

# Jap Casualties In Luzon Fight At 92,000 Total

By C. Yates McDaniel  
MANILA, Wednesday, Feb. 21—(AP)—Japanese casualties of more than 92,000 in the six weeks of the Luzon campaign were reported today by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who said the compressed enemy garrison in south Manila was treating non-combatants "with the greatest savagery."

MacArthur listed American casualties for the six weeks at 12,929—2676 killed, 245 missing and 10,008 wounded.

These figures underscored the severity of the Manila fighting, which MacArthur said was still bitter. They showed an increase of 24,000 Japanese casualties and 3246 American casualties in the last week alone.

Japanese cornered in the Intramuros (walled city), which American howitzers are pounding from close range, and its environs are being compressed into an area measuring 1200 yards by 800.

The enemy, MacArthur declared, "is acting with the greatest savagery in its treatment of non-combatants and private property."

The Japanese commander in the Intramuros has not replied to an American offer to liberate the estimated 7000 civilians inside in exchange for an honorable surrender.

Heavy howitzers, consequently, were wheeled across pontoon bridges spanning the Pasig and began shelling the thick outer wall from as close as 500 yards range to make way for tanks and infantrymen. Cutting an entrance-way through the medieval wall was a big job, however. The walls measure 40 feet thick at the base.

Yank artillery was firing into the Intramuros wall at a steady rate of a round per minute. The Americans have on call more than enough air power to pulverize everything and everybody inside, but are trying to save the civilians.

## 43 Passengers Injured In Bus, Truck Crash

OLATHE, Kas., Feb. 20.—(AP)—A Missouri Pacific Trailways bus and a pickup truck collided on the outskirts of Olathe tonight injuring 43 bus passengers, 16 of them seriously.

The bus, bound from the Olathe naval air station to Kansas City, swerved from the road after the impact and smashed into a tree. Only those passengers in the extreme rear of the vehicle escaped injury.

## Baruch Favors Salary Increase for Congress

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—(AP)—Bernard Baruch today declared himself in favor of salary increases for members of congress.

"They should vote for it now and they should receive pensions," the financier and White House adviser wrote in a letter to Maury Maverick, chairman of the smaller war plants corporation and former representative. Maverick has been advocating higher pay for legislators.

## ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS  
In red paper binding, the new World Almanac appears with all advertising eliminated.

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# IN THE... Nation's Service

## Two Lebanon Men Added to War Dead List

LEBANON—Lebanon is again realizing the cost of war. Two more local boys have given their lives in the service of their country. Lt. William Gale Bindshadler died in a military hospital in France, January 11. His mother, Mrs. Theda Bindshadler, teacher in the Lebanon high school, had a telegram January 27 stating that he had been seriously ill since January 8, and on February 6, another telegram told of his death.

Born near Monroe, Ore., May 10, 1914, he was graduated from the Lebanon school and studied two years at Oregon State college before entering the employ of the J. C. Penney company. He went from this store to Newberg and was assistant manager there when he enlisted in the army in March 1943.

He went overseas last October going directly to France where he was with an ordnance outfit. Besides his mother survivors are sister, Margaret Sphrahan who is making her home in Lebanon while her husband is overseas.

William Green, a graduate of the local schools with the class of 1942, was killed in action in Burma, January 20, according to a message received from his mother, Mrs. Lela Green who is now in Eugene with her daughter Louise who is employed by the forest service.

After graduating from high school Bill went to Indiana where he studied electrical engineering. Upon induction into the army he went to Ft. Riley, Kas., where he trained with a cavalry outfit and went to the Indo-Burma-China theatre of war in October. He is survived by his mother and sister Eileen with the women's corps of the marines and a brother, Warren, also in the army.

A NINTH AIR FORCE FIGHTER-BOMBER BASE, France: A former Oregon State college student now a P-38 Lightning fighter-bomber pilot, Wayne E. Phillips of Stayton, was promoted recently to first lieutenant, the Ninth air force announced.

Son of Allan Q. Phillips of route one, Stayton, Lieutenant Phillips was graduated from Stayton high school in 1941.

The promotion of Robert Henry Butte, army air corps, 405 Richmond avenue to first lieutenant, is announced by the war department.

TOPEKA, Kas., Feb. 20.—(Special)—Popular target though he was as a machinegunner whose squad killed scores of Japs, the closest enemy ever came to Pfc. Adam Benner was a bullet in the canten hanging at his side in New Guinea.

