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JAP SHIP SOUGHT OFF COAST; TOKYO CLAIMS SEA ADVANTAGE

Philippines Under Two Raid Alarms; 5th Column Eyed

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

AS these words are written (noon Tuesday) enemy planes, presumably Japanese, are believed to have flown over San Francisco last night. No bombs were dropped, indicating that it was a reconnaissance (getting the lay of the land) flight.

Other enemy planes (presumably German) are reported to be nearing the Atlantic Coast. Victoria, Seattle and Portland are hourly expecting the sound of enemy motors overhead. The Panamanian radio says Japanese aircraft are reported to be flying over the Panama coast.

THIS question is in every mind: What purpose lies back of these mysterious and rather spectacular threats—which, of course, may develop at any moment into performance, as in Hawaii?

LET'S do a little guessing here. The REAL PURPOSE is to frighten the American people into demanding that their fleets, both Pacific and Atlantic, be brought back to the home waters to defend American homes and American soil.

If that could be brought about, it would greatly please Germany and Japan.

LET'S do some more guessing. Germany's is the dominating intelligence of the axis. Germany, above everything else, wants to STOP American war materials from reaching the British and the Russians. Germany, at this moment, must have two main objectives: Frightening the American people into demanding:

1. That their fleets be kept in home waters for home defense.
2. That America's total production of war materials be used for American defense.

THESE spectacular threats of air attack on American cities must be designed to further these axis objectives.

HERE is where YOU come into the picture: You can get frightened and join in a clamor to bring the fleets back home and to use our total military production for our OWN defense.

Or you can grit your teeth, tighten up your belt, say to yourself that this is a WORLD war and that you are ready to play YOUR PART in it as such. It is up to you to make the choice.

Light Signals Guided Jap Attackers to Target, Claim

MANILA, Dec. 9 (AP)—Manila underwent two false air raid alarms tonight and National Air-Raid Warden Alfredo Eugenio said he suspected a fifth-column conspiracy was the cause.

Two air alarm workers were arrested and two others were under investigation. The warden said the police were taking over the alarm system immediately and he recommended that the U. S. army take it over tomorrow.

Light Signals
An army spokesman said Japanese fliers raiding the Manila area had been aided by light signals from the ground, marking out certain sections. Military and civil officials are taking every precaution to arrest and punish those responsible for setting off flares, fire-works and other signals, the spokesman said.

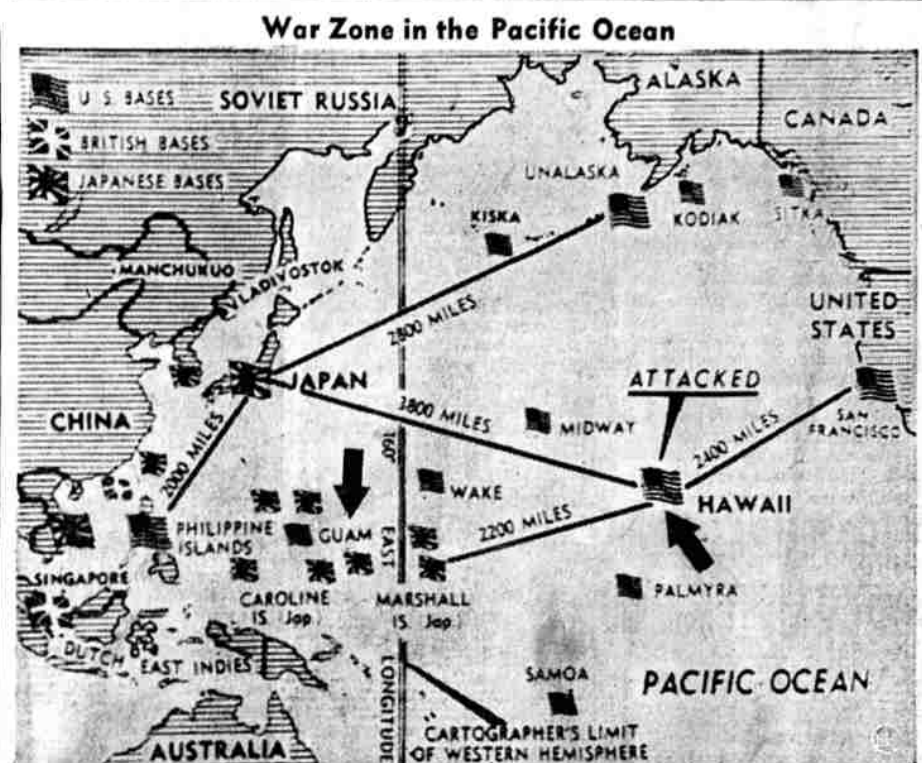
German Hand Seen
At the same time an American flier who participated in this morning's air battles said the Japanese ground-stroking tactics indicated German instruction if not actual German participation in the fighting. The army said it could not verify a report that German fliers took part in the raids or that one German pilot who parachuted from a burning plane had been captured.

