

# AUSSIE TROOPS INVADE BORNEO

## Herald and News

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Weather News		
May 1, 1945		
Max. (April 30)	80	Min. .... 51
Precipitation last 24 hours	..... 0.0	
Stream year to date	..... 8.29	
Normal	10.18	Last year ..... 7.31
Forecast: Cooler Wednesday.		

### Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
HERE is news from the Pacific today.

The Japs (usually right about now) say we're landing on Borneo, near the oil city of Balikpapan. There is the usual Jap wash about tossing us back into the sea, but they admit they are fighting hard.

The invasion is confirmed in Melbourne, where an official in the parliament that a family of Australian division is taking part in the landing.

The fight for Borneo, long expected because of our need for oil, CLOSE in spite of the fact that the Jap garrisons there were cut off from reinforcement. The island is rugged and mountainous, rising in the center more than 13,000 feet, and is the Jap dish for a suicide band.

The British today are reported to be shelling and bombing the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Jap-held outposts protecting the Indian ocean end of the Singapore strait.

The British have practically wiped up the BURMA OIL FIELDS, and are moving down Rangoon, southern end of the Burma road, an important center and chief Jap supply point in that whole area. They expect to take it before the monsoons start in a few weeks.

As the European war fizzles out, the Pacific war gets hotter by the minute.

Germany, fighting on a big scale is collapsing. The Russians all but have Berlin. The flag flies from the reichstag building.

The British are cutting around Hamburg, and the Russians are moving westward along the Baltic to meet them and wipe out the northern "redoubt" the nazis had hoped to maintain.

MUNICH, birthplace of Hitler, falls — with relatively little resistance.

Pat's 7th army takes it, and moving on up the foothills of the Alps toward Innsbruck and the northern end of the Brenner Pass and Berchtesgaden. Pat's 2nd is moving on Berchtesgaden from farther east, and is reported this morning only 58 miles from Hitler's roost.

The German army over in Italy probably the best they had left has been destroyed.

The sands in the Nazi hour are running out.

SMILER is obviously dicker with us—trying, apparently, to give up to the Americans and the British in the hope of starting a ruckus between us and the Russians. "Divide and conquer" has been the Nazi motto from the beginning and Himmler is still a mystery) is playing the game out to the last card. He will lose. Whatever happens afterward, we're all going (Continued on Page Three)

## Churchill Hints Peace Notice May Come Soon

By LEWIS HAWKINS  
LONDON, May 1 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill hinted today that announcement of peace in Europe might come before Saturday, but told a packed house of commons that he had no statement at this time.

He answered questions in the house as Swedish Count Folke Bernadotte conferred in Stockholm with Erik Boheman, undersecretary of state in the Swedish foreign office, after a quick flight from Copenhagen.

Bernadotte refused to tell newsmen whether he had brought a new message from Heinrich Himmler. There were no signs that the Swedish Red Cross official had made a contact with allied representatives in Stockholm, but such

contact most likely would be established through the Swedish foreign office.

Replying to a member's question, Churchill declared "I have no special statement to make on the war position in Europe except that it is definitely more satisfactory than it was at this time five years ago."

Then he added he might make a brief announcement later this week, but "only if information of exceptional importance reaches us."

The house was jammed with one of the largest attendances of the war, in hopes Churchill might clarify many rumors concerning German peace bids.

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## MOLOTOV MAY LEAVE CONFAB; CHAIRMEN SET

### Management Details Of Conference to Be Mapped

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER  
SAN FRANCISCO, May 1 (AP)—Word that Foreign Commissar Molotov soon may leave the United Nations conference because of war developments coincided today with new big efforts to draft management details of this world meeting.

It was learned that Molotov's departure, expected any day, would not reflect displeasure with the progress of the conference, but would be due entirely to the war situation. There have been reports that not only he but also Foreign Minister Eden, Foreign Minister Velloso of Brazil and other delegation chiefs may have to quit the city by mid-day.

At present, however, it was said Eden has no plans to leave for London.

To Remain  
Secretary of State Stettinius plans to remain here to see the entire conference through.

When Molotov leaves for Moscow, he is expected to be succeeded by Andrei Gromyko, ambassador to the United States. Before President Truman dispatched a note to Premier Stalin urging Molotov's attendance, Gromyko had been designated to head the Russians.

Most Harmonious  
Definite word of Molotov's probable departure came after a meeting of the Big Four last night, which was described in American quarters as the most harmonious yet held.

Molotov was reported to have appeared in no way chagrined by yesterday's conference action in voting Argentina immediate membership despite his vigorous efforts to delay action.

