

# CO-ORDINATION OF AIRPOWER GAVE U.S. MIDWAY VICTORY

Submarine Administered  
The Coupe de Grace to  
Flaming Jap Carrier.

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mailed 275 enemy aircraft were destroyed or lost at sea. Approximately 4800 Japanese soldiers, sailors and aviators were killed or drowned.

America's comparatively insignificant losses included damage to the aircraft carrier Yorktown and loss of the destroyer Hammann. Personnel losses were 92 officers and 218 men. The communiqué did not list total American plane losses (it mentioned 33), but they apparently were extremely light.

## 2 Victories in a Month

The Midway victory which sent more than 100,000 tons of Japanese ships to the bottom, followed by a little less than a month the American victory in the Coral sea. The Midway battle has been described as a "continuation" of that action off northern Australia. Fifteen enemy ships were sunk in the Coral sea and many others were damaged.

The two major defeats for the Japanese, coming so close together, may have a lasting effect on the Japanese war effort, naval authorities agreed. They believed it would be impossible for Japan to assemble such an invasion force again for months and said the two battles had swung the balance of naval and air power in the Pacific sharply to the side of the United States.

Admiral Ernest J. King, commander-in-chief of the U. S. navy, said while the Midway battle still was in progress that its outcome probably would determine the course of the war in the Pacific for at least a year.

From the details of the battle now assembled it is obvious that the victories ended for some time a Japanese threat to Hawaii and may have prevented an attack in force on Alaska, the Panama canal or the American mainland.

## 2 Hoosiers Are Heroes

The navy's communiqué was replete with tales of heroism—Major Lofton R. Henderson of Gary, Ind., a marine officer who crashed his plane down the stack of a Japanese carrier; another who crashed into a Japanese ship rather than bail out; a squadron of torpedo bombers which carried out an attack without support at a cost of 15 out of 18 planes and 29 out of 30 fliers. One of those lost in this squadron was Ensign William R. Evans of Indianapolis.

The battle also marked a highpoint in co-operation among the armed forces. In contrast to Pearl Harbor, the armed forces were ready. "No plane was caught grounded at Midway," the communiqué said. It was recalled that an undisclosed number of planes were destroyed on the ground during the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor in December. "Alert navy, army and marine corps pilots, patrolling a far-flung 'beat' over the Pacific detected approach of the Japanese fleet, kept it under surveillance while coming in range, and then united to deal the enemy nearly annihilating blows in the battle of Midway," the navy department said in a supplementary statement praising the co-ordination of the fighting services.

## Four Carriers Sent Down

This is the navy's recapitulation of the damage inflicted on enemy ships:

Four Japanese aircraft carriers—the Kaga (28,900 tons), Akagi (26,900 tons), Soryu (10,500 tons) and Hiryu (10,500 tons)—sunk.

Three battleships damaged by bomb and torpedo hits, one severely. Two heavy cruisers—the Mogami (8500 tons) and Mikuma (8500 tons)—sunk; three others damaged, one or two severely.

One light cruiser damaged. Three destroyers sunk and several others damaged by bombs. At least three transports or auxiliaries damaged.

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liary ships were damaged and one or more sunk.

Losses in the Midway battle bring the announced ship casualties for the United States in the Pacific to 46—28 sunk, nine scuttled and nine damaged. Japanese ship casualties now stand at 303—including 98 warships and 99 non-combatant vessels sunk; 17 warships and 19 non-combatant vessels probably sunk, and 63 warships and 42 non-combatant vessels damaged.

## Battle Is Complex

In the navy's own words the Midway battle was a "complex and widespread action" and even the active participants are unable to give accurate accounts of the damage inflicted.

The battle started at 9 a. m. on June 3 when American naval patrol planes discovered the enemy 700 miles west of Midway, approaching in five columns. Army flying fortresses attacked immediately, scoring hits on a cruiser and transport. From then there was no letup as the different services, using virtually every type of craft, carried on a "shuttle relay of destruction."

Navy "Catalina" planes—ponderous flying boats—attacked by moonlight the same night, scoring two torpedo hits on large enemy ships and probably sinking one.

## Heavy Damage Inflicted

At dawn June 4, army medium and heavy bombers and U. S. marine corps dive bombers and torpedo planes continued the attack. U. S. casualties were fairly heavy, but the damage the fliers inflicted was terrific—"one torpedo hit on a carrier" . . . "Three hits on a carrier" . . . "Two bomb hits on an enemy battleship, which was left smoking and listing" . . . "Three hits on enemy carriers. One carrier was left smoking heavily."

Midway was attacked on June 4 by Japanese bombers. Most marine planes already were at sea seeking contact with the enemy. A few fighters were left. Although badly outnumbered, those remaining accounted for at least 40 enemy planes and others were damaged. The material damage to Midway's installations, "though serious, was not disabling."

