

Weather Full U.S. Weather at 4 p.m. report inside  
Forecast: Little change in temperature today and tonight.  
Temperature  
Highest Yesterday 41  
Lowest this Morning 33

# MEDFORD

Full Associated Press



# TRIBUNE

United Press

Use the Want Ads  
Welcome to the Want Ad columns of this newspaper. They are yours to use any time you wish at very small cost. Hundreds of people appreciate this service. They depend upon Want Ads for results.

Thirty-sixth Year

MEDFORD, OREGON, MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1941.

NO. 240.

# FILIPINO SUICIDE SQUADS HALT JAPS

## News Behind The News By Paul Mallon

Washington, Dec. 29.—Every one here knew what Churchill meant when he hinted there may be darker days ahead. We must be prepared for the loss of the far east—Singapore, the Dutch East Indies, and everything west of Hawaii except Australia.

Everyone also knows the reason. Neither we nor the British had sufficient air or sea forces on the job to warrant high hopes of immediate success. Valor cannot always substitute for machines.

When the first Jap bombers came over Clark Field, Manila, our pursuits took to the air promptly. The Japs disappeared without fighting but our pursuit group was so small it could not maintain a continuous formidable patrol in the air. The moment that the bulk of it landed for refueling, the Jap bombers were back. A good many, too many, of our ships were destroyed on the ground.

PURSUIT ships could not be flown out in quantities. Their range is too short, even for the shortest land-hops across from South America to Africa, and India. But even if we had them there, we would not have had sufficient Philippine air fields. Serious preparations for the defense of Luzon were not undertaken until the Japs started moving down the French-Indo China coast acquiring bases on the Philippine flank a few months back. The long rainy season set in thereafter and fields could not be adequately prepared. Just as the season ended, the Japs struck.

But the main reason was truthfully presented by Churchill. We concentrated all the

(Continued on Page Six)

## PICKET LINE FORMED AT SHIPYARD GATE

Los Angeles, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A picket line was established today at one of the gates of the California Shipbuilding corporation on Terminal Island. Company officials said independent welders were picketing their members who had paid up AFL dues in the boilermakers union. The welders, breaking away from the boilermakers, are seeking autonomy, claiming they have been required to hold multiple cards.

## Radio Highlights

(Time is Pacific Standard)  
Despite the war, each net work is to have its annual New Year's eve dancing parties across the country to bid good-bye to 1941 and greet 1942. All the parties will continue until 1 a. m.  
Tonight: The War, 5 MBS, 5:15 CBS, 7 MBS, 7:30 NBC, Blue, 7:45 CBS-East, 8:30 MBS, 9 NBC CBS, 9:55 NBC CBS.  
Tuesday, the War, 7 MBS, 7:15 NBC-Blue MBS, 8 MBS, 8:15 MBS, 9 CBS MBS, 10:45 NBC, 11 MBS, 12:55 p. m. CBS MBS, 1 MBS, 1:45 CBS MBS, 1:55 NBC-Blue, 3 CBS MBS, 3:35 NBC-Red, 3:45 CBS NBC-Blue.

## SIDE GLANCES

BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS  
The girls in the Hotel Holland coffee shop misunderstanding Max Henne's wish for a blond mama doll for Christmas, they giving him a blond mammy doll.  
Joe and Elizabeth Rinard being the "life of the party" at a turkey dinner with tricks to fool their guests—and they fooled 'em too.

## YOUNG NATIVES FIGHT INVADERS TO STAND-STILL

### Japanese Land Reinforcements in South—Bombing of Open City Halted.

### Aid Pledged

Washington, Dec. 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt pledged to the war-scarred people of the Philippines today that "their freedom will be redeemed and their independence established and protected."  
"The entire resources, in men and material of the United States stand behind that pledge," the president said.  
At almost the same time that the short wave radio broadcast the president's personal message to the Filipinos, the navy issued a statement saying the fleet was intensively engaged against the Japs.  
"The fleet is not idle," the navy said. "The United States navy is following an intensive and well-planned campaign against the Japanese forces which will result in positive assistance to the defense of the Philippine islands."

