

BOUND BRITISH PRISONERS BAYONETED BY JAPS--EDEN

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"The Harder the Sacrifice, the More Glorious the Triumph."
—Franklin D. Roosevelt, in address to nation February 23, 1942.

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WHOLESALE TERRORISM IN HONGKONG IS CHARGED

Barbarous Treatment of
Helpless Captives, Pillag-
ing, Assaults on Women
Laid to Hirohito's Army

By Associated Press.

LONDON, March 10.—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden charged in the House of Commons today that the Japanese army in Hongkong had been guilty of wholesale atrocities in the occupied crown colony and declared that the Japanese Emperor and government and "the whole Japanese people" were to blame.

Fifty British officers and men were bound hand and foot and then bayoneted to death after the capture of Hongkong, women, both European and Asiatic, were raped and murdered, and one whole Chinese district was declared a brothel regardless of status or inhabitants, Eden declared.

These happenings, previously reported to the government, were not made public until it had confirmation from reliable eyewitnesses recently escaped from the colony, Eden said.

"Their testimony established the fact that the Japanese army at Hongkong perpetrated against their helpless military prisoners and civil population without distinction of race or color the same kind of barbarities which aroused the horror of the civilized world at the time of the Nanking massacre of 1937," Eden continued.

Eden referred to the Japanese capture of the former Chinese capital on December 13, 1937. Substantiated accounts at that time said a reign of terror existed for days, with thousands of women raped and murdered and other thousands of the inhabitants killed during the burning, looting and pillage of Nanking.

Japanese statements at the time described the disorders as a "mopping-up" operation.

(See Page 2 for text of Eden's report.)

SUMMARY OF TODAY'S WAR NEWS

Threat of revolt by 77,000,000 Indian Moslems drew London's attention today after Prime Minister Churchill delayed a statement on the status of India.

The Battle of Java was considered closed, but Dutch sources in Australia said the struggle would go on from outside the East Indies. With Rangoon lost, the Japanese pushed west toward India.

The Bataan Peninsula remained quiet, but a Japanese cruiser shelled the Philippines port of Cebu.

Japanese made a third landing on New Guinea, just north of Australia, and bombed Port Moresby again. Australia was alert for signs of invasion.

Shows began to melt in some sectors of the Eastern Front, and in Europe it was predicted that mud-clogged communications would delay Hitler's widely heralded offensive. The Russians continued to pound away at Nazi strongholds, moving more troops into the Staraya Russa sector.

R. A. F. bombers again visited Essen, Germany, and the Ruhr Valley, inflicting heavy damage in German industries there.

The Mediterranean battle was marked by continuation of hit-and-run bombing attacks on both sides, the British visiting Sicily and Greece, while the Axis sent planes over Malta, Tobruk and Alexandria.

Reports from Malta said the island stronghold had been undergoing a 24-hour attack by Axis planes.

(See Page 8 for communiques.)

Allies' Bickering Scored by Critic

U. S. FREEZES PORK PRICES TO HELP CUT LIVING COSTS

Wholesale Quotations to Be
Fixed at Levels Pre-
vailing March 3 to March
7; Farmers, Retailers Hit

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The government temporarily froze wholesale prices of 90 per cent of the nation's pork products, including ham and bacon, today at the highest levels prevailing between March 3 and March 7.

The ceiling, effective March 23, applies to dressed hogs and wholesale pork cuts, and Price Administrator Leon Henderson declared it was expected "to help importantly in holding down the cost of living."

Last year, consumers spent more than \$2,000,000,000 for pork and other hog products.

Farmer to Be Affected

Neither the farmers nor retail outlets are covered directly by the emergency price schedule, but Henderson asserted both would feel its effects. When prices are fixed, dressed hogs or pork cuts, prices which the packer may pay for farmers' hogs automatically are limited.

"Pork prices to the retailer are fixed under the regulation," Henderson continued. "O. P. A. will step into the retail picture immediately, should present retail-price margins rise beyond possibly a slight increase to reflect changes in replacement costs, thus adding to the consumer's burden unduly."

The O. P. A. said that, with top prices of \$13.75 a hundred pounds prevailing for hogs in Chicago, prices received by farmers exceed 110 per cent of parity.

Many Meat Cuts Included

Products covered under the new ceiling include regular hams, fresh or frozen; regular hams, cured, smoked, boiled or baked; baked and boned skinned hams, picnic hams, shoulders, pork loins, canned or packaged; spiced luncheon meat made entirely from pork; slab bacon, Canadian bacon, sliced bacon, fat backs, spare ribs and canned or packaged spiced ham.

