

Corregidor Fortress Surrenders

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First Again!

When the British landed on Madagascar in a surprise move, first newspaper reports in Salem of another World War development were in The Statesman.

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HONOLULU, May 5—(AP)—Hawaii's May day quota of 250,000 was over-sold four times for a total of \$1,017,755. May day is observed as lei day in Hawaii.

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British Move on Madagascar Naval Base

Manila Bay's Forts Felled By Land Raid

Doughty Yankees, Filipinos Held Out Since Manila Fall December 29; Heavily Hit

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Australia, May 6—(AP)—Corregidor and the other fortified islands in Manila harbor surrendered Wednesday, it was officially announced.

Besides the fortified rock that is Corregidor, the United States forts which had held out in the entrance to Manila bay are Fort Mills, Fort Hughes, Fort Drum and Fort Frank.

The end came in the second day of the final Japanese assault, launched at midnight Tuesday, Manila time, with landings from Bataan peninsula after Corregidor particularly of the American forts had been pounded again and again by Japanese big guns and aerial bombs.

Corregidor alone had 300 air raids since December 29 when 35 Japanese bombers attacked for three hours.

WASHINGTON, May 6—(AP)—The war department announced today that fighting had ceased on Corregidor and terms were being arranged for the capitulation of the island fort in Manila bay.

The war department communique on the military situation as of 4:15 a. m. (EWT) said:

"Philippine theatre: The war department has received a message from Corregidor advising that resistance of armed troops has been overcome. Fighting has ceased and terms are being arranged covering the capitulation of the island fort in Manila bay.

"There is nothing to report from other areas."

Besides Corregidor, Forts Drum, Frank and Hughes have been holding out against the Japanese under withering bombardment by land and air.

Officials gave no indication of when the fighting ended. The communique number 216 came more than 16 hours after a Japanese landing attack was reported in progress.

Although there was no certain indication, it was believed here that Gen. Jonathan Wainwright had remained in Corregidor to treat with the enemy he so long had repulsed.

The source of food and ammunition harassed by almost continued shelling and frequent dive bombing attacks, the defending forces reported Tuesday that "the landing attack was in progress" on the island fortress.

A total of 7000 men or more were believed to be on Corregidor and other island forts in Manila bay, although there was no official word of the number. The defenders included both Americans and Filipinos.

The attack followed a day which saw the rocky, island fortress bombed 13 times, and almost continually for a period of five hours. Presumably the landing attempt was made from nearby Bataan peninsula, the scene of an epic resistance but inevitable defeat several weeks ago.

Informed opinion in army quarters was that Lieut. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright and his men on (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Army Slates Added Work On Airport

PORTLAND, May 5—(AP)—Three Oregon airports—at Salem, Corvallis and Medford—will be improved through widening and lengthening runways, Lieut.-Col. Donald J. Leehy of the district army engineers said Tuesday. In addition, small military garrison facilities will be built. Leehy emphasized that all of the work was of a minor nature. It has been pointed out by army officers that the selection of sites for development is made by the war department purely on tactical considerations. In no case, under the new directive, have communities been asked to contribute in any material way to the planning or construction of the new facilities.

Burma Forces In Last Ditch

Wearied Fighters Are Evacuated; Many Captures Probable

By PRESTON GROVER NEW DELHI, India, May 5—(AP)—Officers returning from the frontier between India and Burma said Tuesday night that a rapid allied withdrawal was in progress in Burma and a spokesman here said it appeared likely a considerable number of both British and Chinese troops would be captured by the Japanese.

United States and British operated airlines were doing a "last ditch" job of evacuating as many troops and refugee civilians as possible.

Those being brought out were mostly women and children.

Seven planes of Pan American Airways were diverted from the China service and hauled out 1200 persons before the Japanese virtually surrounded the airfield from which they were operating several miles north of Mandalay.

These unarmed planes are flying in broad daylight without escort despite the presence of Japanese fighters here, there and everywhere.

On the tortured battlefield the picture was grim for the British and Chinese.

The Chinese 8th army on the eastern side of the Irrawaddy was scattered in small pockets for a hundred miles south of Lashio as well as to the north and east of this junction of the railroad connecting with the now severed Burma road.

British forces on the west side of the Irrawaddy were backed up against trackless, jungle-covered mountains standing between them and the Indian frontier.

