

Missions Aid With Radios

Allies Account for Three More of Enemy Ships

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found hundreds of swastika flags and photographs of Adolf Hitler and learned that some of the native children of New Guinea had been taught the Nazi salute.

So far as could be learned, the invading force was in considerable numbers but the Australian defenders expressed the conviction that the thrust would be broken well short of Port Moresby.

Allied air attacks were reported during the day on several enemy-held island points, among them Koepang on Timor, where the resulting fires were visible 50 miles away, but there was no word of any new gathering of Japanese ships.

The enemy's invasion trains already had been hard hit, the latest big allied success having been a bombing attack on a heavy Japanese cruiser that left it aflame in the New Britain island harbor of Rabaul. Near misses were scored against two other large vessels, the indication being that both were damaged.

This brought to 26 the number of enemy ships sunk or damaged in recent allied air action, 23 of them having been accounted for in a US navy announcement in Washington of Wednesday.

Meanwhile, medium forces of enemy bombers raiding Port Moresby were strongly challenged by anti-aircraft fire, and caused no known damage in a half-hour raid.

Darwin, on the northern Australian mainland, was again attacked by a small force of bombers which dropped 25 scatter-bombs directed primarily against allied troops.

The first enemy air attack on Cape York, just across the Torres strait from Port Moresby, also was reported, but there was no announcement of casualties there or at Darwin. In addition, Tulagi, Florida Island, in the Solomons, was bombed.

With the new supreme commander, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, making it plain that his paramount purpose here was to build as swiftly as possible an offensive force to smash Japan and relieve his beleaguered troops on Bataan and Corregidor, the Australian war cabinet met to advance previously-prepared strategy.

Compulsory civilian defense duties were ordered for all Australians between the ages of 16 and 60 not now in the fighting or auxiliary forces. A mobile work squad of the Royal Australian air force also was ordered formed, to construct landing grounds and encampments as speedily as possible for the use of the expanding US and Australian air forces and for disposition of rapidly incoming US aircraft.

Gen. George H. Brett, deputy supreme commander in charge of air operations, declared that a steady flow of planes and pilots from the US already had built up a ratio of three crews for every plane; that American and Australian fliers would be pooled and the men chosen for specific missions on the basis of ability, without regard to nationality.

Gen. MacArthur is expected to confer next week with war cabinet officers and Australian service chiefs at Canberra. The supreme commander outlined his offensive purposes to his old friend, Brig. Gen. Patrick J. Hurley, present US minister to New Zealand, and Thursday Hurley summed up his impressions this way:

"Gen. MacArthur breathes the very spirit of victory. He specifically stated that he still is in command of the Philippine situation and that he has the utmost confidence he will again be back on Filipino soil."

Paul Buckner Dies, Albany

Paul Buckner of Jefferson died Thursday at the age of 85 at an Albany hospital. He had been hospitalized since he fell and broke his hip last December.

Buckner, a resident of Jefferson for over 45 years, is survived by three children, D. O. Clark and Mrs. Leta Thomas Jefferson, and Mrs. Edna White, Scio, and several grandchildren.

Rose Bowl Game Shown in Films

The famous Rose Bowl game in which Oregon State college defeated Duke, 20 to 16, New Year's day, was played over last night via motion pictures in the auditorium of the Elks temple before an audience of over 400 people. Coach Lon Slizer of the victorious Beavers narrated the play-by-play spectacles.

Earlier, G. F. "Ted" Chambers narrated while showing pictures taken of his recent airplane tour of Mexico, Central and South America.

Nazi Ships Struck

SALEM, March 19-(P)-The British announced Thursday that naval torpedo planes hit two Nazi merchantmen in the Mediterranean Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. An explosion was caused on one 7000-ton

In Burma



LT. GEN. J. W. STILLWELL

Douglas Plans OCD Return

Actor to Resume Post As 'Whipping Boy' When Film Finished

HOLLYWOOD, March 19-(P)-"My trouble," mourned Melvyn Douglas, "is that folks don't seem to think about me, the actor; but me, the target."

Douglas is recovering from his latest venture of sticking his neck out and getting it shot at, an old experience. He returned from Washington—following that congressional controversy over drama and the dance in defense—bloody but unbowed.

"If being a whipping boy for the administration is my due," and his laugh was rueful, "then I guess it's okay by me."

Mayris Chaney, dancer friend of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, resigned an OCD post a month ago, climaxing critical debate in congress. But Douglas says he's going back as consultant to an arts program when he finishes a current film.

