

Manila's Fall Appears Soon

US Lines Give Way to Overwhelming Jap Force and Bombers

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the allies in the Pacific—not a catastrophe even if the worst should befall, for it had been long accepted in many quarters that Manila could not be held against an assailant willing to sacrifice enough in blood and military force and it had been plain for some days that MacArthur's men were gallantly casting the dice against terrible odds. Moreover, there are other and stronger and more vital allied Pacific bastions; Singapore among them.

Before the bad news of Manila's morning communique, the Japanese had been reported unofficially to have advanced to within 45 miles of Manila on the south and in the north it had been understood that General MacArthur had thrown up a strong new line across the central valley some 65 miles above the capital.

The war department's last afternoon communique spoke of heavy enemy pressure in the northeast and of continued fighting in the south, along with widespread enemy air attacks.

The US navy reported without elaboration that submarine operations against enemy surface craft were going forward.

Unofficial accounts of the Japanese thrust from southern Luzon stated that it was made in two columns, which apparently were trying for a rendezvous at a point of highway convergence below Laguna de Bay preparatory to splitting again and attempting to skirt the lake on east and west via first-class roads running up to Manila.

One column had gone forward 35 miles west of the Atimanan beachhead on Lamon bay; the other 15 miles from Mauban in the same area.

All this, however, was by the available accounts not accomplished against frontal and major American resistance; this MacArthur was preparing for the assault in new positions in the south as well as in the north.

This shortening of his lines in both areas had concentrated the power of his defense and it appeared that before attempting the next major lunge the Japanese were calling for reinforcements. In some Manila quarters it was believed that the veteran Japanese troops used in the siege of Hong-Kong were joining the Luzon force.

For Japanese bombings of Manila after it had been formally declared an open city and left undefended it appeared that a full revenge was in the making, long in coming though it may be.

The war department, stating that centers of Christianity apparently had been deliberately selected for assault, announced that from his field headquarters MacArthur had sent the message:

"At the proper time, I bespeak due retaliatory measures."

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Coast Meets Ruled Out By Army

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30 (AP)—Army and US civilian defense authorities Tuesday night issued a joint statement declaring that gatherings of any nature in Pacific coast states should be kept below 5000 persons.

Authorized by Commanding General John L. De Witt of the western defense command and the fourth army, and Regional Director Jack Helms of the ninth US office of civilian defense, the statement also placed a ban on parades during the holiday season.

The statement said that the rule against large gatherings was based upon the present military situation and would remain in force until further notice.

Livestock Values High

CHICAGO, Dec. 30 (AP)—New American wealth in the form of meat animals flowing through the union stock yards here hit a new peak since 1930 during the past year, figures disclosed today.

The marshal will be preceded by Admiral Jean Darlan who broadcasts Wednesday to the French army, navy and air force in his capacity as national defense minister. The time of Darlan's broadcast was not announced.

US To Spend Large Sums

Half Annual Income Of Nation To Be Used For War on Axis

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sian territory, lies north of Japan and apparently within striking distance of that country, but the president gave no further indication how it might fit into the war strategy.

Expanding on the question of the production program, he said he had changed its name. Before the war started, he said the OPM had what was known as the all-out program or victory program. He preferred, he added, to use less dramatic terminology and call it the war program.

Before the Japanese attack on Pearl harbor, a budget program was drawn up which was presented to him on the day of that assault. Saying he had to be very careful these days, he applied it to the algebraic symbol X.

Authority to Enlist War Vets Asked

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—To make more marines available for combat service, Secretary of the Navy Knox asked congress Tuesday for authority to accept for marine enlistment approximately 6000 World War veterans and men beyond the normal recruiting age.

The older men would serve as guards at naval shore establishments, relieving regular "Devil Dogs" now doing such work.

The new service, Knox said in a letter to Speaker Rayburn, would be known as the "limited service marine corps reserve."

Crimea Towns Taken by Russ

Cornered Axis Army In Libya Smashed In British Drive

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The Russians also reported successes on other sectors of the long front, especially a 30-mile drive across the Oka river above Orel. The communique named Kozelsk as one of the towns recaptured.

