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### Battle of Dunkirk

It was also the end forgot. Some were requisitioned by the Navy and crewed by naval personnel, while others were manned by their civilian owners and crew.

### The Ides of May

It was regarded as obsolescent and three groupes de chasse fighter groups were in the process of changing over to newer types during the May-June campaign. Both of these pauses presented the defenders with rich opportunities for counterattacks, but by this time, the Allies were so cut up and demoralized that coordinated action was impossible. To avoid this pitfall, one must remain ever-mindful of evaluating events on their own merits rather than through the lens of historical interpretation.

### Battle of France (1940) Summary & Facts

While the German commanders were, for the most part, brilliant, their command network streamlined and highly efficient, and their troops among the most elite in the world, the French commanders were defeatists struggling with a poorly conceived network of command and communication and leading demoralized, inadequately trained troops. The defensive line only partially defended France and indeed left the country open to an invasion via Belgium. Meanwhile, the British and France faced immense resistance in their backyards.

### Battle of Dunkirk

The armistice, signed by the French on June 22, went into effect on June 25, and more than half of France was occupied by the Germans. Nazi Germany invaded northern France and the in May 1940 during the early years of.

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