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JAPS WITHIN THIRTY MILES OF SINGAPORE

Naval Money Bills Passed By Congress

Families of Captured Guam, Wake Civilians to Receive Allotments

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The senate passed today and returned to the house for action on amendments legislation to authorize construction of 1,799 minor naval vessels at an estimated cost of \$3,150,000,000.

The measure would also authorize expenditure of \$750,000,000 for construction and ordnance facilities.

Chairman Walsh of the senate naval affairs committee said the new ships would be used for convoy and shore patrol work.

It also passed and returned to the house for concurrence in amendments legislation to authorize expenditure of \$450,000,000 for naval public works.

One of the amendments would make temporary provisions for relief of naval contractors and their employes for losses incurred as a direct result of enemy action.

A naval committee report said that allotments of pay of civilians captured at Guam and Wake by the Japanese would be made to dependents of the captives.

Record Bill Goes To F. R.

The senate passed and sent to the White House yesterday a \$12,556,672,474 army appropriations bill providing funds for 23,000 fighting planes and 10,000 trainers.

Voted in exactly the form it passed the house last week, the measure was the largest single appropriation bill ever to win final approval of congress.

An even larger measure, appropriating \$19,977,965,474 in cash and contract authority for the navy, now is pending in senate committee after being approved by the house.

Civil Defense Fund Okayed

President Roosevelt approved yesterday an act authorizing a \$100,000,000 civilian defense fund with which OGD Director Florello H. La Guardia may provide facilities, services and supplies for protection from bombing attacks, sabotage or other war hazards.

The act makes it unlawful to wear insignia, arm bands or other badges of air wardens, special police or other aides of civilian defense unless authorized, with a penalty of \$100 or 30 days in jail.

Federal agencies are authorized to lend any equipment for civilian defense. Congress still must appropriate the funds authorized.

Hatch Act Ban Ease

The senate passed and sent to the house yesterday omnibus war (Continued on page 6)

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS UNITED STATES troops arrive in the British isles, and are greeted by the glad cry: "The Yanks are here!"

Yanks and Irish Again Join Hands Across Atlantic



An American doughboy, right, extends a welcome hand, and cigarette to a welcoming Irishman as a tender-load of A. E. F. troops docked at a northern Ireland port. More Yanks look on laughingly in the background. The picture was passed by censor and cabled to New York. The troops shown are to be followed by thousands of others in the allied plan for an offensive to crush Hitlerism.

Rewards Posted For Conviction of Forest Firebugs

Protection Program Adopted At Association's Meeting; Officers Elected

Rewards totalling \$1,000 will be posted jointly by the Douglas Forest Protective association and the Douglas county court for the arrest and conviction of forest firebugs.

The plans for a much more extensive protection system were adopted at the annual meeting of the association in Portland Tuesday.

Officers chosen for the year were R. M. Fox, president; C. Davis Weyerhaeuser, vice-president; H. O. Pargeter, secretary; Fred Southwick, district warden.

The following were elected to constitute a board of directors: R. M. Fox, representing the Roach Timber company; C. Davis Weyerhaeuser, representing the Scripps Timber company; A. G. Clark, timberman; William Ruhman, representing the Pillsbury Lumber company; W. H. Horning, O. and C. grant lands administrator; E. R. Walsh of the firm of Brown and Brown, forest engineers.

Represented at the meeting were the state forester's office, O. and C. administration, U. S. forest service, Oregon Forest Fire association, Western Lane Fire Patrol association, Eastern Lane Fire Patrol association, Coos County Fire Patrol association and the Douglas county court.

Holman's Bill Seeks Mineral Output Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Senator Holman of Oregon wants congress to authorize establishment of a division of mineral production in the interior department under a director to be paid \$10,000 a year.

Holman introduced an authorization bill yesterday. The administrator would aid in the mining of strategic minerals and encourage production of minerals needed for war.

Rationing of Gasoline For Canada Ordered

OTTAWA, Jan. 29.—(CP)—Automobile drivers in Canada will be allowed between 300 and 380 gallons of gasoline a year for non-essential driving when gasoline rationing becomes effective April 1, Munitions Minister Howe announced today.

County-Wide Gather of Waste Paper To Raise Defense Money Scheduled; Schools, P.-T. A. Will Participate

A county-wide collection of waste and scrap paper, to be conducted through schools and Parent-Teacher associations, was announced today by the Douglas county defense council.

Organization of the drive has been conducted by William Harrington, assistant defense coordinator, who announced today that all advance preparations have been made and that collections will start Monday, Feb. 2.

Arrangements have been made, he states, whereby every Douglas county school will participate and will act as local headquarters for the paper drive. Trucks have been secured to collect the paper from the Roseburg schools, and county trucks will be used in collections from schools in the rural districts.

