

Allied Fliers Bag 21 Planes

Former US Navy Pilot Gets Five Japs When Rangoon Raid Foiled

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tion again after recovering from a wound sustained in an air battle Jan. 4, failed to return from Friday's operation and one RAF pilot was lost. The Briton was the first to challenge the raiders and was seen single-handedly attacking 24 enemy craft.

The day's ace was a former navy flier, once with the U.S. aircraft carrier Ranger, whose home is Pensacola, Fla. He sent three enemy craft crashing to earth from the first wave of attackers, refueled, took off again and shot down two in the second wave.

Then there was Jack, a member of the American volunteer group from Scarsdale, N.Y., who raised his score to date to eight by setting fire to one Japanese plane and shooting the wing off another. Then he ate a hearty late luncheon.

One RAF pilot knocked out a Japanese fighter and himself made a forced landing 100 yards from the wreckage of his victim.

"What your Yanks and our boys are doing today beats almost anything in the history of the Battle of Britain," a veteran RAF officer commented. "Give them better and better planes and the Japs will get sicker and sicker of this war."

As one participating American flier put it: "The paddy fields east of Rangoon looked like they had a bonfire in each one. Those Japs crashed far and wide."

An official military commentator said withdrawing imperials in the panhandle were in no sense beaten and were not, in fact, hard-pressed.

Wake Island Prisoners at Shanghai Now

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23—(Official Japanese Broadcast Recorded by AP)—About 1200 American war prisoners from Wake Island arrived here at 4 p.m. Friday, the Domei news agency reported. Their prison ship, escorted here by a warship, reached Yokohama from Wake Jan. 18, and some of them were debarked there.

The others, including Commander W. S. Cunningham, will be landed here Saturday for internment.

Commander Smith and some other prisoners from the gunboat Wake, which was captured here, were allowed to visit the Wake Island prisoners.

Russ Pushing Beyond Mozhaik



Red troops, recapturing Mozhaik, pushed past the city and Rzhev (1) and Smolensk (4) were prime objectives. Black arrows indicate Russian drives; broken arrows, Russian objectives. Germans retreating from Mozhaik toward Smolensk will find themselves hemmed in on both sides by Russian spearheads (2 and 3), aimed at towns along the route.

High Court Hears Arguments On Cigarette Tax Referendum

Arguments in the State Retail Grocers association's suit to force acceptance for filing of cigarette tax-law referendum petitions were heard Friday morning by the state supreme court.

Representing the association, sponsor of the petitions which the secretary of state refused to accept for filing on grounds expressed statements which accompanied them were insufficient, was Alfred E. Clark, Portland attorney.

Not only were the expense statements in full compliance with the law, Clark contended, but the law requiring filing of such information restricts the referendum power as no legislature has authority to do.

Secretary of State Snell, whose refusal to file the petitions was based on advice of Attorney General I. H. Van Winkle, was represented by Rex Kimmel, assistant to the attorney general.

All students attending the ball at the armory are to register with the date bureau, whether or not they expect it to furnish them with companions for the affair. Registration will be next week, in charge of Dorothy Tate of Sublimity.

Her assistants in the living organizations are Janet Blake of Camas, Wash., Lausanne Hall; Eleanor Todd of Portland, Delta Phi; Barbara Minor of Portland, Beta Chi; Corydon Blodgett of Salem, Sigma Tau; Art Wilson of Portland, Alpha Psi Delta; Loren Hicks of Salem, Kappa Gamma Ebo, and Allen LaRue of Roseburg, Delta Tau Gamma.

Speakers at the inaugural ceremonies will include Wade Bettis of Boring, Glenn Olds of Sherwood, William Thomas of Salem and Ralph May of Denver, Colo. Others will be from the faculty, trustees and alumni.

At the church service February 1, a double quartet will sing, comprising Carolyn Brown and Lenore Myers of Salem, Mary Margaret Livesay of Dallas, Jean Kohagen of Hood River, Jim Glasse of Albany, Michael Carolan of Grants Pass and Corydon Blodgett and Arnold Hardman of Salem.

Concerts by the a cappella choir and band are slated later in the spring.

Chairman of the student centennial committee is Bob Hamilton, junior, from Shelton, Wash.

Boys Treated For Injuries

Jim Monaco, 146 Gerth street, West Salem, and Roland Leach, Salem route four, both 14, were given first aid about 10:30 Friday night for injuries suffered in an auto accident at Liberty and Chemeketa streets.

Monaco sustained a 2 1/2 inch cut on the forehead and other hurts, and Leach suffered shock and lacerations.

