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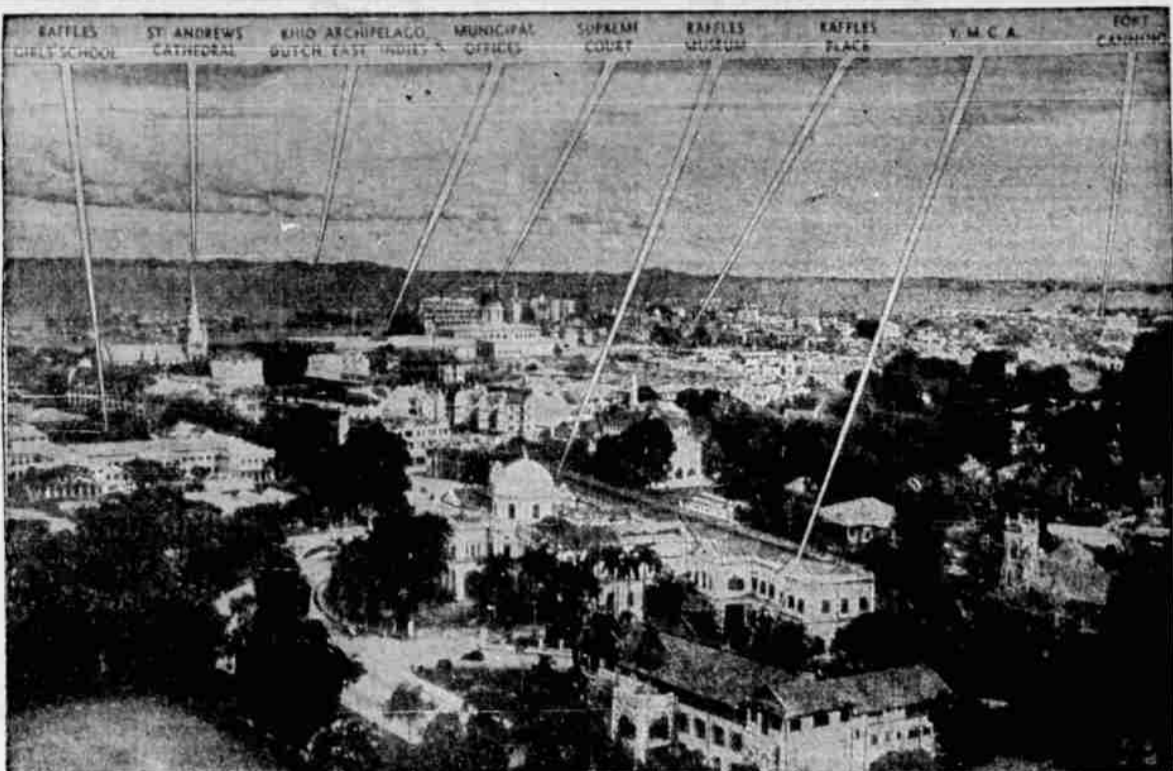
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**Singapore Defenders In Final Stand Against Japs**



The highlands of the Rhio Archipelago, in the Dutch East Indies, are pointed out (above) in this general view of Singapore and Singapore Strait. Axis reports said Japanese troops, in an encirclement of the islands of the Rhio Archipelago. This view of Singapore is looking south from the top of a tall hotel. It was made by Deane Dickson, American lecturer-traveler.

**PHILIPPINE FORCES HALT JAPS AGAIN**

**THIRD SMASH AT M'ARTHUR MEN COSTLY FAILURE**

Two Japanese Divisions Are Hurling Simultaneously at American-Filipino Fort.

**ROXY ANN GRANGE WINS FIRST PRIZE IN SAFETY EFFORT**

National Honor and \$100 Awarded Medford Organization—Worked Hard.

**Engineer Bean Is Major Now**

Heretofore in answering the telephone, Theron W. Bean has always said "Captain Bean talking." Today the area engineer, U. S. corps of engineers, said merely "Bean talking."

**MEDFORD GROUP FORMED TO BUILD WORKMEN'S CAMP**

Trailer Camp Site Planned Near City—Housing Capacity Expected Taxed.

**News Behind The News**  
by Paul Mallon

**Big Mediterranean Campaign Hinted in New Axis Activities**

Washington, Feb. 2.—Latest rechecks confirm earlier information that about 31 Nazi U-boats were operating in that pack operating in the New York area and then spread out fanwise north and south as the slowly released records of the sinkings might suggest. Each U-boat was assigned an area along our narrow coastal shipping lane off shore. The assigned areas run anywhere from 60 to 150 miles. The prowlers hide in daylight, then move into their allotted section of the lane at night and await their prey.

The plan was obviously blocked out on maps before they left Germany and represents a skillful campaign designed to force us to convoy our coastal traffic.

