

MACASSAR FALL REPORTED NEAR

Celebes Island Capital Sets

Fire to Harbor Area
As Japs Advance.

BATAVIA, N. E. I., Feb. 13 (U. P.) — A three-pronged Japanese land thrust gravely imperiled Macassar, the Celebes island capital, today and its fall seemed imminent in view of the enemy's numerical superiority.

Macassar's harbor district was in flames as the Dutch defenders applied their scorched-earth policy.

"The enemy will not find anything of use to him," a Dutch high-command communiqué said.

semi-official quarters said the beleaguered south Celebes port would fall "soon" because the outnumbered Dutch garrison was not strong enough to resist a concentrated attack.

Peril Borneo Capital

Although the Japanese drive into the Indies retarded momentarily in focus as attention focused on Singapore, both Macassar and the Netherlands Borneo capital of Banjarmas in were endangered by invasion threats.

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ROAD 63 IS CLOSED IN CLINTON SECTION

Road 63 has been closed between Clinton and Road 41 for bridge repairs, S. C. Hadden, Highway Commission chairman, announced today.

Traffic may detour via Rockville or Terre Haute. Other substitute routes put into effect last week include Road 3, south of Markie, and Road 26 east of Fairmount.

Detours now in effect are:

Ind. 4—From Goshen to Ind. 12, 10 miles over U. S. 33, county pavement and 13 miles.

Ind. 3—South of Markie, about 12 miles over Roads 124, 303 and 118. (Wabash bridge damaged.)

Ind. 109—Just south of Lake Wawasee to Junction Ind. 8, 6 miles over county gravel, concrete, oil mat and U. S. 6.

U. S. 20—Truck detour from east junction Roads 12 and 20 to Road 49, posted for a three-ton gross load limit.

Ind. 119—From Ind. 109, 11 miles over city streets, county oil mat and stone and east to Fairmount, three miles over county gravel.

U. S. 36—From Modoc to five miles east, six miles over county roads.

Ind. 42—East county roads, four miles over Ind. 59 and county gravel. Three bridges Ind. 42, 59 and 119.

Ind. 45—Closed at Burns City naval Ammunition Depot, detour from Logoeote via Ind. 119, 11 miles to Indianapolis, 33 miles over Roads 50, 37 and 54.

Ind. 48—From Jasonville east, 2½ miles over county gravel.

Ind. 58—Closed at Burns City Naval Ammunition Depot, detour from junction of Ind. 42 west of Burns City to Indianapolis, 43½ miles over Roads 45 and 50.

Ind. 109—Closed at Goshen, U. S. 41, bypassing bridge. Road traffic may detour via Rockville over Roads 41, 19 and 119, 11 miles over county gravel.

Ind. 258—From a point about four miles east of Road 58, east about four miles over county gravel.

SHIPYARDS TO TRIPLE OUTPUT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.)—American shipyards now launching ships at a one-day rate, will double production within 60 days and triple it in six or seven months, the Maritime Commission said today.

KILLED IN ACTION

MARION, Feb. 13 (U. P.)—Bruce R. Adkins, 20, has been killed in naval action in the Pacific, according to word received from the Navy Department by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Adkins.

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Grant Wood, Artist, Dies; Paintings Drew Protests

IOWA CITY, Iowa, Feb. 13 (U. P.)—Grant Wood, Iowa artist whose paintings of the American scene sometimes roused stormy protests, died last night a few hours before his 50th birthday.

Mr. Wood, an art professor at the University of Iowa, had entered the university hospital Nov. 24, suffering from cancer. He had been convalescing from an operation since Dec. 19, when a relapse ended his life.

The artist was born 50 years ago today on a farm amid the Iowa cornfields which he later depicted on canvases of American rural life. He early revealed artistic talent and studied at the Chicago Art Institute.

The First World War took him to Europe in a camouflage unit of the Army, and he remained in France after the war to study.

When he returned to the United States, however, he led a move away from European traditions in art.

With Thomas Hart Benton of Missouri and John Steuart Curry of Kansas, he became a leader of the native American "regional" school.

Mr. Wood first won acclaim in 1930 when his picture, "American Gothic," was awarded a medal at the Chicago Art Institute. The painting aroused indignation in Iowa, where some believed the bleak-faced farm couple discredited rural life.

Then in 1932, his "Daughters of the Revolution," showing three young women drinking tea before a picture of "Washington Crossing the Delaware," drew protests from members of the D. A. R.



Grant Wood

DRIVE WILL STRESS SAFETY ON FARMS

CHICAGO, Feb. 13 (U. P.)—The National Safety Council extended its emergency safety campaign today to homes and farms, where accidents take more than 37,000 lives and cause about 5,000,000 injuries annually.

The Council announced representatives of more than 100 national organizations will meet here Feb. 17-18 in the first concerted effort to devise a program that will decrease farm and home mishaps.

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