Excluded from the ceiling are sausages, canned meats, manufactured meats except canned spiced ham and luncheon meat, and edible offals. Officials said sausages contained various meat products and that it would be extremely difficult to arrive at a fair pricing formula for them.

Advances in hog products during recent months, bringing price levels to a 16-year peak, reflected the competitive demand for pork products from normal consumers, and lend-lease and military requirements.

(See Page 21 for further details.)

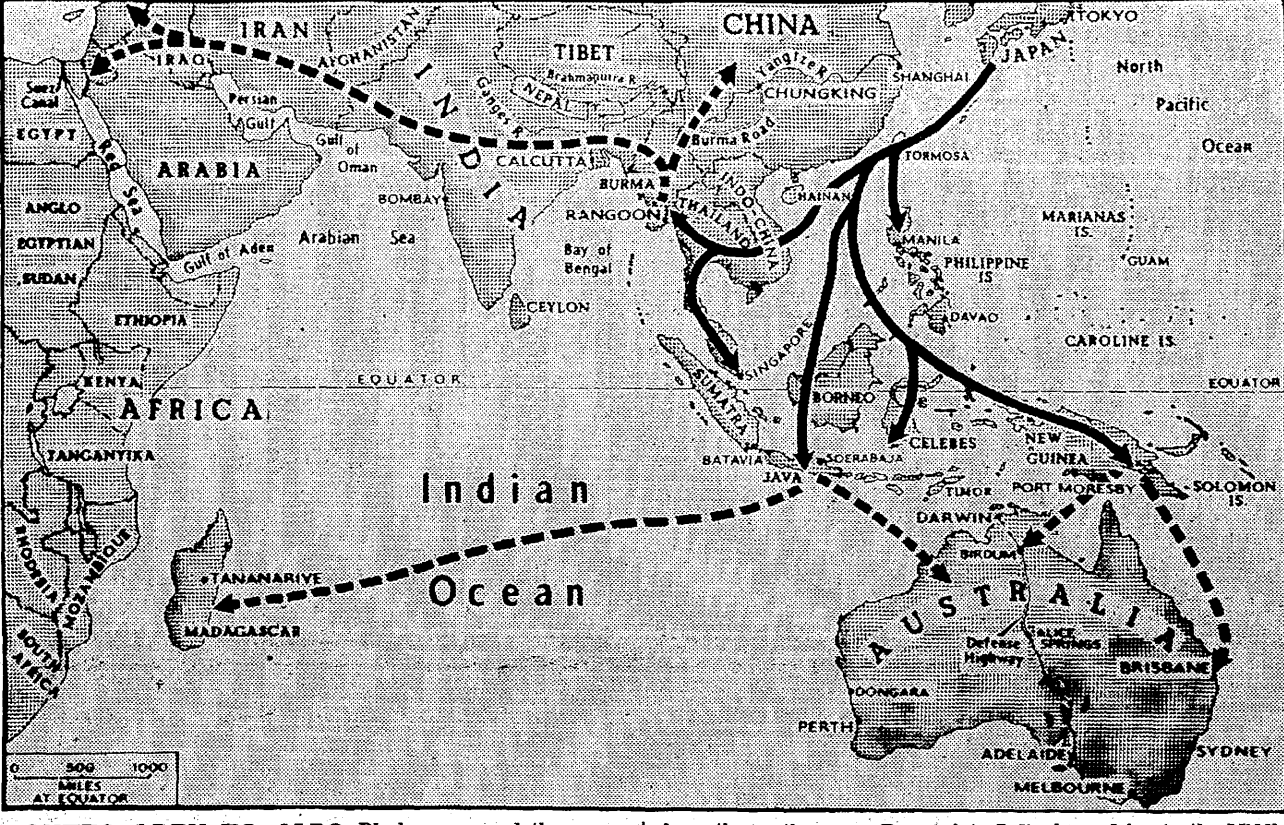
Y. Official in Tokyo To Help Prisoners

TORONTO, March 10.—(AP)—Russell L. Durgin, an American Y. M. C. A. official, has arrived in Tokyo to make arrangements for aid to United States and British prisoners of war in Japan. It was announced today by Sir Ernest MacMillan, chairman of the War Prisoners' Aid Branch of the Canadian Y. M. C. A.

Durgin, native of Concord, N. H., and a Dartmouth alumnus, for many years was a secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Tokyo and speaks Japanese fluently.

