat farmers will vote Saturday on the question of applying sweeping marketing controls to the bread grain.

The issue was whether farmers would approve a quota system which would give the government authority to tell each farmer how much he might sell or feed and penalize violators about 48 cents a bushel on excess grain sold or fed. A favorable vote of a least two-thirds of those participating in the referendum was required.

On the outcome depended the fate of a measure which now supports the price of wheat in this country at a level almost 40 cents a bushel above world prices. Government price-supporting loans must be discontinued if quotas are defeated.

R. M. Evans, AAA administrator, described the loan program as a "vital price prop" and declared rejection of quotas—a result he did not anticipate—would be an act "inviting disaster for thousands of wheat farmers. He said prices, now close to \$1 a bushel at Chicago, could be expected to drop at least 35 cents if tomorrow's results were against quotas.

The AAA proposed the quotas because of export market losses resulting from the war and other causes and a mounting surplus. With a bumper crop in prospect and granaries crowded with unused grain from previous years, the country has a prospective supply large enough to meet its needs for nearly two years. The quotas are designed to keep the surplus production of this year's crop off the market until it is needed.

The referendum will be held in all states in which there are wheat farms of 15 acres or more or farms whose normal production is more than 200 bushels.

Polling places have been established in thousands of local communities by farmer committees. The voting will be by secret ballot.

AAA officials were confident that quotas would be approved. They said little opposition had been encountered, particularly since the approval of legislation providing for crop loans at 85 per cent of parity—about 97 cents a bushel for wheat—which is contingent, of course, on approval of quotas—compared with last year's basic rate of 72 cents.

If the quotas are approved, farmers would be free to sell or feed all the wheat they produce on their 1444 AAA allotment, plus any old wheat carried over from previous crops. Grain produced on acreages in excess of the allotment would be subject to a penalty tax of half the wheat loan rate unless stored under bond or delivered to the agriculture department. Any wheat turned over to the department would become the property of the government and would be used for relief purposes.

Nazi Meat Slashed

BERLIN, May 30—(AP)—Germany slashed the meat rations for restaurants again today with a decree forbidding any meat to contain more than 100 grams of meat. The order, effective June 4, reduces the former ration by one third.

Two Burglar Raids Listed

A burglar who entered the Salem Concrete & Pipe company office just north of the Salem city limits Thursday night took a \$1010 check and \$3 in cash from a cigar box while another burglary at the Red & White store in the Hollywood district netted the thief \$12.06 in change.

The check taken from the pipe company plant, entered by forcing a door, was drawn on the Eugene branch of the company in favor of the Salem branch.

The thief who entered the Red & White store, owned by Glenn Dull, got in by breaking glass in the Hunt street door. The cash register was rifled and a few packages of cigarettes taken.

World War News Today

By The Associated Press

Axis claims victory in Crete; British forces declared facing capitulation or annihilation; allies fight desperate rear guard action; Rome claims royal navy is in flight.

Anti-British Iraq premier is reported fleeing Iraq, suggesting collapse of Iraq war against British; Imperial troops are within five miles of Baghdad.

Japanese foreign minister, countering American speculation that Tokyo seeks an "out" for its obligations to aid Germany and Italy if they are attacked by new belligerent, declares Japan has not swerved an inch from the axis pact; says Japan might have to "reconsider" her policy of peace in the south seas.

Guest House Planned at Fort Lewis

FORT LEWIS, May 30—Fort Lewis is going to have a regular hotel, or "guest house" by August 5 for use of families, friends and sweethearts of enlisted men.

This announcement came from Col. Ralph R. Glass, post commander, who said the guest house will be but one unit of a non-divisional service club.

A larger unit, he said, will contain a 60 by 80 foot dance floor, cafe and kitchen, a hostess office and rest-room, all on the main floor. The second floor will have cozy lounge facilities, complete with fireplace, and a separate reading room.

The Service club, upon which construction has already begun, will be located near the heart of "downtown" Fort Lewis, a few blocks from the main gate. The guest house will be built a few hundred yards south, near the headquarters building of ninth army corps.

Non-divisional hostesses will be in charge of the two units. Accommodations for 30 guests will be available.

A similar unit, to be called the third division Service club, will also be constructed, Col. Glass said. It will be located near the 15th infantry barracks. The two units are a part of a program calling for construction of 77 buildings. Elwood Anderson, of Tacoma, is contractor.

Octogenarians Note Birthday

MIDDLE GROVE—Frank Schari celebrated his 80th birthday at his home Wednesday.

He was born in Piquette, Ohio, and lived in Missouri and Illinois before coming to Oregon, 1907, to Salem, in which vicinity he has since lived.

Mrs. W. D. Edwards, who was born at Liberty, Ky., May 27, 1861, celebrated her 80th birthday Tuesday at her home here.