"I refuse to be chased into a rabbit hole by pre-calculated publicity," he remarked.

"And there's one thing I'd like understood. I'm not getting paid a dime, beyond expenses. That \$8000 a year salary looks good in print. But, as it was explained to me, it's simply a yardstick which governs the salaries paid full-time assignments. Everyone in the OCD must be classified in some wage bracket. I'm convinced I was told correctly, because there certainly haven't been any salary checks."

Casey Named In Mid-East

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between Australia and the motherland at a moment when the dominion seems to be pulling away towards the United States.

Authorized British quarters said full concurrence of Australian Prime Minister John Curtin had been received before the appointment was suggested to Casey.

However, a Reuter dispatch from Canberra quoted Curtin as saying he had first told Casey that "having regard for all circumstances, it was the wish of the make any change in the Australian representation in Washington as matters stand."

Curtin added: "It was made clear that this was our wish and not our instruction," that it was "intimated to me that the proposal was entirely personal" and that he had therefore cabled Casey "the decision was one entirely between Mr. Churchill and himself."

Casey replaces Oliver Lyttelton and will have headquarters at Cairo. Lyttelton recently was made minister of war production.

Sputrs Observed In Egg Laying

REDMOND, March 19-(P)-W. E. McCallum, Box canyon farmer, is plenty pleased the way his hens are coming through for laid out war food production—that is, if they only didn't do it in spurts.

The hens are giving out with eggs of two and three yolks, McCallum says, which is swell. The trouble is they go on a sit-down strike between times, refusing to lay at all.

Yanks Didn't Know Japs' Psychology

If Americans had been better acquainted with Japanese psychology, they would not have been surprised at Pearl Harbor, Salem Lions club members were told Thursday by Roy Hewitt, Salem attorney who at one time conducted tours in the orient.

Hewitt pointed out the effect of the Japanese belief that they are divinely appointed to lead the orientals to domination over the entire world.

vessel and one of 2000 tons became a total loss by fire.

Stilwell Takes Chinese Lead

Generalissimo Names American to Work In Burma Fracas

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velli's nomination of Maj. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright to be a lieutenant general in command of American-Filipino forces on Bataan peninsula in the Philippines. Wainwright was promoted in view of the transfer of Gen. Douglas MacArthur to Australia.

The navy disclosed Thursday that MacArthur was accompanied on his trip to Australia by Rear Admiral Francis W. Rockwell, naval commandant in the Philippine Islands. The announcement said Rockwell is expected to be given "an appropriate command, probably at sea."

The Chinese troops Gen. Stilwell commands made contact only a week ago with their British allies about 80 miles north of Rangoon, after having moved southward over the Burma road.

They were described as excellent soldiers, well equipped with small arms, but lacking in artillery and other equipment.

Gen. Stilwell was believed by officials to be the first American general to command a major force of Chinese troops aside from the volunteers who have played colorful parts in China's history.

Highway Bids Award Today

Oregon Projects Are Limited Closely To Defense

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jects were expected to total about \$1,500,000.

The commission opened bids Thursday on the Crater lake highway project which was divided into two units. Barler Bros., Portland, submitted a low bid of \$312,887 on the north unit which called for grading and paving of 4.91 miles.

Leonard & Slate, Multnomah, and Jacobsen & Senese, Portland, submitted a low combination bid of \$421,337 for the 4.01-mile south unit but requested that their bid be withdrawn if their bids on both units were not successful. Their bid on the north unit was \$362,275.

The commission described the Corvallis-Albany project as including widening of the west side Pacific highway between Corvallis and Monmouth from 16 to 22 feet with 10-foot graded shoulders. Surfacing would be of concrete and bituminous macadam.

Partial reconstruction would be necessary for four miles. Eleven miles would be widened. The highway would be relocated in the Luckiamute area to include a new bridge and elimination of the Valley & Siletz railroad crossing near Helmick state park.

The commission, limiting all projects to defense consideration except for minor maintenance items, accepted the following bids Thursday:

Benton county—Wells-Granger section of Corvallis-Albany highway, 4.5 miles grading, surfacing and bituminous macadam. Low bid: McNutt Bros., Eugene, \$99,915.

Sprague Lauds Party Work

GRANTS PASS, March 19-(P) Gov. Charles A. Sprague praised Thursday the offer of republican and democratic party organizations to distribute copies of air raid instructions to every Oregon home.

