

Kamekazi Attacks On U.S. Vessels Told In Letter To Bt. Falls Man

Describing the Japanese suicide plane attacks and other history-making experiences in recent weeks while with the Pacific fleet, Ned Hutter, navy chief machinist recently wrote to his brother-in-law, Daid Thompson of Butte Falls. Hutter stated that his ship left Pearl Harbor the first of March and that he had seen no land except Japanese islands since then. This long period at sea was a record, he said, but one which he didn't enjoy holding.

Describing several encounters with the enemy of varying intensity Hutter then continued "at dawn the fun began again. They sent in hundreds of bombers and fighters. The bombers that got through would drop their bombs and then come back to strafe the ship with machine guns and cannon fire. We knocked off several with machine guns alone. I watched one fall so close to us that I could have hit the pilot, sitting on the wing, after he had landed in the water, with a pistol. We did not fire at him but the ship astern of us happened to be heading for him and the last seen of him he was diving in the water and pieces of the plane were flying all over."

Carrier Hit
"The carrier next to us had taken on her planes and was refueling and gassing and loading

bombs on them when a suicide pilot came out of the clouds and dropped his bomb dead center on her and then crashed into the parked planes himself. A terrific explosion was the result and the ship caught fire all over and burned and exploded for three hours but never sank. We were then assigned to guard it back to a base. We took it about 200 miles out and then left it and went back into the fight.

"The next day was the same except that all the pilots the Japs sent out were suicide planes. These were just regular bombs, but instead of carrying 2,000 pounds of high explosives in them. They just pick out a ship and crash into it. It is much better that way as they are surer of hitting it, but the minor detail is that they never get a chance to go home and get their medals for bravery. When you hit them in the air, they explode with a blinding flash that lights the sky up for miles. We got several of them and one landed so close to us that it practically swamped the ship with the wave that it threw up on us when it exploded. Several of our men were hurt pretty bad from the force of the explosion."

Woman Pilot
"One of the ships was hit with

a suicide plane and the force of the explosion threw the pilot out. The pilot landed on deck naturally dead, but investigation proved it to be a woman suicide pilot. Since this time we have spotted several more. They come under the heading of pilots and are so killed along with the rest of them. We have captured but two pilots. They were both taken the same day and were taken for questioning. Several times we have thrown ropes over the side for some to climb aboard if they wish. None other than these two ever have. Some just swim away or dive in the water or sit there and look at you.

"Things continued this way for several days and it soon became apparent that the Japs didn't have enough planes to keep it up. Their raids became less and less and on some days we weren't bothered at all. On April 1, Easter Sunday, we effected a landing on the Island of Okinawa. This was the largest amphibious operation of the war. Over 4,000 ships participated in this raid and landing."

Hutter closed by saying that he hoped "this is over soon so we can go hunting and fishing again."

NAB NAZI MONSTER
London, June 7 — (U.P.) — The Luxembourg radio said today that Paul Hoffman, the man responsible for the cremation of Nazi victims at the notorious Majdanek concentration camp, had been arrested in Poland.

SUBSIDY PAYMENT IS DETAILED FOR CATTLE FEEDERS

Washington, June 7 — (U.P.) — The War Food Administration today detailed the method of payment of the subsidy to cattle feeders under the new \$40,000,000 incentive program.

The program, announced last month by War Mobilizer Fred M. Vinson, is designed to encourage feeding of cattle to heavier weights, avoid higher consumer prices and channel more cattle to legitimate slaughterers.

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In applying for payment the feeder must present evidence verifying the date of sale, name of buyer, point of sale, number of head sold, total liveweight, price received and name of slaughterer to whom delivered. The subsidy will be paid on a "drove" basis—that is, applying to the average weight of eligible cattle marketed in a group. Slaughterers who finish cattle

themselves also are eligible for the subsidy.

Chaplin Denied New Trial on Paternity

Hollywood, June 7 — (U.P.) — Superior Judge Clarence L. Kincaid today denied Charlie Chaplin's motion for a new trial of Joan Barry's paternity case against him.

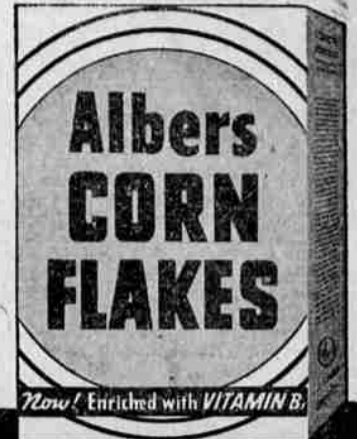
His attorney, Charles E. Millikan, had asked the court for a third trial of her charge. The first resulted in a hung jury and the second left Chaplin the child's legally declared father and paying \$75 a week for her support. Chaplin still has 10 days, however, to appeal to a higher court.

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MURDER AND SUICIDE
San Diego, June 7 — (U.P.) — Woodrow Wilson Haley, 30, stopped his auto in the center of a heavily traveled highway east of here last night and shot

his wife, Gladys, 24, to death and then killed himself with a shot through the head, the coroner's office reported. Deputy Coroner Lloyd Jones said the shooting climaxed an argument



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