Scrap Iron Collection Launched by Lions Club

The Roseburg Lions club today started organization for a county-wide collection of scrap iron and the committee in charge reported that final details will be announced in the near future.

The Lions club is undertaking the task of collecting scrap iron at the request of the county defense council and all proceeds from the sale of the metal will be used toward the purchase of defense materials and equipment.

All residents of cities and towns and all farmers, operators of industrial plants, etc., are requested to start gathering all scrap metal immediately. In the near future the club will announce arrangements for scrap piles in every community of the county. After the metal has been collected in the scrap piles, arrangements will be made for transportation to Roseburg and shipment to foundries.

Second Hand Dealer Pays Fine for Law Violation

A. E. Dorman, local second hand dealer, paid a fine of \$5 in city court Wednesday after pleading guilty to a violation of the city's ordinance regarding purchase of second hand merchandise. Under the ordinance, dealers are prohibited from buying from minors and also are required to file reports with city officers at stated intervals listing all goods bought by them.

Dorman was alleged by City Recorder A. J. Geddes to have violated both of these provisions.

Salem Boys, 13 and 10, Admit Orgy of Burglaries

SALEM, Jan. 29.—(AP)—City police said today that a 13-year-old boy has confessed burglarizing 15 Salem business houses during the past three weeks, but that his most profitable burglary netted him only \$8.

Pan-American Meet Ends In Full Accord

Severance of Relations With Axis, Joint Wartime Program Agreed On

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Western hemisphere solidarity was affirmed unanimously and Peru and Ecuador agreed to settle their 111-year-old boundary dispute in a triumphant windup of the Pan-American conference here today.

The conclusion came in post-conference mediation of the Peruvian-Ecuadorian differences several hours after foreign ministers of the 21 American republics had formally adjourned their two-week sessions.

Major fruits of the conference were contained in 41 resolutions recommending severance of relations with the axis, setting up joint military, economic and financial boards and otherwise covering virtually the entire field of Pan-American relations.

Ecuador was signed up as the 21st to endorse them.

Her delegation had insisted on settlement of the boundary dispute as a prerequisite.

Both Ecuador and Peru yielded some claims in the area of roughly 125,000 square miles of mountainous jungle land with stretches for 300 miles north of the upper Amazon, agreeing more or less upon the status quo of 1936. Peru is to move her troops from regions occupied

British Flier Suspected Of Collusion With Japs

LONDON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Squadron Leader F. J. Rutland of the Royal Air force, who returned from the United States last October, is being detained for "alleged hostile associations" with the Japanese while in Washington, an official spokesman announced today.

Detention of the veteran pilot involves "important military questions," he said.

Rutland was a flier in the last war and while piloting what was described as "very hazardous contraption" first spotted the German fleet off Jutland.

He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for that exploit.

His detention first was disclosed a week ago today.

The official spokesman said "very important security considerations are involved in this case and it is very desirable the matter should be discussed further."

Fortress With One-Way Big Guns Facing Supreme Test

Bengasi Again Captured By Axis, Report

Strategic Libyan City Changes Hands 4th Time In Thirteen Months

ROME (From Italian Broadcasts), Jan. 29.—(AP)—The Italian high command announced in a special bulletin that German and Italian troops this morning entered Bengasi, chief port and capital of Cerencaia.

(The same announcement was made in Berlin.) Today's British communiqué admitted axis forces were closing on the city, which now has changed hands four times in 13 months, from the east and south.)

Earlier the high command's regular communiqué reported fighting between British and axis patrols in desert sandstorms in the western Cerencaia area.

More and more, it was becoming apparent that the British command had drawn heavily on its Libyan forces—presumably sending Australian and other imperial troops from North Africa to bolster defenses in the far Pacific struggle—and that the axis counter-offensive would be difficult to stop.

HITLER FORCED TO SEEK AID OF OUSTED GENERALS

(By the Associated Press) Sweeping new gains by Russia's armies were reported today (Continued on page 6)

Black Sand Processing Plant in Curry Slated

MARSHFIELD, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Krome corporation, a new Oregon firm headed by C. F. Corzelius, El Paso, Tex., will begin construction within two weeks of a \$500,000 plant for processing chromic oxide from black sand ore in northern Curry county.

W. G. Hellier, Santa Cruz, Calif., who will be general manager, announced that the federal government has contracted for the entire output. The present plan is to truck the concentrate to a shipping point in Coos county, probably Coquille.

Win Awards For Heroism in War



At top—Ensign George Cox, who rocketed a torpedo boat through the fire of Japanese batteries in Subic bay, Philippines, and sank a 5,000-ton Japanese ship. The heroic feat duplicated that a few days before by Lieut. John D. Bulkeley.

Lower photo—Lieut. Marshall J. Anderson, who was awarded the distinguished service cross by General MacArthur for gallantry in action. The award was made two days after Anderson's death. He was killed by enemy fliers as he dangled helplessly in his parachute after his own plane was damaged in action.