BERLIN, Dec. 9 (AP)—A DNB dispatch from Shanghai today quoted the Japanese army spokesman as saying Japanese troops had landed in the Philippines. The spokesman asserted the landing was effected without losses, DNB said. He also told of successful (Continued on Page Two)

Local Defense Board Issues Air Raid Rules

District Attorney L. Orth Sisemore, chairman of air raid precautions for the civilian defense council, stated Tuesday that an ARP program is being organized here but in view of the emergency the following instructions are given the public:

1. For the present, a local air raid warning will consist of prolonged sounds from sirens and whistles, and the following sequence on the city's lighting system:
Black for 10 seconds—turned up for 20 seconds—black again for 10 seconds.
2. Keep Cool.
3. In case of a warning: Stay at home. Get off the street.
Put out lights, stay away from windows.
Don't scream—keep quiet and do not run for shelter—walk!
Don't believe wild rumors; await official notice from local officers.
Keep your radio turned on. If bombs fall, lie down, whether at home or outside. The all-clear signal will come when street lights are turned on.
Sisemore said that in a short time air raid wardens will call on each household and give instructions. He said the above instructions were offered as strictly a precautionary measure.



Above map shows the distances and locations of important points in the new theatre of World War II.

RUSSIA CONTINUES TO REGAIN GROUND

British Declare New Libyan War Shows Important Gain

By The Associated Press
Field Marshal Ewald von Kleist's fleeing German armies of the Ukraine were declared in Soviet dispatches today to have been thrown back beyond Mariupol, 100 miles west of Rostov-on-Don, while on the north African front, Nazi tanks were reported in retreat.

London quarters said that the British imperial army was "getting to the end" of the second phase of the battle of Libya—aimed at annihilation of axis armored forces—and that German tanks had withdrawn after being heavily hammered. Premier Mussolini's high command said violent fighting raged around siege-girt Tobruk but gave no details.

A bulletin from Adolf Hitler's east front headquarters reported merely "local fighting" and Nazi military dispatches emphasized the bitter cold paralyzing movement in the Russian campaign.

Soviet reports, however, declared that Gen. Gregory K. Zhukov's red armies had hurled the Germans back with heavy losses in the Tula sector, 100 miles south of Moscow, and estimated total German casualties at 6,000,000 men in the first five months of the war. The German news agency, DNB, said last night that 10,000,000 Russians had been "knocked out of action."

Legion, VFW Men Asked to Report For Defense Duty

SALEM, Dec. 9 (AP)—Governor Sprague today urged all members of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars to report to their county co-ordinators of the state defense council for assignment to defense duties. The county co-ordinators included: Deschutes—George Simerville, Bend. Harney—William Bennett, Burns. Jackson—Frank Hull, Medford. Josephine—Louis E. Hammer, Grants Pass. Klamath—Earl C. Reynolds, Klamath Falls. Lake—Thornton Gale, Lakeview. Lane—Howard Merriam, Eugene.

WAR BULLETINS

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 (AP)—A Panamanian radio broadcast heard in New York by NBC said Japanese aircraft were reported flying over the Panama coast this morning but no bombs were dropped.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—A declaration that someone responsible for the defense of Hawaii "was asleep" at the time of Japan's lightning attack on Pearl Harbor was made in the house naval committee today by Representative Vincent (D-Ky.).

