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Tomorrow's Tides

High 10:21 a.m. 17.8 ft.
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Critical Indies Battle On

Japan Admits Heavy Blows On Transport Vessels and Predicts That Worse Are Yet To Come

Tokyo Claims "Mortal Blow" at British and Dutch Air Forces—Evacuation Commencing—Burmese Crisis Heightened.

Allied planes, blasting at Japanese sea-borne invaders, were credited officially today with sinking three big enemy transports in the critical battle for the East Indies. A Tokyo spokesman acknowledged that twenty-six Japanese transports had been sunk or damaged to date in the far Pacific and predicted even heavier losses. Word

JAPS LOSE MORE SHIPS

Attack by Allied Planes On Enemy Vessels in Straits Of Macassar

BATAVIA, Feb. 25:—Three more Japanese transports have been sunk in Macassar Straits as a result of another attack by Allied planes. The transports are believed to have been headed for the Island of Bali where three thousand Japanese troops which succeeded in landing last week have been cut off from reinforcements and supplies.

Palambang, Japanese - seized air base on Sumatra, has been again bombed by Allied planes.

Unidentified Aircraft Is Seen Over Santa Monica and Anti-Aircraft Guns Fired

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 25:—Anti-aircraft guns went into action and searchlights played into the skies over Los Angeles and environs early today as an unidentified object came in from the sea to pass slowly over Santa Monica and move on down the coast to disappear south of the rich oil fields. All southern California from Los Angeles to San Diego was blacked out from 2:55 a.m. until 7:21 a.m. Radio stations went off the air. No bombs were reported and nothing was brought down. There were several reports of instances of damaged property from anti-aircraft shells. Army officials declined to comment but it was speculated an enemy blimp might have passed over the area.

SINGAPORE NAZI ARMY LOSS BIG WIPED OUT

Seventy-Three Thousand British Troops Out of Action as Result of Capture by Japs.

Twelve Thousand Nazis Slain By Russians on Refusing to Surrender.

LONDON, Feb. 25:—Prime Minister Winston Churchill, in his address to parliament yesterday, said that 73,000 British troops had been lost as a result of the fall of Singapore.

Great Offensive Uncounted Numbers of Tanks, Guns and Armored Cars Captured.

All Japs To Be Removed

OTTAWA, Feb. 25:—Informed sources said today it was likely the complete Japanese population of British Columbia would be removed from coastal areas in the province in the near future.

NEW GUINEA IS BOMBED

Port Moresby Subjected to Attack But Little Damage Done.

PORT MORESBY, New Guinea, Feb. 25:—Two waves of Japanese bombers attacked this city yesterday but little damage was done.

Californians Are Urged To Be Vigilant

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 25:—Governor Floyd Olson urges citizens of the California coast generally to be vigilant against possible enemy attack and to do everything they can to assist the military authorities.

PROGRESS FOR LOAN

Total of \$361,969,000 Has Now Been Subscribed in All Canada.

OTTAWA, Feb. 25:—Subscriptions to the Second Victory Loan reached a total of \$361,969,000 yesterday, campaign headquarters announced. The campaign has until the end of next week to go to reach the total issue of \$600,000,000.

Nurses Go On Active Service

Greatest Problem Is To Find Experienced Women To Replace Them

VICTORIA, Feb. 25:—Ninety-seven trained nurses have resigned from the Victorian Order of Nurses to go on active service with the Canadian forces, Mary McCuaig, supervisor of the Ottawa national office of the order states in Victoria.

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TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes Vancouver (Grandview 14 1/2, Bralorne 7.00, Hedley Mascot 25 1/2, Pend Orelle 1.40, Pioneer 1.80, Premier 41, Privateer 35, Reno 17, Sheep Creek 72) and Oils (Calmont 15, C. & E. 1.00, Home 2.40, Royal Canadian 04) and Toronto (Beattie 77, Central Pat. 112, Cons. Smelters 38.00, Hardrock 48, Kerr Addison 3.55, Little Long Lac 1.10, McLeod Cockshutt 1.40, Madsen Red Lake 37 1/2, McKenzie Red Lake 75, Moneta 27, Pickle Crow 2.10, Preston East Dome 2.60, San Antonio 1.51, Sherritt Gordon 77)

Local Temperature

Table with 2 columns: Temperature and Value. Maximum 35, Minimum 22

Rushbrook Heights Has Its First Fire

Overheated Stovepipe Ignited Partition Through Which It Passed.