"The party organizations reach into the smallest political subdivisions, so the help of precinct committeemen and women in distributing to the home the new pamphlet on air raid instructions will enable the people to obtain the official pamphlet which they should study carefully and promptly," the governor said.

Earlier, State Defense Coordinator Jerrold Owen announced acceptance of the joint distribution offer made by John R. Leach, Portland, state democratic chairman, and Niel R. Allen, Grants Pass, state GOP chairman. Owen said 400,000 air raid manuals are being printed, and it is proposed to place one in every home in Oregon.

Mirror Threatened With Banishment

LONDON, March 19-(P)-The British government threatened Thursday to banish the Daily Mirror, popular and racy London tabloid, for publication of what a cabinet minister called "scurrilous misrepresentations, distorted and exaggerated statements and impossible generalizations" harmful to the war effort.

In the house of commons Home Secretary Herbert Morrison said the newspaper, which claims a daily circulation of almost 2,000,000, had been warned that it might be suppressed.

Speaker



DR. R. FRANKLIN THOMPSON

Older Boys' Session Here

22nd Annual Meeting For Three Counties Begins Tonight

The 22nd annual Older Boys' conference of Marion, Polk and Yamhill counties is scheduled to open tonight at the Salem high school cafeteria with Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, vice president of Willamette university, as banquet speaker.

Over 50 out-of-town boys have already registered for the two-day conference and as many more are expected to follow in registration at the YMCA today.

Tonight's banquet will begin at 6:30 with President Calvin Kiest presiding. Toastmaster will be G. F. "Ted" Chambers, member of the Y board of directors. Mayor W. W. Chadwick is to welcome the visitors to Salem while Ronnie Clark, Hi-Y council president, will represent Salem Hi-Y club. Fred Wolf, Salem high school principal and Joe Bowersox, student body president, will welcome the boys on behalf of the high school.

The Salem Hi-Y Mothers club, headed by Mrs. A. C. Haag, is responsible for securing homes. The 1942 conference officers are Calvin Kiest, McMinnville, president; Jim Smith, Salem, vice-president; Bud Jensen, Silverton, secretary and Ancil Payne, Salem, director. Roger Wagner, Abel Gregg Hi-Y president, is acting as hospitality chairman during the conference.

Labor Okeh Sought to Change Pay

WASHINGTON, March 19-(P) Donald M. Nelson, war production chief, and Robert P. Patterson, undersecretary of war, opposed new war labor legislation Thursday, while the administration endeavored to obtain labor's consent to abolishing double-pay rates for Sunday and holiday work.

Meanwhile Rep. Smith (D-Va.), for years a critic of the closed shop and the wage-hour law, took a view directly contrary to that of Nelson and Patterson. He told the house naval committee that the country wanted to know "whether or congress is running the war effort," or labor.

He urged approval of his bill to limit profits on war contracts to 6 per cent, suspend maximum hour legislation on work done under naval contracts, and abolish for the duration of the war all overtime pay rates and the closed shop on such contracts.

Nelson, testifying before a senate subcommittee, said increased production could be obtained "without the use of force," and Patterson bluntly asserted that Smith's bill would work a violent change which "might result in deterioration, rather than an improvement, of labor relations."

Major Avers Japan Ready

TOKYO, March 19-(From Japanese broadcast)-(P)-The Japanese nation was told Thursday night by Major Kinzo Nakajima of the army press section that Japan has been catching its breath after its conquests in the southwest Pacific but that it "now is ready to begin the real battle against the allied nations."

In a radio broadcast he warned the country against being dazzled by Japanese victories to date and added: "We should be prepared for any eventuality."

United States losses in the southwest Pacific, he said, do not mean the US is going to capitulate.

Workers Return

RICHMOND, Calif., March 19-(P)-Employer and shipyard representatives agreed tonight that most of the 1000 workers who walked off their jobs at two Richmond plants last night were returning to work and production was proceeding as usual.

McKay on Board

PORTLAND, March 19-(P)-Douglas McKay, Salem, was named director of the Oregon State Motor association as all officers were retained at the 26th annual meeting Wednesday night.

Gasoline Card Due, 6 Weeks

Need Factor to Decide How Much Each Auto Driver May Buy

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will be given preference over cars used for ordinary private driving. The preferred classifications:

Vehicles necessary to public health and safety (physicians' cars, ambulances, etc.); vehicles operated by or in the service of federal, state or local government; commercial vehicles; commercial, industrial and agricultural machinery; school buses.