British public backs total mobilization to insure victory. See British poll of opinion on Page 26.

WILL ONE OF THESE MOVES BE NEXT?



from the south; across Burma into India for a drive to the Middle East; across the Indian Ocean to Madagascar, or into Australia, where a close watch for invasion forces is being kept.—Map by Associated Press, transmitted by wirephoto.

U-BOAT SINKS TANKER OFF N. J. COAST

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, March 10.—An Axis submarine torpedoed the 6,766-ton Gulf Oil tanker *Gulftide* at 12:40 a. m. today, only a few miles off Barnegat, N. J., in the closest approach undersea raiders have yet made to the Eastern American coast.

By Associated Press.

The arrival of survivors from torpedoed merchant ships at three Caribbean harbors underscored the persisting menace today along the Americas, as the loss of Brazil's third ship pushed that country along the road which led her into the First World War.

The three ports where rescued crews put in yesterday were: In Northwest Haiti—Twenty-two survivors, including the captain, of a United States steamship reported to have been sunk last Saturday.

In New York shipping circles, however, it was learned that the ship was the 5,104-ton Lykes Brothers Cardonia.

Baracoa, Cuba—All 39 crewmen of a vessel described as a Standard Oil tanker who were picked up by a fishing boat after their ship was torpedoed and shelled about 20 miles off Cuba.

Kingston, St. Vincent, British West Indies—Thirty-nine survivors, among them many who were injured, and the bodies of two men who perished in the lifeboats after their ship was torpedoed. No details of the torpedoing were disclosed. One man died after reaching shore.

In Rio de Janeiro, the Brazilian government announced last night that Germany was being held accountable for the submarine sinkings of two Brazilian ships, the *Buarque* and *Olinda*, both of which went down off the United States coast.

An inquiry was announced also over the torpedoing of a third Brazilian merchantman, the 7,878-ton *Arabutun*, which was lost Saturday afternoon with a coal cargo valued at \$200,000.

Betty Humby, Pianist With Beecham, Sues for Divorce

British Musician, Who Ap-
peared With Symphony,
Files Action in Idaho;
Cleric-Mate Held Cruel

Miss Betty Humby, British pianist who appeared here as soloist with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Sir Thomas Beecham, has started suit for divorce in Idaho, the Associated Press reported today in Boise.

Miss Humby, who has been living since December in Sun Valley, Idaho, appeared recently in a Boise concert with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra and Sir Thomas.

The attractive, 33-year-old pianist filed a complaint in Ada County District Court asking divorce from the Rev. Herold Cashel Thomas of London. She charged cruelty and asked custody of an 11-year-old son, Jeremy, who has been living with her at Sun Valley.

Her husband is vicar of St. Philip's in London.

Miss Humby's most recent appearance here was February 27, when she was soloist on Sir Thomas' final program of the season.



MISS BETTY HUMBY
She would be free

Practice Air Raid Misfires; Tacoma Pupils Get Holiday

TACOMA, March 10.—(AP)—A practice air-raid warning got out of control here this morning and resulted in 18,000 school children being sent home at double-quick time.

School Board officials, who up to noon today were trying to get the children back into the school houses, said the slip-up occurred during a routine check from the 2nd Interceptor Command in Seattle.

Superintendent of Schools Howard Gould explained that certain signal equipment in connection with the air-raid warning system was being tested when the alert order went out to each school.

As a result, Gould said, teachers and principals emptied the school buildings, instructing their pupils

to "get home as quickly as possible."

Police station switchboards and telephone operators at the Tacoma News Tribune were flooded with calls from anxious parents who were surprised to see their children suddenly appear when they had waved them off to school only an hour before.

"The accident was all right with us," said Gould. "We were glad to see the air-raid warning system working. The pupils should all be back after lunch and their parents will have the assurance the children are being looked after."

There was little excitement among the children even though they thought the alarm was "the real thing," officials said.

Gen. Stilwell is China's chief of staff. Page 4.

REVOLUTION OF MOSLEMS THREATENED

By Associated Press.

LONDON, March 10.—Prime Minister Churchill will make a statement on the government's India policy at the next sitting of the House of Commons, Sir Stafford Cripps, lord privy seal, told the House today. (This statement may come tomorrow, since Commons usually meets on Wednesday.)

(See Page 12 for wirephoto)

By Associated Press.

Apparent delay in Prime Minister Churchill's statement to the House of Commons on India has caused disappointment in New Delhi and has brought from the leader of 77,000,000 Moslems a threat of revolution if the statement is detrimental to Moslem interests.