In 1880 she was married to W. D. Edwards and continued to live in Kentucky for 30 years after which they moved to Shelbyville, Ill., where they remained 14 years before coming to Oregon, living since near Salem and ten years in this community.

Mrs. Edwards has been in failing health for several years.

Roosevelt Exempts Ex-Service Groups

HYDE PARK, N.Y., May 30—(AP)—President Roosevelt signed a bill late Friday exempting from the draft all men who have served three consecutive years in the marine corps, coast guard or navy.

It also exempts men who have spent one year in any of the three services and two in the reserve.

The exemption already applies to men who have been in the army, and the objective of the new act was to accord equal treatment to those who had served in other branches of the armed forces.

Protest Seen By Portugal

LISBON, Portugal, May 30—(AP)—President Roosevelt's fireside references to the Azores and the Cape Verde Islands as potential bases for German attack on the Americas was described Friday by the influential newspaper Diario de Noticias as deserving "our most formal protest."

The president Tuesday night said that the United States would not permit these and other Atlantic territories to come under axis control.

Summer School Courses Told

Courses analyzing timely political, racial and economic problems are slated for the curriculum of the Willamette university summer session, June 9-July 18.

Study of the basic assumptions of contemporary political beliefs will be the purpose of "Conflict of Political Ideals" offered by Dr. Robert M. Gafke, professor of political science. "A realistic study of the clash between the fundamental theories of democracy, communism and the totalitarian state will be our aim," Dr. Gafke said today in discussing the course.

Director of the summer session, Dr. William C. Jones of the public administration department is scheduled to present a discussion of current problems of monetary and banking control, international trade, labor relations and war finance.

"The Economics of War," to be given by Professor Richard A. Liebes, involves a study of the transition from a peacetime to a wartime economy. The problem of racial equality, especially that raised by Nordicism and anti-Semitism, is to be examined by a course offered by Dr. S. B. Laughlin, professor of sociology.

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Club Notes

Good Morning Mice! Summer vacation has nearly begun. It just doesn't seem possible—does it. Three months of fun, excitement—and maybe a little work, now and then.

—MMC—

"Personalities in the Club"—Today, let me introduce a newcomer, 11 years old. His real name is Laverne Jackson. To his friends, and that's everyone, he is known as "Pee-wee" Jackson.

—MMC—

At last week's show songs were presented by Ronnie Spence who rendered "Clarabelle"; Ramona Spence and her "Hut-Sut Song," and many others. Along with this we had our weekly Mickey Mouse contest which was "balloon breaking."

—MMC—

Mice... Let me know whether or not you like our announcing the "Hit Parade" before it is announced over the radio. If you do, we will continue and make it a weekly occurrence. Write in or tell me personally today.

—MMC—

Today's show—"Aim to Please," featuring a sweetheart song by Don Wilson and Ruth Burgoyne. We will, of course, have our MM special contest.

—MMC—

The screen farce today, Mice, is really super. "Angels With Broken Wings," with Binnie Barnes and Gilbert Roland. The main feature is Deanna Durbin singing and Franchot Tone in "Nice Girl." Also another chapter of "Terry and the Pirates." So, until 1 o'clock—

—WES—

Memorial Day Program Held

Civic, School Heads Address Thousands at Court House

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en as a challenge by American patriots today. "It is well that we pay tribute to those who in times of stress in the past laid their lives on the altar of their country," he said, "but that is not enough. I do not know and you do not know positively what lies ahead, but I call on you, boys and girls, men and women to respond to the words of Abraham Lincoln that we may finish the task that lies ahead."

Preceding Mr. Putnam's address and providing a portion of the historical background from which the speaker drew, Logan's memorial orders were read by Donald Barrick, high school student.

Standing with Governor Sprague, Mr. Putnam and Mr. Owens on the courthouse steps and introduced to the audience were Mayors W. W. Chadwick of Salem and Guy Newgent of West Salem.

Music throughout the program was provided by the Salem municipal band, with the Hasenstab band of children directed by Walter Biggerstaff accompanying the singing of America, which preceded the benediction.

Watchers who lined the curbs of downtown Salem to see the six-block-long parade found there a similarity to wartime Memorial day observances.

Veterans and their auxiliaries walking and riding, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and small girls in patriotic garb, lodge marching units, municipal and Salem high school bands and several hundred school children presented a colorful sight.

But missing were the national guard and reserve officers and other young men now at camp or working in defense industries elsewhere. Major Miller B. Hayden was grand marshal.

To the wreaths placed at the foot of the War Mothers memorial statue in front of the courthouse the school children added their floral offerings, single blossoms, clusters of roses or bouquets clutched in small hands during the march from Marion square. Rain, which slightly dampened the parade, cooled as the program began.

Earlier in the afternoon flow: ers dropped from an airplane and others cast on the water from a garlanded boat below the Marion Polk county bridge had been carried toward the sea as a tribute to the air, sailor and marine dead.

