

ALLIES REINFORCE DUTCH HOLD OFF JAPS

JAPS 150 MILES FROM SINGAPORE

Steel Center Captured By Red Soldiers

New German Winter Defense Line Between Vyazma & Bryansk Broken

MOSCOW (AP)—Onrushing Russian soldiers have broken the new German Winter defense line between Vyazma and Bryansk, on the central front, by capturing the steel-producing center of Lyudino, it was reported today.

Invaders Hold Over Two-Thirds Of Peninsula

Kuala Lumpur's Loss Intimated

SINGAPORE (AP)—Loss of Kuala Lumpur, important rubber center and capital of the Federated Malay States, was indicated by the British today in a communique announcing that their troops had retreated to new positions before Seremban, 35 miles airline south-east of that city, under heavy Japanese assaults.



MONITORING JAPS BY SEARCHLIGHT. Sprayed by the first Japanese attack, defenders of Hawaii are preparing coastal defenses against further raids. At top, a 75-mm search gun is being fired with smokeless powder. In middle, supply divisional artillery command post which is covered with wire netting and burlap strip.

Striking Hard Counter Blows At Attackers

Nipponese Invade Borneo And Celebes in Force

BATAVIA, N.E.I.—(AP)—Hard-hitting forces of the Netherlands Indies' Allies (presumably bomber and fighter squadrons from the United States and Australia) were declared officially today to be taking part in vigorous counter-action in which the fighting Dutch battled strong Japanese invasions of Borneo and Celebes.

Battle Of Atlantic Still No. 1 Fight

Knox Says Showdown With Jap Navy Not in Cards Now

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of the Navy Knox said today that while the American Fleet was not idle to fully conclude showdown could be expected with the Japanese Fleet and that the Battle of the Atlantic was still the war's most important struggle.

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African Corps Told To Conserve Oil

CAIRO, Egypt (AP)—With the Axis African Corps reported running short of fuel, the British Middle East Command declared today it was maintaining its pressure on the retreating Germans and Italians in the El Aghelia area despite bad weather.

Yank And Dutch Airmen Strike

Blast Away at Jap Shipping; Very Vulnerable Enemy Target

WASHINGTON (AP)—Flying Yanks and Flying Dutchmen teamed up today to hunt more Japanese ships for their hit parade.

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Chinese in Big Thrusts

Sucesses Reported On Four Fronts

CHUNGKING (AP)—A new-found offensive power of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's forces has wrested successes from drives against the Japanese on four widely separated fronts, a communique announced today.

Round Up Of Jap Success Claimed

Landings in Dutch Indies Reported; Say Philippine Base Occupied

TOKYO (Official Broadcast Recorded by AP)—Domei broadcast the following roundup today of Japanese claims in the war of the South Pacific and Southeast Asia:

Georgia Act Held Invalid

Forced Labor Called Peonage

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Supreme Court held unconstitutional today a 1933 Georgia statute challenged by the Justice Department on the ground that it produced "peonage."

Demand Help For Singapore

NEW YORK (AP)—An Australian broadcast quoted a Sydney Daily Telegraph editorial today as issuing a plea for help for Singapore, warning that disaster in the United Nations in the Pacific might have led to "our men are withdrawing fast and are crying out for help."

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Allies Seek Irish Bases

Britain and America Make Extra Efforts

LONDON (AP)—Britain and the United States were reportedly today at renewing their pressure for war bases in neutral Eire.

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Admiral Raeder and His U-Boat Chief Reported in Sharp Split

LONDON (AP)—Growing dissension in the Nazi High Command was reliably reported today with sharp disagreement between Grand Admiral Erich Raeder and his submarine chief, Vice Admiral Karl Doenitz.