

Reich to Meet For War Talk

US Newspapermen Arrested as Wire Messages Are Halted

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States before the confirming announcement was heard on the German shortwave radio in New York.

A possible clue to the axis position was seen in a statement of the Italian foreign office spokesman in Rome that Italy and Germany would adopt the attitude that the United States had brought them into the Japanese war. This conversation was reported by the Swiss news agency.

BERLIN, Dec. 10-(AP)—United States newspapermen were ordered out of a German press conference Wednesday and sent to their homes in German retaliation for the arrest of axis newspapermen in the United States.

The American embassy said later they were not arrested but merely confined to their homes. One German official assured them that any further action would be "in the noblest form"—that if police came for them it would not be in police cars.

German employees of American news agencies and newspapers were permitted to continue sending dispatches.

The Americans were seated with other newspapermen at the customary conference table when the foreign office spokesman came to the door. Instead of entering, he announced:

"Contrary to international practice, German correspondents have been arrested in the United States."

"I must now ask American correspondents to leave this room and proceed to their homes."

As the Americans left he silently shook their hands.

American newspapermen "no longer exist for you and us," a foreign office speaker told the remaining correspondents.

(Five German newspapermen, all but one representing DNB, German news agency, were taken into custody in New York after President Roosevelt assumed extraordinary powers over German, Italian and Japanese nationals.)

The Bern office at the Associated Press received from Berlin on its automatic teletype today a message which said: "Hurry up. We leave for the ju."

(Asked if the Americans would be interned Angus Thuermer replied:

"We don't know. All American correspondents have been asked to leave for their homes in Berlin. Bye-bye old man."

(The next dispatch was filed by Rudolph Josten, German employee of the staff.)

BERN, Switzerland, Dec. 10-(AP)—Communications between Switzerland and the Berlin and Rome offices of the Associated Press were broken Wednesday night.

The Bern Associated Press bureau was unable to reach the offices in the axis capitals by either telephone or teletype.

(In Washington the state department was advised by the American embassy in Rome that American correspondents there had been deprived of telephonic and telegraphic communications abroad as a reprisal measure for action taken in the United States.)

Earlier in the day both offices had filed dispatches through Bern. American correspondents in Berlin were ordered to their homes today in retaliation for the arrest of axis newspapermen in the United States.

LONDON, Dec. 10-(AP)—An exchange telegraph dispatch from Zurich Wednesday night quoted a German foreign office spokesman in Berlin as saying that "Germany in the future regards President Roosevelt as the only aggressor existing in this world."

"The necessary consequences will follow immediately," the spokesman was said to have added.

Cardenas Named Chief Of Mexico's Forces

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 10-(AP)—President Manuel Avila Camacho Wednesday night appointed his predecessor, Lázaro Cárdenas, commander in chief of all Mexico's Pacific forces, land, air and naval.

He converted the corps of presidential aides into a general staff to coordinate defense efforts.