### By Russell Brines

Manila, Dec. 29.—(P)—"Suicide squads" of young Filipino soldiers were credited today with halting the first rush of the Japanese advance in northern Luzon and helping to drive back the invaders in at least one sector. But U. S. army headquarters at the same time warned of a fresh threat in the south, where they said the Japanese were landing reinforcements.  
Army advices otherwise were meager, simply reporting "no material change" in the north or south. An officer returned from the northern front said the Japanese appeared to be falling back from Tayug, 100 miles north of Manila and 20 miles inland from Lingayen gulf, and a Manila Bulletin reporter back from the same sector told of the work of the "suicide squads".

### Four Towns Retaken

(Bert Slien, NBC reporter in Manila, said eyewitnesses returning from the front reported the Japanese "in full retreat" in the province of Pangasinan, just south of Lingayen gulf, with four towns recaptured out of the six they had occupied. In the south, Slien said, the defenders' lines "are in excellent position... expected to hold the enemy in check."  
The young Filipinos, he said, had fought off the Japanese for at least 48 hours beginning Christmas morning, thus enabling the army command to reorganize the main body of the defense forces and redispense them in more favorable terrain. One tank commander told the reporter that "during our many sallies into enemy territory those Filipinos just rushed in front of our tanks to get at the Japs. Hell, what do they think our tanks are here for?"

### Long Range Duel

After the American lines had been reestablished, the fighting settled down into long-range artillery exchanges, with frequent intense tank action in which the Japanese infantry, following up its tanks, was said to have lost heavily.  
A fleet of Japanese transports in Lingayen gulf, off the coast of the province of La Union, was driven off by the American guns without even attempting any further landings.  
Manila, meanwhile, after two days of successive bombing in spite of its designation as an open city, saw no raiders today. There was a 56-minute air raid alarm starting at 12:37 p. m. (7:37 p. m., PST Sunday) but no raiders appeared.

(Slien reported two alarms without bombs being dropped. He said there were unconfirmed reports that Dutch planes had sunk 12 Japanese transports seeking to land reinforcements at Davao, on the island of Mindanao.)  
Japanese planes raided the island fortress of Corregidor, at the entrance to Manila bay, for two hours, but lost a number of planes in the operation. Four

## Believed Killed



Canadian defense quarters said Brigadier J. K. Lawson (above), commander of the Canadian force in Hongkong, was believed to have been killed.

## BRIEF EARTHQUAKE VISITS PORTLAND; DAMAGE IS SMALL

The Medford weather bureau had no record of an earthquake in this vicinity today, and so far as the Mall Tribune was able to learn the shock felt in Portland did not extend to southern Oregon.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—A short, sharp earthquake broke windows and shook the entire city at about 10:35 a. m. today.

A display window in a downtown store was shattered by the tremor, which lasted only a few seconds. In various parts of the city residents reported that upstairs windows rattled violently, and some were broken.  
A flood of telephone calls blew several fuses in exchange switchboards, and service in many sections of the city was disrupted for several minutes.

The shock seemed to be heaviest in the northwest part of the city, which is mountainous. One resident said "it seemed to be a repercussion from a tremendous blast," although she did not hear a report.

One shattered window down town was attributed to the shock, but police said that a rock, possibly thrown from a passing automobile, was responsible. However, another display window downtown was shattered and several were reported to have been broken in residential districts.

Spokane, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Brother Franklin, of Mount St. Michael's scholasticate, reported today the seismograph there showed a "very feeble" record of an earth tremor at 10:37 a. m.

## MODERATE TEMBLORS VISIT QUETTA, INDIA

Quetta, India, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Quetta, scene in 1935 of one of the most destructive earthquakes in modern times, was shaken twice by moderate earth shocks today.

The first was early in the day, and the second at 12:10 p. m. Buildings were shaken heavily by the second quake, but no loss of life was reported. More than 20,000 persons were killed in the 1935 quake.