CAIRO, Dec. 30 (AP)—The cornered axis army in Libya has lost 42 of its remaining tanks in a rash and costly effort to lash out at the growing British pressure in the western sands of Cyrenaica, British middle-eastern headquarters announced Tuesday.

Attempting a last stand south of Agedaba, on the eastern shore of the Gulf of Sirte, an enemy column spearheaded by tanks "made yet a further attack to interfere with our operations"—operations bent on complete destruction of a Nazi Gen. Erwin Rommel's fighting strength, the British said.

"In the ensuing engagement," a communique added, "22 enemy tanks were destroyed and 20 others received serious damage."

Then, with the axis column scattered and retreating, a regiment of British hussars swept in and rounded up five truck-loads of the Germans' infantry.

Belief that the axis is trying to bring up men and supplies eastward was strengthened by RAF reports of heavy raids on oil transport and troop-trucks on the Tripolitanian coastal road east of Homs, some 80 miles from Tripoli.

Nevertheless, the British welcomed the resumption of heavy tank fighting because they believed it meant the final battle to annihilate the German armored force is either beginning or imminent.

British pressure at all points of the axis position was renewed after the attack.

Salem Plans To Fete New Year Okehed

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and groups at night spots and in homes, the capital city plans to bid farewell to the old and greet the new year.

Part of a nationwide celebration, Salem's observance of its first New Year's in a quarter of a century will be more gala than during depression years, if dinner and dancing reservations at hotels, clubs and roadhouses are indicative.

Principal requests issued from defense officials were that celebrants refrain from any outdoor noise-making activities which might conflict with air raid warnings or be mistaken for such signals, that they take care not to leave car lights on or residences lighted in their absence and that all places where crowds are expected to gather be prepared to blackout on brief notice.

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Traffic Toll In US Nears New Record

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time high of almost 40,000 traffic deaths.

The organization stated that New Year's eve may determine whether 1941 will set a new peak in fatalities. It urged motorists and pedestrians to be extremely careful and added:

"Twenty four hours of concerted caution in drive and walking could turn the trick."

During November alone 4650 men, women and children lost their lives on streets and highways despite the campaign to conserve productive manpower under the slogan: "Accidents help the axis."

The November toll was the greatest of the year. It was the fourth month in the nation's history in which more than 4000 fatalities were registered.

Petain Slates Air Address

VICHY, Unoccupied France, Dec. 30 (AP)—Chief of State Petain will broadcast to the French people Thursday at 7 pm (10 am EST).

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Call Board

HOLLYWOOD Today—Gene Autry, Smiley Burnette, Mary Lee in "Singing Hills" Dorothy Lee, James Ellison, Jerry Colona in "Ice Capades of 1942" Thursday—Walter Bauer, Marjorie Main in "Barnacle Bill" Mark Brothers in "The Big Store."

LIBERTY Today—Jack Holt in "Great Train Robbery" Lloyd Nolan, Doris Day, George Murphy in "Rise and Shine" Friday—Three Messengers in "Overland Stage Rider" Chester Morris, Rochelle Hudson in "Meet Boston Blackie."

ELLSMORE Today—Errol Flynn, Olivia De Havilland in "They Died With Their Boots On."

GRAND Today—Jack Oakie, Linda Darnell, Walter Brennan, Milton Berle, George Murphy in "Rise and Shine" Brenda Joyce in "Marry the Boss's Daughter."

STATE Today—Dorothy Lamour, Jon Hall in "Aloma of the South Seas" Charlie Ruggles in "The Parson of Panama."

CAPITOL Today—Fred MacMurray in New York Town. Plus Weaver Brothers, Eivry in "Tuxedo Junction."

County Groups See Camp Soon

Council Holds Parley At Monmouth; Army Engineers Ready

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consultant working with the state economic council; William H. Crawford, economic council executive secretary; F. E. Neely, West Salem chief of police, and W. D. Weist of the attorney general's office, resident west of Monmouth.