Girls Take Office
RICKREALL—Four Rickreall girls were installed into offices at the Rainbow Girls installation in Dallas Monday.

Jean Burns was installed as worthy advisor, Charlotte Ross, musician; Jay Van Santen, choir leader, and Betty Winn, nature. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pence, Mrs. John Winn; Mrs. Charley Ross and Mureen Wells attended the ceremony.

Teachers Get Raise
PORTLAND, Jan. 23—(AP)—The business committee of the Portland public school board approved Friday night a 5 per cent pay increase for 1500 Portland teachers. The increase, which must be voted on by the full board, would go into effect next Monday.

Young GOP's to Meet
The state executive board of the Young Republican Federation of Oregon will hold its monthly meeting at the Schneider coffee shop at 1:30 p. m. Sunday.

Nippon Takes Three Isles

Australians Appeal For Aerial Aid as Invasion Feared

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ferred two heavy Japanese air raids.

While Australian militiamen guarded the beaches of the mainland against this ever-nearer threat, the government called urgently on both London and Washington for swift and adequate help, especially in planes.

In a broadcast Deputy Prime Minister Francis Forde told the people of this sub-continent: "For the first time in history Australian territory has been attacked; for the first time in history a foreign invader is trying to get a footing on Australian territorial soil."

"We shall give battle to the best of our ability wherever we fight. At this moment, Japan's attacking bases are within bombing reach of Australia (proper)."

"She has achieved air strength powerful enough to devastate our cities and industrial centers unless opposed in the battle areas with adequate weapons, machines and tools."

Nevertheless, while thus proclaiming that Australia was confronted with "the most serious threat in her history," Forde pledged that with allied help "we will clear the sea and land of the Japanese menace."

Blackouts were imposed in all Australian cities. A million gas masks were ordered from England. Australia day, the national holiday falling on Jan. 26, was canceled.

Two Northwest Navy Fliers Die in Crash

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 23—(AP)—A navy plane plunged into the Atlantic ocean early Friday near Oregon Inlet, N.C., carrying its entire crew of eight men to death. The fifth naval district-announced Friday night.

The plane sank immediately after striking the water. Officers here said the cause of the crash was not known, and declined to disclose any details concerning the accident.

The public relations office at the Norfolk naval operating base issued list of those aboard the plane among whom were two northwest men:

Ensign Karl Allen Oliver, USNR, whose mother is Adele Allen Oliver, 116 Jefferson street, Hoquiam, Wash.

Gabriel Marcelle Hoffack, aviation machinist mate, 1st class, USN, whose mother is Mrs. Martha Mary Hoffack, 3827 Broadway, Everett, Wash.

Felton Heads County Bar

Joseph B. Felton, Salem district justice of the peace, was elected president of the Marion County Bar association at the monthly lawyers' meeting Friday in Salem. He succeeds Roy Harland.

Water Board Plans \$5 Deposit Above Account Upon Moving

Probability that Salem water users may be required to maintain a \$5 deposit over and above accounts before they are granted service at changed places of residence loomed following Friday night's meeting of the city water commission.

The standing deposit, commission members declared, appeared the only means of protecting not only the commission but landlords against the financial vagaries of shifting population, and they instructed Manager C. E. Guenther to confer with the city attorney as to rewording of regulations.

Plans for collection of sewer rentals through water commission offices as outlined in a tentatively-drawn proposed ordinance were presented by Lawrence N. Brown, city attorney.

That the entire scale suggested as payment to the commission would be altered should it be impossible to have the billing machine now in use adjusted to provide keys for the extra charge on water-users' bills was accepted as fact by both the commission and the attorney. Brown said the ordinance would be held in abeyance until investigations as to the machine accommodations had been completed.

Employees of the water commission have accepted 100 per cent the commission's suggestion of a payroll savings plan. Under the scheme, given final approval at Friday's session, employees have agreed to invest no less than 3 per cent of their salaries in bonds, to which the commission adds another 3 per cent, eventually to go to employees in savings.

The commission authorized Guenther to buy back \$3000 worth of its own bonds, of a series maturing in 1959, offered at 2.1 per cent.

Latin Nations Approve Pact

Compromise to Allow Each Country to Act At Own Discretion

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delegates Friday afternoon before the open session.

Jose De Paula Rodrigues Alves, secretary-general of the conference, denied reports that the accord already had been signed and initiated.

Actually, of the 21 American republics, all already are at war against the axis or have severed relations with the axis powers except Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Bolivia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay.

At Friday afternoon's meeting, foreign minister Alberto Guani of Uruguay announced his country would sever axis relations probably Saturday, and Brazil is expected to take the same step.