They were fighting desperately in spots but were outnumbered and under terrific punishment from Japanese planes.

British soldiers flown out had been fighting four months without relief, constantly faced with fresh Japanese divisions and hammered unceasingly from the air.

"They were a tired lot, those I had in my plane," said a Pan-American pilot.

But they came out with full equipment, ready for service again after brief repairs in the hospital.

The final disposition of the American Volunteer group of pilots (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

Willner Tells Of Robbery

Stanley John Willner, held here in connection with the assault and robbery Sunday of Martin Berg, state girls' school engineer, Tuesday related to state police a story of robbing in Seattle last Friday a man with whom he had drunk, officers said. With state officers he retraced the ground he had allegedly covered Sunday as a hitch-hiker, showing where Berg had given him a ride on South 12th near Hoyt street, where he had allegedly slugged his benefactor near the girls' school and where he had turned onto a side road near Pringle to dump the body.

'Pay Bills' Decree Is Extensive

46 Items Include Clothing, Dishes On Installments

WASHINGTON, May 5 (AP)—Stiff regulations controlling the installment purchases of nearly every article in common use in the American home were promulgated Tuesday night by the federal reserve board which, in addition, decreed that ordinary charge accounts involving such articles must be paid up relatively quickly.

The charge account rules, first ever issued governing this type of buying, provided that an article must be paid for by the tenth day of the second month following the purchase.

Effective at midnight Tuesday night, the regulations were issued in compliance with President Roosevelt's recent request that people pay off their bills and stay out of debt as much as possible. Hitherto, the purchase on credit of a score of articles had been regulated but Tuesday night's rules lengthened the list to 46 classifications, and stiffened the requirements.

The new list of restricted articles included all civilian clothing, kitchen articles and dishes, linens, jewelry, auto accessories, all electrical appliances, luggage, umbrellas, sports equipment, used furniture and yard goods, in addition to the score of previously limited items such as furniture, radio, vacuum cleaners, bicycles and clocks.

The rules apply only to the 46 listed types of articles and no others. They provide:

1. Cash purchases—No restrictions.

2. Charge accounts—Must be paid by the 10th day of the second month following purchase, but no down payment required. For instance, a listed article bought any day up to the end of this month must be paid for by July 10. That date also is the deadline for charged articles on the list which were bought before Tuesday.

3. Installment credit—Any person buying a listed item on the installment must pay 1/3 down and the balance in 12 months, except that automobiles may be bought 1/2 down and 15 months to pay and furniture and pianos 1/5 down and 12 months to pay. Regardless of total price, payments must be at least \$5 per month. Previous rules usually allowed 15 months, permitted slightly smaller down payments, and did not fix a minimum monthly payment.

Berry Pickers Sought Here

The first call for strawberry pickers was received Tuesday at the employment office in Salem. While picking is not expected to start until about May 20, growers are getting anxious as to whether they will have pickers in sufficient numbers.

The crop is expected to be slightly larger than it was last year and an estimated 8500 pickers will be necessary to harvest it in Polk and Marion counties. Camping facilities for pickers are being provided by almost all the large growers this year and many who had camps last year are making extensive improvements in them.

Pickers who have not contacted growers about the strawberry harvest are being urged to get in touch with the employment office regarding the work and to be sure they are registered there as pickers.

Monday's Weather

Weather forecasts withheld and temperature data delayed by army request. River Tuesday, 1.7 ft. Max. temp. Monday 62, Min. 45.

Vichy French Resist IncurSION, Reject Warning, Leave Break In Relations to US; Sub Said Sunk

Capital Notables Join Sugar Ration Army



Registration for general consumer rationing began May 4 throughout the nation. Pictured in the above scene is a scene at a registration office in a Washington, DC, high school. Seated, left to right, are Mrs. Henry Wallace, wife of the vice-president, waiting her turn to register; Dr. Elmer S. Newton, in the act of registering, and Mrs. Leon Henderson, wife of the price administrator.

Midway Repulses Five Jap Attacks Since War Start

Pacific Cominch Rewards Marines, Sailors for Valorous Defense; of One Assault Made Each Month

PEARL HARBOR, May 5—(AP)—The repulse of five Japanese attacks on Midway island, the last on March 10, was revealed officially Tuesday. Midway is 1149 miles northwest of Hawaii.

