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Japanese Planes Bomb Honolulu

WU Grid Party In Bombed Area

Grave Concern Here For Group's Safety

Grave concern for the safety of the Willamette university football party of 51, now in Honolulu, was freely expressed by relatives and friends in Salem Sunday afternoon when the radio and telegraph began bringing in reports here of the bombing of Honolulu by Japanese aircraft.

Husbands, wives and friends, including Mrs. Douglas McKay, wife of Senator Douglas McKay, who, with Daughter Shirley is in the Willamette party, made several futile attempts to get through to Honolulu by cable.

"I'm worried to death," said Mrs. McKay in a telephone communication to The Statesman. "I know that Mr. McKay will get word through to me if at all possible, but I don't suppose it is possible."

Dr. Ray M. Walz, whose wife is with the party, said he received a letter from her Sunday morning, mailed last Wednesday, but at that time everything was, of course, quiet in the islands.

Howard Maple, assistant football coach at Willamette, said late Sunday he had been besieged with telephone calls from relatives and friends of the football party.

Twenty-seven football players, Coach R. S. "Spec" Keene, Manager Dick Kernes and Publicist Gil Lieser make up the Willamette university party, proper. In addition, 19 Salem residents, one Dallas resident and one Kent, Wash., resident are with the football team, which was scheduled to play San Jose State college December 16 and to board the Lurline December 19 for the return trip home.

The team played the University of Hawaii Saturday afternoon, just a few hours before bombs were to rain down within a few miles of the football field.

The party was scheduled to arrive in Salem Christmas day. Complete party: Willamette football team—Bill Reder, Marshall Barbour, Marvin Goodman, Bill Kelly, Martin Barstad, George Constable, Andy Rogers, Neil Morley, Jim Fitzgerald, Tony Fraiola, Wally Olsen, Gordon Moore, Bob Bennett, Pat White, Al Barrett, Teddy Ogdahl, Chuck Furno, Irv Miller, Buddy Reynolds, Gene Stewart, Cecil Conner, Al Welden, Earl Hampton, Glen Nordquist, Jim Burgess, Ken Jacobsen and Poul Cookingham.

With football team—Coach R. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Bellinger on Way to US

Jack Bellinger of Lebanon, formerly a member of The Statesman news staff but more recently a teacher in an institution of higher education at Yokohama, was reported late last week to have been a passenger aboard the Tatuta Maru, sailing from Japan to America.

War Comes: We Face the Test

The United States is at war. It is not a war of our making. The suddenness and deadliness of the enemy's attack serves outstandingly to emphasize this fact.

The United States was attacked—and if there was any danger that in a war with Japan the American people would not be united, the manner in which war came wholly eliminates that danger.

Of the causes, the reasons for Japan's almost incredible action, there will be ample time for consideration later. This is not a time in which these and other questions may be discussed calmly.

Americans are stunned at the suddenness with which the nation was plunged into war. They can scarcely believe it. As realization dawns, they are shocked. Of a peace-loving people this is natural.

There are some, especially here on the Pacific coast, nearest continental American soil to the scene of conflict, who are fearful; who are greatly disturbed by the success of initial surprise attacks.

Any such fears are, for the present, unwarranted. What may come, no one knows. But for the present, it is reassuring to realize that our own strong navy stands guard; that our armed forces, thanks to our government's foresight in the last two years, are prepared to meet this attack; that though they alone are a match for the enemy, we have powerful allies whose interest also is to crush this menace as quickly as decisively as possible.

We are at war. Well, we have been at war before and have acquitted ourselves honorably. We will do so again. We are all Americans, united in this war of defense.

Coast Is Put on Alert

Leaves Cancelled; Ammunition Is Given out

PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Gov. Charles A. Sprague of Oregon called a meeting of state military and police officials in Salem Sunday night.

He told Oregon residents, "We must not rest until the menace of Japanese aggression in the Pacific is definitely ended."

By The Associated Press

The Pacific northwest was on a war footing Sunday.

Only a few hours after the quiet of a peaceful Sabbath was broken by the surprise Japanese attack on Honolulu, army and navy forces and civilian defense organizations were able to announce: "We are ready for any emergency."

Every military and naval post in the area went on a war basis at once. All leaves and furloughs were cancelled. Every man was subject to call at any moment throughout the 24 hours.