These ships are probably not being refueled by mother ships as popularly supposed. Talk has been heard about Hitler developing a new submarine mother for his wolf-pack, a kind of undersea tanker designed to sustain the raiders in rendezvous at night.

That may not be necessary because the Nazis have fabulously extended the range of their subs by converting to store Diesel oil in many of their ballast tanks. This has increased their range, some suspect, to 20,000 miles. It is only about 4,000 miles from Bremen to New York, probably much farther by the route the subs took; but even so, they could hang around offshore here a considerable time without refueling, especially under their area allotment plan, which does not require much cruising.

If any tenders are around, they are carrying torpedoes rather than fuel. The German subs have four torpedo tubes

**12 ENEMY ALIENS ASK CERTIFICATES**

Up to 1:30 p. m. 12 persons had applied at Medford postoffice for enemy alien certificates of identification. Postmaster Frank DeSouza estimated that there were about 75 aliens of enemy nationality, Japanese, Germans and Italians, in Jackson county. Applications for certificates of identification may be made in this county at the Medford or the Ashland postoffice. In the general registration of all aliens in 1940, 386 of Jackson county were registered at the Medford postoffice.

**DRAFT REGISTRY MAY BE 3 DAYS**

Salem, Feb. 2.—(AP)—All places of registration of men for selective service must be open on February 16, but local boards also may keep them open on the two preceding days. Lieutenant Colonel Elmer V. Wootton, state selective service director, said today.

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**Groundhog Censored in Reporting Views On Coming Weather**

Jackson county's groundhog, with an eye to national defense, joined other groundhogs throughout the country today in keeping his annual one-day reconnaissance a military secret. Joining in his censorship of the weather, prediction for the coming six weeks was the local weather bureau at the Medford municipal airport which reported that the groundhog's survey must be considered "unofficial."

**GIANT NAVAL BILL HAS SENATE OKEH**

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—A \$26,495,265,474 naval appropriations bill, largest measure of its kind ever to win approval of a legislative body, was passed by the senate today and returned to the house for action on amendments.

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**GOERING'S VISIT WITH MUSSOLINI BELIEVED LINKED**

By the Associated Press  
New signs of an axis Mediterranean campaign much more serious than the present counter-offensive in eastern Libya appeared today.

Coinciding with the British retreat from Bengasi and Italian reports of intensified German air assault on Malta, Berlin let it be known by radio that Reichsmarshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering has been in Italy since last Tuesday, conferring with Premier Mussolini and inspecting German air force units in Sicily.

The British Imperial retreat in north Africa found the erstwhile attackers fighting a defensive engagement about 100 miles northeast of Bengasi. Besides being Adolf Hitler's chief lieutenant the corpulent Goering is chief of the German air force.

What turn the axis offensive might take in the Mediterranean zone is conjectural—ranging from powerful reinforcements of the land drive through eastern Libya, toward Alexandria and Suez, to a possible attempt at air-borne capture of the Alexandria base and the nearby canal.

**ROTARY UNDER FIRE**

With Gen. MacArthur on The Batan Peninsula, Jan. 30. (Delayed)—(AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur was voted an honorary member of the Manila Rotary club today, when the group met in a mountain grove amid the rumble of heavy artillery.

The general had a few duties elsewhere, however, and was unable to accept the honor personally.

By Clyde A. Farnsworth (Associated Press War Editor)  
Another Japanese smash—which Tokyo heralded as possibly the climactic drive in the battle of the Philippines—has ended in costly failure although the enemy used his best troops and new tactics against General Douglas MacArthur's men, a war department communique announced today.

This was the third triumph recorded by American forces in the Pacific in the last two days.

General Offensive  
The Japanese had reported heavy gunfire along the east coast of Batan peninsula, apparently signaling a general offensive; hence this American success may rank with the destruction of an invasion flotilla aimed at Corregidor and the slashing sea and air attack on six Japanese air and naval bases in the Pacific, announced yesterday.

Salem, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Roxy Ann Grange of Medford won the national first prize of \$100 in the Grange safety contest for 1941, Secretary of State Earl Snell was advised today.

The awards are based on contributions to community highway safety. Deer Creek Grange of Selma and the North Fork Grange of Florence also were among the winners.

Officers of Roxy Ann Grange were surprised this morning upon receipt of word from the Mall Tribune of their winning first prize in the national safety contest. Mrs. Eugene Nowlin, who acted as secretary for the group compiling the scrap book which was forwarded to the national contest the last of December said that the grange had worked on the safety contest because they realized the necessity of safety in the home, school, farm traffic and automobile driving.

The grange enlarged on the topic and the ladies included safety in health with proper foods and participated in first aid work. When the opportunity was open safety motion pictures were shown in the schools in Roxy Ann district and posters were displayed. Snapshots and newspaper clippings added to the scrapbook.

