

Hitler Hopes Declarations Against United States Will Help His Cause-MacKenzie

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The declaration of war against the United States by Germany and Italy, in alliance with Japan, was fully expected and doesn't alter the position materially.

Herr Hitler, as overlord of the Axis, undoubtedly hopes that the moral effect of this declaration, delivered at a moment of great triumph because of Japanese successes, will benefit his cause. However, it is likely that the effect has been largely discounted in advance.

True, this may presage more direct action against the United States. Indeed one would expect this to be so. But that action would have come in any event, for the normal Axis strategy is to strike without warning. It happens to suit Hitler's purpose now to make a show of the formality.

As for the Japanese end of our now all-inclusive war, the long lane is showing some slight curves even though no turning has developed.

News Not All
Bad Now

We have some good news to go with the bad. Foremost is the announcement by an American army spokesman in Manila that "the situation is completely in hand" in connection with the Japanese landings on the island of Luzon, of which Manila is the capital. With this is recorded the fine success of our bombers in making three direct hits on a Jap battleship off Luzon and leaving it a blazing mass.

This is encouraging in view of the vital importance of our defense of the Philippines. The battle of the Pacific at this moment pivots on the Japanese assaults against the two great allied bases—our own Philippines and Britain's Singapore.

Possession of these two powerful bases is essential to control of the Pacific. That is to say, it is essential to successful prosecution of the war in the far east.

While the word from Manila is cheering, we shouldn't jump to conclusions. The Japanese attack is continuing, with fighting forces ashore at various points, and a further landing of parachute troops at an airport near Ilanga was reported this morning. We have to sail through a lot of dirty weather yet.

Russians Add
To Nazi Losses

The sensational success of the Japanese in the first round of this fresh conflict very naturally has distracted attention from the European war. Had the world taken trouble to glance at this theatre it would have learned that the Russians have had further successes, both in the Leningrad and the Moscow sectors, and report inflicting bloody losses on the Germans.

Simultaneously the Nazis announce with apparent complacency that their advance forces have withdrawn to winter lines along the Russian front. The military spokesman in Berlin said the German push eastward was finished until spring. That is cheerful news for the allies, for it will give the Bolsheviks a chance to recuperate from the effects of their fierce struggle thus far.

A greater-than-usual seasonal decline in residential building has set in since September 1, according to the department of commerce.

JERRY MANSFIELD WINNER OF LOCAL THEATRE CONTEST

Jerry Mansfield of 725 Welch street, in this city, was the winner of the Craterian theatre's unique "Movie Memory" contest, according to an announcement today by officials of the theatre. More than 250 entries were examined by three local judges this morning and the eight prize winners selected were as follows:

First prize of \$8 to Jerry Mansfield; second prize of \$5 to Eileen Young, 10 Portland avenue, Medford; third prize of \$2 to Bernice Stearns, 522 West Fourth street, Medford; and five prizes of double passes to see Clark Gable in "Honky Tonk," which is playing at the Craterian theatre through Saturday, were awarded to Verna Burnette of 204 South Grape, Mrs. Charles H. Ward of Everett Court, West Eleventh street; Mary Ellen Loeffler of 400 North Ivy street; Roger Wolf of 718 West Fourth street, all of Medford, and to Nelda Williams, route 2, box 74, Ashland, Ore.

Special mention was given to Shirley Panky, Virginia Allen, Marjorie Henry, Margaret Kaiser, Myrtle McLaren, Mary Bilderback, Annis Scripser, Beverly Wright, Mrs. Ivan Herrington, Georgia Hoggart, Wally Regan, Margy Ferns, Elaine Thomas and Barbara Boyden.

Checks will be mailed today to the three cash winners and the remaining five may call for their double passes to see "Honky Tonk," at the Craterian theatre box office any time until Saturday night.

Judges for the event were Frank Hull, Secretary of Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, H. S. Deuel, Mayor of Medford and Herb Grey of the Medford Mail Tribune.

BIG SNOW OF '19 IS REMEMBERED

Long time residents of the city and valley recalled today was the 22nd anniversary of the big snow, on December 11, 1919.

William Bates remembered it was just such a day as this, and snow started about 4 in the afternoon. The next morning he measured 11 inches of snow in front of his barbershop. The snow was followed the following night by a freeze, and dozens of water pipes froze up, and plumbers were busy. Electric power was disrupted, and a show at the old Page theater was presented by lantern-light.

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