The conference executive committee of 14 nations met today to select chairmen for the four commissions and 12 committees which will put the Dumbarton Oaks plan for a world organization (Continued on Page Three)

## British Navy Shells Isles In Indian Sea

By LEONARD MILLIMAN  
Associated Press War Editor

Australian troops who fought in the Middle East are "participating in an action against the Japanese in Borneo," Treasury Minister Joseph B. Chifly told the Australian parliament today.

This statement, made to the lower house and reported in a Canberra dispatch, apparently confirmed an earlier Tokyo radio report that allied forces had invaded the oil-rich island of The Netherlands East Indies.

Minister Chifly's announcement was the first from any allied source to lend credence to the enemy radio broadcast. In recent months Tokyo consistently has been the first to report allied invasions of the Pacific.

Chifly said a "famous division" of Aussies was engaged on Borneo. Tokyo reported the allied assault waves had engaged Japanese troops near the Dutch Borneo port of Tarakan last night after making one unsuccessful landing in the Dutch Indies.

Such an assault, perhaps by a combined American and British force under command of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, would represent a 200-mile jump from the southern Philippines into the northernmost oil islands in the Dutch Indies.

Shell Islands  
Due west of the reported invasion British naval task forces reportedly shelled Nicobar and Andaman islands in the Indian oceans while armored columns pouring out of Burma's central oil field continued advancing toward Rangoon against light opposition.

In the southern Philippines, the U. S. 24th division brushed aside surprisingly light opposition as it advanced to within 17 miles of supposedly strongly-held Davao. Guerrillas captured Talikud island guarding the approaches to Davao.

Capture Field  
Tank supported infantrymen on southern Okinawa, 325 miles from Japan, captured Machinato airfield on the west coast, began flanking Yonabaru airfield on the east, and pushed to within half a mile of Shuri, strategically important town in the center of the line.

Fifty-nine Japanese planes were shot down in their continuing attack around Okinawa. Free-running American aircraft wrecked 56 Nipponese vessels in strikes reaching from Japan itself down the length of the Asiatic coast.

Jap Shake-Up  
Adm. Soemu Toyoda, commander-in-chief of what is left of Japan's combined fleet, was named overall commander of the Nipponese navy in a shake-up which may be a forerunner to another naval battle.

Japanese broadcasts reported no Nipponese naval attempts to halt the reported Borneo invasion nor to check the British bombardments in the Indian ocean. The Domei news agency said carrier aircraft raided Car Nicobar island yesterday while a bombardment force of 12 warships shelled ground installations. Eight warships "heavily shelled Port Blair in the Andaman Islands," Domei said.

## 3rd Nears Braunau; Fascists Surrender

By TOM OCHILTREE  
Associated Press War Editor

Tanks of the U. S. third army, driving 25 miles out of the rear river bridgehead, reached the Inn river near Hitler's birthplace at Braunau today as American seventh army forces advanced beyond captured Munich toward Innsbruck and the northern entrance to the Brenner Pass.

Other third army forces were driving toward Hitler's mountain retreat at Berchtesgaden.

Unconditional surrender of the fascist Ligurian army in Italy was ordered Sunday by Marshal Rodolfo Graziani after his capture by the allies. This army has been holding the Ligurian coast in northwestern Italy.

Americans advancing along the Gulf of Genoa occupied Savona, Spotorno and Noli, while British armored forces in northeastern Italy entered Udine, 60 miles northeast of Venice. New Zealand troops made a junction with Yugoslav partisans at the head of the Adriatic.

Stralsund Taken  
Premier Marshal Stalin announced that Russian troops had captured the Baltic port of Stralsund, 40 miles northeast of Rostock.

The nazis were attempting to hold back the American drive from the south toward the Brenner Pass in the area above Lake Garda. Apparently the Germans sought to reorganize their disjointed forces in northern Italy for the long, hard march up into the Alps. The New Zealand troops, driving toward a junction with Yugoslav partisans in Trieste, were reported more than 15 miles beyond the Plave river.

Berlin Capture Near  
In flaming Berlin the Russians were making a determined assault in an effort to capture the reich capital on this May day. The reichstag, Heinrich Himmler's ministry of the interior and 200 blocks of buildings in the central part of the city were in Russian hands and soviet troops were laying siege to Hitler's underground fortress in the Tiergarten.

The German air force made a last desperate attempt to parachute supplies to the besieged defenders of Berlin.

Russian troops driving into the last ditch Nazi defenses in the Tiergarten had been told by Premier Marshal Stalin that the "last assault is on" and that the Russian people were celebrating May Day "under conditions of the victorious termination of the great patriotic war."

## HITLER IS DEAD

—Says German Radio

LONDON, May 1 (AP)—The Hamburg radio announced tonight that Adolf Hitler was killed this afternoon in his command post at the reichs chancellery in Berlin.