Hearing on S. P. Train Slash Is Cancelled

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Cancellation of a joint hearing to consider the Southern Pacific railroad's request to abandon passenger train service between southern Oregon towns and Dunsmuir, Calif., was announced last night by the state railroad commission.

The California and Oregon commissions had scheduled the hearing for Yreka on February 9, but cancelled it to comply with the army's request that there be no public hearings on rail service curtailment which might reveal military information.

Meet Will Plan Women Mobilization in Defense

Arrangements have been completed for a meeting here Friday at 2 p. m. of the county board of workers in connection with the movement for mobilization of women in the war effort, it was announced today by Frank Chase, manager of the employment service office. The meeting will be held in the circuit court room at the courthouse. The state chairman, or her representative, will be present to conduct the meeting. An attendance of 150 or more is anticipated.

SEESAW The Russians continue to win in their own land, MacArthur is holding on in Luzon, but the Japs are crowding toward Singapore, while the axis has recaptured Bengasi. Anything can now happen at any time. Follow through with the NEWS-REVIEW.

Johore Strait Only Barrier To Invaders

MacArthur Deals New Smash; U. S. Fliers Blast Jap Planes Over Burma

(By the Associated Press) The fateful battle for Singapore raged only 30 miles away in the jungles of southern Malaya today, and as "zero hour" approached, the world awaited an answer to the mystery of the island stronghold's \$400,000,000 defenses.

A British communiqué acknowledged that Japanese vanguards had advanced within 30 miles of Johore strait, which separates Singapore island from the mainland, but declared that bayonet-wielding Australians had successfully counter-attacked and inflicted about 200 casualties.

On the Malaya east coast, other Japanese columns had apparently driven to a point 40 miles north of Johore strait, with heavy fighting reported at Ulu Sedili.

A mile-wide strip was being cleared along the strait in preparation for the battle of Singapore itself.

Can Fortress Take It?

In the critical battle for Singapore, these questions were paramount:

1. Will Singapore, with its 18-inch guns turned toward the sea, become another "Maginot line"—a defenseless shell when attacked from the rear?

2. Or have the British erected a secret network of death-trap defenses at the lower tip of the Malay peninsula, guarding the mile-wide water barrier to Singapore island from the north?

Pre-war dispatches from Singapore told of giant guns so powerful their detonations would burst ear drums at 100 yards and knock pictures from walls within a radius of several miles.

But as the hour of crisis neared, it remained to be seen whether the great fortress—originally built as an "impregnable" defense bastion against attack by sea—may have become out-moded under modern conditions of aerial warfare.

MacArthur Deals New Blow

In the Philippine war department bulletin said American artillery gunners smashed new heading infantry assaults on Gen. Douglas MacArthur's defense lines in the Bataan peninsula, inflicting bloody losses.

In the Burma war theater, (Continued on page 6)

Ouster of Langer As Senator Urged

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The senate elections committee reported today that Senator Langer (R-N.D.) was not entitled to a senate seat because of "a contemptuous, contemptuous, and shameful disregard for high concepts of public duty."

"The respondent (Langer)," the committee said, "has not avoided, and cannot avoid, the consequences of the acts of gross impropriety, lawlessness, shotgun law enforcement, jail breaking, violation of oath as an attorney, rabble-rousing, civil disobedience, breach of the peace, obstruction of the administration of justice, and tampering with court officials."

Asserting that the integrity of the senate was at stake, the committee asked the chamber to deny membership to the former governor of North Dakota, and recommended that action be taken by a simple majority vote.

Filing of the committee report climaxed more than a year of investigations and public hearings on 21 allegations made against Langer by a group of North Dakota petitioners.

The committee told the senate that "the charge of moral turpitude against respondent has been proven beyond all reasonable doubt."

I SAW

By Paul Jenkins

is long, longer than those he has followed in the hills at home. It is tortuous and rough and galling, beyond anything he has known or dreamed, and it leads to the portals (and perhaps through them) of a far, strange country whose name is Eternity.

Whining, shrieking things pass over his head, unseen, faster in flight than any bird, deadly things, such as were not known in the fields back home, ghastly things of death harrowing to a soldier's soul—when he's all alone, you might say, without his dog. "Do you suppose the old fellow could point this game?"

Well, my soldier friend, should you find at the end of this trail that which all of us must find sometime, somewhere, somehow—I hope that four-footed pal will come in fancy, creeping to your side, nuzzling you with cool nose comfortingly and so reassuringly, as though he would say: "Everything is all right, Master. Here I am. We're together again. What else matters now? What else, indeed? You can trust a dog's love. When he loves you once, he loves you forever."

In that celestial Country Beyond of eternal happiness, where there is said to be perfect joy and utter bliss, surely—surely a soldier may hope to find his dog.