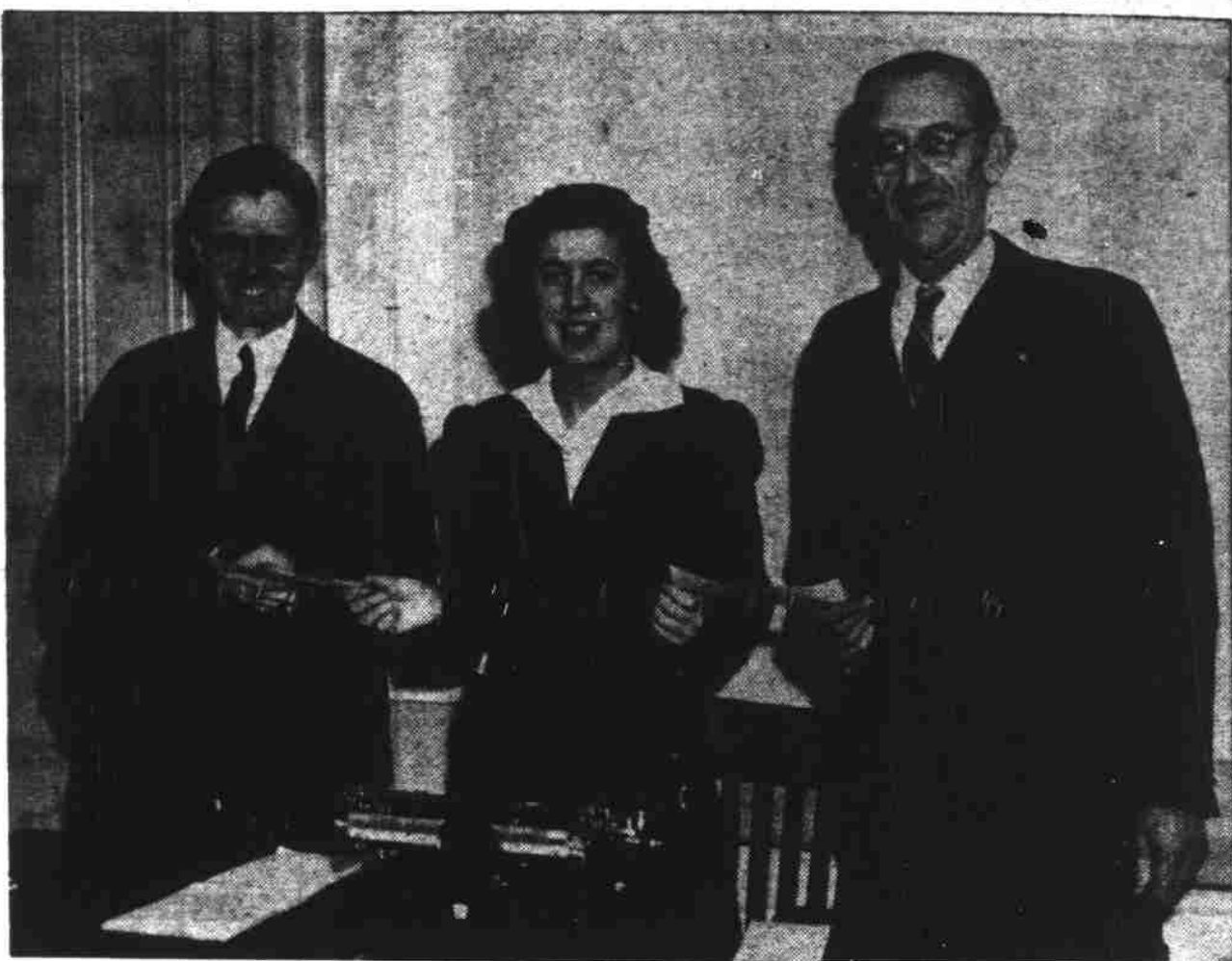
Howard Hughes to Wed

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 10-(AP)—Faith Dom, 17-year-old actress from New Orleans said Wednesday she has been engaged since October to Howard Hughes, millionaire film maker and aviator. She said they did not plan to be married for some time.

Hughes, who recently bought Miss Dom's contract from Warner Bros., was not available for comment.

TO EASE MISERY OF CHILD'S COLD RUB ON VICKS VAPORUB

Civic Club Chiefs Give Checks to Civil Defense



The finish of a neck-and-neck race between the Salem Lions and Kiwanis clubs to be first to contribute their quotas to Marion county civilian defense council's fund; President Virgil T. "Tommy" Golden (left) of the Lions club and President Y. E. "Warner" Kahn (right) of the Kiwanis club are pictured as they presented \$150 checks to Mary Ross, clerk at county defense headquarters at the courthouse. Salem Rotary club Wednesday voted a \$200 contribution, Salem Chertians Tuesday night \$90.

Los Angeles Raid Scared

Three Hour Blackout Enayed When Reported Enemy Planes Heard

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ersified to the Mexican border and eastward to Boulder City, Nev., was resumed as the lights came on again.

At the same time the intercept or commander here announced that "all is clear. All danger is past for the present."

The blackout was lifted in San Diego coincidentally with resumption of street and other lighting in Los Angeles and nearby communities.

The army spokesman said the planes were first reported about 8:15 p. m. in "the general locality of Los Angeles."

At 9:55 p. m. he said the planes were believed to be "a little bit south" of this city.

