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Corregidor Surrenders

FRENCH ON MADAGASCAR STIFFEN THEIR RESISTANCE

Caribbean Vichy Bases May Be Next

Washington Reported to be Considering Seizure of French Islands Flanking Panama Canal; News From Other War Fronts.

(By The Associated Press) British troops plunging 20 miles through the jungles in French Madagascar were reported meeting "stiffening resistance" today as Washington considered a possible United States move against Vichy-controlled bases flanking the Panama Canal.

Washington diplomatic sources said the Vichy government's fight against British occupation at Madagascar could be construed as hostile to the United Nations and that it raised the question of whether French bases in the Caribbean—Martinique, Guadeloupe and French Guiana—should be allowed to remain in Vichy hands.

A bulletin from French headquarters on Madagascar said the island's entire air force had been thrown into action against renewed British bombing attacks and declared: "We are resisting along the first line of redoubts."

London military quarters said the British commandos, infantry and marines who landed on the 1,000-mile long island at dawn Tuesday were now closing in on the key Diego Suarez naval base.

Those quarters acknowledged that the island defenders, under orders from Vichy to fight to the end, were putting up sharp resistance, but said the British advance was progressing "satisfactorily."

Vichy reports last night said the British, estimated by the French at 20,000 troops, had reached the town of Antankaha, only four miles from the naval base.

The German controlled Paris radio said:

Fighting has been going on in Madagascar for 24 hours, and a handful of French colonialists, without hope of help or reinforcements from the home country, has been fighting step by step against the British aggressors.

Acting with the full consent of the United States, the British moved into Madagascar to prevent a threatened axis seizure of the strategic island, which commands allied sea communications.

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Promotion Of Andrews Is Delayed

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—Confirmation of the promotion of Rear Admiral Adolphus Andrews to the rank of vice admiral was held up by the Senate naval affairs committee today after Senator Brewster, Republican, Maine, raised the question of placing responsibility for the fire which gutted the former French liner, Normandie at New York berth.

Andrews has been placed in command of the Atlantic sea frontier, from the Canadian border to Savannah, Ga.

Brewster said that the question of sea defense was of so much concern in New England that he preferred to await secret testimony from Secretary Knox before further considering the Presidential nomination.

Secretary Hull Promises Reply To French Action

Typical College Girl



Dorothy Roberts of New Rochelle, New York, a Jackson College senior, is a typical college graduate. While Dorothy plans to get married after graduation, she also intends to carve out a career for herself. She is engaged to Albert Shaw, Tufts College senior, who is due for a commission in naval aviation. After their marriage Dorothy expects to go to work while Albert will be in the Navy.

(Central Press)

Stuttgart Raided Anew

British Bombers Hit German Industrial City Second Night in Succession

London, May 6.—(AP)—Industrial plants in Stuttgart again were bombed by the RAF for the second night in succession last night and British raiders also attacked other targets in southern Germany, the British reported today.

The raids were the third in a row against Germany since the start of a new series of aerial assaults Sunday on Adolf Hitler's war and industrial machines.

From base and other engagements, four bombers are missing, the air ministry announced.

It said the docks at Nantes were again bombed and airdromes of northern France and the Low Countries were attacked.

British Planes Over France

Vichy, May 6.—(AP)—Advices from Paris said today that an air alarm sounded in the German-occupied French capital during the night.

At the same time there was mounting attention to recurring air activity over unoccupied France by what Frenchmen generally assumed to be British planes although an information office statement mentioned no nationality.

POSSE STILL HUNTS FOR NEGRO FUGITIVE

Hamlet, May 6.—(AP)—All roads between Hamlet and Cheraw, S. C., were blocked today by a posse of approximately 300 officers and men searching for a heavily armed Negro alleged to have shot to death five persons, including Police Chief John B. Fallow.

Whether Reply to Vichy's Rejection of American Note Will be New Note or in Form of Action is Unanswered.

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—Secretary of State Hull said today that Vichy's rejection of an American note backing up the British coup on Madagascar called for a reply, and he added grimly it would certainly receive one.

Whether the reply would be in the form of a note or in the form of action, he left unanswered.

He was noncommittal, too, when asked at his press conference about the feeling in diplomatic circles that Vichy's resistance to the occupation of Madagascar was an act which might be construed as hostile to the United Nations and hence basis for a move against Vichy-controlled bases flanking the Panama Canal.

Hull was asked whether this government considered French resistance to the British on Madagascar as a warlike act within the meaning of the American note handed to the French ambassador Monday night.

He replied that he had no information on the progress of the situation on Madagascar and preferred at this time to rest on the statement already issued on Monday and on what he said yesterday.

