

Yanks Land On Admiralty Island Shores

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serial pounding and bombardment by Seventh fleet warships, under Vice Adm. Thomas C. Kinkaid.

Rear Adm. Daniel E. Barbey, veteran of several landing operations in the southwest Pacific, commanded the amphibious force from which the dismounted cavalrymen embarked in small boats to thread their way through the reefs fringing Los Negros island.

Progressive deterioration of the enemy's position along the eastern end of his defense chain since the American seizure of vital points on both sides of Vitiav strait prompted this streamlined surprise maneuver, to determine the enemy's strength on what was once an important link in the Japanese island supply line.

MacArthur in his communique said the Admiralty islands "stand at the northern entrance to the Bismarck sea," and pointedly remarked that the landing was at a location "almost due south of Guam and 1300 miles from the Philippines."

He said that the landing "marks a final stage in the great swing move pivoting on New Guinea, which has been the basic purpose of operations initiated June 26, 1943," the date when the southwest and south Pacific areas were united under his command.

"The end of the Bismarck campaign is now clearly in sight with a minimum of loss to ourselves," was the way MacArthur summed up the strategic significance of the Admiralty island stroke.

The landing has made more certain the doom of Japanese garrisons which still have a precarious hold in the northern Solomon islands, on New Ireland and in eastern New Britain.

Recent reports indicate the Japanese are attempting small withdrawals from these islands. The enemy airforce at Rabaul, 380 air-line miles southeast of the Admiralties, and Kavieng, the enemy base in New Ireland, about 250 miles to the east, have been battered to near impotency by air and sea attacks. Nipponese warships have been practically driven from surrounding waters and his supply dumps subjected to almost daily aerial blasting.

But many thousands of Japanese are still manning these blockaded bastions. Whether the Japanese high command will write off these garrisons or attempt to reinforce or withdraw them in the face of allied domination of sea and air lanes remains to be seen.

MacArthur said that "their situation has become precarious and their ultimate fate is certain under blockade, bombardment and increasing pressure of besieging ground forces."

The commanding general made this same statement concerning the future of 22,000 Japanese troops in the northern Solomons, which were cut off from their Rabaul supply base with the American and New Zealand occupation of the Green Islands Feb. 14.

Commander of the task force in the Admiralty operation was Maj. Gen. Innis P. Swift. The air covering was provided by planes from Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney's Fifth air force with Maj. Gen. Ennis C. Whitehead directly in command.

Directing the forward naval echelons were Rear Admirals Russell S. Berkey and William F. Felchler.

Kuhn Funeral Set For Wednesday

LEBANON, Ore., Feb. 29-(P)—Funeral services will be held Wednesday for Randolph Kuhn, veteran Lebanon theatre operator, who died Monday night at the age of 73.

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Jack and Heintz Throw Party For Congress, Outdraw WPB

By TOM REEDY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29-(P)—There was a duel here tonight—Jack & Heintz threw a party for 531 members of the house and senate and got 60 congressional guests; the war production board had an exhibit for the same group at the same time and drew . . . fewer than a dozen.

At the Jack & Heintz affair there was food; at the WPB exhibit there were displays. There were a lot of people besides congressmen at both.

Jack & Heintz, the Cleveland, O., firm which makes munitions, had their party at the Mayflower hotel. The WPB held their display in the commerce department auditorium which is a mile and a half away.

Bill Jack, outspoken senior partner of the firm which calls its employees "associates," arranged his shindig to sell his argument that the present system of renegotiating war contracts won't leave contractors with enough money to convert to peacetime output. He is in the midst of a row with the government on that subject.

WPB and Jack & Heintz operated unbeknownst to each other, they say, in inviting all members of congress to the affairs at identical times, a mile and a half apart. A number of the lawmakers decided to attend both.

Before the party, Bill Jack held a press conference in which he said he simply wanted to talk to the legislators "as Americans." He said he hadn't been invited to the WPB exhibit but hoped "they have a nice meeting."

Jack said he thought the renegotiation law threatens to break a lot of war industries so they'll be unable to provide postwar jobs. He wants legislation to permit them a five percent profit after taxes, the profit to be earmarked for postwar operations. If there's any money left to Jack & Heintz, he said, the company can convert to peacetime production in three to six months.

"Every serviceman formerly employed by us," he said, "has been promised a job when he comes home. The government has an obligation to see that industry has the money to carry out such plans."