"This definitely is not a test blackout," the regional controller of the fourth interceptor command in Los Angeles stated. "This is serious."

"We cannot divulge exactly what is taking place, but it is serious enough to impose a vigorous blackout precaution."

"How long the blackout will continue will depend on developments. When it's lifted it will be announced on the radio."

"That is all that we can say at this time."

Police officers of suburban Hollywood ran along darkened streets shortly after 10 p. m. (PST) warning all pedestrians and motorists to seek shelter immediately.

Considerable excitement prevailed.

The main Los Angeles police hospital, Georgia street, said it was swamped with calls for ambulance pickups resulting from traffic accidents. These calls were more than five times as many as are ordinarily received at night, the hospital said.

Panama Canal Closed Daily

BALBOA, Canal Zone, Dec. 10-(AP)—Army headquarters announced Wednesday the Panama canal would be closed from 6 p. m. to 6 a. m. daily.

Precautionary blackouts also were ordered both in the canal zone and in the city of Panama.

Meanwhile, the republic of Panama completed formal action of its declaration of war against Japan, which was signed immediately by the president.

Elks' Charity Fund Swelled

The Salem Elks fund for Christmas welfare activities was swelled appreciably Wednesday night when a capacity audience turned out for the second performance of "Meet the Wife," the Elks' annual charity show. Laughter and applause indicated that the audience was well pleased.

The show will be presented for the third time tonight in the Elks temple auditorium.

Curtain time is 7:30 p. m., this early hour being selected in order that all those attending will have time to return home before the blackout hour.

Hungarian Princess Nabbed by FBI Men

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10-(AP)—Princess Stephanie Hohenlohe of Hungary, once reputed friend of high nazi officials and a colorful figure in European political intrigue before the war, was arrested Wednesday by federal bureau of investigation agents.

The short, red-haired princess, now nearly 50, was sent to the US immigration station at Gloucester, N.J., along with 84 other German, Italian and Japanese nationals rounded up in Philadelphia and eastern Pennsylvania.

Raise Given Employees Of Railway Express

CHICAGO, Dec. 10-(AP)—An agreement providing wage increases of ten cents an hour for 42,000 employees of the Railway Express company was signed Wednesday by union and management representatives.

The action settled a pay controversy between the firm and the AFL Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees and banished threats of a strike.

The United States' note to the other republics declared that Japan's "treacherous attack" on American territory in the Pacific made it urgently necessary for all the nations on this continent to take defensive action.

All Class 1-A Men Covered By New Quota

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10-(AP)—Local draft boards have been notified that the national quota is being revised to cover all available men in class 1-A numbering more than 1,000,000, and that the new state quotas are being compiled in line with the revision.

This step is being taken so that all men in class 1-A could be called to the colors, if needed, as soon as the new quotas are issued. The law provides that draft boards can not exceed their quotas.

There has been no call for the induction of all men in 1-A so far.

Albany Man Electrocuted

ALBANY — Charles E. Boyd, 52, was electrocuted Monday afternoon while assisting his brother Raymond repair a telephone line a mile north of Albany. Although Mr. Boyd was an employee of the Mountain States Power company, he was off duty at the time he met death. The accident occurred when the wire on which he was working came into contact with a high power wire of the electric company on the Albany-Independence road.

Born on December 17, 1888, at Mintersville, Wash., Boyd had been a resident of Oregon since he was two years old, and for the past 22 years had lived in Albany. Previously he had made his home in the North Albany community. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World, the Moose lodge and the electricians' union. Funeral services will be held from the Fortmiller Funeral home but the time has not yet been set.

Surviving are his father, George T. Boyd of Coburg; three brothers, John S. and Raymond of Albany, and Walton T. of Astoria, and one sister, Mrs. Rosa Adams of Salem.

Knighten Rites Scheduled Today

ALBANY—Funeral services for Mrs. A. L. Knighten, 42, of Halsey will be held Thursday at 2 p. m. from the Pine Grove church with the Fisher Funeral home in charge. Rev. Gene Shelley will conduct the services and burial will be in the Pine Cemetery. Mrs. Githen died in Corvallis Monday afternoon as the result of a paralytic stroke.

