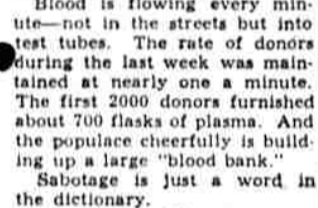


HAWAII NOW IS 20TH CENTURY BUNKER HILL

By FRANCIS McCARTHY HONOLULU, Dec. 17 (UP)—"Let 'em come back and get what's waiting for 'em now—Hawaii has been battered—but she's up from the canvas and ready to start swinging. The nights are long and dark, as they must be in war. The hot spots are closed—from the famous Royal Hawaiian hotel to the sailors' hangouts on Hotel Street. People go to bed these nights. "Honoluluans are going to live healthy lives—sleeping at night and digging in the daytime," an army officer said. Gasoline was rationed Monday—10 gallons a month. There is plenty of food. Every man must build bomb shelters for his family. Newspapers carry plans showing how to build them. Buildings are sandbagged. Barbed wire and trenches meet the eye everywhere. Windows are taped to keep them from shattering when—and if—bombs fall again. Territorial guards, with bayonets fixed on their glistening rifles, watch every strategic point. Life during the day goes on almost as usual. Pineapples still grow. Sugar cane is cut. And bathers frolic once again on the beach at Waikiki. Return Home Patrol ships steam along the blue horizon—planes roar overhead, friendly planes this time. They seem to shout: "We're ready—come on back and get it." Evacuees have returned to their homes in military areas. The big guns boomed the other day all around this island of Oahu for four hours. Their blasts were welcome ones. The guns were being "proofed"—tested. Sale of liquor is prohibited. Crime is at an unprecedented low. It was announced. Blood is flowing every minute—not in the streets but into test tubes. The rate of donors during the last week was maintained at nearly one a minute. The first 2000 donors furnished about 700 flasks of plasma. And the populace cheerfully is building up a large "blood bank." Sabotage is just a word in the dictionary. A Good Laugh The stars and stripes flutter everywhere—"They can't lick us." These islands no longer are a tourists' paradise—they're an outpost of democracy's defenses, a 20th century Bunker Hill. Sunday night two officers left their headquarters at Fort Shafter to get a cup of coffee. It was pitch dark when they returned. They got off the path and fell head first into a newly dug trench in front of their headquarters. All concerned had a good laugh. Sunday morning a civilian guard was posted at the door to the engine room of a sampan (Japanese fishing boat). He was ordered to let no one enter. And he obeyed those orders. He held off five men and an officer assigned to run the engine. Later, the same guard saw some Japanese sticking their heads out from behind a nearby lumber pile. "Come out—with your hands up," the guard ordered. About 30 little Japanese stepped out. The guard thought he was the Sergeant York of this war. It later developed the Japanese were aliens who had been rounded up and already were under guard. They took refuge behind a lumber pile when they thought an air raid was on. We even have Tarzan on our side. Edgar Rice Burroughs, creator of the famous jungle character, is a Honolulu resident. He volunteered his services to the army—to write cheery local news.

Chester A. Arthur, one of the presidents of the United States, was a school teacher.

To Near East



William C. Bullitt goes to Libyan battlefield as President Roosevelt's special representative in the Near East.

PTA Notes

MILLS
Members of Mills PTA held their annual December meeting Wednesday of last week. Mothers visited their children's rooms until 2:30 p. m. when school was dismissed. Refreshments were then served in the cafeteria by the refreshment chairman and committee. A business meeting was called at 3 p. m. by the president, Mrs. L. A. Shinn. Mrs. Badger led singing of two patriotic numbers. The fourth grade tonette band played several enjoyable pieces accompanied by Miss Records at the piano. Billy Carter, grade six, presented a recitation, "Just Fore Christmas," which was appropriate at this time of the year. Mrs. Foster spoke on her junior American citizenship class and showed members a sample of some of the work done which was a pretty stamped quilt top. A defense plant sale was held at the school Friday, December 12, with \$128.40 worth of 10 and 25-cent stamps sold. The next sale will be held later. Mothers council met December 10 at the community hall, 2160 Gardene avenue, with the Rev. Eugene V. Haynes as leader. The next meeting was changed due to Christmas holidays to December 16 between 10 and 11 a. m.