ALBANY, Dec. 30 (Special)—The re-opened office for the proposed Polk-Benton cantonment is adding new civilian clerical and engineering employees daily under the direction of Capt. T. E. Dittbrandt, who has returned here from San Francisco.

Capt. Dittbrandt, who was in charge of the planning work carried on here during the summer and fall, has been transferred from the constructing quartermaster department to the army engineering corps, which is to be in charge of all future camp building work. His title now is area engineer in charge. He is assisted by Capt. Otto H. Myer, also transferred from the quartermaster corps to the engineers.

Army trucks were engaged Monday in unloading office furniture, engineering equipment and filing cabinets filled with data, all of which had been packed and shipped to San Francisco a few weeks ago when orders came to close the office.

While Capt. Dittbrandt states he knows nothing about the matter other than his orders to be open the office, the action is taken locally to mean an early date for the authorization of the cantonment and the start of actual construction of the camp to house 33,000 men.

Canada Hears Churchill

British Chief Tells Dominion Solons of Great War Effort

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fortunes," he said. "We have been concerning the united pact and resolves of more than 30 states and nations to fight on in unity together. . . . There will be no halting or half measures."

Churchill told Canadians their contribution to the war effort had been "magnificent" and predicted that in a few months "when the invasion season returns, the Canadian army may be engaged in one of the most fateful battles the world has ever seen."

A high point of Churchill's speech—particularly for thousands of French Canadians—was his vigorous denunciation of "the men of Vichy" who deserted the common cause by not carrying on the war from Africa, and his praise of General Charles de Gaulle's Free French.

"The Vichy government has been content to live from day to day, but even this will not go on indefinitely," he asserted.

"At any moment it may suit Hitler's plans to brush them away. Their only guarantee is Hitler's good faith, which, as anyone knows by the ethics he already has displayed, bites like an adder and stings like an asp."

Joint Phone Control Set For Defense

Preparations for rapid establishment when necessary of a city-county control center at the city hall are to be completed by tonight, Ed Colby, county defense council liaison officer, said Tuesday.

Telephones in sufficient number to allow segregation of incoming and outgoing calls, ready to be connected for service on short notice, will have been installed and defense executives who will be expected to work there will know "where, when and how," Colby declared.

The city hall quarters, he emphasized, are not to serve as public headquarters for the civilian defense organization but as a point from which directions may be sent out by telephone or messenger and at which utilities may have representatives to direct their workers in an emergency.

A tentative agreement for sharing of equipment was reached early this week at a joint meeting of city council representatives and members of the county court. County road equipment may be used on city streets should wartime emergency require rapid clearing of debris and making of repairs, it was agreed, while under similar circumstances city fire-fighting equipment may be sent outside the limits ordinarily prescribed for it.

In Marion county Tuesday several alien families, apparently so anxious to obey federal orders that they relinquished radios of a type not banned, were notified they might call at the sheriff's office and receive again their property.

SKATE in the NEW YEAR Mellow Moon ROLLER RINK

Skating 7:30 to 12:30 Let's Skate at the Hammond Electric Organ

TONIGHT! BIG CARNIVAL DANCE CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE

ALTON BENEDICT'S ORCHESTRA 2 Miles North of Independence Admission 25c and 40c

Free French Wire Pledge

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—Editors of the Nation, weekly magazine, announced tonight that Vice Admiral Emile Muselier, who commanded the Free French forces that seized the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, had wired them:

"Whatever happens we will hold on until the end." Muselier's message, dated and sent from St. Pierre-Miquelon, was in reply to one from the Nation, which said the Free French and the people of the islands had the unqualified support "of all patriotic Americans who feel nothing but shame at the government's betrayal of our common cause."

Alaskan Base Seen Dangered

Jap Subs Reported Off Kodiak Island; Midway Said Safe

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lies south and east of the Alaskan peninsula.

The navy said further that American submarines were pressing ahead with their operations in far eastern waters. Since Christmas day, communiques have indicated American activity in waters near the Japanese islands. In them the navy has announced the sinking of two Japanese transports, one mine sweeper and a supply vessel, and the probable sinking of another transport and a sea-plane tender.

