

Japs Make New Borneo Attack

Enemy Trying Route Over Land When Sea Drive Is Smashed

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better understanding of the war and all that it involves." The White House and war and navy departments disclosed that steps already were under way to correct weaknesses in army-navy liaison and in government anti-espionage stressed by the Roberts commission.

Secretary of War Stimson told a press conference that Rear Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander of the Pacific fleet, had been placed in charge of all Hawaiian defenses, and that unity of command of land, sea and air forces was being achieved in other areas. In the Panama Canal Zone, for instance, Lieut. General Frank M. Andrews is in command with some naval forces under him.

The White House disclosed that J. Edgar Hoover, director of the federal bureau of investigation, had conferred with President Roosevelt today on the question of wire-tapping against spies.

Stephen Early, presidential press secretary, said legislation on the subject probably would be introduced in congress within a week.

"I think the president's feeling is that the handcuffs ought to be taken off the FBI and put on someone else," Early added. During the day, the war department took the first action with respect to the officers relieved of their commands after Pearl Harbor.

This was to place Maj. Gen. Frederick Martin in command of the 2nd airforce with headquarters at Fort George Wright, Washington state. In this post, much of the responsibility for protecting the Pacific northwest from air attack will fall upon Martin. He succeeds Maj. Gen. Millard E. Harmon who becomes chief of the army's air staff with headquarters in Washington.

Martin was in command of the army air forces in Hawaii when the Japanese made their raid. Subsequently, he was relieved of his command along with Short and Kimmel and was replaced by Brig. Gen. Clarence Tinker.

The Roberts commission found Kimmel and Short had been derelict in duty but made no mention of Martin.

PGE Offers State Power At Low Rate

PORTLAND, Jan. 29 (AP)—The Portland General Electric company proposed Thursday to supply power to 16 state buildings, including the state capitol, in the Salem area at rates substantially reduced below last year.

Terms of the proposal, made to the state board of control, were not disclosed here. The new rate would be retroactive to last July 31, expiration date of the company's last contract with the state.

The company's proposal, submitted by Frank M. Warren, Jr., assignment president, covered a five-year term, but carried a six-month cancellation clause.

Bomber Crash Kills Pilots

BALTIMORE, Jan. 29 (AP)—Three army ferry command pilots on a routine training flight were killed when their bomber plunged into a swamp and burned.

The ferry command officer here said the men, all civilians and all married, were: Paul F. Diehl, 32, Baltimore; Allen C. Cowell, Baltimore; and Alden C. Bentley, 37, New Hope, Pa.

Ferry command officers said the plane, believed to have been piloted by Diehl, crashed into a clump of trees within five miles of the Glenn L. Martin plant airport from which it had taken off.

Fishermen Take Note

PORTLAND, Jan. 29 (AP)—The state game commission's fishing bulletin said Thursday that steelhead angling prospects in Tillamook county streams for the weekend appear good.

Striped bass fishing in Coos Bay and inlets has been fair.

Elsewhere in coastal waters reports indicated rather poor angling but with the prospect of some improvement for the weekend.

Ship Building Speeded

NEW YORK, Jan. 29 (AP)—Eugene C. Grace, president of Bethlehem Steel Corp., said Thursday "sizeable merchant ships" would be turned out by the corporation's shipbuilding subsidiaries at a greatly increased rate in 1942.

Plotting Against Enemy Subs



Lieut. Gen. Hugh A. Drum (center), commander of Eastern army forces, and Brig. Gen. Arnold N. Kropstad (left), commander of the first air force, confer with Rear Admiral Adolphus Andrews, commander of the North Atlantic coastal frontier. From their secret headquarters in the New York metropolitan area, these men plot strategy against east coast submarine attacks as well as coordination of all offensive and defensive operations along the seaboard.

Highest Honor Given Hero of Luzon Battle

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (AP)—The nation's highest and rarest decoration, the congressional medal of honor, was conferred Thursday on Lieutenant Alexander Ramsey Nininger, Jr., for gallantry and valor in a hand-to-hand battle in which he was killed in the Philippines.

Armed with rifle and hand grenades, Nininger repeatedly attacked snipers and Japanese groups in "fox holes" who had penetrated the American lines and stalled a counter attack. He died at last, but his companions, retaking their lost positions later, found his body and beside it the bodies of an enemy officer and two Japanese soldiers.

The terse and formal phrases of a citation for valor, issued by President Roosevelt in the name of congress, described Nininger's "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty" in bitter fighting January 12 at Abucay on Batan peninsula, along the short of Manila bay.

His own company was not in the action, so Nininger, only 23 and less than a year out of West Point, attached himself voluntarily to another company of the Philippine scouts which was under attack by an enemy force of superior fire power.

