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| PRECIPITATION | As of February 28, 1942 |
| Present stream year | 3.82 |
| Last year to date | 3.52 |
| Normal to that date | 7.97 |

Blackout Signal

One 5-minute blast on sirens and whistles is the signal for a blackout in Klamath Falls. Another long blast, during a blackout, is a signal for all-clear. In precautionary periods, watch your street lights.

U. S. SUBS SINK JAP WARSHIPS

Japs Claim Indies Taken

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR GENERAL HUBERTUS VAN MOOK arrives in Australia today from Java. He has with him a party of Dutch officials, both civil and military. They took off from Java, the dispatches tell us, from the last strip of runway available.

Arriving in Australia, he says: "We are here to collect all the forces we can get together to CONTINUE the struggle."

THAT is by this time an old story.

It was thus that a little remnant of Poles gathered after the fall of their country to continue the struggle.

Likewise Holland Dutch, and Belgians, and Norwegians, and Yugoslavs, and Greeks, and Free French. Now the East Indies Dutch.

All had DEFENDED their countries.

In each of these cases, the strategy of defense has failed.

WHY?
 In an effort to answer that pertinent question, let's do a little historical thinking.

It may be good for us.

THE machine gun, by multiplying the fire power of the defenders unbelievably, gave the advantage to the defense. World War No. 1 was essentially a war of defense, fought from trenches and pillboxes.

Against these deadly instruments of defense, the Germans wore themselves out and were eventually driven back and compelled to give up.

The success of the defense, made possible by the multiplied fire power of the machine gun, gave rise to a DEFENSIVE SCHOOL of military thinking.

By the beginning of this war, the defense was granted an advantage of at least three to one. That is to say, it was held that one soldier on the defense was the equal of THREE on the offense.

Some authorities put the defense advantage as high as four to one.

THE Germans, wasting their strength against the deadly fire power of a successful defense, were finally beaten. But their military men didn't commit suicide. They stayed on.

Some of them STARTED THINKING.

Out of their thinking came a new concept of warfare based upon teamwork between the air plane, which is able to FLY OVER trenches and pill boxes and their machine guns, and the armored tank, which stops machine gun bullets.

This offensive team, backed up by trained infantry carried in motor vehicles and thus able to move swiftly from place to place, searching out the defenders' weak spot and striking hard, UPSET the advantage the machine gun and its terrific fire power had given to the defense.

Our first shock of amazement came when we learned how really small were the German forces that had shattered France.

THERE is nothing new about this shift of advantage from the defense to the offense. Always men have sought to DEFEND themselves. Always emphasis in thinking has tended to fall most heavily on defense.

The phalanx was a device of defense. Upon its massed spears the attackers dashed themselves to death.

Body armor and walled castles were DEFENSE devices, which for a long period turned the advantage in favor of the defense.

Open order infantry and train-

INVADERS WIN Foothold ON NEW GUINEA

Potential Bases for Attacks on North Australia Seen

MELBOURNE, Australia, March 9 (AP)—Strong Japanese landings were engaged today in consolidating two footholds which they won on the northeast coast of New Guinea yesterday in lightning thrusts covered by the big guns of warships.

The landings — at Salamaua and Lae, the capital of New Guinea — forged another link in the chain of potential invasion bases threatening Australia, and the commonwealth cabinet was summoned hastily to an emergency session to decide upon measures to meet the new danger.

Scorched Earth
 New defense regulations gave the commonwealth military authorities power to carry out complete destruction of roads, railroads, canals, waterworks, airfields, docks and wharves necessary for Australia's defense.

Ten heavy Japanese bombers attacked Port Moresby, only 150 miles and an hour's flying time from Salamaua, the Australian air ministry announced at Canberra. Port Moresby is only 300 miles from the Australian mainland.

Bombs caused some damage, but there was no casualties.

Reports from Sydney said 400 men and 1800 women and children reached safety in Australia from New Guinea. All of the men were elderly or unfit for military service.

The Sydney Morning Herald predicted that the next move of the Japanese would be an all-out air assault on Port Moresby, which can be reached in less than an hour by planes based at Salamaua. Port Moresby already has been bombed several times from out-lying Japanese bases.

An air ministry communique announcing the landings said Australian warplanes had struck back at the invasion armada before the Japanese had completed their operations and had scored direct hits on ships.

Credit Buying Again Slashed By U. S. Order

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—The federal reserve board has laid down new installment buying regulations which will cut the credit period from 18 to 15 months on most articles commonly purchased on time and require a greater down payment. The order, announced yesterday, is effective March 23.

Exempted from the new time limit were residential modernization, plumbing, furnaces, water heaters, water pumps and pianos.