Working on the committee were Mrs. Nowlin, Charles Rose, Elbert Robinson, George Heryford and George Roberts, the latter master of the grange. Roscoe Roberts, a member of the city traffic council and of the grange assisted the grange also. Committee members said that the contest was open to granges throughout the nation.

Two Japanese divisions were hurled simultaneously against the American-Filipino lines on the east and west sides of the peninsula, the communique said.

**Demo Fund Dinners Planned Feb. 28 As F. R. Makes Report**

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Democratic leaders gave heed today to the problem of financing the 1942 campaigns in a nation preoccupied with war while some Republicans in congress toyed with hopes of winning enough seats in the fall elections to gain majority control in the house.

Edward J. Flynn, chairman of the Democratic national committee, announced yesterday that the annual fund raising dinners heretofore held on January 8 would be staged February 23, the night when President Roosevelt makes his next radio report to the nation.

Flynn said the party still owed \$600,000 from the 1940 presidential campaign and wanted to wipe this out "in order that we may enter the coming congressional campaign unhampered and able to function effectively, for it is perhaps the most important congressional election in our country's history."

Meanwhile Senator Austin (R-Vt.) gave voice to Republican ambitions for big congressional gains with the assertion that party leaders had high hopes of overturning Democratic control in the house.

**TERMINAL ISLAND ALIEN JAPS HELD**

San Pedro, Calif., Feb. 2.—(AP) Male Japanese aliens on Terminal Island were taken into custody today by 180 federal, city and county officers and are being held at the immigration station on the island.

**YARDS CONTINUE WITHOUT WELDERS**

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Shipyards here and at Seattle continued operations today when the welders' walkout, in their long-standing controversy with the American Federation of Labor, proved ineffective.

Announced intentions of establishing picket lines failed to materialize in Seattle when the forenoon shifts went to work.

Warships and planes of the Pacific fleet, according to a Washington announcement, have turned a storm of torpedoes, bombs and shells onto six Japanese air and naval bases in the Marshall and Gilbert islands in a surprise foray that destroyed or damaged many auxiliary vessels of the enemy's fleet along with numerous planes and ground installations. Loss of 11 American planes was reported.

Articles of incorporation of Medford Trailer Camps, Inc., were filed in Salem today. Capitalized at \$20,000, the corporation will engage principally in installing and operating a trailer camp designed primarily for construction workers on the army cantonment to be established in this locality.

Stockholders were to meet this afternoon to elect a board of directors. The directors were to choose officers and conduct other business incident to getting the corporation functioning. Matters to be studied by the board included selection of a site and installation of water lines, sewer facilities and other utilities.

Half Subscribed  
At least half the capital stock has already been subscribed, it was indicated at the office of the cantonment civilian coordinating board. Merchants and others interested in the project are putting up the capital.

A site known to be under consideration is the Thomas tract of 70 acres on Crater Lake highway about a mile out of Medford. Other sites also have been considered, including the old county fairgrounds and the farm security administration camp site, but both of these are understood to have been ruled out at least tentatively because they are south of town and the occupants would have to drive through Medford to get to the cantonment. Other factors said to be against the sites south of town were the lack of shade trees and the necessity of spreading large quantities of gravel to avert mud in wet weather and dust in dry weather.

Other sites considered were off Spring street and near Bybee bridge.

Must Have Trailers  
Occupants of the proposed camp must provide their own trailer houses, the corporation providing the land, utilities and management.

**'Chaotic Conditions' Here News to Sheriff's Office**

A report published in the Albany Democrat-Herald last Saturday, under the headline, "Medford Experiencing Chaotic Conditions," and attributed to C. W. Lickess, Albany contractor and builder, was characterized today, by Sheriff Syd I. Brown as "bosh."

"If any chaotic conditions prevail here, I don't know anything about it, neither does anybody else. I have received no word of any chaos. A number of new people are coming in, but not enough to make any difference. Everything is normal, and since work started on the army project things have been quieter than usual," the sheriff explained.

"The state police, city police, and this office have made preparations for more officers, if and when, conditions justify. So far this has not been remotely necessary. It may be different in a month or so. The main problems will be traffic and housing," the sheriff concluded.

**SIDE GLANCES**  
BY TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Ed Pease whipping up some home-made rolls that would put any kitchen queen to shame.

**GOVERNOR ORDERS CLOCKS ADVANCED**

Salem, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Governor Charles A. Sprague, in a proclamation today urged every Oregon citizen to advance their clocks one hour at 11 p. m. next Sunday.

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**Diners Get Rough When Sugar Denied**

Camden, N. J., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Sugar rationing note:  
When a restaurant customer asked for a second spoonful of sugar for his coffee—and didn't get it—he and his two companions threw the water through a plate glass window and knocked the restaurant manager unconscious.

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