Samner Welles, U.S. undersecretary of state who labored long to bring Argentina and Chile into the agreement, addressed the meeting in Spanish, declaring: "The ideal of my life always has been American unity. If it had been possible, my government would have liked something more definite and stronger."

"In our concept, the nations which carried war to the United States also carried it to the Americas. This constitutes danger for all of us. Our hope is that we realize this danger, act accordingly, and thus I vote in favor of the proposals."

Axis Regains Libya Town

CAIRO, Jan. 23—(AP)—In unexpected force and covered by waves of bombers and fighters, General Erwin Rommel's Nazi Afrika Korps had plunged 90 miles northeastward Friday night to recapture Agedabia on the lower western side of the hump of Cirenaica, and some British military observers believed he had pulled the trigger on a full counter-offensive.

Officially the thrust by Rommel from his stronghold near El Agheila, more than 400 miles inside Libya, was described as a "raid in force." It could be that, since the main British forces never had advanced as far west as Agedabia, and in this vast sea of sand, swift and long-reaching advances no longer are surprising. Evidence of increased axis plane and tank strength in Africa is the basis for the belief in some quarters that Rommel is trying to duplicate the counter-assault which, last April, rolled the Weavell army back to Egypt.

Party Honors Salem Guards

Over fifty young people attended a party at the Salem Youth center Friday night honoring guards stationed at the airport.

British Still Holding Line

Japs Threatening to Turn Left Flank as Battle 'Confused'

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The northwest probably consisted of demolition bands to harry rear line communications, and snipers who hid in tree-tops.

The Australians also were using these guerrilla tactics, and some units had little other choice when cut off from their own lines.

One front dispatch told Friday how a lieutenant and his platoon became isolated, proceeded to blow up a bridge behind advancing Japanese units, and then lived off the land for days until they regained their lines.

Nippon Starts Terror Reign

MacArthur Reports Invaders Attacking With Great Losses

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eral MacArthur had received a message from Sir Archibald Wavell, the allied commander-in-chief in the far Pacific area, "formally congratulating him and his command for their magnificent defense of the Philippines."

Meanwhile, reports from Mindanao, the largest of the southern Philippine islands, said the Japanese invaders there had organized some 10,000 Japanese residents of Davao into a local military force. Most of Davao's 30,000 inhabitants are Japanese.

President Roosevelt disclosed here that the board of inquiry appointed to investigate the lack of alertness at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, was expected to submit its report shortly. He said he was uncertain whether or not it would be made public.

Dutch Blast Eight Ships In Macassar

BATAVIA, NEI, Jan. 23—(AP) Heavy bombers and dive-bombing fighters of the Dutch East Indies air forces caught a squadron of Japanese warships and a train of invasion transports in the strait of Macassar Friday and left them crippled with twelve direct hits on eight ships.

Making superb use of their

American-built aircraft in the narrow waters which the Japanese invaders of the Dutch East Indies now are endeavoring to penetrate, the Dutch flying fleet came back to their base without a single casualty of their own. This was their score announced in a special communique:

One large warship, perhaps a battleship, directly hit by 300 kilogram (660 pound) bombs. One heavy cruiser, one light cruiser and one large transport struck by bombs of the same caliber.

A destroyer, two large transports and one smaller ship, dive-bombed by fighters and hit with 80-kilo (175 pound) bombs. Friday's aerial foray (possibly carried out from secret inland airports which the Dutch are reputed to have established in the jungles of Borneo) was important in at least delaying or weakening further landing attempts.

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Selassie to Get His Throne Back

Haile Selassie on throne after return

From London comes details of a British-Ethiopian agreement providing for restoration of full sovereignty to Haile Selassie and for assistance to his reclaimed African kingdom. It was understood the agreement provides for the use of British officers as advisers for the native Ethiopian army and for free Allied use of bases and communications. Haile Selassie, whose kingdom was annexed by Italy in 1936, returned to his native land from exile last year and aided the British in wresting it and the rest of Italian East Africa from the Italians. The picture above was taken at that time.

Legal Notice

FINAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Marion County, Probate Department, her verified final account as Executrix of the estate of L. W. Potter, deceased, and said Court has fixed Tuesday, January 27, 1942, at ten o'clock A. M., in the Circuit Court Room in the County Courthouse, at Salem, in said County, for hearing said final account and all objections thereto.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 27th day of December, 1941.

ORA E. POTTER,
Executrix of the Estate of L. W. Potter, deceased.

RONALD C. GLOVER,
Attorney for Executrix, Salem, Oregon. D 37-J 3-10-17-24.