

Colonel Mariana, Jap Leader, Slain by Yank Agent in Chase

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WASHINGTON, (NEA)—State-mated on the Burma front in the spring of 1944, the allied forces decided upon a daring move against the Japs. Native resistance, allied strategists believed, could be organized to weaken Jap positions and turn the tide.

The office of strategic services assigned Capt. Joseph E. Lazarsky, of Hazelton, Pa., to drop behind the lines in the heart of northeastern Burma.

Captain Lazarsky had enlisted in the army in October, 1940. An instructor in an engineering school, he had volunteered for OSS in April, 1942. He spent five months in China, training troops. Later he had gone to the Burma theater, to parachute supplies to American scouting parties.

Among Jap officers in the Burma theater, a Colonel Mariana had become notorious for his cunning, savage fighting. A price of 500 rupees, the equivalent of \$166, had been put on his head. The sum was a large one for the natives.

Captain Lazarsky had orders to get Colonel Mariana. He parachuted to a rice paddy south of the Jap-held city of Myitkyina. He had enough K rations for three days, a tommy gun, and a .45 pistol.

OSS men had been there before. They knew the Kachins in that area were the only Burmese natives friendly to the allies.

Lazarsky was well-received when he explained his mission. For the next two months he spent his time teaching the natives how to use American arms and contacting the other OSS men in the area.

Chinese and American forces were able to get to Myitkyina. For 76 historic days they attacked the city. The Japs, commanded by Colonel Mariana, held. The allies were more anxious than ever to get Mariana and destroy the legend which was growing around his ability among the other natives.

On the 76th day, Myitkyina fell—but Mariana and 100 Jap soldiers escaped. They were reported fleeing to the big Jap base of Bhamo. Through the Kachin grapevine, Lazarsky soon learned what trail Mariana was taking in his flight. With about 60 Kachins, he started after him.

One day the chieftain of the tiny village of Wuhpru met Lazarsky in the jungle and told him a Jap party had just taken all the food and chased out the inhabitants. Wuhpru was about 85 miles from Bhamo.

Lazarsky had about 25 men with him then. The others had been deployed along the way on scouting missions. At about 11 a.m. he saw the village. The Japs could be seen moving about.

Lazarsky placed the 60 millimeter mortar he had with him about 300 yards from the target. The Kachins were a bit out of range, ready to fire at almost point-blank range.

When the firing started the Japs screamed in terror. Only light fire was returned. The shooting continued for about 10 minutes, and then the village was quiet. They rushed in to check the dead. After a few seconds' inspection, a Kachin ran to Lazarsky with a Jap colonel's insignia in his hand.

Colonel Mariana had been killed.



Capt. Joseph E. Lazarsky trapped Colonel Mariana in the Burmese jungle.

ed by one of Lazarsky's mortar shells. His body was found on a stretcher, indicating that he had been wounded before. His papers and identification were taken by Lazarsky, and the body was buried by the villagers. The Kachins were given the reward.

For the next nine months the Japs steadily lost ground. Lazarsky organized and led a battalion of Kachins against the retreating Japs. They chased the Japs as far as Lashio on the Burma road. This was Lazarsky's destination. He left for home after the Kachins made him a member of the tribe and feted him at a three-day celebration.

Lazarsky holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, Legion of Merit, and three stars on his Asiatic ribbon. He plans to attend Fordham university this fall, after getting out of the service on points.

Morse Suggests U. S. Get Better Deal With British

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (UP)—Two republican senators demanded today that the United States deny financial aid to Britain unless empire preferences in international trade are abolished.

Sen. E. H. Moore, R., Okla., and Sen. Wayne Morse, R., Ore., delivered the protests against British trade practices.

Morse said the time is ripe for an international conference "to see that she (Britain) removes preference barriers which make impossible economic peace between the United States and Great Britain."

Morse protested what he called "an unreasonable and arbitrary discrimination." He said American oil companies were prohibited from rebuilding facilities within the British empire destroyed by the war unless material and equipment used in such construction are obtained from sterling sources.

15 Injured as Bus Goes Over Big Bank

PORTLAND, Oct. 12 (UP)—All but three persons out of 15 injured in a bus accident late Thursday when a Portland-Vancouver bus hurtled over a 50-foot embankment in North Portland, were released from Portland hospitals today.