Down payment minima were increased as follows: refrigerators, washing machines, ironers, vacuum cleaners, electric dishwashers, room unit air conditioners, sewing machines, radios, phonographs and musical instruments; from 20 per cent to 33 1-3; furnaces, water heaters, water pumps and plumbing; from 15 per cent to 20; home air conditioning systems and air ventilating fans, from 15 per cent to 33 1-3.

Added to the list of articles under new regulations were bicycles, lawn mowers, silverware and photographic equipment, on which a 33 1-3 per cent down payment will be required, and

Flying Boat Dives in River; Eight Killed

TONGUE POINT, Ore., March 9 (AP)—Attempts were made today to salvage a big Catalina flying boat which nose-dived into the Columbia river on a take-off attempt yesterday, carrying a naval lieutenant and seven enlisted men to their deaths.

Only the navigator, Ensign H. R. Garrett of Fort Worth, Tex., survived. He was thrown clear as the seaplane, taking off on a patrol flight, plunged into the river after a brief rise and sank almost immediately.

The victims as announced by the 13th naval district headquarters at Seattle: Lieut. Charles J. Reimann, Shelbville, Ind., the pilot.

Robert H. Bryant, aviation metallmith, San Jose, Calif. Marvin E. Crump, machinist. (Continued on Page Two)

MALAY CONQUEROR TAKES LUZON POST

General Yamashita to Oppose MacArthur In Bataan War.

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—The war department announced today that the Japanese conqueror of Malaya, General Tomoyuki Yamashita, had been transferred to command of the invaders in the Philippines.

General Yamashita succeeds Lieutenant General Masaharu Homma, who is reported to have committed suicide because of chagrin over his failure to destroy General Douglas MacArthur's outnumbered defending force.

The shift of commanders was reported in a communique which said for the past 24 hours, fighting had ceased altogether on the Bataan peninsula front.

Some 600 miles to the south, however, brisk skirmishes were reported in the vicinity of Digos, on Davao island, on the southern Philippine island of Mindanao.

The nature of developments in Mindanao, where the Japanese have extended their occupation from the area around the city of Davao to the city of Zamboanga, was not disclosed.

General Yamashita, the new commander in chief, has established field headquarters at San Fernando, in Pamanga province some 40 miles from the Bataan front lines.

13 Points Cited In Appeal From Zuckerman Verdict

STOCKTON, Calif., March 9 (AP)—All 13 points for granting a new trial were cited by the defense today in arguments seeking a re-hearing for Maurice Zuckerman, 63, convicted of manslaughter for the bar room killing of Otto Dander.

Defense attorney John Taaffe took particular exception to Superior Judge C. W. Miller's instruction to the jury that a man must exhaust all means of flight before killing another man in self defense. Taaffe cited supreme court decisions that a man was entitled to stand his ground and could kill in self defense rather than retreat.

Zuckerman, a wealthy produce broker, shot and fatally injured Dander, prominent Stockton American Legionnaire, after Dander had repeatedly struck him in a bar room fight last Armistice day.

BRITISH BLAST RANGOON PORT, LEAVING CITY

5000 British, U. S. Troops Captured, Tokyo Reports

By CLYDE A. FARNSWORTH Associated Press War Editor

The Japanese claimed mastery today of all the Dutch East Indies, hitherto a barricade on the invasion road to Australia, and appeared to have planned a secure foot in the Burma doorway to India, where they reported the winning of Rangoon.

The British war office insisted as late as 8:20 a. m., PWT that it was still in communication with Rangoon, but a British announcement at New Delhi said that the defenders were withdrawing after dynamiting facilities of value to the enemy in that great port city.

88,000 Captured

The Japanese declared that Rangoon had been occupied since Sunday.

The Dutch had not yet confirmed the Japanese account of general capitulation and unconditional surrender in Java. Tokyo said that 98,000 soldiers gave up at the last two strong points, Bandoeng and Soerabaja, and that besides the main Dutch force the captives included 5000 British and American soldiers.

If true, the loss in manpower was greater than in Malaya and Singapore.

"Whatever the outcome of military operations in the Netherlands East Indies," said a Dutch government statement, "the powers of the Netherlands East Indies authorities there, whether military or civil, do not extend beyond arrangements regarding cessation of local military operations."

No Retreat

Bandoeng, war capital of the NEI and the last main seat of resistance. (Continued on Page Two)

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All inquiries relative to proposed large public gatherings should be sent to Spitzbart.

General De Witt said that any approval of public gatherings might be withdrawn at any time, and that no approval would be given more than three months in advance. Any approval will be given on the understanding that the enemy situation will not get worse.

In areas where blackouts are probable, such events will be limited to daylight operation.