Protest against eastern Oregon being placed in the same war proviso on gasoline rationing as western Oregon, was contained in a letter received by Gov. Charles A. Sprague Thursday from the Ontario chamber of commerce.

The letter said that up to this time the mountain range has been the dividing line.

"Our gasoline service men will be faced with two miles away, rationing free, Idaho gasoline," the letter read.

"This competition will greatly curtail gasoline and associated business here and ultimately close many doors and take a great slice from the state's income."

The seriousness of the eastern Oregon gasoline rationing situation was stressed in a letter sent to federal officials Thursday night by George K. Aiken, executive secretary to Governor Sprague. Aiken urged that some action be taken both for the relief of the eastern Oregon gasoline vendor and the state of Oregon which depends largely upon its gasoline tax for highway construction.

Soto to Die Today in Gas Chamber

John Soto, 17, convicted of the slaying of Kenneth L. Gorsuch on a ranch near Hermiston on September 25, will go to his death in the lethal gas chamber of the Oregon state penitentiary here at 8:30 a. m. today.

Warden George Alexander said Soto was bearing up well. He spent most of Thursday listening to a radio and talking with penitentiary guards. He was transferred to a "death cell" Thursday night.

Approximately 50 "invitations" to the execution have been issued by prison officials. Soto, dressed only in shorts, will enter the death chamber between two guards and followed by a minister.

Records show that Soto escaped from a feeble minded institution in California and later arrived in Hermiston where he was employed on the federal ammunition depot. He afterward worked on the ranch occupied by Gorsuch, his mother, Mrs. Cora Tobin, and the latter's nephew, Marvin Adams.

Soto confessed that he murdered all three of the victims because he feared that Mrs. Tobin had learned that he was a fugitive and would turn him over to the officers.

The boy's mother, a resident of California, personally appeared before the governor and appealed for leniency.

Soto's insanity plea was rejected by a jury at Pendleton. Governor Charles A. Sprague announced recently that he would not interfere in the execution.

FDR Blames Common Cold

WASHINGTON, March 17-(P) President Roosevelt had a snappy comeback to an economist who told him that 30,000,000 man hours of work had been lost by strikes in the last year and three-quarters and that the Japanese would not have taken Singapore and the Dutch East Indies if this time had been saved.

If it were not for the common cold, the president replied, we would have been in Berlin today—80,000,000 man days were lost in a year through the common cold.

War Aces Slated For Northwest

SPOKANE, March 19-(P)-Two aces from World War No. 1 and a pair of internationally known civilians will come to the northwest shortly in furtherance of the government's program to provide its fighting men with intimate knowledge of the problems ahead of them.

The two world war fliers, who will lecture to Second air force personnel in training for combat duty are Col. Eddie Rickenbacker, who shot down 26 German planes over France, and Col. Frank O. D. Hunter, credited with eight.

Swallows Come Back

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, Calif., March 19-(P)-The mission swallows come back to San Juan Capistrano Thursday, impelled by some age-old instinct and fulfilling a tradition which dates far back through the years. They arrived on St. Joseph's day—right on schedule.

Chinese Unafraid

Rag-Tag Young Men in Burma Better Prepared Now for Fight

By DANIEL DeLUCE

CHINESE ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN BURMA, March 17 (Delayed)-(P)-A map of Burma, with one of its toughest chunks marked off in wriggling crayon lines, hangs on the wall of Chinese headquarters here.

It's a prophetic piece of paper. For while the Chinese army has been a relatively silent partner of the British in the battle for Burma so far, between now and the rain-laden monsoon of mid-May China's young legions will have their work cut out for them.

Like the Russian troops this correspondent saw in Iran, the Chinese forces here look a rag-tag lot in uniform. But they handle their weapons and carry out their assignments with the same cool proficiency of the Russians.

And, also like the Russians, they don't care a hoot how highly-louted the enemy may be. On equal terms or against odds, the Chinese army is ready.

With their round, smiling faces, beardless and shinningly clean, these soldiers all appear to be in their early twenties. Yet the majority have been fighting the Japanese more than four years.

They're accustomed to fighting; to marching cross-country for days with only a few handfuls of rice for provisions; to holding death or glory positions against overwhelming attacks.

The position of the British imperials and their Chinese allies in Burma may not be a happy one at present, but certainly the Chinese go into action better equipped and with more effective air support than they ever had in fighting the Japanese in China.

That air support is furnished by the "flying tigers" of the American volunteer group and the RAF.

