

JAPANESE CAMP WIPE OUT BY LEATHER NECKS

Solomons Sortie Nets 20
Killed or Captured—Mar-
ines Strike as Nips Eating

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Tulagi, Solomon Islands, Nov.
8.—(Delayed)—U.P.—Forty
marines just returned from the
island of Malaita, where they
executed one of the most suc-
cessful patrol actions carried out
in the Solomons.

Led by First Lieut. J. Wendell
Crain of Ada, Okla., the patrol
attacked a 22-man Japanese unit
at Cap Astrolabe, on the north-
west tip of Malaita. Nineteen
Japs were killed and three
wounded. One of the injured
was captured and the other two
escaped. Short-wave radio equip-
ment, machine guns and rifles
were seized.

Perfect Execution

There was not a single marine
casualty.

"The mission was perfectly
planned, perfectly executed and
completely successful," said
Lieut. Col. Robert G. Hunt, of
Coronado, Calif., commanding
officer of the contingent which
supplied the patrol.

The patrol set out and trav-
elled through the jungle for
12½ hours, arriving at its ob-
jective at 5:30 a. m. the next
day.

"We just got into position on
time," Crain said. "It was get-
ting light when the six teams
into which the patrol had been
divided circled the camp. We
completely covered three flanks
and the ocean was on the other
side, so the Japs couldn't get
away."

"The team I was with crawled
within 15 yards of the mess-hall.
We watched them walk around,
wash up and brush their teeth,
getting ready for chow. At 7:45
a. m., 14 of them were in the
mess-hall eating native potatoes
and bananas and drinking cof-
fee."

"We had hoped to get all 22
together but when two of the
14 prepared to leave, I decided
to give the signal to commence
firing. A corporal in my team
had a 'tommy gun' and the
others used automatic rifles and
springfields. We got every one
of the 14 in the mess-hall."

Soon Over

"All the others who were
killed were nearby. Three had
walked down the road toward
the river, and two of them were
killed. The third was wounded
in the chest, and ran into the
bush. Two of them were down
at the beach. One was wounded
and he surrendered when he
saw his comrades killed. The rest
were just outside the mess-hall.
One of them made a break for
the radio shack—probably to try
to send a message—but he only
took about three steps before
he went down."

"It was all over in five min-
utes. They didn't fire a single
shot. It was so sudden and such
a complete surprise, they didn't
even scream."

"The natives were overjoyed
at our success. The Japs had
been living on their gardens and
stealing their chickens. The na-
tives gave us plenty of fruit and
sang a lot of native songs for
us. Before we left, they were
all singing the 'Marine Corps
Hymn.'"

"The day we left they lined
up and gave us three cheers, in
typical fashion. You know, 'Hip,
hip, hooray! Hip, hip, hooray!—
just like that.'"

PRIORITY MEETING WEDNESDAY NIGHT

A meeting of the Priorities
and Control Materials Plan will
be held in the auditorium of the
court house Wednesday, Decem-
ber 16, at 7:30 p. m. Manufac-
turers, machine shop operators
and others interested in priori-
ties are invited. The chamber
of commerce has been notified
by J. Fred Bergesch, regional
district manager of the WPB,
that Nelson English, specialist,



TRAIL BLAZERS—Whether it's Japs or jeeps, U. S. army of occupation on the island of New Guinea, in the Southern Pacific, is capable of coping with the situation at hand. Here infantrymen hack a road for mechanized units through the dense jungle in the Owen Stanley range.

will illustrate his talk with
charts explaining the purpose of
the plan and its effect on indus-
try.

Mr. English will be at the
chamber of commerce office
from 1 o'clock until 5:30 Wed-
nesday afternoon. Those desir-
ing to discuss a priority prob-
lem with Mr. English are asked
to please call the chamber of
commerce for an appointment.

RED CROSS ASKS SPECIAL EFFORT IN BANDAGE WORK

By Mrs. W. M. Davis

If each Jackson County wo-
man would make a special ef-
fort to give three hours each
Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
in the Red Cross workroom in
the court house auditorium,
making surgical dressings, be-
tween now and Christmas, more
of America's boys could enjoy
the greater comfort of having
wounds dressed properly. What
more worthy Christmas gift
could any woman give? Each
should be proud to adopt the
slogan of the Production Corps:

"Red Cross dressings
Are special blessings
To our boys so far away.
So let a 3-hour shift
Be your willing gift
From now 'till Christmas
Day."