Jack & Heintz have been under congressional inquiry to determine if profits were unduly high. The firm had as much as \$58,000,000 in navy contracts in 1942 and then Bill Jack promised to cut profits to six percent for the duration. The "associates" work 12 hours a day, by choice, stage demonstrations when a worker is late, get free lunches, dental and medical attention and often work to music. Bill Jack talks to them over a loudspeaker system whenever he gets an idea.

Nearly Third Of Jap Cargo Ships Sunk

By HAMILTON W. FARON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29-(P)—American sea and air forces, whitening industriously at Japan's life-line of conquest, were reported by Secretary of the Navy Knox today to have littered the Pacific's bottom with nearly half the merchant tonnage with which the Nipponese started the war.

"More warships, more planes, more submarines are going out to join the hunt," Knox said just a year ago in reporting destruction of "almost one-third" of the enemy's cargo shipping.

Today at a news conference he disclosed results of that hunt—"well over" three million tons sunk since Pearl Harbor.

And the rate of destruction shows no sign of slackening. Knox emphasized that point in announcing destruction by submarines of 14 more Japanese ships.

Asserting that American submarines are "growing more successful," Knox made public the latest communique on undersea forays into enemy waters. The tabulation of sinkings was headed by one large tanker, highly important to the enemy in maintaining defense bases. The other ships were medium-sized cargo transport, a small cargo vessel, and 11 medium cargo ships.

Those figures bring to 611 the number of Nipponese ships of all kinds—including some warships—sunk, probably sunk or damaged by submarine action. The total includes 461 vessels sunk, 36 probably sunk, and 114 damaged.

Red Cross Drive Starts

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gon is \$1,756,800, which is about three times greater than the quota last year, just as the national quota has been expanded to \$200,000,000. The increase is accounted for by the necessity of providing Red Cross facilities wherever there are American troops overseas," said Governor Snell. "Of the funds contributed 87 per cent will be devoted to overseas work, or to illustrate; of the \$1,756,800 assigned to Oregon, \$1,525,800 will be used for work in Europe, the Pacific theater and other places where boys from Oregon are fighting for a better world.

"The American Red Cross is the one civilian organization through which people with sons or daughters in uniform can contact their relatives. The canteens and service clubs maintained by the Red Cross afford the troops recreation; agents of the Red Cross visit the military hospitals taking messages of the wounded to the folk back home. The American Red Cross, in short, performs those tasks which parents would like to do in person. The American Red Cross is your agent."

Mayor I. M. Doughton issued a proclamation:

WHEREAS, The American Red Cross is recognized and accepted by all of us as the world's greatest humanitarian organization, and both in peace and in war is looked to by the American people for vital services not available from any other source; and

WHEREAS, this great organization, in its work of mercy throughout the world, is financed wholly by voluntary contributions, gifts that come from the heart, in order that the hand of mercy may be extended in the hour of need and suffering to our heroes who are carrying the banners of freedom and liberty on the far flung battle fronts of the world; and

WHEREAS, Salem has become the center of army training operations of considerable importance, and the need for aid and assistance to service men and their families has been greatly increased, and constitutes a very vital and necessary work and an obligation that it is the duty of this community to meet in full; and

WHEREAS, American Red Cross welfare programs of home service are more vital at present than ever before, including public health and home nursing, first aid training, water safety and accident prevention, and the agencies for meeting all possible demands for disaster relief;

THEREFORE, I, I. M. Doughton, Mayor of the City of Salem, Oregon, in accord with the President of the United States and the Governor of the State of Oregon, who have designated March as Red Cross Month, do call upon you, the people of Salem, to give your support to the great work of the American Red Cross and to the splendid program being carried on by the Marion County Chapter; and I urge you to demonstrate that in this emergency when so many are giving their all that the people of Salem will do their part by making substantial financial contributions, gifts from the heart that will bear interest only in the satisfaction of having made a contribution that may ease the pain of someone fighting for you, or extend assistance to someone in great need.

I. M. DOUGHTON, Mayor.

Keizer Home Ec Club To Sponsor Card Party

KEIZER — The Home Economics club of the Chemawa grange will sponsor a benefit card party at the grange hall Saturday. Supper will be served and pinocle, "500" and whist will be in play.

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serial effort against Germany expanded to its greatest strength of the war.

The 19 missions of the eighth air force exceeded by seven the most days it ever had been in action in a preceding month. At least 632 enemy aircraft were destroyed while 245 heavy American bombers and 61 fighters were downed.

In today's combined operation, six American fighters and two of the RAF were lost.

(An NBC broadcast from London said airfields at Bremen and Oldenburg in Germany were hit along with Brunswick.)

