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Gamelin Tells Why France Was Defeated

France's downfall which have possible political observers for year.

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Nazi Row In 1938.

ON May 10, 1940, Maurice Gustave Gamelin was the commander of France's "greatest army in the world." People everywhere had been led to believe that he and the British were building up, behind the believe that he and the British were building up, behind the "impregnable" defenses of the Maginot Line, a power which in due time would sweep across Germany, eliminate Adolf Hitler and reverse the conquests of Poland and Norway. Nine days later Gamelin was relieved, his armies in dazed retreat. Dunkerque was just ahead, France, advertised since World War I as the greatest of all militates are proposed. Much of the bickering dismity: the fifth columning and the defeatism involved in one of history's greatest national collapses is well known. But not until now has Gen. Gamelin, head of the French Army from 1905 to May 19, 1940, spoken. Now, in the first newsc paper articles he given have the proposed beck maltieve and political observers for vent. He blames Marshal Perann bee much of the commendate of the maltieve and political observers for vent. Australians Resistance On Borneo Folding

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IS GUNS ON JA

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U.S. Warships Steam Up To Nippon Shore

Fires Rage In Steel City Of Kamaishi: Carrier Planes Ravage Hokkaido

By LEIF ERICKSON

GUAM — (AP) — The U. S. Third Fleet, bombarding Japan for the first time, set great fires raging through steel city on northern Housitu today as 1,000 of its carrier planes blasted nearby targets of the northern home islands in co-ordinated blows.

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The guns of the newest battleships, cruisers and destrovers wheel out the Imperial Iron & Steel Works rolling mill at Kamaishi—275 miles north of Tokyo—and fieres first aged through adjacent coke ovens.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announcing in a special communique that the bombardment thundered on for two hours, reported that the entire area was covered by densamoke clouds that rose thousands of feet above the city.

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The Thirt Float recovered a burtleage of S. to 16 look.

The Third Fleet poured a hurricane of 5 to 16-inch shells into the city before retiring.

The bombardment force, commanded by Rear Adhs.

J. F. Shafroth of Denver, apparenty met little Japaness proposition.

opposition.

James Lindsley, Associated Prees correspondent witnessing the bombardment from the deck of the battleship South Dakota, reported Japanese opposition was "meager and apparently timid." He said there was no report of damage to American vessels.

The American squadron stedmed within rille abot of Honshu to deliver its lethal load, Lindsley added, and "the Japanese chose to do very little about it." In his report to Adm. Nimitz, Shafroth did not met ton opposition by shore batteries or planes. His annuncement that the shelling continued for two hours in dicates, also, that the results were closely observed is slow flying observation planes from cruisers and battle ships. ships. VERY CLOSE

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Close observation would have been required for the admiral to report, without qualification, that the Imperial Iron and Steel Works Rolling Mills was "demolished."

The latest communique was the fourth issued by Adm. Nimits today, a record number.

The Imperial Iron and Steel Works Mill was supplied with coal from the neighboring island of Hokkaido which was attacked by the carrier planes.

The coal is transported across Tsugaru Strait in ships and rail ferries which were hammered throughout the day by the Avengers, Helidivers, Corsairs and Helicats.

Adm. William F. Halsey's attacks by gun and by, plane designed to put northern Honshu's most important steel works out of business at both the blast furnaces and coal mines.

The Japanese in the war factories were subjected tenes and each mines.

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