But that, as the Oshkosh, Wis., doughboy observed, is close enough.

Private Bener, overseas 31 months, returned recently for treatment at Winter General hospital, Topeka, of an ailment contracted during jungle combat. He has the combat infantryman badge, awarded for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Benner, route one, Turner, Oregon.

Lt. Irwin Edwards, US navy, who has been in the south Pacific for 18 months, has just completed a 30-day leave at home and has gone to his new assignment at Astoria. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Edwards, 1580 Fairmount avenue.

Harvey A. McCaffree has been promoted from radio technician 1/c to chief radio technician. He is on a troop transport in the Atlantic. His wife, the former Wilma Matthes resides in Salem.

Karl Steiner, serving in the merchant marine, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Kelly.

SILVERTON—Raymond Hall, soundman third class, is somewhere on the Pacific, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hall, had word Monday. He left January 4, after spending some time on land. Before that he had been out in the South Pacific for many months.



## John Beakey Coming Home

Mrs. John Beakey and family received a telephone call from Captain Beakey on Monday night, from Staten Island, N.Y., where he arrived Monday noon enroute home from England.

Beakey, formerly state traffic engineer, enlisted in December, 1942 and was stationed in Texas before being sent overseas. He participated in the D-day invasion of France and was wounded in June in Normandy by a fragment from an 88mm gun.

He was to have been released from the hospital in England and returned to active duty, but in October a lung infection developed which sent him back to the hospital. His lung was removed. Eventually he will be released to a hospital on the west coast to completely recover.

Mrs. Beakey and children, Joan (a student at Oregon State college) Beverly and Jack, live at the family home, 410 East Rural avenue.

## John H. Ellis Is Promoted

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE LIBERATOR STATION, England—John H. Ellis, whose wife, the former Ruth H. Hamor, lives at route five, box 30, Salem, Ore., has been promoted from sergeant to staff sergeant, as announced by the commanding officer of the 453rd bomber group.

Since arriving overseas in November, 1944, it has been S/Sgt. Ellis' duty to fly as a nose gunner on a B-24 Liberator.

His B-24 Liberator group has been cited for outstanding performance of duty in its first 100 combat missions, 42 of which were flown to targets in Germany. During a period of five months, this organization, a unit of Maj. Gen. William E. Kepner's second air division, dropped 4000 tons of bombs on vital Nazi installations, thereby contributing materially to the success of the Eighth air force's mounting aerial offensive against the German war effort. To date, the group has participated in more than 175 missions, and its gunners have taken a toll of over 40 luftwaffe fighters.

SILVERTON—Ems. Sigurd Lindseth is missing in action since January 19 Silvertown friends have learned. He was in the South Pacific area.

Ensign Lindseth is a son of the Rev. S. J. Lindseth for a number of years pastor of the Silvertown Lutheran church while it was known as St. John's church. Young Lindseth attended school at Silvertown. Rev. Mr. Lindseth is now at Ashland, Wis.

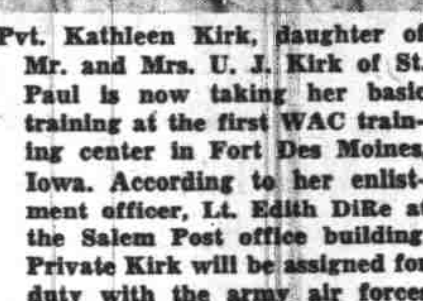
SILVERTON—Norman Eastman, metalsmith 1/c, is home on a 30-day leave from the South Pacific area. This is his first trip home since entering the armed forces over two years ago.

His wife, the former Blanche Brown, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Eastman live at Silvertown.

SILVERTON—Radoman 1/c Milton Foote is home for a brief leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. Merle Foote of the Silvertown Hills section.

Foote has been in the navy for four and a half years and has been in 12 major engagements. This is his first visit home in two years. Foote will be sent to Chicago for advance work in radar.

WOODBURN—PFC Margaret Hall, dietician at the Eagle Pass hospital in Arizona, arrived Sunday on a 21-day furlough, the first part of which she is spending with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hall of Cupid's Court. She plans to visit her brother and family in Tacoma.



Pvt. Kathleen Kirk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. J. Kirk of St. Paul is now taking her basic training at the first WAC training center in Fort Des Moines, Iowa. According to her enlistment officer, Lt. Edith DRE at the Salem Post office building, Private Kirk will be assigned for duty with the army air forces when she completes her army indoctrination course in Iowa.

