

WAR'S HARDSHIPS WEIGH HEAVILY ON PEOPLE OF JAPAN

Neutral Arriving From Tokyo
Says Country Cold, Somber — Censorship Tight.

Ankara, Turkey, July 15—(Delayed)—Japan was described today by a neutral arriving from Tokyo as a cold and somber country where people with grim faces are tightening their belts because of hardships brought on by the war.

The informant, whose name must be withheld, was a young woman of a neutral country. She was one of the first to arrive in the middle east from Tokyo and she reached Ankara after a 33-day trip across Russia.

Sirens Sound Often
She said she was having lunch in Tokyo when the American bombers attacked, but she paid little attention to the sirens because Japanese officials have sounded so many false alarms.

She said she heard only machinegun firing from the planes and no anti-aircraft guns. Later, she said she knew Japan had been raided because the Japanese gave out no details except to say that American bombs fell in school grounds.

(Tokyo is a huge, sprawling city, the city proper covering some 225 square miles, and bombs falling in the industrial suburbs, which were American raiders' targets, might be little noticed in the central district.) She related how foreign diplomats listened daily to broadcasts from San Francisco for details of the raid which never were forthcoming.

Americans Confined
The traveler declared men and women in the United States embassy were confined to their quarters for the first four months and were not allowed to receive visitors.

News of the Coral Sea and Midway naval battles were played up as great Japanese victories, she said. She added that the people seemed confused because the Japanese boasted openly that they were going to take Australia within a few days and when they failed, no explanation was given.

The people were told, moreover, that despite the great Coral Sea and Midway victories, Japan still was a long way from winning the war. The people are unable to get outside news.

On Roxy Bill



Gene Autry, America's Number One Cowboy, plays tonight and Saturday matinee and evening at the Roxy Theatre in "Home in Wyoming". Smiley Burnette plays opposite the favorite singing star.

"Royal Mounted Patrol", starring Charles Starrett, is the companion Western.

she said, for only diplomats are allowed to go outside the islands.

GOLD HILL IOOF SEATS OFFICERS AT BIG MEETING

Gold Hill, July 17.—(Sp.)—About 150 Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and guests attended joint installation of officers in the IOOF hall July 15 when district deputy grand master, Stanley Robbins of Ashland and his installing team, conducted the ceremonies. Mrs. Willie McLean, district deputy president of Amethyst Rebekah lodge, Gold Hill, assisted.

Officers installed were: Odd Fellow lodge, Walter McLean, noble grand; Dave Winn, vice grand; William Auterlieth, secretary; Warren Coppick, treasurer; Norman Gail, warden; Dennis McGuire, conductor; William Hittle, I.G.; Bob Cook, O.G.; Harry Force, R.S.N.G.; William Ferguson, L.S.N.G.; George Haff, R.S.S.; Earl Moore, L.S.S.; Floyd Lance, chaplain; Frank Carter, R.S.V.G.; Paul Thompson, L.S.V.G.

Rebekah officers: Nellie Winn, noble grand; Mildred Newham, vice grand; Evelyn Thompson, recording secretary; Viola Moore, financial secretary; Della Kell, treasurer; Edith Kenyon, warden; Bessie Ferguson, conductor; Alta Clement, O.G.; Nona Centers, I.G.; Dorothy McGuire, musician; Pearl Ferguson, R.S.N.G.; Mary Chisholm, L.S.N.G.; Jewell Routh, chaplain; Etta Carter, R.S.V.G.; Ruth Lewis, L.S.V.G.

Following installation, a short

"The Raven" In Mystery Drama



The man the fan magazines have picked for immediate stardom is Alan Ladd, sensational newcomer who portrays "the Raven" in "This Gun For Hire", coming to the cool Craterian Theatre Sunday for a

three day run with Veronica Lake, Robert Preston, Laird Cregar and Tully Marshall in top spots. The newcomer plays a nerveless killer with a "gun for hire, who does odd jobs of killing people for those who can pay the price.