The German dictator fought "up to his last breath against bolshevism," the announcement said.

Admiral Karl Doenitz, commander of the German navy, has succeeded Hitler, the broadcast added.

No mention was made of Heinrich Himmler, gestapo chief who had been dicker in an attempt to surrender what remained of Germany to Britain and the United States but was turned down because he did not include Russia in his offer.

"At the fuhrer's headquarters it is reported that our Fuhrer Adolf Hitler has fallen this afternoon in his command post at the reichs chancellery, fighting up to his last breath against bolshevism," said the announcement.

The radio broadcast a statement from Doenitz in which he said "My first task will be to save Germany from the advancing bolsheviks. Only for this do we continue the fight."

"Give me your confidence," Doenitz appealed to the German people. "Keep calm and be disciplined. Only in that way will we be able to stave off defeat."

The announcement said Hitler had appointed Doenitz April 30 (yesterday) as his successor.

The broadcast came approximately an hour after the Hamburg radio had told its listeners that it would shortly have a grave and important announcement.

(Editor's Note: On April 26, a free German press report said that a carefully coached former grocer resembling Adolf Hitler had been sent to Berlin in the fuhrer's place to "die on the barricades . . . and to create a hero legend around the fuhrer's death while Hitler himself goes underground.")

## ALBERT MARSHALL TAKEN BY DEATH

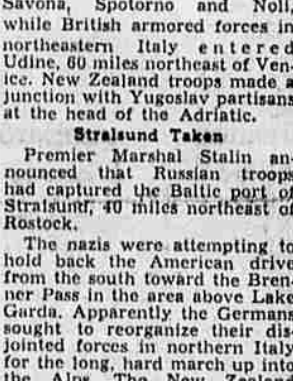
Albert Logan Marshall, 66, prominent Olene rancher and stockman, died suddenly at 4:30 o'clock Monday afternoon while walking in the fields near his home. Death was unexpected as Mr. Marshall had been in excellent health.

His passing was attributed to a heart attack. George Stevenson, neighboring rancher, was with Mr. Marshall at the time.

Mr. Marshall was born September 25, 1878, at Joliet, Ill., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Marshall. His father was a captain in the Union army during the Civil war and a prominent lawyer.

Outstanding Athlete  
The family moved to Indiana from Illinois, and Mr. Marshall attended the University of Wisconsin. He was outstanding in athletics and one year made the All-American football team. Later he coached football and track at North Dakota Agricultural college at Fargo, N. D., and at Northwestern Military academy, Chicago. He was a member of Delta Upsilon, University of Wisconsin.

Hattie Eigelsbach of Rensselaer, Ind., and Mr. Marshall were (Continued on Page Four)



## Governor Exchanges Data In Visit to Klamath Falls

An exchange of information proved to be an outstanding result of Governor Earl Snell's visit to Klamath Falls yesterday.

The governor left for Salem last night with full knowledge of the notable job that has been done at the Klamath Falls Marine Barracks in re-conditioning combat veterans for full duty status. He also knew something of the important fleet unit training program at the Klamath naval air station. For his part, the governor had given a record Klamath audience a clearer picture of state affairs and the trend in Oregon to shift costly functions from local to the state government.

Spoke at Dinner  
The governor spoke last night at the annual and silver anniversary meeting of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, held at the Marine mess hall at the Marine Barracks, where he had spent part of the day on an inspection tour with Colonel George O. Van Orden and visiting newspapermen.

Governor Snell called attention to many examples indicating the trend in Oregon to shift governmental functions and costs upward. For instance, he said, cities once paid for the streets over which highways pass, but now the state does it. Counties once paid for rights-of-way for highways, but now the state does it. Cities and counties

## NAVY AUTHORIZES CONSTRUCTION HERE

WASHINGTON, May 1 (AP)—The navy has authorized more than \$600,000 in new construction at Klamath Falls, Ore., Rep. Stockman (R-Ore.) said today.

The work will embrace construction of a two-story ward building; a two-story warehouse; a second story addition to the administration building; an addition to the heating plant, a post-exchange restaurant, and barracks storehouse, with necessary facilities at the Marine Barracks, at an estimated cost of \$586,200.

Sprinkler systems for hangar No. 1 and storehouse at the naval air station; estimated cost \$47,000.

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## 50,000 AMERICANS FREED FROM CAMP

Klamath folk who have sons, brothers or husbands in German prison camps, were heartened today with announcement that the 14th armored division had liberated 50,000 Americans. Half of them were air force officers from Stalag 7A and in the towns around Moosburg where the Germans had the biggest concentration of prisoners in Germany.

An Associated Press dispatch said today that "in high spirits 50,000 Americans almost mobbed the tankmen in one of the wildest liberations ever witnessed in Germany."