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Manila Ready For Warfare

Gen. MacArthur Places Command on Alert; Asks Self Control

By The Associated Press
MANILA, Dec. 8.—(Monday)—United States army bombers and pursuit planes roared into the air and headed northward at dawn today soon after word reached Manila of the outbreak of hostilities between Japan and the United States.

This was the only sign of war (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

Pearl Harbor Hit; Wake Taken; Tokyo Declares War Against US, Britain; Congressmen Called

London Waits Declaration By Churchill

Parliament Is Called; Glad Japan Wars on Britain, too

LONDON, Dec. 8.—(Monday)—(AP)—The British parliament was called into special session for 3 p. m. Monday (6 a. m., PST) to hear a government statement which everyone agreed would be a declaration of war against Japan which was expected to coincide with similar action by the United States.

Japan already had declared war on Great Britain and the United States last night as Prime Minister Churchill conferred with US Ambassador John G. Winant and as London awaited fulfillment of Churchill's now unneeded pledge to declare war on Japan "within the hour" if Japan attacked the United States.

Belief was expressed in British quarters here that the Japanese already had attacked "some British possessions" as well as the Pacific bases of the United States.

The Japanese embassy, which had been inaccessible by telephone for hours, late last night (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

BLACKOUTS

BALBOA, CANAL ZONE, Dec. 7.—(AP)—A blackout of the Canal Zone and Panama was ordered Sunday effective at 6:30 p. m.

SITKA, ALASKA, Dec. 7.—(AP)—A blackout was ordered for Sunday night at this site of a naval air station while police officials started a roundup of questionable characters.

BULLETINS

SHANGHAI, Monday, Dec. 8.—(AP)—The Japanese army and navy surrounded the international settlement at 4:10 a. m. today and served notice on the commander of the US gunboat Wake that war had been declared.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—The navy department announced Sunday night that a censorship had been placed on all outgoing cablegrams and radio messages from the United States and its outlying possessions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—(AP)—The Anzac clipper, with 28 persons aboard, landed safely at an unnamed airport in the Hawaiian islands this afternoon. It left San Francisco Saturday night.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Reports received by The Associated Press from Europe Sunday night said the German army was preparing an effort to take both Moscow and Leningrad and recapture Rostov within two weeks in a move linked with the outbreak of war in the Pacific.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—A German radio broadcast heard here said Sunday night that "President Roosevelt has at last got his war, which he has always looked for."

"We learn in the last few minutes," the announcer said, "that as a consequence of continued provocation it now, at last, has come to an American-Japanese conflict."

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—(AP)—A German spokesman declared Sunday night there could be no reaction from Germany to the announced Japanese air attack on Pearl Harbor until all sides of the case were at hand.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—(AP)—The Associated Press has been advised by communications agencies that the navy has invoked a censorship on Manila and Honolulu, prohibiting messages "outbound" from both Pacific points.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Japan declared war upon the United States Sunday, and an electrified nation immediately united for a terrific struggle ahead. President Roosevelt was expected to ask congress for a declaration of war Monday.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—(AP)—The Netherlands East Indies declared war on Japan tonight (6:30 a. m., Monday, Batavia Time), the NBC reported Sunday night.

The word was telephoned from Batavia by the NBC correspondent, who said general mobilization had been ordered.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—(Monday)—(AP)—A Reuters dispatch from Shanghai today quoted an unconfirmed report circulated there saying US-owned Wake island had been occupied by the Japanese.

The British news agency said the Shanghai rumors had it that the occupation of Wake was accomplished peacefully.

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Costa Rica declared war on Japan Sunday night.

By The Associated Press

War between the United States and Japan exploded violently in the Pacific Sunday as waves of Japanese bombers twice attacked Honolulu, inflicting apparently great loss in life and property, and bombed the tiny US base at Guam, midway between Hawaii and the Philippines.

In London, Prime Minister Winston Churchill summons parliament for a joint declaration of war with the United States against Japan.

Imperial headquarters in Tokyo already had declared war formally against both the United States and Great Britain—effective at dawn.

First reports that the Japanese had also attacked Manila in the Philippines appeared at least premature.

On the Pacific coast, the army and navy went onto an immediate war.

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Where War Broke to Panic 'Peaceful' Pacific