Mohammed Ali Jinnah, president of the All-India Moslem League, declared in a cablegram to Churchill that Moslem India would revolt if the statement were detrimental to the Moslem plan to divide India into self-ruling Moslem and Hindu states.

The Moslems are set against any program which would give India self-government at the cost of engulfing the Moslem minority under Hindu control. Geographically, the two sects are mixed to a large extent.

Traditionally deadly enemies, India's 240,000,000 Hindus outnumber the Moslems by 3 to 1.

London circles regarded proffer of dominion status to India to encourage full participation of her millions in the war effort as a virtual certainty.

The problem was when to make it effective. The British cabinet, however, apparently was veering toward the idea of giving India

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ATTACKS ON CHURCHILL, ROOSEVELT CRITICIZED

United Nations' Attitude
Compared With That of
Foe; Russians, Dutch Left
Out of 'Stabbing Parties'

By WILLIAM H. STONEMAN
The Chicago Daily News Foreign
Service.

LONDON, March 10.—British press reports from home and abroad give the definite impression that the United Nations virtually have forgotten about fighting in favor of a general free-for-all of back-stabbing among themselves.

With the exception of Russia, where domestic squabbles are not in fashion, and of the Dutch, who seem to be displaying complete solidarity in their suicidal struggle for national existence, this Allied session of recrimination is being accompanied, according to the same press reports, by a lively series of internal stiletto parties calculated to destroy national cohesion as well as cooperation among the Allies.

All reports from the United States indicate that President Roosevelt and the British are just about as unpopular among former isolationists as the Mikado and the Japanese. Even what may actually be highly constructive criticism of the government and the services inevitably appears at this distance as mud-slinging, the summed effect being that of a nation at odds with every other nation and of people who cannot stand the sight of one another.

In Britain itself, the recent attacks on Prime Minister Churchill and the misfits in the higher ranks of the army have become so insistent and in many cases so irresponsible that ordinary people are given the impression that nobody above the rank of a lance corporal in the army or a taxi driver in civilian life is either honorable or worth his wages. Less

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U. S. Custodianship to Guard Evacuated Aliens' Property

By Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—The Federal Reserve Bank will set up a custodianship to protect the property rights of persons forced to evacuate military zones on the Pacific Coast.

Thousands of Japanese—alien and American-born—and German and Italian aliens are affected.

Details of the custodianship were received today from Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau, by Congressman John H. Tolan, chairman of the House committee investigating defense migration.

Voluntary Action Expected

Those who have to liquidate their property on short notice will be given protection from fraud, forced sales and unscrupulous creditors.

Secretary Morgenthau telegraphed Congressman Tolan that "properly staffed offices under the direction of the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank will be opened at once in the local communities from which evacuees will be moved."

Morgenthau said it was expected that in most instances the evacuees

BALLOTING IS STILL LIGHT, SAY REPORTS IN PRECINCTS

Mayorality Candidates Ready
to Transport Indifferent
Citizens to Polls; Rural
Districts Face Problems

By Associated Press.

Balloting in Seattle's city election showed a considerable increase over the primary during the forenoon. In many precincts, groups were waiting when the polls opened at 8 o'clock.

Where voting machines had been placed in school buildings, parents who had taken their children to school frequently remained to cast their ballots.

While the totals were not impressive, the indications were that about double the number of votes had been cast than in the primary for the corresponding period.

For example, in Precinct 3, at 3396 46th Ave. N. E., 89 votes were cast in the first three hours today, while half that number were cast in the corresponding period in the primary. Judge William F. E. Devin received 204 votes to 9 for Mayor Earl Millikin in that precinct in the primary.

The campaign forces of Judge Devin and Mayor Millikin were prepared to transport indifferent voters to the polls, if necessary. In this respect, it was believed by many observers that both sides were better equipped than ever before. With adequate transportation, there was no apparent reason for remaining away from the polls.

Machine Functioning O. K.

Roy Erford, supervisor of the elections division in the county auditor's office, said voting machines were mechanically satisfactory and the election personnel was working smoothly in the 510 city precincts, as well as in the county precincts where town and water district elections were being held.

In some of the outlying cities and towns, inquiries were made concerning the port election, which formerly appeared on the March ballot. Erford explained that the 1941 Legislature had put the election over until November.

In the forenoon Precinct 11, at 6021 29th Ave. N. E., had polled only 52 votes.

Four precincts, Nos. 23, 25, 32 and 33, which vote in the Roosevelt

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