At his press conference yesterday Hull reiterated that if American assistance became necessary on Madagascar the ships and troops of the United States were ready.

London, May 6.—(AP)—The British are meeting determined resistance in Madagascar and casualties today have been "heavier," a communique reported.

The joint admiralty-war office communique said:

"The advance of our forces in northern Madagascar is being resisted with determination and casualties today have been heavier. Operations continue with the support of our naval aircraft."

The Vichy radio said latest reports from the island were that fighting between the British and French forces was growing fiercer and that waves of British planes were doing our light French naval forces in the harbor of Diego Suarez. Ten British planes were shot down yesterday, the radio said.

Germans Lose 1,500 Men

Moscow, May 6.—(AP)—More than 1,500 of Germany's Kalinin front troops have been slain in 72 hours of fighting and the survivors show signs of nervousness by illuminating neo-man's hand nightly with star shells, the Russians said today.

This precaution against surprise thrusts by the Red army is an adaptation from trench warfare of 1914-18.

Of developments yesterday, however, the government's midnight communique said "nothing of importance took place."

Cruiser Arrives At East Coast Port To Disprove Jap Claims Of Sinking

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—The United States light cruiser Marblehead, which the Japanese have several times claimed to have sunk, has arrived at an east coast port, the Navy announced today, badly damaged and torn by bombs but "very much afloat."

The 7,050-ton cruiser has steamed half-way around the world, making a portion of the trip with her steering gear disabled and sometimes barely managing to keep afloat, to bring her wounds of war home for

Wins Presidency



Alfonso Lopez

Winning by the widest margin in the history of presidential elections in Colombia, S. A., Alfonso Lopez defeated Dr. Carlos Arango Velez. He promised complete support of the democracies during his recent campaign to succeed Eduardo Santos as Colombia's 68th president.

(Central Press)

Automobile Requisition Bill Approved

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—Senator Hill, Democrat, Alabama, said today that Price Administrator Leon Henderson and Robert P. Patterson, undersecretary of War, had approved in principle a pending bill to authorize the government to requisition private automobiles and pay for them.

Appearing before the Senate military committee in a closed session, the two officials also were said by Hill to have endorsed the principle of another measure which would establish a national speed limit of 40 miles and provide for the confiscation of the autos of persons convicted of exceeding it.

Hill told reporters that Henderson and Patterson appeared to be interested chiefly in the conservation of rubber for essential civilian uses and advocated passage by Congress of legislation similar to that now under consideration for the psychological effect such a move would have on the motoring public.

The auto seizure bill, introduced by Senator Downey, Democrat, California, would authorize expenditures up to \$5,000,000,000 for the purchase of requisitioned private cars or parts. Thus, if it were passed by Congress, a spare tire might be requisitioned by the government or the whole car taken.

Stock Rally Interrupted

New York, May 6.—(AP)—The stock market's recent speculative rally was interrupted today by a thin stream of selling prompted in part by adverse war reports and Washington announcement of new economic controls.

Despite the lightness of offering, many leaders were set back traction was decidedly thin from the start. Steels, rubbers, utilities, rails and aircrafts were generally minus territory near the fourth hour.

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American Bombers Destroy 40 Planes At Jap Airdrome

Twenty-five Other Japanese Planes Damaged in Raid on Base Near Rangoon; KAF Planes Bomb Jap Barges in Burma.

New Delhi, May 6.—(AP)—Forty Japanese planes were destroyed and 25 others badly damaged by a heavy United States bomber squadron which struck early today in its second successive raid on Mangaladon an airdrome just north of Rangoon. An official source said today.

Twice eight B-24 Superfortresses of the American bomber force in an unprovoked attack this morning, starting fires that could be seen for miles away.

Their bombs crashed into the Mangaladon airdrome, destroying hangars and gasoline dumps, set on fire by the last previous night's bombing. The night before.

The raid was the seventh in the lower Burma area since American planes began their aerial offensive from India April 1.

The RAF, timing its blows with the American advance, struck anew at cargoes being Japanese war materials and perhaps troops up the Chindwin river on the Burma front 400 miles to the north.

21 Survivors Of Sinkings Reach Safety

Charleston, S. C., May 6.—(AP)—The sixth naval district public relations office announced today that 21 persons had been safely landed after the toppling of a small Norwegian merchant ship off the Atlantic coast.

Thirteen were taken to Barras Island Monday night by crewmen and a navy cutter brought here.

The survivors had been afloat in two overcrowded lifeboats for 14 days, during which they covered about 600 miles.

They were taken aboard rescue craft after being sighted by patrolling aircraft.

