

REYNAUD FLAYS LEOPOLD AFTER SURPRISE MOVE

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turns on the central front along the Somme and Aisne rivers and down the main Maginot line defenses.

The Belgians, battered back almost to their western shore by 18 days of blitzkrieg, capitulated before dawn today.

"King Disowned"
The Belgian government, now in France, rejected the king's leadership, "disowned"—in effect, deposed—him and conferred on a "new Belgium" to continue the fight.

But how effective Belgium now can be as an ally is problematical.

King Leopold himself was commander-in-chief of the Belgian army. His order to lay down arms in unconditional surrender ended the resistance of the great body of his forces.

The decision of Belgian leaders here to reorganize an army to continue fighting referred presumably only to whatever Belgian troops are in France, a few units at most, and to Belgian refugees, some of whom already are undertaking military training in this country.

By the Belgian surrender, the allies have lost an army of at least 250,000 men in 18 divisions. The way to Dunkerque, the French channel port through which supplies have been reaching hemmed-in allied armies, has been opened to the Nazi legions.

Reynaud Bitter
A German announcement said the Belgian forces "affected by the capitulation may roughly comprise half a million men."

Belgium's unconditional surrender was announced to the startled French nation by Premier Reynaud in a bitterly sarcastic speech in which he called the action "without precedent in history."

But the French high command declared the allies would continue to fight and their lines were reported holding solidly along the Somme and Aisne river lines to the Maginot bulwark in the east.

Heavy German attacks along the Meuse river were said to have collapsed under hot fire from French positions.

Premier Takes Over
Although the Belgian army admittedly was an "important force" in the allied campaign to stop the German advance, Reynaud said it had suffered many casualties and many other Belgian soldiers undoubtedly had been taken prisoner.

Belgian Premier Hubert Pierlot, broadcasting over the French radio, repeated Reynaud's statement that the Belgian government had decided to continue the fight and had ordered reorganization of Belgian forces in France.

Pierlot said his government had no part in Leopold's decision and declared that the "act

'Popeye' Mob Scene



The youngsters of the city and environs turned out practically a mass as shown above to attend the opening session of the Popeye club at the Pelican theatre. The show, for children only, is jointly sponsored every Saturday morning by Sears Roebuck and the Pelican theatre.

of one man does not commit the entire nation."

"King Is Dead"
Authorized French military sources called the Belgian King's order "personal treason, of which the king alone must support the total responsibility."

A Belgian newspaperman in France echoed this charge. "The king is dead!" they declared, "Long live Belgium!" The radio speech in which Reynaud made his announcement was hastily arranged after an emergency meeting of the French cabinet which lasted until the early hours of the morning.

"Still Intact"
He said that the French "faith in victory is still intact" and called upon the nation for a supreme effort.

Reynaud said: "Eighteen days ago this same king, who up to that time had seemed to attach the same value to the word of Germany as to that of the allies, sent us a call for help."

"To this we replied, following the plan which had been established since last December by the allied general staffs."

"But, in full battle, King Leopold III of Belgium—without warning General Blanchard, without consideration or a word for the French and British soldiers who had come to the help of his country in response to his anguished appeal—King Leopold III laid down his arms."

"It is a fact without precedent in history."
Reynaud said that the three allied armies fighting in Belgium were under the command of General Georges Blanchard.

FIRE PROBED

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 28 (AP)—Police today probed for possible incendiarism in a fire which broke out on Vancouver's Coal Harbor waterfront last night, destroying four marine plants and badly damaging a fifth. Two of the destroyed plants were engaged in government work.

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TROOPS MASS FOR THRUST TO SAVE MEN

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trapping allied forces in Belgium, William C. Kerker, NBC representative in Berlin reported in a broadcast late today.

Kerker said the Germans were advancing beyond Zeebrugge, along the channel coast.

LONDON, May 28 (AP)—Withdrawal of the British expeditionary forces from positions now occupied will be necessary because of the "great peril" in which the armies stand, the British minister of information, Alfred Duff Cooper, declared tonight.

He added that it could not be a "defeated army" however, in a broadcast to an anxious British nation. It was relayed to the United States.

LONDON, May 28 (AP)—Britain gathered her forces today for a supreme effort to break the German ring of steel around her expeditionary force in Flanders, now deprived of support of Belgium's surrendered army on the northern flank.

Naval spokesmen indicated that withdrawal of the British army from the Belgian battlefield was under consideration, but it was admitted that great dangers would be faced in any attempt to bring it out by way of the heavily bombed channel ports.

It was admitted that the Belgian capitulation opened a way for the Nazi legions to smash through to Dunkerque, France's vital channel port, through which the BEF has been largely supplied.

BERLIN, May 28 (AP)—A new break through French border fortifications "on a broad front" was announced by the German high command today as Belgium's army laid down its arms on command of its king.

The communique reported heavy fighting against the allies' "embittered resistance" which, it said, was partly broken with Nazi legions advancing within six miles of the Belgian city of Bruges, crossing the Scheldt canal west of Valenciennes and capturing the French towns of Orchies and Douai, south of Lille.