Repeatedly he forced himself into the Japanese positions, dropping enemy snipers out of the trees, blasting with grenades little groups of enemy soldiers who had dug into fox holes. Wounded three times, Nininger continued his attacks until, alone and far within the Japanese lines, he was killed.

The medal of honor, the first authorized since this country went to war on December 7, will be presented to Nininger's father, Alexander R. Nininger, sr., of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Winter Salmon 'Run' Delayed

ASTORIA, Jan. 29 (AP)—Columbia river fishermen found themselves confronted with a salmon famine Thursday, with two months having gone by without a sign of the usual winter run.

Last week's winter catch totaled almost 1,000,000 pounds but this year activities have been completely suspended except for a few steelhead gillnetters.

Sometimes the winter run is so heavy that canneries operate in February, but so far this year even local fresh fish markets have not been supplied.

Destroys Japs



The navy reported that Ensign George Cox of Watertown, N.Y., (above) commanded a fast motor torpedo boat which darted into Subic Bay in the Philippines under heavy fire and sank a 5000-ton enemy vessel.

Brazil Acts To Halt All Axis Moves

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 29 (AP)—Brazil, the continent's largest nation, gave vivid evidence Thursday night of putting into practice Pan-America's avowed determination to wipe out the last vestiges of aid and comfort to the axis.

As the great cannon of Fort Copacabana at the mouth of Rio's beautiful harbor boomed practice rounds, authorities of the federal district ordered a rigorous scrutiny of all social, cultural and recreational associations to determine whether they covered any anti-Brazilian activities. Porto Alegre authorities ordered imprisonment of all persons expressing sympathy with the aggressor nations.

Tragedy struck close to the homebound drunk delegates to the foreign ministers' parley, which closed last night with a triumphant affirmation of western hemisphere solidarity.

An airliner carrying the 12-man Argentine delegation fell into the sea near the Rio de Janeiro airport, but all were saved. Enrique Gilmann, the Argentine foreign minister, suffered slight injuries.

Members of the German, Italian and Japanese embassies here, who had been handed their passports last evening, were burning documents in their kitchens to night. There are about 250 axis diplomatic and consular representatives in the country.

Senate Okehs War Insurance For Airliners

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (AP)—The senate banking committee approved unanimously Thursday legislation creating a \$1,000,000,000 war risk insurance corporation which would compensate American property owners for losses due to enemy action.

As amended by the committee, the legislation would insure all property holders against losses up to \$15,000 without payment of premiums.

Those who wanted protection in excess of \$15,000 would have to pay premiums at a rate to be established by the corporation.

Salem Resident Tells Jaunt in Panama Jungles

Contradiction of the claim of a man named Tewkesbury to being the first white person completing the journey between Panama canal and the border of Colombia is made by R. G. "Dick" Severin of Salem in a letter in the current issue of Saturday Evening Post.

Severin wrote he and two other men made the 45-day trip from Empire Canal Zone, to the Gulf of Uraba, Colombia, in the early part of 1918. His letter says in part:

"At that time I was a sergeant in the Fifth US infantry on detached service, doing intelligence work in and around the Panama canal. A soldier had deserted who was suspected of being a German spy. It was learned he was headed for the San Blas country.

"The trip was started up the Chagres river country, along Chepo river, through the Chucuma valley, through the jungle to Atitana river in Colombia and on to the coast.

"The San Blas Indians were very friendly if we stayed on the rivers or streams at night when near their villages. In the jungle it did not matter. The only unfriendly tribe we struck was the Kunas along the Chucuma river, and we had several close calls with them."

Severin is manager of the insurance department of Hawkins and Roberts.

Alien Enemies To Be Moved

Specified Areas in Big Coastal Cities Closed to Hundreds

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crans avenue, easterly to Western avenue, and then northerly to Manchester avenue, and then westerly to the ocean.

The attorney general was unable to give an exact figure on the number of aliens, principally Japanese, who would be moved out of the two areas, but said that it would be "several thousand." The number to be affected by the 27 prohibited areas which will be designated Friday is expected to be considerably smaller.

The final date after which no alien enemy may remain in or enter the 27 areas will be February 15. The difference in the dates, it was explained, is due to the fact that relatively few enemy aliens now are in the areas to be named Friday, compared with the number in the first two designated regions. Thus the problem of moving or excluding them is much easier.

The attorney general was unable to say where the alien enemies sent out of vital areas would be expected to go, but he said that assistance would be given where necessary.

Biddle said that the recommendations had been made after weeks of careful study under the personal direction of Lieut. Gen. J. L. DeWitt, commanding officer of the western defense command, which comprises California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Montana, Utah, Arizona and Idaho.

All prohibited areas presently being acted upon, he said, are in California, but areas in neighboring states will be submitted shortly.