MODOC POINT
Following a brief business meeting presided over by Mrs. Robert Carson, president, members of Modoc Point PTA enjoyed a Christmas program Thursday, December 11, in the community hall. A beautifully lighted Christmas tree with presents piled beneath it and a table decorated with lighted Christmas candles provided a perfect setting for the following program: Singing of "O Come, All Ye Faithful," "Jingle Bells," "Silent Night," and "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing," by members accompanied at the piano by Mrs. S. E. Rife. Panel discussion, "Christmas in Many Lands," France, by Mrs. Armal Stump; Argentina, Mrs. W. B. Bickers; China and India, Mrs. Dent Savage; England, Mrs. Carson; Germany, Mrs. William Helm; Norway, Mrs. S. E. Rife; World war, Mrs. W. Williams; first Finland and Denmark, Mrs. O. Nelson; Belgium, Mrs. Floyd Johnson. A gift exchange followed the discussion with Santa Claus arriving in time to present Christmas mugs and gift to each person. Refreshments were served by Mrs. C. Crutchfield, Mrs. M. Briscoe and Mrs. J. Corliss.

PELICAN
The regular meeting of the Pelican PTA will be held in the school auditorium Friday, Dec. 19, at 12:45 p. m. After the business session there will be a Christmas program by the children who will then return to their room for the annual Christmas treat.

WEYERHAEUSER CAMP 4
The Weyerhaeuser Camp 4 PTA study club met December 11 at the home of Mrs. Claude Hollingworth with a good attendance. Mrs. Tom Tenney and Mrs. Earl Cruickshank presented subjects from the National Parent-Teacher for December. The card club met Wednesday with Mrs. Tom Tenney as

hostess. The members enjoyed a gift exchange and tree.

MOTHERSINGERS
There will be a meeting to reorganize the PTA Mothersingers on Thursday, December 17, in room 9 of Fremont school at 7:30 p. m. All interested PTA members are asked to come and bring along others who wish to join the group.

PELICAN
The Pelican study club met at the home of Mrs. W. C. Lyon at 1 o'clock Thursday, December 4. The very interesting topic of "Husband and Wife Relationship," was discussed. The group is invited to Mrs. Nels Hansen's home in Wocous for the meeting January 8 at 1 p. m. The topic will be, "Parent and Child Relationship." All parents interested are cordially invited to attend.

RIVERSIDE
An interesting program was presented before the Riverside PTA at the December meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 9. Fredrick, music teacher, presented the fifth and sixth grades in carols with the membership joining in during the afternoon. Lillie Darby presented the recently organized Riverside orchestra which played two numbers, and the new tonette band, made up of fourth graders, also appeared in several numbers.

Mrs. Howard Barnhigel was elected vice president of the PTA during the business meeting. Later seventh grade mothers served tea. The next meeting will be held January 20 when fifth grade mothers will entertain.

If it is a Gun for his Xmas—The Gun Store is the place. Puckett and Houston—714 Main.

Union Plans to Use Funds for Bonds

The green light on a Teamsters' union (AFL) plan to purchase defense bonds with union funds was given at the last regular meeting of the group. Business Agent Earl Edsall revealed Wednesday. He said that a decision as to the amount of the purchase was scheduled to be made Wednesday night at a meeting of the board of trustees.

Mt. Laki

Don (Bud) West, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. West who has been stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., for the past nine months, arrived at Portland, Ore., Tuesday morning, December 16 on furlough. He was met

in Portland by friends who will motor here.

Mrs. Wallace Thompson and son, Roger, of Ontario, Ore., arrived Tuesday night to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Semon and Mr. Thompson's folks, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Thompson. Mr. Thompson is attending a conference meeting of the agriculture agents at Corvallis. He will join his family here after December 20.

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