The Vichy radio left the air tonight, indicating the possibility that the RAF again might be over Europe.

The RAF, hindered by unfavorable weather, managed to get in seven heavy assaults during February and also was a party to the month's record-making by losing 79 planes — the largest number lost in a single action — in a giant attack on Leipzig the night of February 19. During the month the RAF lost 193 bombers.

The British also made the heaviest single raid of the war February 15, dropping 2500 (long tons) of bombs on Berlin in 30 minutes.

The US strategic air force hit Leipzig and other targets February 20 with more than 2000 planes in what was described as the greatest daylight aerial undertaking of the war.

Young Rioters Bound Over To Grand Jury

Youths who "argued" forcibly with officers at a Mt. Angel jail-break and the Broadacres dance hall late in February were heard in Salem justice court Tuesday and found time in jail on the list of possibilities for themselves.

Merle Trachsel, accused of having assaulted a fireman at Mt. Angel with a hose and such force that the fireman's helmet was split, posted the required \$2500 bail after Justice of the Peace Chris Kowitz had held him to answer to the grand jury. Then Trachsel discovered that he still had to stay in the Marion county jail since another bail bond of \$750 was required by Mt. Angel justice court where another charge had been filed.

Robert Kushnick, Cyril Walker and James O'Brien, who allegedly participated in the Mt. Angel riot, were also held to answer to the grand jury and their bail likewise was set at \$2500. Kushnick and Walker made bail, but O'Brien was left in with Trachsel last night.

Donald Lemen and Mike Kenagy, said to have been ring-leaders in a Broadacres dance hall bout with Special Deputy Sheriff Russell Smith, in which the deputy was slugged, lost his star and sap, were fined \$100 and costs each and sentenced to serve 90 days in jail.

Francis Kuzmick, J. Robert Fisher, John L. Troyer and Leonard Bizon, involved in the same scrape, were fined \$100 and costs each and given suspended 30-day jail sentences.

German Air Force Threat

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several days of almost complete inactivity.

(Tuesday's German high command communique said that action by crack Nazi troops "led to local improvements of German positions" in the beachhead, but there was no indication from either side that the 10 German divisions opposing the beachhead had opened another general assault on allied positions.)

Skirmishing continued in the broken terrain southwest of the village of Carroco, where British troops were reported yesterday to have seized two Nazi strongpoints after two days of sharp fighting.

Despite the bad weather, American invader dive-bombers again spread wreckage over three Nazi airfields near Rome — Littorio, Marcigliano and Guidonia — and Mitchell medium bombers attacked the Camino field northwest of the Italian capital. In all, the allied air force made about 600 flights and lost three planes. Not a Nazi craft was seen.

It was announced that an American cruiser which steamed off the coast near Anzio Sunday and shot it out with German artillery in the hills scored "excellent" results.

Weather on the fifth and eighth army fronts stretching across the shins of the Italian boot still held fighting to a virtual standstill.

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ON the HOME FRONT By ISABEL CHILDS

I heard a man who heard a man who said that these headlines were run, one above the other in a recent edition of a San Francisco paper, which I must have failed to see. They were published, they said, thus:

SAN FRANCISCANS TO GET MORE MEAT

6500 JAPS SLAIN
And then we talk about the bloodthirsty heathen!

Russians Push Pskov Drive

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outskirts of the ancient trading center of Pskov, the Russians were reported to have captured Pogorelka, six miles north of the city, Kutuzovo, 11 miles south-east of Pskov, and 28 miles south-east of Pskov. The city of Pskov is 26 miles from the Latvian frontier.

Malkova appeared to be the spearhead of a drive to cut the two railroads leading south from Pskov. It is about five miles east of the Pskov-Polotsk line and 13 miles from the Pskov-Ostrov-Dvinsk line, 18 miles northeast of Ostrov.

"The enemy, attempting to stem the advance of soviet troops, is putting up strong resistance, mining roads, blowing up bridges and frequently passing into counterattacks," the late bulletin said. "But by skillful maneuvers and resolute blows our troops are overcoming German resistance and advancing swiftly."

Nine hundred Germans were reported wiped out and in one engagement, on the highway from Pskov northward along the shores of Lake Peipus to Gdov, the Russians sent two battalions of Germans into headlong flight.

"Troops of X unit made a surprise attack upon retreating columns of enemy infantry and motor transport," it was announced. "Panic arose among the Hitlerites. Soviet troops routed two battalions of German infantry and captured a large number of trucks."