Prior to her enlistment the WAC private was a teacher in the Astoria schools. With reference to her new army job, the new enlistee remarks, "Army life is wonderful as far as I am concerned, I shall hate to leave friends I have made as much as the ones I left at home. It seems very strange that one should make such close friends in such a short period of time, but it is true." Private Kirk attended St. Paul high school, and Maryhurst Normal school. (Photo by Bishops)



Flight Officer Le Roy A. Farmer, has been on a 10-day leave following his recent commissioning Feb. 1 at Blackland Field, Waco, Tex. His wife and their 4-year old son, Michael, returned with him and will remain at their home, 1345 Pearl street, while he goes to Yuma, Ariz., for advanced training as a co-pilot on B-17s. Farmer was formerly employed by the Cherry City Bakery and is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Keeher, 850 Saginaw. His mother, Mrs. Walter Davis lives at LaCrosse, Kans.

Sgt. Marvin Hageman Gets 30-Day Furlough  
BETHEL—Sgt. Marvin Hageman, air craft mechanic with a fighter group in the Marianas, is in Salem to spend a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hageman of Bethel district, route six, Salem.

He has been 22 months in Hawaii and the Marianas Islands. At the end of his furlough he will report back at Fort Lewis. His brother Clifford Hageman, an army officer, was in France the last heard from him.

Lt. (jg) Harold E. Kendrick, U. S. N., of star route, Union, Wash., returned from a tour of duty in the Pacific, where he served as a pilot in a search squadron.

Flying a Douglas Dauntless dive bomber based in the Gilbert Islands, the navy airman patrolled the waters of the central Pacific, escorting convoys and helping to insure that the navy's fast-moving train of supplies reached our forces in the forward areas.

SILVERTON—George Manolis, Jr., air corps, is at home for a few days furlough from his base in Illinois. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. George Manolis, sr.

## Flour Buying Gives Wheat New Strength

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—(AP)—Government purchase of flour gave wheat independent strength on moderate buying by brokers and commission houses today.

Reports reaching the trading floor said the government is in the market for large quantities of flour, with bids scheduled to be opened Thursday through Saturday. However there was no indication of amount to be purchased.

The May contract developed the greatest strength, while the deferred contracts fell off fractionally.

Corn held within narrow limits. A demand for cash corn was good, and prices were firm.

Rye was somewhat unsettled with trading mostly by professionals.

At the close wheat was 1/4 lower to 1/2 higher than yesterday's close, May \$1.64. Corn was 1/4 to 1/2 lower, May \$1.12 1/2. Oats were 1/4 to 1/2 lower, May 66 1/2. Rye was 1/4 to 1/2 lower, May 1.14 1/2. Barley was 1/4 to 1/2 lower, May \$1.09 1/2.

## Mrs. Pederson Dies Tuesday, Rites Friday

Funeral services for Mary Pederson, 86, who died here Tuesday at the home of her son-in-law, Charles Matson, will be held Friday at 2 p. m. from the Clough-Barrick chapel with Rev. Warren Hale officiating. Concluding services will be held at the Lee Mission cemetery.

Mrs. Pederson, a native of Denmark, came to the United States 64 years ago and in 1915, with her husband, the late Anton Pederson, came to Salem to make her home. She was a member of the Emmanuel Baptist church.

Survivors include four grandchildren, Mrs. Lillian Fromm, and Sylvia, Frances and Henry Mattson, all of Salem; two great-grandchildren, Arlene and Gordon Fromm of Salem and her son-in-law. Two brothers who reside in Denmark also survive.

## Mt. Angel Boys Are Recovering

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 20.—(AP)—Two small Mt. Angel, Ore., boys have won their painful fight with trichinosis after hovering near death for ten days.

Elmer Huber, 13, and his brother Edward, 8, ate country, home-cured pork sausage without cooking it, as did some of the other 11 members of the Alfred Huber family.

Elmer was brought to Doernbecher hospital here Feb. 9 with swollen face, high temperature, and stupor close to paralysis. Edward had more pain in leg and chest muscles. Their illness was finally diagnosed as trichinosis, caused by tiny larvae encysted in pork and released by the digestive process.

Vancouver Yard Will Build Eight Carriers  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—(AP)—A contract for the construction of eight aircraft escort carriers to cost approximately \$88,000,000 has been awarded to Henry Kaiser, Inc., Vancouver, Wash., the navy announced today. No further details were disclosed.