The first fire in the new residential section of Rushbrook Heights occurred Monday morning about 9 o'clock when an overheated stovepipe ignited a partition in spite of a metal thimble of protection. The fire was actually put out before the arrival of the fire department but not until some \$100 damage was done.

ANOTHER HIS DEATH SINKING ACCIDENTAL

American Steamer City Service Empire Torpedoed Off Atlantic Coast—Eleven Lost.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25:—Another American steamer, City Service Empire, has been torpedoed and sunk. Eleven members of the crew were lost. Others were landed at a Louisiana port.

Thieves Took All His Tires

Car of Charles Pickereil of Seattle Immobilized For Duration

SEATTLE, Feb. 25:—Thieves removed one tire from the car of Charles Pickereil one night and came back the next night and took the other three. The car is now tied up for the duration.

PR. RUPERT COMING ON

Victory Loan Total Is \$530,750 With 1271 Subscribers

Prince Rupert's Second Victory Loan campaign reached a total of \$530,750 last evening with subscribers aggregating 1271. The objective is \$600,000 with 1800 subscribers.

MISS THEIR COFFEE

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 25:—Reserves of coffee, the national beverage, are exhausted. Before the war Norwegian coffee consumption per capita was the heaviest in the world. Meat, fish and dairy products have practically disappeared.

ONIONS ARE ONIONS

LONDON, Feb. 25:—A basket containing six onions and a bouquet of green orchids brought \$25 at an auction for a comforts fund for Soviet women and children.

CANADA'S SECOND VICTORY LOAN COMING EVENTS
Wednesday, 6:45 p.m.—T. W. Brown, CFPR.
Thursday, 6:45 p.m.—Dr. Joseph T. Mandy, CFPR.
BUY VICTORY BONDS

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Rangoon Now Under Siege

MANDALAY, Feb. 25:—The Burmese civilian government has been removed here from Rangoon which is now under virtual siege. Lease-lend supplies for China, stored in large quantities at Rangoon, are being destroyed. The Japanese hordes are gradually closing in.

NORWEGIAN SHIP LOST

Only Six Men Survived and They Had Hectic Struggle in Shark-Infested Waters.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 25:—Six men, only known survivors of the torpedoed Norwegian freighter Blink, told today of a 66-hour fight for life in a swamping lifeboat in rough shark-infested seas after the freighter had been torpedoed without warning off the Atlantic coast with probable loss of twenty-four lives.

FATHER OF TWO B. E. M'S

BRISTOL, Eng., Feb. 25:—John Greening, 79, believes he is the only parent of two British Empire Medal winners—Chief Petty Officer R. Greening, decorated for bravery at sea, and Mrs. Dorothy Blatt, who helped dig out victims after an air raid.

REMOVAL OF JAPS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25:—The representative for the California district in which an enemy submarine dropped shells Monday night demanded immediate removal of Japanese from the coast and internment.

May Open Up Anyox

Reports received in Prince Rupert today from Anyox state that orders have been received to cease the work of dismantling the old Granby smelting plant there and that the property has been disposed of by the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. to the Ventures mine interests of Ontario whose intention it is to resume mineral processing at the famous old camp. There is talk of a steel mill being established. In answer to inquiry from the Canadian Press at Trail last night, S. G. Blaylock, president and manager of Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co., said that Ventures Limited of Toronto had taken an option on the Anyox plant but he refused to confirm or deny reports that Ventures planned to resume mineral processing there.

CORDY HULL Not Retiring

No Changes in United States Cabinet Are Contemplated, It Is Announced.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25:—Official quarters state that there is no truth to reports that Secretary of State Cordell Hull, now in Florida for the benefit of his health, is to retire. No changes in the United States cabinet are contemplated.

"LAST" BASKET MAKER

DISS, Eng., Feb. 25:—Harry Markwell, 84, last of Diss' famous string of basketmakers, died here.