

# 36,000 TRAPPED AS BATAAN FALLS

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exhausted army if necessary to save further bloodshed and sacrifice that no longer could accomplish any purpose.

Gen. Wainwright is now at Ft. Mills on Corregidor, from where he sent the fateful news of Bataan early this morning. His report of the "complete physical exhaustion" of his men was made public in a brief communiqué at 4:15 a. m., Indianapolis time.

Mr. Stimson disclosed at his press conference the hitherto secret information that ever since Gen. MacArthur had first consolidated his U. S.-Filipino forces on Bataan the army and navy had been able to get ammunition and limited food supplies to him by breaching the Japanese blockade at considerable cost in ships and men.

The supply organization by Brig. Gen. Patrick E. Hurley, former secretary of war in the Hoover cabinet and now minister to New Zealand.

"Our forces have never been short of ammunition owing to these efforts," Mr. Stimson said. "They had plenty of small arms and artillery ammunition, but had been on short rations since Jan. 11. That long strain has been a very potent factor in wearing down our troops and placing them in a situation in which they no longer had the necessary rebound to continue the attack in the way they had been so ably doing for so long."

The 36,000 U. S.-Filipino effectives last reported in Gen. Wainwright's defense lines did not include the forces on Corregidor and other harbor ports at the entrance of Manila bay, or scattered forces elsewhere on Luzon and other Philippine islands.

## 10,000 Filipino Troops

It was disclosed that there was only one complete regular U. S. army infantry regiment in the Philippines at the outbreak of the war, the 31st, long stationed in the islands.

The Philippine scout force—Philippine troops in the U. S. army—numbered about 10,000.

There were about 5000 air personnel in the Philippines. As the Americans lost their planes, owing to the superiority of the Japanese in the air, at least 2000 and possibly more of these joined the defense forces as rifle-carrying infantry.

Last summer two tank battalions were sent to the Philippines, as well as some mobile artillery. This artillery proved a vital factor in prolonging the defenses and for a time

## Two British Cruisers Sunk By Japs in Indian Ocean

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bulletins, claimed not only the sinking of the two British cruisers but 44 merchant ships in the Bay of Bengal.

The German radio added a claim unsupported elsewhere—that a Japanese expeditionary force supported by cruisers and destroyers had landed on the Bay of Bengal coast.

Japanese planes again attacked Britain's crown colony of Ceylon off the India coast, bombing the Trincomalee naval base which ranks as one of the world's half dozen great natural harbors.

### Ceylon Base Bombed

Trincomalee once was one of Britain's most important naval bases in the east and possession of it would give the Japanese an ideal springboard for an invasion of India.

During the attack on Trincomalee two Japanese planes appeared over Colombo, Ceylon's capital which was bombed Sunday with 50 casualties while 57 Japanese planes were shot down or damaged out of a raiding fleet of 75 aircraft.

Nearby cities on the coast of India were on the alert against a new attack by Japanese planes, which already have bombed two coastal centers, and the grave menace appeared to have one bright spot for the allies—higher hopes for a settlement of the deadlocked negotiations between Great Britain and India.

It was reported that the Nationalist All-India congress, which has failed to the end their promise and their purpose. That was to make the Japanese pay and pay in men, in equipment, and in time, for every inch of ground gained.

The time gained for the allies—paid with blood of American soldiers, sailors, marines and aviators fighting beside courageous Filipino troops—may be of the utmost importance in the Far Eastern struggle, which was raging more fiercely than ever on the Burma and Bay of Bengal approaches to India.

### Fear Retreat Is Cut Off

Gen. Wainwright's message from Ft. Mills said that the Japanese had succeeded in enveloping the east flank of the Bataan lines and that a counter attack by another corps had failed "due to complete physical exhaustion."

"Full details are not available, but this situation indicates the probability that the defenses on Bataan have been overcome," the communiqué said.



Lieut. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright . . . "Nothing but praise for the gallant men he led in epic chapter in the history of the Philippines."

capture an important river position and supported by dive-bombers.

In North Africa British forces were on the alert against what may be a full-force German and Italian drive toward the Suez canal from the axis positions between Burma and Tobruk.

There was little action at the northern approaches to Australia, although five Japanese planes raided Tulagi in the Solomon Islands northeast of Australia.

The British admiralty reported that one of its submarines had sunk a 10,000 ton Italian cruiser in the Mediterranean.

### Plan Allied Offensive

The new British formula was understood to provide for immediate establishing of an Indian government controlling all portfolios including defense but leaving actual military direction to Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavell because of the "present critical situation."

In London the fall of Bataan had a saddening effect but served to add vigor to the consultations of Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. chief of staff, with British leaders on means of hurling back the axis on the world-wide fronts and then striking heavy offensive blows.

On the Russian front Soviet forces on the southern front were reported from Kuibyshev to have smashed Germany's most powerful tank attack since the battle for Moscow, battling for 10 days against waves of Nazi tanks trying to re-dinner.

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thought the prisoner was reaching for a cigarette.

"The next thing I know he threw something in my face and I couldn't see," the officer said. "My left eye was closed entirely by the pepper, and I could see slightly out of my right eye, and I could see the prisoners running, and I caught up with them."

Mrs. Rae managed to get the prisoners into the courthouse and there he stopped at the sheriff's civil office and another deputy sheriff, Walter Davis, helped Mr. Rae take the prisoners up to the criminal court room.

Meskowich, when brought before Judge Dewey E. Myers, pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery while armed and was sentenced to 10 years in the state prison.

Meskowich and his wife, Eva, were charged with kidnapping Morris Gold, salesman for Abel Bros. Auto Sales Co., and forcing him to drive out Highway 31, north of Indianapolis, where Meskowich robbed him of \$85 and took his car.

The couple was arrested in Kokomo a few days later on a chance tip from a youth who was riding in a police car. The youth, picked up for questioning by Kokomo police, happened to hear the police radio broadcast the description of a stolen Indianapolis car, and informed the police that a youth with such a car had rented his father's garage.

This tip led to the arrest of Meskowich and his wife when they came to get the car later.

Mrs. Meskowich also was charged with robbery but she declined to plead guilty with her husband and denied the charge. After a hearing, Judge Myers took her case under advisement for a year, ordering her to make regular reports to the court.

### SPURS PROSECUTION OF DRAFT VIOLATORS

WASHINGTON, April 9 (U. P.)

—Attorney General Francis Biddle has directed U. S. attorneys to make every effort to apprehend and prosecute persons who wilfully violate the selective service act.

"Before Dec. 7," Mr. Biddle said,

"there was a disposition toward leniency for violators where there was evidence that the violation was caused by carelessness. Today such leniency is no longer justified."

He said that there have been 907 convictions for violation of the act since its inception in October, 1940.

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