Capitulation of King Leopold left an estimated 700,000 allied soldiers trapped in a space hardly bigger than a good sized western cattle ranch.

Into this crowded area today waves of German dive bombers were unloading lethal cargoes of bombs and machine gun bullets, determined to paralyze all organized resistance.

With the flank exposed by the Belgian surrender, it seemed that only a miracle could save the trapped men from destruction.

SATISFACTORY

LONDON, May 28 (AP)—R. A. Butler, undersecretary for foreign affairs, told the house of commons today that Sir Wilfrid Greene had brought back from Italy proposals regarding contraband control which are regarded as "affording a satisfactory basis for an Anglo-Italian agreement."

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NEW MOTION BLOCKS NIGHT CLUB CASES

Attorneys U. S. Balentine and E. E. Driscoll, representing the defendants in the case of eight men and women arrested in raids on three local night clubs, filed a motion Tuesday asking that the indictments be quashed.

MAN HELD ON ASSAULT CHARGE; MEXICAN INJURED

Robert Hollingshead, 19, Pelican hotel, was in the county jail Tuesday awaiting arraignment on a charge of assault and battery in connection with an altercation in which a Mexican was taken to the Klamath Valley hospital.

The Mexican, Mariano Cortez, was being treated for facial lacerations said to have been received in a fight which allegedly occurred Saturday night at the Pelican hotel. Cortez is an employee of the Algoma Lumber company and is a resident of Algoma. He was admitted to the hospital early Sunday morning.

STUDY GROUP

The Independent Study club will hold a special meeting at the home of Mrs. Fannie Goddard, 2205 Darrow street, Wednesday, May 29, at 2 p. m.

Sharpshooting Britons are now on the lookout for Nazi parachutists, it being open season, with double bounty for captured chutes that may be remade into neckties and handkerchiefs.

'MIRACLE' SAUCE PAN DEMONSTRATED

Almost as unbelievable as Ripley's "believe-it-or-nots" are the miracle dinners being turned out during the demonstrations at Wards this week. "A complete dinner in 10 minutes" is the theme of the demonstrations, and a menu of meat, potatoes, carrots and beets is cooked before your very eyes in proof of this statement.

Oliver K. Cargo, Ward's famous Spee-Dee cooker, chef, who is in charge of the demonstrations, points out that because of the short space of time necessary to cook these meals and the special features of the cooker all vitamins and mineral salts of the foods are retained in the process. Food flavors and natural colors are also retained during the cooking, thus giving more healthful food, as well as a big saving in both time and money.

According to Chef Cargo, the cooker is capable of cooking a meal for five persons in approximately one-third the time required by ordinary methods. "The opening of the sauce-pan," continued Cargo, "is smaller than the stainless steel cover which fits inside of the pan. This fact and the special alloys used in the pan itself make the miracle dinners possible."

Cargo is demonstrating the Spee-Dee sauce-pan all this week every hour at the local Montgomery Ward store, which is the first to introduce this miracle pan to Klamath Falls housewives. The pan has been demonstrated in both world fairs and has been used in thousands of homes since its introduction in the east in 1933.

Hotels, restaurants, and sanitariums have found this cooker an advantageous utensil in eliminating wastes and in preparation of more healthful foods.

DAYLIGHT SAVING

ASHLAND, May 28 (AP)—Business and sports interests sought to expand Ashland's attractiveness as a vacation city today by petitioning the council to authorize daylight saving time at noon June 9. All other Oregon districts observe standard time.

RAISING DEBT LIMIT TO BE PUT IN PLAN

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000 from the 10 percent profit limitation now in force on contracts of more than \$10,000. Some labor regulations also would be relaxed.

In the senate Harrison announced that senate and house tax committees would begin tomorrow a study of proposed new levies.

New Taxes

Although he did not disclose details of proposed taxes, it was reported authoritatively that blanket increases in income levies were contemplated.

A horizontal increase in "luxury" excise taxes and imposition of some form of excess profits tax on war industries also were said to be under consideration.

Senator George (D-Ga.), a member of the senate finance committee, said there had been some discussion of a blanket increase in income taxes. He noted, however, that a boost of 10 percent would raise only about \$175,000,000 a year.

An increase of 10 percent in all federal taxes, which also has been discussed, would raise about \$500,000,000 annually, George estimated.

Asked if there had been suggestions for imposition of a manufacturers' sales tax, George commented:

"That would be an obvious way of getting money quickly." He added, however, that such a proposal would be like-

Miracle Chef



Chef Oliver K. Cargo who turns out miracle dinners at Wards.

ly to stir immediate opposition in congress.

An increase in the federal gasoline tax also was reported to have been discussed as a possible quick source of new revenue.

NEW FLEET

SEATTLE, May 28 (AP)—A fleet of new, fast ships carrying capacity cargoes between Seattle and other Pacific north-west ports and the Orient was envisioned today by Admiral Emory S. Land, chairman of the U. S. maritime commission.

From Peru comes the report of a Dutchman and German fighting in an elevator over their countries' differences. Here is suggested the ideal place to confine all this commotion.

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