The men were described as being in good physical condition and morale at the camp was high. The camp commander was Col. Paul B. Goosburg of Corvallis, Ore., who said "the Germans treated us very good, considering that they are 'goons,' the prison lingo for all Germans.

Stalag 7A held allied prisoners from every campaign on the continent and North Africa. With the freeing of the camps around Moosburg, most Americans captured (Continued on Page Three)

## Germans Warned To Stand By for Announcement

LONDON, May 1 (AP)—The Hamburg station said tonight, "The German radio will shortly broadcast a grave and important announcement for the German people."

The announcer, Lord Haw Haw, asked listeners to keep tuned in for the announcement.

## Dogs Required To Be Tied Here

A city ordinance goes into effect today in Klamath Falls requiring that all dogs inside the city limits be either tied or kept in enclosed premises until June 30.

The dog commission met Friday and authorized A. M. Fields, city poundmaster, and Orville Hamilton, acting chief of police here, to rigidly enforce this ordinance.

Hamilton today urged all dog owners to cooperate with the authorities on this matter in an effort to protect victory gardens and flower beds in the city.

## OPA Defended By President

WASHINGTON, May 1 (AP)—OPA, recently under fire in congressional food hearings, today was strongly defended by President Truman.

Stepping into a controversy that had been raging with increasing warmth on Capitol Hill, the president spoke a word of "deserved commendation" for OPA. Specifically, he expressed hope that price control authority would be continued another year.

TRUMAN ASKS NO HOLIDAY  
WASHINGTON, May 1 (AP)—President Truman said today he hopes there will be no celebration when hostilities end in Europe, but a national understanding of the importance of the job which remains."

It was emphasized this did not mean the end of hostilities was necessarily imminent.

## Governor Takes 'Ride'



Over the controls of a Link Trainer, Governor Earl Snell today took a ride on a horse. The governor visited the naval training device. The governor visited the naval training device Monday afternoon after inspecting facilities of the barracks.

## Stalin Leads May Day Fetes

By EDDY GILMORE  
MOSCOW, May 1 (AP)—Premier Marshal Stalin, dressed in a steel-grey summer uniform and standing on Lenin's shining red marble tomb in the Kremlin square, led the soviet union today in one of the greatest May Day celebrations in the history of the 27-year-old soviet government.

Stalin was greeted with thunderous applause when he appeared and again as he left the top of the tomb. He joked with his associates and with members of the diplomatic corps, who were out in force to witness the spectacle.

## Queens of May Reign Here

"O call me early, Mother dear, For I'm to be queen of the May!" Arms laden with blossoms torn by little hands from garden plots and flowery branches, boys and girls alike trudged to school this May Day morning to lay treasures on teachers' desks.

Strictly un-springlike weather for the Klamath basin made it possible for youngsters to raid local gardens this morning and fulfill all the traditions of May Day. Baskets were crammed to overflowing with daffodils, hincynthis, forsythia, dwarf iris, peach and apple blossoms and wild flowers.

The mercury soared to a seasonal high Monday when the thermometer hit 80 degrees. The temperature bid fair to equal that figure today. Forecast was for cooler weather.

## French Women Strain Chivalry In Elections

PARIS, May 1 (AP)—The traditional gallantry of Frenchmen toward the weaker sex was a little strained by the recent elections which brought women to the polls for the first time in the history of France.

Somebody — it might have been a defeated candidate — went around Paris chalking up walls with the slogan "Down with the women voters" and "Beware of petticoat government."

The small northern town of Echigey has a complete matriarchal government today. Ten women ran on a single ticket and somehow that ticket won. The defeated masculine candidates are demanding a recount.

In another community, 500 nuns dominated the election. Their convent is situated near a town with a population of less than 300. The 500 sisters swept the village's "old guard" right out of office.

## America Tightens Belt To Supply Civilian Needs In Europe; Sugar Quota Cut

By BRACK CURRY  
WASHINGTON, May 1 (AP)—Americans were told today a "decent diet" will be maintained despite a 25 per cent slash in sugar rations and the prospect of higher point values for other foodstuffs.

Further civilian belt tightening was foreshadowed when: 1. Samuel I. Rosenman, presidential food scout, recommended that the United States should supply a "substantial share" of civilian needs in northwest Europe. He acknowledged this probably would cut into home-front food supplies.

2. The inter-agency committee on foreign shipments said "We shall have to make some adjustments in particular foods" and hinted at higher ration points for fats and oils.

One-Man Control  
At the same time mounting sentiment was evidence in congress for one-man control of all food matters now divided among the OPA, the war food administration and other agencies.

Predicting a five to 10 per cent slump this year in the nation's food production, the inter-