The accident occurred when the bus went out of control, swerving across the highway through a large signboard and down a 50-foot embankment.

There were no persons seriously injured and those being retained by hospital attendants were being treated for shock and minor leg and back injuries.

Norman Wright of Portland, driver of the bus, said a defective steering gear caused the mishap.



LI. and Mrs. Malcolm Dawson, and daughter, Mary Jean, have arrived from the army air base at Ontario, Calif., where Lieutenant Dawson has received his discharge. They plan to make their home in Joseph.

Sgt. James Saling, husband of Mrs. Tessie Saling, 1602 M street, La Grande, was honorably discharged from the separation base maintained at Santa Ana, Calif., by the army air force.

Sergeant Saling is a veteran of 32 months of service in the army air force. He served in England as a B-17 gunner in the eighth air force, and was held prisoner for a number of months by the German forces.

The AAF has awarded him the aid medal with three oak leaf clusters, and the distinguished flying cross and the European theater ribbon.

Brig. Gen. Arthur E. Easterbrook, commanding general of the SAAAB, declared:

"The fact that a man has served honorably with the AAF marks him among the cream of the crop. We think many of tomorrow's leaders will spring from the outstanding young men who have made up the victorious army air force."

Before entering the service he was a copper smith for Portland shipyards.

Claude N. (Dutch) Braden, corporal in the signal corps, is here on furlough from his base at Ephrata, Wash. He will return there Nov. 5, after which time he will probably be released from the service. Braden spent 27 months in the south Pacific. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Braden and brother of Ardel Braden of La Grande.

First Lt. Keith Patten was released from the army at Fort Lewis separation center Sunday, and is expected to arrive at his home here this weekend. He is coming via Spokane to make the trip from there with Lt. Jack Hendrickson. Lieutenant Patten served in the south Pacific with the old national guard and was one of the few to win a field promotion.

Li. Bob Spencer is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spencer. On Nov. 12 he will go to Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for reassignment.

Your GI Rights Problems of Men In Service

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10 (NEA)—Here are some questions from GIs about their job rights:

Q. Before I went into the Marines I worked summers for a building contractor. I would like to get a permanent job with the same outfit. Is there a law which says the company has to take me back?

A. No. Your job with the contractor apparently was only temporary, and because of that you aren't given re-employment rights.

Q. Before the war, started I was employed as an engineer with a company which specialized in manufacturing gadgets for the home. As soon as we couldn't get materials the plant closed and I went to work for a war plant. A year later I was drafted. Obviously the war plant won't need me but I would like my job back with the first outfit that employed me. Do I have legal re-employment right in that company?

A. No. The law says you have to leave the job to go into the service in order to have re-employment rights in that job.

Q. I have seen a lot in the newspapers about veterans' rights to get jobs. I never had a job before as I was drafted out of high school. Now I want to know, do I or don't I, as a vet, have special rights for getting a job when I get out?

A. Technically, no. But you can get special training for a job, which will be paid for by the government. The United States Employment Service has a big program for finding jobs for veterans and most firms are voluntarily giving veterans preference for jobs.

Q. Before the war I worked for a very small company which made toys. I was a wood worker. Since the war they have switched over to making small parts for autos. When I went back they said they had no more use for wood workers. Do I have a legal right to my job back?

A. Probably not, because the status of your employer has changed so that he is no longer able to use your service. You can take the case to court, however.

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Today We Pay Tribute to—



Aldon J. Quinland, chief petty officer in the seabees, who served 16 months in the Aleutians. He was born Dec. 3, 1909 at Island City and attended La Grande, Salem and Portland schools. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Quinland reside in Portland.

Quinland, married to the former Elva Twidwell of La Grande, is now training seabees in Davisville, R. I. Before his enlistment he was employed by Walker Motor company here.

'Roughly Speaking' Fantastic Comedy Of Family Life

"Roughly Speaking," the rousing film story about a gallant lady who loses everything but her laughter, starring Rosalind Russell and Jack Carson, is showing today and Saturday at the Liberty theater. Set against the moving background of the past three turbulent decades, "Roughly Speaking" also features Robert Hutton, Andrea King, Alan Hale, Craig Stevens, John Quinlan, John Alvin and Donald Wood in supporting roles.