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—The arrest of approximately 400 Germans and Italians designated as "dangerous aliens" has been begun by the federal bureau of investigation, it was learned today.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—President Roosevelt indicated today that it might be necessary to institute a seven-day week to speed up war industries and he said he was considering calling a conference of labor and industrial leaders to consider an agreement to replace anti-strike legislation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—President Roosevelt placed Japanese, Italian and German in this country in the category of "enemy aliens" today and prescribed by proclamations the conduct they must follow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—The house swiftly completed (Continued on Page Two)

\$10,000 Quota Set For Klamath in Red Cross Drive

Klamath county chapter of the American Red Cross was notified Tuesday that \$10,000 is the quota for Klamath county in the raising of a \$50,000,000 Red Cross war fund. "Again the American Red Cross is called upon to serve our nation in war," wired Norman H. Davis. Both nationally and locally we face vast and definite responsibilities for service to our armed forces and for the relief of distressed civilians. . . . We must not and shall not fail in this crisis. Earl K. Egan, chairman of the Klamath chapter, said that steps had been taken immediately to raise the Klamath quota. He said in view of the situation concerning the Red Cross, there should be an immediate and general response to the appeal. President Roosevelt will issue a statement on the Red Cross campaign Friday.

CANADIANS REPORT AIR RAIDERS NEAR

Jap Forces Declared In Aleutian Isles Off Alaska

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 9 (AP)—British Columbia coastal districts bristled today in a state of emergency preparedness following warnings by military and civic leaders that an attack on the Pacific northwest coast was "imminent" and that the Japanese were off the Aleutian islands and "we expect them here any time."

Mayor Andrew McGavin made the statement concerning Japanese off the Aleutians and said the situation "is very serious."

His statement came as heads of the army and air force here warned the blackout ordered for coastal districts of the province last night was "not a practice blackout but the real thing" and that "there is every reason to believe there will be an air attack on the northwest."

Later western air command headquarters issued a statement warning that an air attack on the Pacific northwest coast was "still imminent."

A report from sources which can not be ignored indicates that an air attack on the Pacific northwest coast is still imminent. Therefore the blackout is to continue each night until this imminent danger passes. . . . It is drawn to your attention that the tactics used by the Japanese forces have been suddenness and surprise, arriving at dusk or dawn, or during the night, being directed by lights.

Roosevelt to Speak Tonight!

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (UP)—White House secretary, Stephen T. Early, announced tonight that President Roosevelt will make a nationwide broadcast at 7 p. m. (PST) tomorrow to give "a more complete documentation" of the Japanese attack on Hawaii, the Philippines, and other areas. Early said the broadcast, over all networks, will be for half an hour. He said the speech will contain information on hostilities in greater detail than "has as yet been possible."

JAPAN TRYING TO LURE U. S. FLEET, CLAIM

Coastal Air Threats Intended to Panic Public, Belief

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—A far-flung Japanese effort to lure the United States into withdrawing its main battle fleet to home waters appeared to be under way today as part of an almost incredibly daring plan for a swift rout of all American military and naval power in the far east.

This was the interpretation which some informed quarters here placed on the bold aerial reconnaissance of the San Francisco area last night, the reports of officials in Vancouver, B. C., that Japanese naval units were off the Aleutian islands, and the expectation in Canada that an attack on the Pacific Northwest was imminent.

Pattern Seen
Experts keeping tab on Japan's rapid utilization of the initial advantages gained at the start of the war Sunday by their surprise attack on Pearl harbor, pieced the puzzle of seemingly scattered actions into this significant pattern:

The Japanese grand strategy appears to call for immobilizing the powerful U. S. Pacific fleet as the first major move of the war.

The first action designed to this end was the devastating raid on Pearl harbor. Full results of this yet remain to be disclosed.

In itself this attack had the effect of greatly narrowing the Pacific ocean in a naval sense and even raised the possibility that, under a favorable combination of circumstances, the very coast of the United States might be temporarily vulnerable to hit-and-run operations.

Quickly taking advantage of the initiative gained, the Japanese—as all evidence indicated today—apparently had maneuvered an aircraft carrier clear across 5200 miles of the Pacific to the very shores of California and sent reconnaissance planes roaring landward through the night.

The results were air raid warnings, blacked out cities—in a word, the war was brought to the doorstep of millions of Americans who but two days before had believed such a thing virtually impossible.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 (AP)—The British radio said late today that the Chungking government of Chiang Kai-Shek had declared war on Japan, Germany and Italy. NBC heard the London broadcast.