## STEEL USE HIT

Washington, Dec. 29.—(P)—Senator Malignen (D-Wash.) has protested to Donald M. Nelson, director of supplies of the priorities allocation board, against the use of steel for manufacture of window frames, asserting wooden frames are just as satisfactory.

planes staged an unsuccessful attack on two bridges near Calumpit in Balacan province, 26 miles northwest of Manila, where three civilians were injured.  
Anti-aircraft guns at the front were reported to have brought down nine Japanese planes Saturday, and official advices said three more were shot down Sunday.

## EIGHT NAZI SHIPS SUNK BY BRITISH IN NORWAY FORAY

### Oil Tanks, Ammunition Stores and Industrial Plant Also Damaged.

London, Dec. 29.—(P)—Eight enemy ships totaling 15,650 tons, oil tanks, ammunition stores and a Quisling-owned industrial plant were destroyed during a British raid on the small island of Vaagso 100 miles north of Bergen, Norway, it was announced officially today.

The raid was carried out Saturday by the mysterious commando force of the British army, aided by light forces of the home fleet and by the RAF.

The story of the daring thrust against Germany's war machine was told in a communique issued jointly by the admiralty, the war office and the air ministry.

Vaagso is the assembly point of German convoys carrying supplies to the far northern front in Russia and an officer who took part in the raid said the destruction of shipping had harmed German communications to that front.

The entire German garrison on an island involved in the attack was captured or killed, the communique said.

"A wireless station and a certain industrial plant owned by a Quisling and known to be operating for the Germans were destroyed."

An officer of the combined operations headquarters said the German casualties totaled 120 men and 95 prisoners were taken. The commandos suffered "some casualties" but the raid was called a complete success.

## JAPANESE DRIVE SOUTH IN MALAY

Singapore, Dec. 29.—(P)—The British acknowledged today that Japanese troops had swept south of Ipoh, Malay, tin mining city and communications center 290 miles north of Singapore, and announced the fall of Kuching, capital of Sarawak on the island of Borneo.

A headquarters communique said the British on the Perak front in Malaya are "in close contact with the enemy south of Ipoh" but gave no further information.  
Elsewhere in Malaya the situation remained unchanged, it was said.

Batavia, N. E. I., Dec. 29.—(P)—American-built bombers of the N. E. I. army air force have scored a direct hit on a large Japanese transport and shot down "probably" two Japanese fighter planes in an attack on Miri, Sarawak, a communique released by Anets, N.E.I. news agency, reported today.

## TRADE EXPANSION

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 29.—(P)—The Pacific northwest can expect "vast expansion of Oriental trade and development after the war is over," George F. Yantis, member of the national resources planning board said today.

## 35 Per Cent Cut in Gasoline Use Predicted by Government Experts

Washington, Dec. 29.—(P)—A 35 per cent reduction in the nation's 1942 civilian gasoline consumption was considered likely today by government petroleum experts because of new restrictions making it impossible for the ordinary motorist to obtain new tires or inner tubes for his car.  
The effect of these regulations, these officials believed, would be to make motorists use their cars less to conserve their tires for necessary motoring and emergencies. Gasoline con-

## UTTER DEFEAT OF NAZIS AGREED ON BY BRITISH, REDS

### Foreign Secretary Eden and Stalin Reach Full Accord For Future Guidance.

### (By the Associated Press)

Simultaneous British and Russian blows on Germany from east and west underscored the vulnerability of the nazis' exposed, far-flung flanks today as Britain and Russia announced a new agreement aimed at "the utter defeat of Hitlerite Germany."

From the east, the Russians kept up their remorseless pressure, shoving the receding German line still farther back from the environs of Moscow.

The announcement of the allies' agreement came from London and from Moscow where, it was disclosed, British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden has been in consultation with Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin.

### German Lines Shattered

On the Russian war front the red army troops were reported to have shattered a division of German fledglings of 17 to 18 years of age on the Kalinin front; ripped through the German lines south of Moscow to Likhvin, 50 miles west of Tula, and Belev, 50 miles southeast of Kaluga, menacing the German retreat to Smolensk; and captured Novosil, 100 miles south of Tula in a drive on Orel, 40 miles to the west.