Stockholm gave few details of the reported Russian crossing of Lake Peipus and there was no soviet confirmation. Presumably the crossing attempts were made on the ice, for the lakes were last reported solidly frozen. In the narrowness between the two lakes the shores at one point are only a mile-and-a-half apart. Here, the reports said, the Germans claimed they had repulsed Russian landing attempts.

In the Ukrainian advance the Russians said their forces captured Ingulets, 15 miles southwest of Krivoriog, and its sister town of Shirokoye, four miles southeast.

Rainiers Lose Two Players

SEATTLE, Feb. 29-(P)—Manager Bill Skiff and Business Manager Bill Mulligan of the Seattle Coast league baseball club left today for the team's new spring training camp at Bakersfield, Calif., but not before they received word of two more vacancies on the roster.

Pitcher John Yelovic, relief hurler last season, joined the navy and Catcher Harold Hoffman sent word he probably would be called into the army soon. The Rainiers are due to report for their first tuneup next Monday.

Tammany Man Goes to Congress

NEW YORK, Feb. 29-(P)—James H. Torrens, 69-year-old Tammany district leader, was elected today to congress from the 21st district in Manhattan, but the republican candidate cut sharply in to the usual heavy democratic majority.

Torrens, democratic and American labor party nominee, defeated William S. Bennett, 73-year-old lawyer and republican candidate at a special election by 1871 votes of approximately 22,000 cast.

Complete unofficial returns gave Torrens 11,707 votes to 10,136 for Bennett. Torrens received 8481 democratic and 3238 ALP votes.

The district has been represented by a democrat for 21 years and was carried two years ago by Joseph A. Gavanagh, who polled a 30,000 plurality of 90,000 votes cast. Today's election was called to fill the vacancy created by Gavanagh's election to the state supreme court.

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McNary Family Arrives Today For Funeral

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Klamath Falls; Ned Callaway, Brownsville; John Hall and Stanhope Pier, Portland; Gilles French, Moro; Carl Engdahl, Pendleton; and Eugene Marsh, McMinnville. President Steiwer and Wells also will attend the services with the legislative group.

Announcement was made by Secretary of State Robert S. Farrel, Jr., Tuesday, that seats will be provided in the house of representatives for approximately 600 persons or 100 more than estimated Monday.

Several hundred additional seats will be placed in the capitol corridors and amplifiers will be installed.

The congressional delegation, including 14 senators and seven representatives, will arrive in Salem at 9:45 Friday morning. They will be received by Gov. Earl Snell and Secretary of State Robert S. Farrel, Jr., and automobiles will be provided to take them to the Marion hotel where they will have luncheon at noon.

The delegation will leave Salem at 3:30 p.m., on their return to Washington. One member of the delegation, Sen. Rufus C. Holman, has indicated that he will remain in Oregon for several days.

Reds Demand Finns Break With Germany

LONDON, Feb. 29-(P)—The soviet government demanded tonight that Finland immediately break relations with Germany and intern all German troops and ships in Finland — with soviet armed help if necessary — as a preliminary to "official negotiations in Moscow" for peace.

This was the foremost of six demands broadcast officially over the Moscow radio and recorded here by the soviet monitor. Official peace moves are dependent on the "termination of military operations," the broadcast said.

The Finnish parliament held two secret sessions in Helsinki during the day to debate the question of peace or continued war with Russia, but an official announcement gave no indication that a decision had been reached.

The Russians also demanded — specified — that the Russian-Finnish peace treaty of 1940 be restored with the withdrawal of Finnish troops to the 1940 borders.

The soviet also demanded that all soviet and allied prisoners of war and citizens interned in Finland be released, but said territorial questions would be left for further negotiations.

The Russian broadcast said "a prominent Swedish industrialist" brought Juho K. Paasikivi, Finnish diplomat, and Madam Alexandra Kollantai, Russian ambassador to Sweden, together in Stockholm on February 16 and Paasikivi asked for the soviet peace conditions. The Russians agreed to negotiate with the present Finnish regime "on termination of military operations," said the broadcast, recorded by the soviet monitor.

Gas Ration Book Inspection to Start

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 29-(P)—Office of price administration enforcement agents will appear at gasoline stations, beginning next Monday, March 6, requesting motorists to show fully endorsed books, the OPA announced.

Upon failure to do so, and to satisfactorily explain the failure to his rationing board, the motorist will face revocation of his allotment.

George Moncharch, OPA chief district enforcement officer at San Francisco, said the move, nationwide in scope, was intended as a basic local checkmate against any counterfeiting or illegal use of gasoline coupons.