The announcement followed the return of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, from inspections and the awarding of honors to marine corps aviators and naval personnel for their heroic defense of the Hawaiian outpost.

Nimitz revealed Midway had been attacked each month since December 7 except April. He personally decorated the marines for shooting down a four-engine Japanese patrol seaplane making the last attack March 10.

The bomber was destroyed before it reached its objective. Capt. James L. Neefus, leader of the intercepting fliers, was given the navy cross. Distinguished flying crosses were awarded to First Lieut. Charles W. Somers, Second Lieut. Francis F. McCarthy and Marine Gunner Robert L. Dickey. Dickey is recuperating at the Mare Island, Calif., navy hospital and the medal is being forwarded to the mainland for presentation.

In making the awards to the others at Midway, Admiral Nimitz said: "It is a pleasure to visit this command, which on several occasions since December 7 has demonstrated the alertness and ability to resist enemy attack. "On the opening day of the war you successfully repelled bombardment attacks by enemy cruisers and destroyers. Since you have been attacked each month save April. Once in January and twice in February you were bombed by submarines. In each instance your prompt return fire caused the enemy to submerge and withdraw before damage was inflicted. In at least one case, the enemy sustained probable damage. On March 10 aircraft approaching Midway were discovered and one was shot down and destroyed many miles from the objective. None reached the islands. "I am pleased to be here in person to express satisfaction (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

A British communique Wednesday reported a respite from the retaliatory night attacks on British coastal cities.

Soon afterward, however, it was announced that two German planes had raided a south-east coast town, killing at least one person and causing damage and other casualties with a roof-top bombing and aerial cannon attack.

In the Monday night and Tuesday daylight attacks other British squadrons raided German air-dromes in Norway and France, and struck at shipping off Norway and Holland, in addition to the usual "shuttle service" back and forth across the English channel.

MOSCOW, May 5—(AP)—Stealing the jump on Adolf Hitler, hundreds of thousands of Russian soldiers, tanks and planes smashed headon Tuesday at three key German (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Axis Hits Action As Banditry

Parachutists Are Used by Britons In Quick Raid

By DREW MIDDLETON LONDON, May 5—(AP)

British commandos, regular infantrymen and royal marines moved upon Madagascar's Diego Suarez naval base Tuesday night in a swift incursion which struck from the reaching hand of the axis a vital Indian ocean position and effected a major allied coup in the world-wide struggle for mastery of the seas. "Operations are proceeding and our casualties have so far been light," the admiralty and war office said in a brief joint communique at 10 o'clock Tuesday night. "It is understood that the governor-general of Madagascar has declared his intention to resist."

The landing forces, protected by warships and warplanes, dashed ashore at Courrier bay, ten miles across the isthmus from Diego Suarez itself, at dawn Tuesday morning and by nightfall had broken the Vichy French coastal defenses, captured a battery which had shelled the landings and were smashing at the back door of the base through the hot tropical jungle.

Advices released by Vichy sources Tuesday night said the British occupying forces, which the French estimated, perhaps exceeded (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Registrations Show Pickup

Second Day's Ration Enrollment Here Exceeds First

Sugar ration registration in Marion county jumped to 15,302 Tuesday to top more than 2000 the number in the first day of the sign-up and to bring the total for the two days to more than 28,500. By 9 o'clock Tuesday night, more than 19,450 ration books had been issued in the elementary schoolhouses of the county for persons not possessing a quantity of sugar sufficient for the next six weeks.

Returns were far from complete, Mrs. Florence Bell, in charge of sugar records at the Salem ration board office, declared. One Salem school had not yet made its report and a number of rural schools had not indicated the size of their lists for the day.

Work of registrars, all serving on a volunteer no-pay basis, was highly praised by Mrs. Bell. More than 300 persons, most of them public school teachers, are serving in Salem alone, she pointed out. They were required to give time and effort for training and are putting in from four to six hours daily in addition to regular school work.

Registration continues today and Thursday. In Salem, hours are from 4 to 9 p. m., registration points are elementary schools, and registrars should include an adult member from every family group.

PORTLAND, May 5—(AP)—Officials estimated Tuesday that approximately 400,000 persons signed up in Oregon in the first two days of registration for sugar rationing.

W. S. Dirker, registration director, estimated 300,000 had received their first war ration books, the others having enough sugar on hand to preclude need.

Our Senators

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