Farm Prices Reach Ceiling Set by Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (AP)—Prices of several farm products—principally livestock and livestock products and vegetable oil crops—have apparently reached the level of minimum price ceilings authorized in the price control bill now awaiting President Roosevelt's approval.

An agriculture report issued Thursday on prices received by farmers in mid-January indicated that beef cattle, veal calves, wool, rice and peanuts and soybeans for oil have apparently either reached or exceeded the minimum ceilings.

Eggs and milk were very close to the point where, under the bill, price increases could be halted.

The report said the general level of prices received by farmers at local markets advanced six points between December 15 and January 15 to reach an index of 149 per cent of the 1909-14 average. This was an increase of 45 points above a year ago.

The approximate minimum ceiling prices of the price control bill and the January 15 farm prices, respectively, included:

Cotton 21.47 and 16.93 cents a pound; cotton seed \$50.36 and \$43.24 a ton; wheat \$1.40 and \$1.06 a bushel; corn \$1.02 and 72.7 cents a bushel; oats 64 and 50 cents a bushel; barley 99.4 and 60.8 cents a bushel; rye \$1.439 and \$1.576 a bushel; rye 1.156 and 65 cents a bushel; flaxseed \$2.71 and \$1.95 a bushel; potatoes \$1.24 and 97.5 cents a bushel; sweet potatoes \$1.40 and 93 cents a bushel.

Hay \$10.06 and \$10.15 a ton; apples \$1.54 and \$1.16 a bushel; hogs \$11.50 and \$10.55 per hundred pounds; beef cattle \$9.38 and \$9.77 per hundred pounds; veal calves \$11.32 and \$12.14 per hundred pounds; lambs \$11.12 and \$10.30 per hundred pounds; butler fat 44.5 and 38.3 cents a pound; eggs 32.7 and 31.3 cents a dozen; wool \$7.1 and 37.2 cents a pound; soybeans \$1.53 and \$1.05 a bushel; peanuts, Spanish type, for oil, \$77 and \$82 a ton.

Quartermaster Dies

FORT LEWIS, Wash., Jan. 29 (AP)—Col. James A. Gillespie, 55, quartermaster of the ninth (IX) army corps, died Thursday at the station hospital after several weeks of illness. He had been a commissioned officer in the United States army for 30 years.

MANY NEVER SUSPECT CAUSE OF BACKACHES

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Nylon Needed For 'Chutes

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (AP)—The war production board told representatives of the rayon industry Thursday that most, if not all, of the available supplies of Nylon would soon be needed to fill military requirements for parachutes.

As a substitute for nylon, the board said, it would increase supplies of rayon now being furnished hosiery manufacturers.

Yank Troops Set to Fight

Churchill Gets Okeh After Telling Plans Of AEF in Ireland

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verbrook's present job as minister of supply.

Most of Churchill's speech, the second of the three-day debate, swung on the arrival in Northern Ireland of the first United States troops to reach the United Kingdom.

But he declared "a steady flow of reinforcements of both aircraft and troops" had gone to Singapore for several weeks—although he refused to predict how the battle for the island base would go.

To the critics of his cabinet Churchill yielded one major point—he said at the outset that Britain must now have someone with powers similar in scope to America's Donald M. Nelson, to supervise the whole field of British production.

Sharply, the prime minister declared "as mischievous as it is untrue" a common charge that the admiralty had wanted to send an aircraft carrier to Malaya and that he had overruled the plan. Instead, Churchill disclosed that every British aircraft carrier save the one with the home fleet was under repair at the time.

Churchill's evaluation of the worth of US troops in Europe covered these points:

1. "It meets the wish of the American people and the leaders of the republic that the large mass of trained and equipped troops which they have in the United States shall come in contact with the enemy as close and as soon as possible."

2. "The presence of these forces in these islands imparts greater freedom of movement overseas to the theatres where we are already engaged and greater movement to matured and seasoned divisions of the British army, and avoids the difficulty of reinforcing the theatres in which we are engaged with the troops of another nation, with all the complications of armament and command which arise therefrom."

3. "The presence in our islands of a force of heavy and unknown strength and the establishment of a broader bridgehead between us and the new world constitute an important and added deterrent to invasion at a time when a successful invasion of these islands is Hitler's last remaining hope of total victory."

4. "The fact that well-equipped American divisions can be sent into these islands so easily and rapidly will enable the substantial supplies of weapons and munitions now being made in the United States to be sent direct to the other side of the world—to Australia and New Zealand to meet the new dangers of home defense which are cast upon them by the Japanese war."

5. "This whole business can not do De Valera (the Eire premier, who has protested the presence of the US troops in Ulster) a harm, and it may do him some good. It certainly offers a measure of protection to southern Ireland (Eire) and Ireland as a whole which she could not otherwise enjoy."