Federated Patriotic Orders held short memorial services Friday morning at City View cemetery G.A.R. circle, and American Legion memorial services were conducted at American Legion circle there.

Residents of the Methodist Old People's home were presented with an 8 a. m. program arranged under auspices of the Federated Patriotic societies. The Rev. H. C. Stover sang two songs and delivered the invocation. Seven-year-old Colleen Page recited the Gettysburg address, and D. D. Parkes spoke, taking as his subject "Thank God for America."

The audience sang Kipling's "Recessional."

VICHY, unoccupied France, May 30—(AP)—A little group of Americans from Paris attended Friday a brief and solemn Memorial day ceremony in the American war cemetery at Suresnes, where 1541 World war dead lie under the bright green sod.

It was the first Memorial day under German occupation of France. Suresnes, where the cemetery and chapel are located, is just outside the occupied capital.

A memorial service for America's World war dead was held in the morning in the American Cathedral church in Paris.

In Vichy authorities released a speech by General Bredard, secretary-general to the cabinet, who said "One glimmer of hope still shines in our sky, the legendary and traditional friendship uniting France to America."

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Nation Observes Memorial Day With Traditional Honors

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From the tomb of the Unknown Soldier on the green slope overlooking the broad Potomac, to village cemeteries far away, salutes were fired, graves were decorated and taps sounded.

The holiday was so widely observed in fact that it brought with it a pause in much of the nation's intensive preparations for defense. Many principal aircraft plants, which have been working 24 hours a day, closed down until Monday. Civilian employees at naval shipyards were given a holiday. Government offices in Washington were mostly empty and quiet.

But at Greenfield, Mass., the holiday program included the dedication of a new munitions plant, one of seven for which the war department let contracts last fall in an effort to double the country's production of fine cages used in the inspection and manufacture of war implements.

President Roosevelt, having newly and emphatically stated the nation's policy in a world at war, was resting at his Hyde Park estate, after a trip from Washington which he spent mostly in penciling footnotes for forthcoming additional volumes of his collected state papers.

Services at Arlington national cemetery were preceded by a parade in Washington, and capped with an address by Sergeant Alvin York, one of the most-decorated heroes of the World war. He called for all-out help to England, including convoys if necessary.

"By our victory in the last war," he said, "we won a lease on liberty, not a deed to it. Now after 23 years, Adolf Hitler tells us that lease is expiring, and after the manner of all leases we have the privilege of renewing it, or letting it go by default. I have no doubt that the American people choose to renew it. Senator Wheeler to the contrary notwithstanding."

At another point, he spoke of a "senator whose favorite bird must be the ostrich" and "a famous transatlantic aviator," both of whom, he said, "died differently than the veterans do about this country's most pressing problems."

LAS VEGAS, Nev., May 30—(AP)—Vandals desecrated the graves of veterans here on the eve of Memorial day, rousing this community's indignation.

American Legionnaires joined city and county officials in calling a mass meeting to plan capture of the offenders.

Officials said monuments were broken and defaced. American flags were torn and flowers were scattered and trampled.

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Northwest Lumber Work Stoppage Focal Point in US Move

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"It does not appear that you have complied with the request made in the board's wire of May 28," The board requests that you bring this telegram to personal attention of everyone with the power to vote upon the acceptance or rejection of the board's recommendations." Please inform this board by wire whether or not it is your intention to comply with this request."

Orton's response that the matter already had been rejected was the result.

An employers' negotiating committee at Seattle said, meanwhile, it had sent all operators a telegram recommending that they be prepared to resume work Monday.

At issue in the strike is the union's demand for a wage increase of 7 1/2 cents an hour. Board officials said the present wage for common labor is 67 1/2 cents.

Otherwise, Memorial day brought few labor developments. A settlement was reached on differences between AFL electricians and contractors at Hill Field, army supply base near Salt Lake City. This provided for an increase from \$1.15 to \$1.25 an hour in wages.

Woman Goes Back to Her Idaho Family

Daisy Oliver, 22-year-old Idaho mother who by her own admission left husband and small children and started out to make a new life with her brother-in-law, Clarence Ross, is back in Ada county, Idaho, today. She made the trip with Ross' brother and the brother's wife, who is a sister of hers and of the deserted Mrs. Ross.

Ross, meanwhile, remains in the Marietta county jail awaiting officers from Boise. Willing to return to his family, he was ready to start back with his brother, his two sisters-in-law and Mrs. Oliver's husband Friday. A long distance call to his wife informed him she was anxious for the reconciliation but that officers had left the Idaho capital city Thursday night for Salem to pick him up. Charges of desertion have been filed against him there.

Mrs. Oliver, on the other hand, left under protest although no charges have been booked against her. She argued the departure in the sheriff's office, continued the argument on the sidewalk in front of the courthouse and finally left with the sister and sister's husband, while Oliver traveled alone in the second car.

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