Neva Bernice Githens was born at Halsey December 28, 1898, and had spent her entire life in Halsey and Albany. She was married to A. L. Knighten on November 8, 1916. He survives as do two children, Keith and Thelma, her father W. R. Githens, all of Halsey; and two brothers, W. R. Githens of Corvallis is an uncle.

Alaska Warned of Raid

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Dec. 9-(Delayed)—(AP)—In the first air raid warning in Alaska, four air raid alarms were sounded Tuesday in quick succession after an unconfirmed report at Elmendorf field that at least one unidentified plane was flying high over Alaska.

Pan-American Session Urged

Hull Proposes Joint Action for Defense Of Hemisphere

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suggestion of Chile, with its long Pacific coastline. The date for the meeting is expected to be set December 17 when the Pan-American Union will have replies from the other countries to the United States' note. Nine of them already have declared war on Japan and others have given the United States assurances of support.

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Bombardment Air Stations Authorized

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10-(AP)—The war department Wednesday authorized construction of seven bombardment air bases, to cost approximately \$7,500,000 each, near Syracuse, N.Y.; Richmond, Va.; Greenville, S.C.; Nashville, Tenn.; Walla Walla, Wash.; Rapid City, S.D. and Columbus, Ohio.

About 450 officers and 4500 enlisted men and 130 airplanes will be stationed at each base.

The department said the construction would vary somewhat but that each base would include approximately 60 enlisted men's barracks, officers quarters for 400 bachelors, officers, six enlisted men's mess buildings, two or three hangars about 120 feet by 200 feet, and four concrete runways 150 feet by 8000 feet.

The sites were chosen after surveys made by air corps site selection boards during the last five months. Construction will start on receipt by the corps of engineers of approved layouts which are being prepared in the office of the chief of the air corps.

The exact location of each of the bases was not indicated by the department.

Alien Roundup Totals 2303

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10-(AP)—The government has seized 2303 enemy aliens since Sunday, apparently completing its initial program for such arrests.

Attorney General Biddle, announcing the total Wednesday at a press conference, said that the federal bureau of investigation had apprehended all those listed for arrest in this country within two hours after receiving its orders. In Hawaii the job was done within three hours.

Those held include 1291 Japanese, 865 Germans and 147 Italians.

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New President for WOW

DENVER, Dec. 10-(AP)—Troy W. Midkiff, 55, Great Falls, Mont., is the new president of the Woodmen of the World. The board of directors elected him Tuesday to succeed Peter F. Gilroy of Denver, president for 13 years, who died recently.

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Nation Ringed With Steel

Army Reveals Plans To Repel Invasion; Rear Admiral Dies

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attacks against the west coast of Luzon north of San Fernando were repulsed with apparent heavy enemy losses. Actual landings were effected along the northern coast of Luzon. The Japanese attacks are in considerable strength, and are supported by heavy naval forces.

"Military and naval installations on Luzon have been subject to intermittent Japanese air attacks throughout the day, that on the naval base at Cavite being particularly heavy."

On the home front, meanwhile, William S. Knudsen called for a "work or fight" program and said the production of heavy four-motored bombers would be increased to 1,000 monthly, twice the present goal.

The seven-day, 168-hour production week must go into effect immediately in five fields, he said, naming them as guns, planes, tanks, ammunition and shipbuilding. New plants must be built for making TNT and powder, he said, and new plane plants would be located well inland, out of the reach of enemy bombers.

At the close of the day, the White House released a message from President Roosevelt to Chiang Kai-Shek, the Chinese generalissimo, predicting that the common Chinese-American struggle "will result inevitably in the complete elimination of the lawless forces against which your effort, our effort and the efforts of our associates are now directed."

President Roosevelt met with his war cabinet.

Secretary Morgenthau called in congressional leaders to discuss the question of higher taxes. The house passed a bill giving navy authority to purge the merchant marine of subversive radio operators. The state department announced that representatives of the American nations would meet in early January to draw still tighter the Pan-American front against the axis.

And, there were other things: Four of the famous Japanese cherry trees were chopped down in Potomac park during last night's semi-blackout here. Park authorities called it vandalism, not patriotism. SPAB ordered a 75 per cent reduction in the manufacture of coin operated gambling machines and juke boxes because the metal is needed for the war industries.