"Crossroads" Thrills Rialto Fans



William Powell, Hedy Lamarr and Basil Rathbone in one of a thousand dramatic moments from "Crossroads", thrilling new mystery adventure which opens its world premiere showing today at the Rialto Theatre where it will play for one big

week. Others in the cast are Claire Trevor, Sig Ruman, Felix Bressart and H. B. Warner.

"The Shanghai Gesture" Holly Hit



Gene Tierney and Victor Mature have starring roles in "The Shanghai Gesture", daring story of Mother Gin Sling's gaudy gambling den where women enter—not to come out, which comes to the Holly Theatre Sunday for a three day engagement. They are surrounded by

a cast of singing characters whose menace make this the year's surprise hit. Others in the cast are Ona Munson, Walter Huston, Phyllis Brooks, Maria Aupensakaya and Albert Basserman.

"The Man With Two Lives", starring Edward Norris, will play a sthe companion feature.

musical program was presented which consisted of trumpet solo, Leona Holderness, accompanied by Mrs. Hazel Holderness at the piano; accordion solo, Elaine Parker; whistling and vocal solos, Elbow Mae Gail, accompanied at piano by Mrs. Elsie Cameron; selections by an accordion trio, Yvonne Moore, Evelyn and Dagmar Christensen.

Col. Schauffler To Command at Geiger
Spokane, July 17.—(P)—Col. William G. Schauffler, Jr., of Lakewood, N. J., has been appointed by Major General Robert Olds, commanding second air Geiger field, it was announced force, to be base commander of today by the Geiger public relations office.

He succeeds Col. Bryon T. Burt, assigned to an undesignated field in Florida.

PORTLAND TO GREET VISITING FIREMEN
Salem, July 17.—(P)—A mass meeting will be held here Monday night to welcome several London firemen who are touring the west to advise home owners how to be prepared for bombing attacks.

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MERCY SHIP SUNK AFTER GUARANTEE OF SAFETY GIVEN

Swedish Legation Says Action in Direct Violation of Assurance by Both Sides.

London, July 17.—(P)—A Swedish legation spokesman declared today that the Swedish Red Cross ship Stureborg, reported sunk in the Mediterranean, had sailed with a safe conduct from the axis and the allies and that an air attack on her was a "direct violation" of the assurances.

The Swedish embassy said yesterday that the Stureborg had been sunk near Cyprus while on Red Cross duty with the loss of all but one of her crew of 20, including 16 Swedes.

The spokesman said a full investigation would be made and "proper representations" would be addressed to the power held to blame.

An informed British source said no British planes were "anywhere in the neighborhood" when the vessel sank and that axis planes, therefore, "undoubtedly" were responsible.

The spokesman official said the Stureborg, one of several ships chartered by the Swedish Red Cross to carry food to Greece after safe conduct had been assured, was to have taken a cargo of more than 2,000 tons of wheat.

The first European settlement in the western hemisphere was in Santo Domingo.



LAMP SHADE—A New York designer molded pale Virginia blue felt into this attractive lampshade hat.

PAUL MUNI IN VICTORIA FOR COMMANDO PICTURE
Victoria, July 17.—(P)—Paul Muni, academy award winner

who starred in the pictures Zola and Pasteur, reached Victoria Thursday for the filming of Lester Nowan's "The Commandos Come at Dawn," screen adaptation of C. S. Forester's story.

With him came Mrs. Muni, Lt.-Comdr. John Farrow, director, invalided out of the navy after an action in the south Atlantic, and Al Vaughan, press relations head for the film.

WILLAMETTE TRUSTEES WILL CONSIDER PREXY

Salem, July 17.—(P)—The Willamette University board of trustees will meet in Portland late today to hear the recommendation of its special committee to recommend a successor to the late Dr. Carl Sumner Knott, president of the university.

Most prominently mentioned of the candidates is Dr. George Herbert Smith, dean of administration at De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind.

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