During Christmas week dress-
ings will be made Tuesday and
Wednesday, the 22nd and 23rd,
instead of Tuesday and Thurs-
day, in the hope more women
will be able to work. There is
an urgent demand for dressings.
Make your Christmas giving
complete by remembering those
who are fighting for you.

PERRY J. FRAKER DIES IN ASHLAND

Ashland, Dec. 12.—(Spl.)—
Perry J. Fraker, 64, passed
away at the hospital here De-
cember 11 after two years of
failing health. Mr. Fraker, who
lived on Ashland Route 2, near
Talent, was born June 12, 1878,
in Nashville, Ind. He married
Margaret Corn, July 14, 1899,
in Indiana. They came to the
Rogue River valley seven years
ago.

Besides the wife there are left
to mourn, a daughter, Mrs.
Damon Floyd, Ashland; sons
Chester Fraker, Medford, and
J. W. Fraker, Stricker, Ore., a
granddaughter, Phyllis Ann
Floyd, Ashland, and a brother,
Mandy Fraker, Franklin, Ind.

Mr. Fraker had been a mem-
ber of the Presbyterian church
in Waterville, O., for many
years.

Funeral services will be held
Tuesday at 1:30 p. m., at the
Litwiller Funeral home, with
interment in the Mountain View
cemetery, Ashland.

NO STRIKE

Seattle, Dec. 14.—(U.P.)—The
proposed strike vote of west
coast maritime unions was with-
drawn today after the War Ship-
ping Administration rescinded
orders assigning sailors from an
east coast union to a Liberty
ship being completed in Port
land this week.

Draft Classifications

Washington, Dec. 14.—(U.P.)—
The Office of War Information
today issued the following re-
vised list of selective service
classifications:

1-A: Registrants available for
general military service.

1-AO: Conscientious objectors
available for non-combatant
military service when found ac-
ceptable to the land or naval
forces.

1-C: Registrants who have
been inducted into, enlisted in,
or appointed to the armed
forces.

2-A: Necessary or essential
men in civilian activity.

2-B: Necessary or essential
men in the war production pro-
gram, excluding agriculture.

2-C: Necessary or essential
men in agriculture.

3-A: Registrants with depend-
ents, engaged in less essential
industry or agriculture.

3-B: Registrants with depend-
ents, engaged in an activity
necessary to the war production
program.

3-C: Registrants with depend-
ents, engaged in essential agri-
culture.

4-A: Registrants who before
induction have become 45 years
of age since they registered.

4-B: Registrants deferred spec-
ifically by the law itself.

4-C: Aliens not acceptable to
the armed forces or who waived
their rights to become citizens
to avoid military service.

4-D: Ministers of religion or
divinity students.

4-E: Conscientious objectors
available only for service in civil-
ian work of national import-
ance.

4-F: Registrants who are men-
tally, morally, or physically un-
acceptable to the armed forces.

4-H: Registrants who are 38 to
45 years of age.

URGE BLOCK PLAN COOPERATION FOR EVERY RESIDENT

(Contributed)

As one phase of the Civilian
Service Corps the Block Leader
Plan headed by Mrs. W. Alex
Kuehlthau, chief block leader,
is being organized with four-
teen section leaders appointed
in all sections of the city. These
section leaders in turn have ap-
pointed many, and are still ap-
pointing individuals in one or
more blocks according to the
population. It is requested and
expected that the block leaders
will receive the section leaders
cordially and cooperatively when
they call to explain the plan
of the Civilian Service
Corps.

Briefly, this plan is practical
and necessary to disseminate in-
formation, and perform other
work which is the citizens' part
in helping to win the war. It
should be clear to all that owing
to lack of transportation, that
this block system must be ef-
ficient. Mrs. Kuehlthau and the
section leaders are devoting their
time to the organization. Will
all please cooperate.