Coast Areas Get Taste of War

In Wide Blackout, Radio Ban

By The Associated Press
The grim impact of war—and the sudden realization that the Pacific northwest might at any time become the "front line" in the United States conflict with Japan—was felt in every blacked out home, structure and street last (Monday) night. Blackouts were ordered from the Canadian line to the Mexican border along the Pacific coast. In Seattle the blackout was characterized by a mob estimated at 1000 persons, including several women, which thronged the city's busiest intersections and made itself a self-appointed "lights-out" delegation. Windows were shattered, lighting displays were smashed, merchandise was looted from broken

Patrols Ranging 600 Miles From U. S. Coastline

New York 'Raids' Only Test for Defense Plans

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 (AP)—The eastern seaboard's first air raid alarm, which sent interceptor planes roaring out to sea and electrified the nation's most thickly populated area, was followed by a difference of opinion today as to whether it was the real thing or just a rehearsal.

J. W. Farley, executive director of the Massachusetts committee on public safety, said in Boston that "the army and navy now informs us that this was a dress rehearsal."

Major General Herbert A. Dargue, commander of the first air force: "I don't think this was a rehearsal." Later, General Dargue said, (Continued on Page Two)

SAN FRANCISCO IN TWO NIGHT ALARMS

Two Enemy Squadrons Detected by Army Defense Posts

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9 (AP)—The army and navy were on the prowl today for an enemy aircraft carrier which army authorities said sent at least two squadrons of planes in reconnaissance flights over industrial plants ringing San Francisco bay—without dropping a bomb.

The 30-odd planes ranged from San Jose at the south tip of the bay to the huge naval yard at Mare Island, the fourth army interceptor command reported.

Planes Followed
The flight caused the first blackout in San Francisco's history. Two other blackouts followed in the darkness of early morning, but army authorities did not disclose whether enemy planes again approached.

Army interceptor planes followed the first of the enemy squadrons, but were unable to determine where they finally went. The navy then took up a search for a plane carrier, presumably lurking off California's coast, and possibly 500 or 600 miles at sea.

"I don't think there's any doubt the planes came from a carrier," said Lieut. General John L. DeWitt, commander of the fourth army and the western defense command. San Francisco learned of the (Continued on Page Two)

Attack Threat Brings Blackout, Defense Rush on Coast

SEATTLE, Dec. 9 (AP)—Planes from Portland and Seattle area bases flew criss-cross patterns high above the Pacific ocean from 600 miles to sea back to the coastline today, seeking two or three Japanese aircraft carriers and some submarines reported operating offshore.

Brig. Gen. Carlyle H. Wash, head of the 2nd interceptor command, said blackouts will continue. He permitted commercial broadcasting to resume within a 100-mile radius of Seattle at 10:45 a. m., today after a 15-hour hiatus, but said imminence of attack might cause a shutdown as early as 3 p. m., today.

Blackout Set
Tonight's blackout, covering all Oregon and Washington west of the Cascades, tentatively will start at 12:30 a. m., but the start actually will depend on the imminence of attack.

At 9:19 a. m., General Wash had station KIRO, the 50,000-watt station which remained on the air last night to carry official announcements, broadcast a terse statement that "there has been no change in the situation. The possibility of air attack is still present."

Radio Programs
Radio stations were swamped with calls as to when they would resume commercial programs, and Col. G. P. Tourtelot of the northwest defense command, brought home the war condition bluntly with the announcement that:

"The time has passed when we're trying to please the public with radio programs. 'We're trying to save their lives.' 'We know what's best for them, and they've got to realize that this is war!'"

Until the presence of hostile craft in the North Pacific area disproved, he added, "Seattle's defense and the coast's defense comes first."

General Wash said the aerial hunt would cover a strip of ocean 600 miles wide and as far north and south as possible. He said planes would go out the full distance, then fly a criss-cross pattern toward shore, at a high altitude.

"Every hour that passes lessens the chance of a surprise attack," he said.

Homicide Charge Filed in Merrill Auto Accident

A charge of negligent homicide was filed last night by state police against Alex McDaniels of Merrill, driver of the car which crashed into the rear of a parked truck west of Merrill Sunday, taking the life of Leona Burnett, 21-year-old Merrill waitress. State police also filed a charge of parking on the highway against William Boyd Davis, driver of the truck. The fatality was the 20th in Klamath county since January 1.

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