

ALLIES REINFORCE SAIGON AND JAVA

The French have landed troops at Saigon, Indo-China, to restore the situation created by the threat of rebellion. The natives were apparently reassured by their arrival, with its promise of law and order.

By air came the hero of the free-French march from Lake Chad to Tripoli, General Le Clerc. He took over ~~the command~~ ^{commanding} from General Gracey, ~~commanding~~ 20th Indian Division.

Meanwhile in Java tank landing craft berthed at Batavia after a six day journey from Malaya with reinforcements. They came, not so much to take sides in the dispute between Dutch and Javanese, as to protect the thousands of white people whose plight was perilous at one stage.

The American ship Canton Victory docked at the same time with food and medical supplies originally intended for New Guinea. Though the ~~American~~ ^{U.S.} Government stands aside from the dispute it hastened to send this material help. For the time being the government of ~~Dr. Soekarno~~ ^{Dr. Soekarno}, Indonesian leader, is in the saddle, though ~~still re-~~ ^{regarded by the Dutch as a rebel movement.} The situation remains tense, heightened by the recent murder of the British soldier Brigadier Mallaby.