KING GEORGE 47 TODAY

London, Dec. 14.—(U.P.)—King
George VI observed his 47th
birthday today. The anniver-
sary was marked only by a
simple gathering of the royal
family.

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ZERO CLUB CITED IN ALLEGED SALE OF DRINK MIXERS

A warrant charging A. K.
Owens and Bertha Van Hill,
operators of the Zero Club near
the northern city limits, "with
selling mixer and furnishing
facilities for serving of intoxi-
cating liquor," has been issued
by the state police and state
liquor control agents. Bail was
fixed at \$100 and a hearing on
the case is set for Wednesday.
The defendants when arraigned
entered a plea of not guilty.

Counsel for the operators con-
tends the justice court has no
jurisdiction over the case and
that it should be heard in circuit
court. This point of law will be
decided at the Wednesday hear-
ing.

Deputy District Attorney All-
ison Moulton said the case would
probably be held as an indictable
misdemeanor, and referred
direct to the grand jury. It is
the understanding of the authori-
ties the resort has been declared
"out of bounds" by Camp White
authorities.

The complaint charges that
mixer for intoxicating liquors
was sold and served at the Zero
Club to Oliver Reeves and L. P.
Fontine, special liquor agents,
last week.

Under Oregon liquor laws, es-
tablishments like the Zero club
must have a license for serving
mixers, and the complaints
charges no such license is
possessed by the place.

Kin Of Mrs. Swem 'Talks' To New Baby From Far Honolulu

Mrs. Jack Swem, 38 Ross
Court, recently received a copy
of the Honolulu Advertiser tell-
ing of a remarkable long-dis-
tance trans-Pacific telephone
"conversation" held between her
nephew, Ansel W. Stubbs, and
his baby daughter, Shirley Ann,
then one-week old.

Stubbs, a civil service em-
ployee with the U. S. army sta-
tioned in Honolulu, telephoned
his wife and their new-born
child at Bethany hospital, Kan-
sas City, Mo. Across thousands



Naval etiquette went by the boards during presentation ceremonies at the Pensacola, Fla., Naval Station when little "Doggie" Gray broke into the formal formation to give her dad, Lieutenant James S. Gray, her own award after he'd received a gold star in lieu of his second Distinguished Flying Cross for heroic action in the South Pacific. Others are Lieutenant I. H. McPherson, center, and Lieutenant Neil Berger. Official U. S. Navy photo.

of miles of land and ocean, he
heard the voice of his child
whom he had never seen.
"To get the infant to 'speak'
to her daddy her feet were
tickled," said the newspaper
story. "Her response was vocif-
erous and took most of the first
three minutes of the call."

Mrs. Swem explained that her
nephew's wife was sent home
from Honolulu to have the baby.
Mr. and Mrs. Stubbs, she said,
visited here three years ago be-
fore going to Hawaii.

JESUIT LEADER DIES

Bern, Switzerland, Dec. 14.—
(U.P.)—Dispatches from Rome re-
ported the death last night of
the Very Rev. Vladimir Led-

ochowski, 76, superior general
of the Society of Jesus (Jesuit
Order) in Rome. Selection of
his successor will be deferred by
travel difficulties until after end
of the war, when Jesuit father
superiors from all parts of the
world will convene in Rome to
elect a new head of the order.

BIRTHS

SMITH—To Mr. and Mrs.
Harold, Route 1, Central Point,
December 13, a girl, seven
pounds, at Community hospital.

HULL—To Corpl. and Mrs.
Wm., 556 Haven street, Med-

ford, December 13, a boy, eight
pounds, at Community hospital.

HIROHITO SEEKS ANCESTORS HELP

Berlin, Dec. 14.—(German
broadcast recorded by U. P. in
New York)—Emperor Hirohito
has visited the Ise shrine to
report to his ancestors on the
successes of the Japanese army
and to ask their aid in winning
final victory, an official news
agency Tokyo dispatch said to-
day.

The Tokyo newspapers called
the visit sensational, the dis-
patch said, because the emperor
had made similar visits only
on his enthronement and the
2,600th anniversary of the Jap-
anese empire.

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