



Renowned as the most beautiful, healthiest and cleanest capital in the Far East, Manila became an open city in December 1941 to save it from destruction by invading Japanese. In February 1945 when our liberation forces entered Manila retreating Japanese demolished, set afire many buildings having no military value. This map does not fully identify ancient and modern landmarks—many are now masses of fire-blackened rubble. But Manila lives to once again become the seat of democratic government in the Philippines, and a beacon of freedom to the Far East.

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