Foreign critics used to sneer at the political commissars of the Russian army. But this correspondent, after seeing the Soviet troops in the field, is inclined to credit their unbroken high morale and their vivid patriotism at least in part of daily lectures in which those commissars explain past defeats, outline future victories and dissect the myth of invincibility surrounding the German foe.

The Chinese have no commissars as such. However, virtually the same effects are achieved among the common soldiers by their commanders. Young China in the ranks in Burma knows full well that the Japanese enemy must be checked and defeated here, else the homeland's fight for freedom is lost.

Success Due To General's Filipino Blood

PORTLAND, Ore., March 19-(P)-There's Filipino blood in Gen. Douglas MacArthur's veins, President Ernesto Mangsoang of the Philippine Commonwealth said Thursday, and that had more than a little to do with the gallant defense of the islands.

"The general may be an American to you, but he is a Filipino to us—a Katipunan," Mangsoang said in an interview. "The Filipino blood was put into his body when he joined the society, a very secret organization for the defense of the Philippines. It is composed of natives and a few Americans who have helped us."

The Katipunan society was formed during Spanish rule of the islands to fight against the oppressors but was not active during American rule, he said.

"But when this war came, it soon became very active," Mangsoang said, "and we received word that MacArthur was a member. That's why our soldiers fought so well under him."

When a new member is taken into the society, old members cut their fingers and their blood is injected into his veins, Mangsoang said.

OSC Orders Bikes For Field Trips

CORVALLIS, Ore., March 19-(P)-Oregon State college's school of agriculture reported today that 22 bicycles had been ordered as replacements for cars because of the tire shortage.

The bikes will be used by experiment station and extension service staff men for short trips to experimental tracts and farm buildings.

State School's Roll Drops for Spring

CORVALLIS, Ore., March 19-(P)-Oregon State college's spring term registration Thursday totaled 2109, a drop of 15 per cent from 2480 on the corresponding date last year, Registrar E. B. Lemore reported.

EUGENE, Ore., March 19-(P)-First-day enrollment for the spring term at the University of Oregon dropped 21 per cent from that of a year ago and 15 per cent from the 1942 winter term's opening, the registrar's office reported Thursday.

Evacuation of Java Described

Yank Flier Praises Bravery and Cunning Of Dutch Fighters

MELBOURNE, March 19-(P)-One of the more uncomfortable jobs in the Java evacuation fell to Capt. Sig. Young, flier from Tucson, Ariz., who headed a ground demolition crew at Malang in the eastern end of the island.

Young had to destroy installations there, then speed by automobile over a dangerous semi-blockaded roads to western Java to catch a waiting plane.

"We had blown up everything and were just ready to leave," he related, "when a forlorn soldier, Master Sergeant Fehmler, came running up."

"He had been on a two-day leave and returned to find nearly everyone gone. We put him in our car and made the plane connection. The sergeant now is in Melbourne and feeling very lucky, too."

Young declared the Dutch soldiers were the bravest fighting men he knew, and said they did everything they could with what equipment they had.

"Dutch fliers," he related, "saved hundreds in America B-17s which had been literally shot to pieces and which we had planned to burn. The Dutch patched up these planes and with extreme courage and skill flew them to Australia."

"These soldiers also matched the Japs in cunning. The day after Bandoeng was captured some of the Dutch who had been herded into one corner of the airport escaped at night. They wheeled a plane out of a hangar and took off across the pitted airport before the Japanese knew what was happening. Those men, too, made Australia safely."

"The courage of their airman was almost suicidal. They bombed the Japanese from 1500 feet, inflicting terrible damage. One Dutchman, attacked by three Japanese Zero planes, looped his B-10 into them in an effort to ram them. The Japs scattered then."

"Dutch demolition was very methodical. Automobiles even were given priority numbers, and as the Japs got closer many of these cars were driven into the town squares where they were hammered and chopped, then set afire."

Nazi Rationing Cuts Deeper

BERLIN, (From German Broadcasts), March 19-(P)-The German government cut the normal civilian ration of bread, fats and meat Thursday and pinned its promise of return to fatter days on retention of "food space" in the east (Russia) and increased production elsewhere in Europe.

The new rationing system, effective April 8, will cut the bread allowance of the "normal customer" from five pounds a week to four pounds, six ounces; fats from nine and one-half ounces to seven and one-quarter ounces; and meat from 14 to 10 and one-half ounces.

"Competent quarters" hastened to explain in the broadcast announcement that only 40 per cent of the German population are "normal consumers." The remaining 60 per cent, it was said, include children, members of the armed forces and self-supporting workers.

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