There was a tense little scene in the senate, with one of that chamber's leading isolationists temporarily blocking a bill which the administration considers necessary to the war effort. Hiram Johnson of California said "no," and forced the postponement of the passage of a measure which would permit the army to send its draftees, reserves and others outside the western hemisphere.

He told the senate he wanted to "keep the president's promises." These, he explained as pledges given "again and again" by Mr. Roosevelt that Americans would not be required to "fight on foreign soil."

A colleague asked whether the Japanese attack was not sufficient to justify a change. Johnson replied:

"No, I don't think so, but if it is sufficient there is time to determine that. We don't need to run it through in a quarter of a day."

The parliamentary situation was such that unanimous consent was necessary for the consideration of the bill. Its passage under other circumstances was expected later.

Bulletins

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30 persons were killed and 300 wounded during the afternoon raids.

NEW YORK, Thurs., Dec. 11-(AP)—The BBC, in a broadcast heard by CBS, said that the commander of the Repulse, Capt. W. G. Tennant, was reported to be among the survivors landed in Singapore today.

The BBC said it had no word, however, on whether Admiral Sir Tom Phillips, commander of the British eastern fleet, whose flag was flown by the Prince of Wales, also was saved.

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Householders were reminded by air raid wardens that basement lights are included in the darkening orders. Many have been noted on a previous blackout nights, it was declared.

Public school administrators of the lower Willamette valley convened with the state department of education here Wednesday to advise in the formation of policies for school operation in connection with defense measures. Bulletins are to be issued for schools by the department.

Attending in addition to the state men were Assistant Superintendents J. W. Edwards and Perry of Portland, Supt. Frank B. Bennett of Salem, Supt. Harold W. Adams of Silverton, Supt. R. McCormick of Albany, Supt. Schenk of Corvallis, Asst. Supt. Wilbur J. Dutton of Eugene and Principal George Orr of Sandy.

Nazis Retreat From Fronts

Tactical Reasons Are Given; Reds Claim Capture of Towns

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MOSCOW, Dec. 10-(AP)—At least 14,000 more German troops have fallen on the snowy Moscow front and the advancing red army has recaptured ten or more villages, the soviet radio announced Wednesday night.

Russian troops in the south also were advancing, and the radio quoted Major-General Petrov in Red Star as saying the Germans had lost 15,000 men, 150 tanks, 131 planes and more than 70 guns in 30 days of assault on the red naval base of Sevastopol in the Crimea.

The radio cited these gains: Seven towns retaken in the Kalinin area, 95 miles northwest of the capital; 1400 nazis killed. Several settlements re-taken in the Tula sector, 100 miles south of Moscow; 600 Germans killed. Recapture of Olets in the Orel sector, 200 miles to the south, the routing of two German infantry divisions, and 12,000 German casualties.

Jap Hongkong Try Stymied

HONGKONG, Dec. 10-(AP)—Two Japanese attacks on this British crown colony from the direction of Shanghai have been beaten off and the situation has been stabilized, a British communique announced late Wednesday.

Two battalions of Japanese attempting to cross Tide cove and land on the east shore were sunk by British machine gun fire and survivors of the party were wiped out on the beach, the communique said.

A Japanese plane crashed this morning in Tide Cove.

All reports to British headquarters, the communique added, testify to the effectiveness of the artillery fire which Tuesday and Tuesday night halted the invaders.

Funeral Set For Jeweler

Funeral services will be read Friday for Henry F. Shanks, 68, long time Salem jeweler, who died Tuesday at his home at 195 South Cottage street in Salem. Dr. Fred Taylor and Dr. J. C. Harrison will officiate at services at 2 p. m. at the Clough-Barrick chapel.

Ritualistic services will be given by Salem lodge No. 4, AF&AM and concluding services will be at City View cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Fred Josephine Shanks; Mrs. Mary Hurst, sister in law and J. W. Maryfield, brother in law, both of Silverton; and by four nephews and a niece.

Manila Hears Early Alarm

MANILA, Dec. 11-(Thursday)—(AP)—Manila had an air raid alarm between 12:30 and 1:45 a. m. today (8:30 a. m. and 10:45 p. m., Wednesday, PST.) No bombings were reported.