Future Farmer Contest Winners Announced

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 29-(P)—The Corvallis, Albany, Adrian and Pendleton chapters of Future Farmers of America today were named winners in the 1943 food-for-victory achievement contest.

Earl R. Cooley, state supervisor of vocational agricultural education, said the 149 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture in the four high schools produced 80 tons of meat and dairy products, 11,216 dozen eggs and 1845 tons of feed crops which they sold for \$46,000.

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Toastmistress Club May Form Here

In furtherance of a movement to organize a Toastmistress club in Salem, the Salem Toastmasters will have as their guests next Tuesday night a number of women who have signified an interest in the new organization. Deputy Dist. Gov. Albert H. Gille is actively promoting the organization of the new club.

Pork, Beef Ration Costs To Take Drop

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4 in war ration book no. 4 for five points. Three stamps had been validated for the same amount previously. The extra allowance is good from tomorrow through Saturday. The point value reductions apply Sunday.

Chester Bowles, price administrator, said the extra pork allowance is an interim measure to help move "the great amount of pork being produced."

It "will not be needed after Saturday" because the lower general point values will apply then, he added.

The special stamp is good for all types of sausage, regardless of pork content.

Lamb, veal and mutton items will continue at present values, production being good enough to forestall cuts that had been indicated.

The current 16-point value on butter also will be maintained, as will the prevailing point rates for lard, cheese and other dairy products.

The lower meat point values also take into consideration the fact that the new ten-point ration stamps give housewives one point less a week for meats and fats.

The point value of every rationed pork item except spare ribs is cut one to three points in the new table, while beef cuts used for roasts, rib steaks and steaks are reduced one to two points.

The downward adjustments bring the average point value of pork to 1.7 points a pound, OPA said, and put the average point value of all rationed meat in March at 4.2 points against an average of approximately five points at present. The agency estimated that the overall meat ration in March will be about 8 per cent greater than during February.

Producers and Consumers to Manage Mart

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housewives of the city had urged the city council to take some action toward municipal sponsorship of such a sales place, so that they might secure fruits and vegetables in quantity. Producers, at first skeptical, failed to meet the demand the first two or three market days.

The council commission was appointed to serve through the first market season and to recommend any further action. The commission suggested that the market should have the blessing and co-operation of the city government but should be operated under joint management of producers, representing both grange and farmers' union, and of consumers.

Hitler Kin in US Navy

NEW YORK, Feb. 29-(P)—William Patrick Hitler, nephew of Adolf Hitler, will report for induction into the US navy next Monday, it was announced today. Young Hitler passed his physical February 4.

US Bombers Hit Carolines, Marshall Atolls

By CHARLES H. McMURTRY
US PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Feb. 29-(P)—American planes dropped 30 tons of bombs Sunday on Ponape in the Carolines and nearly 50 tons on seven unidentified Marshall atolls in central Pacific neutralizing raids, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced today in a press release.

Navy search planes strafed dock areas and a small ship at Kusile in the eastern Carolines February 28.

Army Liberators carried out the Ponape raid which caused fires and explosions. Army Liberators, Mitchells, Warhawk fighters, Dauntless dive-bombers and navy search Venturas delivered the blows against the Marshalls. The results of those attacks were not reported.

The press release said several of the raiding planes were damaged by anti-aircraft fire but all returned.

The announcement follows:

"Aircraft of the 7th army air force and search planes of fleet air wing 2 on February 26-27 (west longitude date) bombed and machine gunned Japanese-held positions in the Caroline and Marshall islands.

"Army Liberator bombers hit Ponape with 30 tons of bombs on February 27, causing fires and explosions. Navy search planes strafed dock areas and a small ship at Kusile on February 28.

"Nearly 50 tons of bombs were dropped on seven enemy-held atolls in the Marshall islands on February 27 by army Liberator and Mitchell bombers, army Warhawk fighters, army Dauntless dive bombers and navy search Venturas.

"Several of our planes were damaged by anti-aircraft fire, but all returned to their base."

US Demos Name Woman Secretary

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29-(P)—Mrs. Dorothy McElroy Vredenburgh of Alabama, comely 27-year-old national vice president of the Young Democratic Clubs of America, today was named secretary of the democratic national committee, first woman ever to hold that post.

She succeeds George E. Allen of Mississippi and Washington, DC, who recently resigned.

Mrs. Vredenburgh is the wife of Peter Vredenburgh, 3rd, wealthy lumberman. She has been active in young democratic activities for several years and is national committeewoman from Alabama.

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