President 60 Years Today

Film Stars Converge On Capital to Aid In Celebration

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wood writer, and navy Lieut. Robert Montgomery, actor, both on duty here. On the way was Jimmy Stewart, now a lieutenant in the army.

The senate, because it is to be in recess Friday, conveyed birthday greetings to Mr. Roosevelt Thursday.

Majority Leader Barkley (D-Ky), told the chamber that he spoke for every senator in wishing the chief executive continued strength and many years of "peace and happiness."

Senator McNary of Oregon, the republican leader, said he believed he spoke for republicans in both houses of congress in wishing "good health and happiness to the president now and in the years to come." And then, amid the chuckles of his colleagues, he added: "May he reign uninterruptedly from now to January, 1945." The presidential term expires then.

House Balks New Probe of Pearl Harbor

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gating commission headed by Associate Justice Owen J. Roberts of the supreme court.

Representative Maas (R-Minn.), who had favored an inquiry, said "this means no investigation at this time by this committee."

Obviously disappointed, the Minnesota republican told reporters he thought an inquiry should be made as part of a study of revision of the military set-up.

Contending that the disaster was attributable to "failure of the army and navy and the foreign service to work out unification," Maas declared:

"If the same military policy is continued, Pearl Harbor will turn out to be the first and not the last of these tragedies."

Coulee Starts Second 'Heart'

GRAND COULEE, Wash., Jan. 29 (AP)—Grand Coulee dam had another electrical "heart" Thursday, the second of an eventual 18 huge generators capable of pumping 108,000-kilowatts each to the northwest's homes and industries.

The bureau of reclamation said the big generator was placed in operation successfully, and that its predecessor, which began operation last October, would continue to operate at partial capacity for several weeks.

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Nancy Home After Trip

PORTLAND, Jan. 29 (AP)—New York sports writers are gentlemen—and swell guys.

Nancy Merki, 15-year-old swimming star, home Thursday from an eastern trip to aid the campaign against infantile paralysis—a disease from which she once suffered—said she "didn't know sports writers could be so nice."

Nancy was their guest at a dinner in New York and everything was wonderful, she said.

The sports writers shared with President Roosevelt, Eddie Cantor and Johnny Weissmuller, her description as "swell."

But not congressmen.

"The only thing I could see them doing in the house, was smoking and reading the papers," Nancy said, as she prepared to return to her high school class work.

Russ Threaten Winter Line

Recapture Key City Between Dneiper and Donets; 25,800 Slain

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far above the pivotal Nazi central bastion of Smolensk.

The government newspaper Izvestia said the rout was so great that the German high command had ordered its retreating troops to "stand fast for der fuhrer or be shot."

German positions at Stalino, 75 miles to the southeast, were in danger of being outflanked by the capture of Losovaya. The town also is only 70 miles northeast of Dnepropetrovsk, the big soviet industrial center captured by the Germans last year after the retreating Russians dynamited its great power dam.

Rail lines radiate from Losovaya north to Kharkov, southwest to Dnepropetrovsk, and Saporozhe, and west to Lubyn and Kiev.

Soviet troops crossing the Donets took Barvenkova grotto to Losovaya, and Russian dispatches to Izvestia said that 1000 Germans were wiped out in a single day's action on this front.

On the central front the Russians recaptured Sukhinichi, Myatlevo in mopping-up opera-

Farms Called 'Front Lines'

Sprague Greets 266 Rural Residents in Annual Credit Meet

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stock are adequate if marketed normally. But there will be heavy demand for dairy products, hog products and poultry products, all of which the willamette valley can supply.

Both Robertson and Dean W. A. Schoenfeld of Oregon State college school of agriculture warned however, that contraction of heavy debt in order to expand production even along these promising lines is unwise, citing the agricultural collapse of the early '20s as a result of such a policy.

Instead Robertson advised constructive reorganization of farmers' existing programs to improve production. He did warn that the coming season's machinery and repair needs should be attended to early because of the steel priorities situation.

He pointed out that farm housewives with their home gardens, and rural young people with their 4H and other projects, were in position to assist greatly in the war effort.

Gov. Charles A. Sprague, greeting the association members, voiced the opinion that the farm outlook was excellent this year in spite of the new problems of which perhaps the greatest, he said, was labor. He expressed confidence that city residents again would assist in the harvest work.

The association of which George H. Fullenwider of Carlton is president, reflected the two directors whose terms expired; F. B. Simmons of Eugene and E. W. McMinden of Astoria.

Senate Hits Member

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (AP)—The senate elections committee declared Thursday that the integrity of the senate depended upon its rejecting Senator Langer (R-ND) as a member because of his "continuous questionable conduct" throughout most of his career.

tions behind their advance troops pointed at Smolensk from the Kiev area, and also recaptured Aleksandrov and Mokroye villages, a communiqué said.

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