Observers on the bay front reported hearing what apparently were Japanese planes flying across the edge of the city at a high altitude. The planes were believed to have been on reconnaissance. There were a few anti-aircraft shots.

Oregon Men on Midway Island Reported Safe

GRANTS PASS, Dec. 10-(AP)—The Daily Courier said Wednesday it had been notified by telegram that all Oregon men on Midway Island were safe.

A. L. Woods of Grants Pass advised the newspaper that 100 Oregon men on the island came through the Japanese bombardment unscathed.

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Coastline Is Preparing

Additional Volunteers Called as Air Raid Precautionary Move

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the notice for a 1:30-7:30 blackout was issued.

Segregation of applications for civil reserves continues, with audition of numerous names daily, Conley said.

Either men or women who are free to serve during daylight hours at the county's listening post, checking radioed orders from the second interceptor command, are asked to volunteer their services at courthouse civilian defense headquarters between 6 and 7 o'clock tonight, Wayne Perdue, communications chairman, announced Wednesday.

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Costly Blaze Hits Gonzaga

SPOKANE, Dec. 10-(AP)—A \$125,000 fire destroyed the two upper floors of the Gonzaga university administration building early Wednesday and all students except those in law and nursing classes started their Christmas vacations one week early.

Fire Chief William Payne said the cause of the blaze, which broke out in or near the third-floor law library, still was undetermined. The blaze spread to the fourth floor and broke through the roof to burn spectacularly.

More than 100 men were sleeping in the building, but all escaped without injury.

Fr. Leo J. Robinson, university president, said about 1,000 law volumes and much laboratory equipment was lost. The loss was covered by insurance.

Florida Span Blast Feared

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 11-(Thursday)—(AP)—Miami police reported early this morning that traffic over the Florida East Coast railway mainland into Miami had been stopped after discovery of wires and batteries attached to a railroad trestle over a canal in Miami shores.

Police Radio Dispatcher Bob Howard said no explosives had been found attached to the wires, which extended from the trestle into the water.

Greater Production Of Food Is Keynote

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 10-(AP)—Greater food production to meet war emergencies will be keynote at forthcoming state and county fairs, 150 fair managers from California, Washington and Oregon were told at a meeting of the Western Fairs association.

Representatives from Arizona, Texas and Utah also attended.

Valsetz Girl Editor Sadly Closes Paper

VALSETZ, Dec. 10-(AP)—This town was without a newspaper again Wednesday — the Valsetz Star, nourished by Dorothy Ann Hobson, youthful editor, to a world-wide circulation, closed up shop.

Dorothy Ann, who was nine when she started the mimeographed leaflet but is 13 and attending school at Salem now, wasn't very cheerful about her farewell edition.

"We are sad about saying goodbye," she wrote. "Mother is sitting in the living room, rocking and crying."

"And now before we go we would like to say that we like both the Republicans and the Democrats and we hope they will stand together holding hands in the face of the awful monsters who are trying to get us."

"And now goodbye again, all dear friends and subscribers—and a Merry, Merry Christmas. 'We are all crying now.'"

2000 Rescued From Sinkings

Destroyers Land Men At Singapore; British Halt Jap Invasion

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of the sea looking for Japanese naval units.

The Japanese in their land drive apparently had captured hotly contested Kota Bharu airbase, but elsewhere on the long peninsula leading to Singapore British defenses were firm.

British and Indian troops reformed and reorganized south of Kota Bharu after heavy fighting in the jungles just below the Thai border, and a communique said they were in excellent spirits and their losses comparatively light.

The sinking of the two mighty ships was the worst single tragedy to befall the Royal navy since the war began. Nevertheless, it left Britain with at least 19 battleships afloat or building.

Shortly after Prime Minister Churchill had informed parliament of the news, the German agency DNB attributed to Japanese naval authorities an expression of belief that the 35,000-ton battleship King George V also had gone down.

(Nothing was said as to the basis for this alleged belief.)

The prime minister made his announcement with utter candor, not sparing the house.

"I have had news for the house which I thought I should impart to them at the earliest possible moment," he said.