## Thumbnail of War!

Russia—First Ukraine army drives ten miles into Germany's Brandenburg province, capturing more than 80 communities.

Western Front—American 3d army surges forward 2 1/2 miles into or beyond Siegfried line on 50-mile front.

Italy—Fifth army units improve positions in western coastal area.

Pacific—Invasion of Iwo Jima ahead of schedule despite fierce Japanese resistance.

## Stock Market Hits Another 7-Year Peak

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—(AP)—The stock market made another new 7-year average peak today by a Jose despite light selling which cramped many leaders and restricted the general run of gains to fractions.

Investment demand, based on inflation psychology and income prospects, remained as the principal trend bulwark. The good war news also was helpful.

Transfers of 1,770,000 shares compared with 1,880,000 Monday. The Associated Press 60-stock composite showed a net advance of 2 of a point at 62, a top figure since Sept. 4, 1937 it was a broad market, 894 issues appearing. Of these, 432 were up against 562 down or unchanged.

In the "new high" class were US Smelting, up 4%; American Smelting, up 1%; General Motors, up 1/2 and US Lines, up 1/2.

## French Might Not Give Base

LONDON, Feb. 20.—(AP)—French quarters in London gave the impression today that France would refuse the United States bases in French Indo-China after the war, but would not object to international bases there for use by any of the United Nations which might get into trouble in the Pacific.

These sources also indicated that France would insist on sharing equally with Britain, the United States and Russia in the occupation of Austria.

Questioned on French participation in that occupation of Germany, one informant said his country was determined to have a big hand in European affairs immediately after the war.

## Juvenile Grangers Plan Pie Social

UNION HILL—The Juvenile Grange met Friday night. Mrs. Tachant, matron of the Silvertown Hills Juvenile Grange was a guest. The graduation exercises were put on for Edna Morley who graduated into the subordinate Grange.

The YGA group will put on an entertainment and pie social at the Grange hall Saturday night, February 24. It is for the purpose of raising money to buy gravel for the grounds around the hall. Grange members and friends are invited to come and help.

## Stettinius Brings Optimism To Inter-American Meeting Which Will Convene Today

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 20.—(AP)—Secretary of State Stettinius brought a whirlwind of optimism today to the inter-American conference which he said he confidently expects to equal the success of the big three Crimean meeting.

The youthful, white-haired diplomat arrived aboard a four-motored transport at 3:05 p.m. He brought to the meeting of all the American nations except Argentina a strong link with United States-British-Russian plans for a peaceful world.

Stettinius already had started working towards success of the conference. On the plane with him were Foreign Ministers Pedro Lazo Velloso of Brazil and Enrique Munoz Mena of Guatemala, completing the roster of delegation heads here.

The American secretary of state issued a brief statement, in which he promised full United States support in the conference, opening tomorrow, for moves toward strengthening inter-American relations. He expressed pleasure at visiting Mexico and declared "the United States looks on Mexico as a good neighbor and as a strong upholder of the democratic tradition of this hemisphere."

## Ministers Ask Increase of Gas Allotment

Increase of the gasoline allotment for ministers in the area was advocated by the Salem Ministerial association at its meeting Tuesday morning. The matter is to be brought before the ration board by a committee of the organization.

It was brought out in discussion that members have been told they may have "what they need so long as it is not more than 400 miles" and members expressed the opinion that this was frequently not sufficient because of the size of their parishes.

Members of the association who have come to Salem from other areas during the last 18 months were among those pointing out the spread between what is allowed locally and that permitted in other places for similar sized parishes. The committee is to be named by Rev. Dudley Strain, president of the association.

## Curfew Goes in Effect Next Tuesday Morning

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—(AP)—The midnight curfew on amusement places becomes effective next Monday night (Tuesday morning), the office of war mobilization director, Byrnes, said today.

And Byrnes, imposing the midnight closing order primarily to save fuel, did mean curfew.

The word "curfew" comes from the French "coure-feu" which literally translated is "cover the fire."

## Turkey Growers Plan 10% Production Jump

PORTLAND, Feb. 20.—(AP)—A production increase of 10 per cent is planned by Oregon turkey growers, who raised 2,084,000 birds in 1944.

Breeder hens in the state now number 20 per cent more than a year ago, the bureau of agricultural economics reported.

### GRAND

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