Reports reached Moscow of the recapture by the Russians of more than 450 towns and villages.

In Libya, the advancing British pressed the fleeing axis forces still farther west, but their pace seemed to have slackened and Rome and Berlin, for the first time in recent days, claimed to have scored telling counter-blows.

## CHURCHILL TALK TO BE BROADCAST

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 29.—(P)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill reached Ottawa by special train from Washington today to receive an enthusiastic welcome from Canadians on his history-making visit to North America.

He raised his hand in the "V" sign of victory, and lifted his black hat as cheers of the crowd rang through the station.

He is to give an important address to the Canadian people tomorrow.

Broadcast of Churchill's address to the Canadian parliament is being arranged for Tuesday by the CBS, NBC-Blue and MBS networks. Time is PST, or shortly thereafter.

## ON SEXTON MT.

Grants Pass, Dec. 29.—(P)—Mrs. Francis Pound, 62, of Oakland spent Sunday night in the hospital here with minor injuries received when the car her husband was driving skidded on snow-covered pavement and rolled over six times down a Mt. Sexton embankment.

## Japs Invading Luzon Termed Fourth-Rate By American Colonel

### With the USAFFE in Central Luzon—Dec. 29.—(AP)—In the opinion of one hard-bitten United States cavalry colonel whose regiment has seen some sharp fighting in northern Luzon, the Japanese troops invading the Philippines are distinctly fourth-raters—and that, he says, is a charitable estimate.

"They're no damned good on the ground," declared the colonel contemptuously. "We licked the pants off them three times and were beaten only by their tanks and planes."  
"When our tanks and planes go into action we'll chase them back to the sea."

Can't Shoot  
"Those Charlies—we call them Charlies—can't shoot. Somebody gets hit about every 5,000 shots. At Tayug Christmas day we fought them for seven hours and they were firing all the time, making a wonderful display, lots of noise and wasting ammunition."

"When it was all over one of my men was hit in the hand and one horse was killed."  
(Tayug is about 100 miles north of Manila and 25 miles inland from the Lingayen gulf.)

"At Binalonan (west of Tayug) the previous day they surprise attacked before dawn and cut us off from our horses. Our line of withdrawal was open, but we love horses so we fought our way back to our bivouac. That scrap lasted five hours and ended when we busted their tank attack."

Two American officers, whose names were withheld, were credited with playing an important part in smashing this attack at the price of their lives.  
One of the officers, a young lieutenant, took a supply of hand grenades and crawled down an exposed road toward the Japanese tanks. He had almost reached his objective when he was struck three times by machine-gun bullets. Though mortally wounded he kept on and hurled his grenades.

Attack Halted  
A short time later an American major and an unidentified driver operating a mounted 75 millimeter cannon drove off the first few Japanese tanks and then charged down the road with its gun blazing. The leading Japanese tank was smashed by a direct hit, and the attack was halted. The major was killed but the driver somehow escaped.

Filipino scouts, inspired by the action of the American officers, rode in among the Japanese tanks flinging gasoline-filled bottles at them and completed the job of breaking up the attack, thus letting the main body of cavalry make an orderly withdrawal.

The only USAFFE members who have seen recognizable Japanese officers are those who have been taken prisoner.  
Members of the Philippine scouts who were captured and then worked their way back to rejoin their units report that behind the lines the officers can be identified because they are armed only with sabers. All Japanese troops in the front lines lack identification marks.

## Hood River Japanese Special Problem for Ninth Corps Officers

Washington, Dec. 29.—(P)—Senator McNary (R-Ore) telegraphed the Hood River county (Ore) civil defense council that the Ninth Corps area would issue orders today or tomorrow for enemy aliens to turn over to the police at once firearms and other contraband.

McNary sent the telegram after conferring with the defense unit of the justice department about conditions in Hood River county. The council told him the county had a larger population of Japanese to the total population than any other county in the state. It said it said it wanted to treat the aliens "reasonably fair" and had suggested they remain at home as much as practicable in conduct of their business.

The justice department told McNary the order to enemy aliens to turn over firearms to the police would be issued promptly and the district attorney for Oregon would be instructed to investigate the situation at Hood River at once.