The Japanese forces did not appear at that time to be checked. Although at least 10 of their 80 ships were badly damaged. But in reality, 48 hours of this were too much for the Japanese who turned tail while American planes were refueling and rearming. That was fairly costly for the United States, for many of her fliers were forced down at sea—using up gasoline in a search for the ships.

## Only One Man Rescued

Meanwhile, an American aircraft carrier force was being brought into position. It was then that a flight of 15 torpedo planes found the enemy and attacked repeatedly until all of their planes were shot down. Only one man—Ensign G. H. Gay Jr. of Houston, Tex., survived. He was rescued while floundering in the ocean. He reported torpedo hits on some of the ships.

"Fifteen torpedo planes from this

(Gay's) group located the enemy to the westward and proceeded to attack at once without protection or assistance of any kind," the communiqué said.

"Although some hits were reported by radio from these airplanes and although some enemy fighters were shot down, the total damage inflicted by this squadron in this attack may never be known. None of these 15 planes returned.

## Japs in Two Formations

"Other carrier-based groups of torpedo planes proceeded to press the attack after the enemy had been located. In spite of heavy losses during these attacks, the torpedo planes engaged the attention of the enemy fighters and anti-aircraft batteries to such a degree that our dive bombers were able to drop bomb after bomb on the enemy ships without serious interference. As the result, the navy dive bombers scored many hits and during this phase of the action inflicted upon the enemy the following damage:

"(A) The Kaga, Akagi and Soryu, aircraft carriers, were severely damaged. Gasoline in planes caught on their flight decks ignited, starting fires which burned until each carrier had sunk.

"(B) Two battleships were hit. One was left burning fiercely.

"(C) One destroyer was hit and is believed to have sunk."

The Japanese had been approaching in two formations. An occupation force was sweeping in from the west in five columns. A carrier (attack) force was sweeping in from the north out of protection of low-hanging clouds.

The Yorktown, one of the navy's fastest carriers, was hit the afternoon of June 4. Despite fighter plane protection and an intense anti-aircraft fire, a few enemy torpedo planes scored direct hits. She was listing badly and, although planes could not land on her, her planes, using other carriers, were able to sink the enemy carrier Hiryu.

## Yorktown Attack Described

The navy described the attack on the Yorktown:

" . . . A force of about 36 enemy planes from the undamaged carrier Hiryu attacked the U. S. aircraft carrier Yorktown and her escorts. Eleven of 18 Japanese bombers in the group were shot down by our fighters before their bombs were dropped.

"Seven got through our fighter protection. Of these seven, one was disintegrated by a surface ship's anti-aircraft fire; a second dropped its bombload into the sea and plunged after it; while a third was torn to shreds by machinegun fire from U. S. fighter planes. Four enemy bombers escaped after scoring three direct hits.

"Shortly afterward 12 to 15 enemy torpedo planes escorted by fighters attacked the Yorktown. Between four and seven of this group were destroyed by our fighters and three were shot down by anti-aircraft fire before they could launch their torpedoes.

"Five succeeded in launching torpedoes but all five were destroyed as they attempted to escape. The Yorktown was hit during this assault and put out of action."

## Midway Shelled June 5

On the same afternoon, a U. S. submarine scored three torpedo hits on the smoking carrier Soryu, causing the ship to burst into flames. The Soryu sank during the night. Army bombers on the afternoon of the same day blasted another carrier, and smashed several warships.

By sundown June 4 the U. S. forces had complete mastery of the air in the Midway sector.

On June 5, a Japanese submarine shelled Midway briefly, but caused no damage. By then enemy forces were scattered widely and were in full retreat. Despite unfavorable flying weather, flying fortresses again contacted the enemy and scored further hits. That afternoon the big fortresses thundered again to the attack.

By June 6 the battle was almost over—the enemy had fled out of range. However, long-range bombers continued to look for the fleet. It was during one of those searches that Maj. Gen. Clarence L. Tinker, commander of the American air forces at Hawaii, was lost when his plane was forced down at sea many miles from shore.

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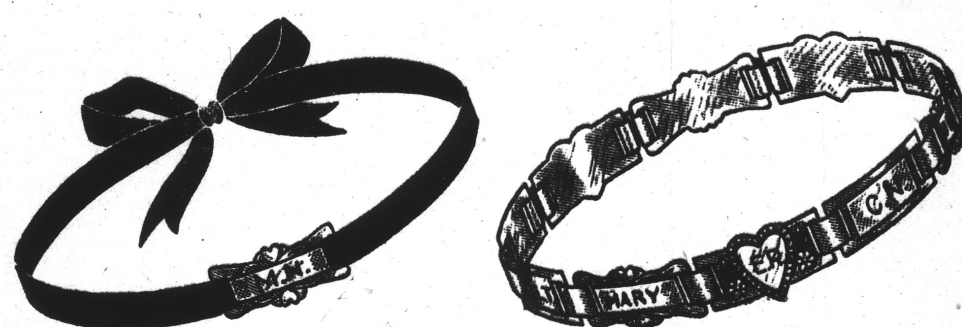
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