The navy labeled as "without foundation" reports that a US destroyer and two American submarines were sunk over the weekend.

Midway island was still in American hands and had suffered no further attacks, it added.

Here in Washington, President Roosevelt gave some idea of this country's tremendous job during the new year. He told newsmen that half the national income would have to be devoted to the war effort by the end of the next fiscal year, starting July 1, 1942.

Washington enthusiastically received a suggestion from Gen. Douglas MacArthur that when the proper time comes Japanese cities be devastated from the air in retaliation for the ruthlessly cruel bombing of Manila.

The commandant of defending forces in the Philippines reported to the war department that the Japs struck at the island capital despite the fact that it had been made an open city, and that churches, schools, hospitals and convents were indiscriminately damaged.

Japan's "present actions can only be deemed completely violative of all the civilized processes of international law," he said.

To MacArthur's report, the department itself added a statement that a survey indicated the churches "and other centers of Christian worship and culture were deliberately selected as special targets for enemy attacks."

But, it seemed likely that the "proper time" mentioned by MacArthur for retaliation might be many months away. It probably will be undertaken only as the climactic blow of the general allied offensive which has been scheduled for 1943.

This was the date mentioned by Prime Minister Churchill last week for such an all-out assault. The intervening period is to be one of mustering the allied resources, and building the great industrial machine which will produce the weapons, planes and other equipment necessary to such an attack.

US of Europe Declared Need

Henry Ford Foresees Greater Prosperity Under New System

DETROIT, Dec. 30 (AP)—Henry Ford said in an interview Tuesday that the future well-being of the world lay in the establishment of a "United States of Europe" patterned along the lines of the American system in which each country would have the same freedoms and the same opportunities as the 48 states.

"I believe," said Ford, "that if all the parliaments of Europe—from Russia to France, from Norway to Greece—would meet in joint session to establish the United States of Europe and adopt a bill of rights, there would be a speedy return to common prosperity and an end to this periodic slaughter of Europe's inhabitants which has lasted for 2000 years. Such a bill of rights should guarantee among other things freedom of speech and freedom of worship."

Ford, who has advocated a world federation, said the establishment of such a union in which all countries could exist without encroaching upon or making war on their neighbors also would bring the end of power politics. He said politics were long overdue at the scrap heap.

"We know what we are fighting against," Ford said. "We shall have to define just as sharply what we are fighting for. We know the war is making for a lot of temporary employment; the next thing is to make sure that peace will not turn it into unemployment."

"One of the best signs of the

Singapore Hit In Air Attack

British Bastion Gets Four Heavy Raids but Beats Off Bombers

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casualties have been reported." The British positions of Kuantan, on the eastern side of the Malay peninsula where the invader apparently had made no progress, also were bombed. In this case, there was neither damage nor a single casualty.

An instance of high native morale was singled out by headquarters which reported that a large labor force present at a railway station put under attack by Japanese planes "behave with great calmness".

British aircraft meantime were busy, but the details of action were not disclosed.

Japan's ground gain about Ipoh apparently were made possible principally by infiltration and clearly at the cost of enormous losses, a report of a British correspondent at the front showed. He said that the assault in some instances lost 40 men to one.

New support for the British defenders came during the day from a quarter which until recently had been proscribed through Malaya: The Chinese communist party called upon its members to "turn each street, lane, mine village and rubber estate into a bulwark for the defense of our land."

At the other end of the ideological scale, the sultan of the great rubber-producing state of Negri Sembilan summoned his people to the struggle "to destroy the common enemy."

Production Committee Suggested

Organization of a Production Facilities committee for western Oregon, to cooperate with the office of production management in Washington, DC, in connection with defense contract distribution, will be discussed at a meeting here Friday, W. H. Crawford, director of the Oregon economic council, announced Tuesday.

In event the proposal is approved another similar committee probably will be organized in eastern Oregon. The Salem meeting may be followed by a series of meetings in each western Oregon county. The state employment service, now federalized, will participate in the Salem meeting.

A recent survey indicated that there are a number of metal working plants in western Oregon which could be utilized for the manufacture of war materials.

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