## FEW LOCAL ALIENS SURRENDER ITEMS BANNED BY EDICT

### Five Japanese, One German Turn in Two Guns, Three Radios, Three Cameras

Complying with a department of justice order, enemy aliens in this area were today surrendering firearms, radios and cameras to police authorities, but up to one o'clock this afternoon only two guns, three radios and three cameras had been turned over, all to city police.

Five Japanese and one German alien took the forbidden articles to city police headquarters in city hall. Both guns, a pistol and a rifle, and one radio, belonged to one Japanese boy who lives in a house occupied by an alien, police said. State police and the sheriff's office reported receipt of no articles.

City police said the aliens took the matter good-naturedly, being more interested in when the articles, especially the radios, would be returned to them, than anything else.

Applies to All  
Applying to all Japanese, German and Italian aliens in Oregon, Washington, California, Montana, Utah, Idaho and Nevada, the order specifies that all forbidden articles must be surrendered to police by 11 o'clock tonight. Local aliens may turn over their articles at the city police station in city hall, the state police headquarters on the north Pacific highway or the sheriff's office in the county courthouse. Receipts for the surrendered articles will be issued.

According to the order, willful failure to surrender the banned articles will result in their seizure and arrest of their owners, with internment in an army concentration camp for duration of the war.

Salem, Dec. 29.—(P)—Twelve Japanese families had turned over a large quantity of guns, cameras and short wave radio equipment to the county sheriff up to noon today. The deadline was 11 p. m. tonight.

Seattle, Dec. 29.—(P)—Up and down the Pacific coast, German, Italian and Japanese nationals are turning cameras and radios capable of receiving short wave broadcasts in an ever increasing flow as the deadline for complying with the department of justice order to give up the equipment nears.

In some cities there has been but a trickle of enemy aliens into police stations, in others officers have been deluged with equipment varying in value from a few cents to many dollars, while in San Francisco police officials refused to accept the articles until late Sunday when Police Chief Dulles received instructions from FBI officials to cooperate in the collection.

Some surprising results of the order were noted in a number of cities as the nationals hastened to comply. In Alameda, California, a German surrendered 17 cameras to police; at San Francisco a Japanese divested himself of four cameras; a German surrendered a camera and a German made short-wave receiving set; Los Angeles Japanese insisted upon turning in firearms and one, George S. Hirooka, vegetable stand operator, revealed he is giving a 10-cent defense savings stamp with every vegetable purchase of \$1 or more.

## VANDERBILT LEFT OVER 72 MILLION

New York, Dec. 29.—(P)—Frederick W. Vanderbilt, railroad director, yachting enthusiast and grandson of the late Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt, left a net estate of \$72,845,478 at his death June 29, 1938, and estate tax appraisal showed today.

State inheritance taxes totaled \$11,880,673 and the federal tax assessment was listed at \$31,155,650. The appraisal papers said, however, that the latter sum was reduced by allowances deductible under the 1926 federal revenue act.

## JAP PEACE ENVOY LEAVES CAPITAL

Washington, Dec. 29.—(P)—Japan's special "peace envoy," Saburo Kurusu, who was at the state department conducting negotiations for settlement of Japanese-American problems when the Japs attacked Pearl Harbor, left the capital today with the Japanese embassy staff, which was taken to Hot Springs, Va.

Ambassador Kichii Saburo Nomura and Kurusu headed the party. A heavy police guard surrounded the removal of the staff from the embassy to the station, where they boarded a train for Virginia.

## JAPANESE IN MEXICO MUST SHOW PAPERS

Mexico City, Dec. 29.—(P)—Germans, Italians and Japanese living along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of Mexico—including those who have acquired Mexican citizenship—were ordered today to present their papers immediately for inspection by immigration authorities. It was announced this was part of the government system for keeping a strict check on their movements.

London, Dec. 29.—(P)—The British air ministry announced tonight that the Mediterranean island fortress of Malta underwent 60 axis air attacks during Christmas week and said the defenders destroyed seven raiders