The film is concerned with the hectic family life of the Piersons, a fabulous but true life family.

STRIKE HALTS JOURNAL

CHICAGO, Oct. 12 (UP)—Because of a printers' strike, the regular weekly edition of the American Medical Association will fail to appear tomorrow for the first time in its 62-year history.

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Nelson Shoots 62, Leads Seattle Open

SEATTLE, Oct. 12 (UP)—It's the old story again of Byron Nelson against the field as 54 professionals and 33 amateurs go into the second round of the 72-hole \$10,000 Seattle open golf tournament at Broadmoor club today.

And the field was on the short end of the odds after Nelson's first round of 31-31—62, eight under par, yesterday.

A gallery of more than 2,000 persons, who watched the Toledo, O., master and his blistering pace on the 18th hole, loosed a cheer that reverberated over the rolling Broadmoor acres.

Of goldfom's "big four," only Nelson and Harold (Jug) McSpaden of Sanford, Me., met Broadmoor's challenge. McSpaden shot an even par with a pair of 35's.

Ben Hogan of Hershey, Pa., slipped to a 71 and Sam Snead, Hot Springs, Va., scored a frustrating 75.

Behind Givan were Ray Mungrum of Los Angeles with a 67 and Ed Furgol of Detroit and Chuck Congdon of Tacoma, who tied for fourth place with 68's.

Platinum-browed Jimmy Hines of Chicago, winner of last week's Tacoma open, was sixth with 69 and Sgt. Jim Ferrier, the powerful Australian, and Freddy Wood of Vancouver, B. C., were tied with McSpaden for seventh spot with 70's.

The veteran racer, a favorite to win last night's main event, died of head and internal injuries, hospital attendants said.

Briggs' wife, Georgia, was among 50,000 spectators at the first night of midweek racing since the war started who leaped to their feet when the driver took a turn too fast during a warm-up lap and lost control of his car.

Other drivers and mechanics rushed out on the track to pull him from the wreckage.

Parker, Segura to Meet in Finals

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 12 (UP)—Frank Parker, United States singles champion, played Alejo Russell of Argentina and Francisco Secura of Ecuador met Bob Falkenberg of Hollywood today in semi-final matches of the Pan-American tennis tournament.

Parker and Segura, the defending Pan-American titlist, were favored to advance to the final match.

All four semi-finalists won easy quarter-final matches yesterday. Parker romped over Andres Hammersley of Chile, 6-3, 6-3, 6-1; Segura topped Haroldo Weiss of Argentina, 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 4-6, 6-1, dropping the two sets when he began clowning; Falkenberg defeated Rolando Vega of Mexico, 6-3, 6-1, 6-4, and Russell beat Armando Vega 6-3, 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

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Odorless Cleaners	2	4	3
Country Club	2	4	2
Falk's	1	5	1
Glass Drugs	0	6	0

Farnam Supply won three games and four points from Glass Drugs last night in the Women's league bowling and Carrie Jones had high game and series, 189 and 455. Rosana shop took three games from Odorless Cleaners.

Scores:

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	Total
R. Knight	124	103	111	133							471
M. Brackett	70	99	106	275							550
M. King	95	109	102	306							612
M. Williams	80	128	121	329							638
I. Renick	141	149	155	445							895
Handicap	135	135	135	405							525
Totals	645	723	730	2090							

Farnam Supply

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	Total
R. Breshears	122	132	113	367							617
M. Kays	101	91	81	273							545
C. Spaeth	138	113	140	391							672
M. Spaeth	125	159	146	430							710
C. Jones	169	131	155	455							910
Handicap	100	100	100	300							500
Totals	755	726	735	2218							

Rosana Shop

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	Total
L. Karther	124	119	148	391							682
Nightingale	124	167	160	451							742
R. Winters	114	98	114	326							652
B. Huff	144	135	134	413							726
I. Olson	144	157	149	450							800
Handicap	104	104	104	312							524
Totals	754	780	809	2343							

Odorless Cleaners

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	Total
J. Grubbaugh	106	101	125	332							564
V. Waugh	105	124	115	344							588
L. Marshall	146	145	116	407							614
R. Ostland	131	145	112	388							576
J. Chadwick	114	133	161	408							616
Handicap	120	120	120	360							540
Totals	722	768	740	2230							

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