The portland in lifeboats brought varied experiences which included a gizzard of sea for the chief engineer from one of the lifeboats and a heavy sea which on one occasion capsized one of the boats.

Commissions Stand Altered

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—Reversing its previous stand after a snowballing controversy, the House military committee today favored giving the War department the green light in commissioning civilians for special duty.

The committee voted late yesterday to knock out a rider in the service pay increase bill that would have limited issuance of Army commissions to officer trained men, except

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Keep 'Em Flying



Here a crew of many thousands of members of U. S. Army ground crews. They are training at Maxwell Field, Ala. Although Pvt. Virgil C. Jackson, 5 feet 1 inch, can stand erect under the wing of his plane, his buddy, Pvt. Henry P. Schackelford, 6 feet 7 inches, can rest an elbow on the same plane without stretching.

(Central Press)

Destroyer Sinks Sub

Old U. S. Patrol Vessel Sends Axis Undersea Craft to Bottom With One Shot.

New York, May 6.—(AP)—"The debris in the water left no doubt that the sub had gone straight to the bottom—and for good."

And so, the third naval district disclosed today, another axis undersea raider was eliminated by the Atlantic patrol. The job was done by an old four-stack destroyer.

This story, told by an officer aboard the destroyer, was formally released by the naval district.

It was in the middle of the first watch, between 2 a. m. and 3 a. m. Suddenly, a low, dark shape loomed up ahead of the destroyer. At the same moment the destroyer's spotlight revealed a submarine lying on the surface, charging her batteries, while startled members of the submarine crew attempted to get to cover.

On the destroyer, a light signalman manning a machine gun sent fiery tracer bullets singing out at the submarine, forcing some of the crew to leap into the sea.

The submarine fired two torpedoes, both of which went wide. Then from the destroyer came the sharp crack of a four-inch gun fired at short point blank range. There was a dull boom and a gaping hole showed in the side of the submarine, which slowly rolled over and disappeared.

Cotton Market Trend Lower

New York, May 6.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened down 13 cents to 19.10 cents a bale.

At noon values were unchanged to 23 cent, a high level May 13, 1941, 18.43, and October 1942.

Other Forts In Bay Also Captured

General Wainwright's Forces, Outnumbered, Hungry and Exhausted, Forced to Give Up Defense of Manila Bay.

(By The Associated Press) Overwhelmingly outnumbered, hungry and exhausted, Lieutenant General Jonathan Wainwright's forces surrendered to the Japanese today after 28 days of fiery siege in the battle of Manila Bay.

A War department bulletin issued at 4:15 a. m. EWT—more than 16 hours after the Japanese launched a midnight landing assault on Corregidor island fortress—announced briefly:

"... Resistance of our troops has been overcome. Fighting has ceased, and terms are being arranged covering the capitulation of the island forts in Manila Bay."

About 7,000 American and Filipino men and women were believed involved in the surrender of the four mid-bay forts after holding out for nearly a month against Japanese forces which overran Bataan peninsula on April 9.

Besides Fort Mills on Corregidor, Forts Drum, Frank and Hughes on three other smaller islands guarding the entrance to Manila Bay succumbed to the tempestuous Japanese attack.

Corregidor alone had undergone more than 500 air raids and in the final day before the Japanese landing attack had been five bombed 13 times and shelled incessantly for five hours.

A communique said that one of the last messages received from General Wainwright before the fall of Corregidor reported that casualties among the defenders were heavy during the last few days, and the constant pounding by the enemy resulted in severe damage to military installations.

Most of Corregidor's shore defenses—pill boxes, barbed wire entanglements and other obstructions—were blasted away.

Corregidor's guns replied to the enemy artillery fire and shelled truck columns in Bataan during the last day, Wainwright reported, but the counter battery fire was severely handicapped, as it had been throughout the siege of Manila Bay forts, by lack of aerial observation.

Running desperately low on food and ammunition, the tiny American—

Japs Drive Still Deeper Into Yunnan

Chungking, May 6.—(AP)—Japanese troops which drove across the Chinese frontier from Burma are continuing their advance to the northeast in Yunnan province along the Burma Road, a Chinese army communique announced today.

The situation at Wating, Chinese frontier station on the Burma Road, was described as obscure.

Strong Japanese reinforcements including mechanized units were said to have hurried against Chinese defenses in the outer ring around Wanning from Chukok, on the Burmese side of the frontier.

Meanwhile, the communique said, another Japanese force which slashed across the frontier and advanced northeast along the Burma Road was engaged in a fierce fight by Chinese troops.

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Little change in temperature tonight.