Plans for proposed large public gatherings west of the Cascades, where such gatherings have an estimated attendance of more than 5000, must be submitted. (Continued on Page Two)

Snyder for New Term, Fails to Try Congress Race

Representative Burt Snyder of Lakeview on Monday filed his candidacy for re-election.

Snyder is the first legislative candidate in these parts to declare himself definitely. He is a republican, and represented Lake and Deschutes counties in the legislature two years ago.

Snyder's filing eliminates him as a possibility in the second district congressional race. That race now are Lowell Stockman of Pendleton and Marvin Klemme of Burns, while Congressman Pierce is still alone on the democratic side.

Still publicly silent on their plans are State Representatives Harry Bolvin and Henry Semon, democrats of Klamath county.

2000 Acres of Lower Lake Land To Be Open to Lease

Approximately 2000 acres of land on the east side of Lower Klamath lake in California will be thrown open for grazing and agriculture, according to the United States bureau of reclamation and sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. March 18 at which time they will be opened, it was announced Monday.

All leases will be made for the period ending December 31, 1942, with the option to extend the term of the lease for successive additional periods of one year each, but in no event beyond December 31, 1946.

No potatoes shall be grown on

Four Dead, Scores Injured in Munitions Blast



This debris resulted when a truck and trailer loaded with 30,000 pounds of munitions exploded near Smithfield, N. C., killing at least four persons and left in a wreckage of a roadside hotel which was demolished.

CROWDS RESTRICTED IN OREGON REGIONS

Permits Required to Hold Big Public Gatherings

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Alert Sounded in Portland Area

SAN FRANCISCO, March 9 (AP)—The Portland coastal area underwent a 45-minute air raid alert Saturday night, the western air defense announced, on orders of the 4th interceptor command controlled at Portland. The alert was called at 10 p. m., on reports of unidentified aircraft offshore, and the all-clear was signaled at 10:45 "when investigations did not bear out the first reports," officers said.

F. R. May Speak On Farm Prices

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—Administration opposition to a rider barring sales of surplus crops at below parity prices faced a test today as the house plunged into its sixth day of debate on the \$695,000,000 agriculture appropriations bill.

Congressional sources predicted that President Roosevelt, Vice President Wallace and Secretary of Agriculture Wickard would back up the administration opposition in radio talks tonight. The White House would not confirm or deny this report.

The talks are scheduled at 6:45 p. m., PWT to a series of community farm dinners. Mr. Roosevelt is expected to talk about five minutes.

Ceiling on Pine Prices Revised By Henderson

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP) Price Administrator Leon Henderson established new ceilings today for western pine lumber, slightly increasing the maximum prices which can be charged.

The order was issued after lumbermen had protested the ceiling levels decreed on February 3. Meetings were held with office of price administration officials here.

The new prices, covering species accounting for about 21 per cent of the nation's total lumber production, brings the quotations more closely into line with those prevailing in the period October 1-15, 1941, Henderson said.

Covered by the revision are prices on ponderosa pine in select, shop, commons, box lumber and "moulding or better" grades; Idaho pine, and to some extent sugar pine.

In select grades of ponderosa pine, prices for specified widths were increased in a majority of cases, but there was virtually no change in random widths.

Box lumber, a small mill product. (Continued on Page Two)

Entertainment to Send Selectees Off To Camp Tonight

Special entertainment tonight in the Klamath army will comprise Klamath Falls' farewell to 132 county selective registrants, scheduled for departure for army training camps Tuesday morning.

Men have been ordered to report to the army at eight o'clock. They will be given final instructions by members of the two county draft boards and presented with stationery and writing kits by the boards.

The youths comprise the largest group of draftees to leave Klamath Falls since inception of the draft act a year and one-half ago.

Friends and relatives have been invited to attend tonight's armory festivities. Motion pictures and music have been planned.

Prisoner Dies Of Heart Attack At City Jail

Hans Hansen, 911 Walnut avenue, was found dead late Saturday afternoon in the trusty's room of the city jail by fellow jailmates, according to city police.

Hansen was arrested Wednesday on a vagrancy charge and was serving time. He complained of feeling ill earlier in the afternoon and officers took care of him. Death was due to a heart attack, according to Dr. George H. Adler, county coroner. There are no relatives in Klamath county, police said.

Brazil Freighter Sunk; Crew Saved

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 9 (AP)—The 7878-ton Brazilian freighter Arabutan was sunk Saturday night, 70 miles off Newport News, Virginia, but all aboard were saved. Permission to publish the news was given today.

The Arabutan, the third Brazilian vessel sunk off the east coast of the United States, was operated by the Lloyd National line.

Besides her 51 crew members, it was reported here that she also had aboard some members of a Brazilian tanker which is being repaired in the United States.

PLANE CARRIER OUT OF ACTION NAVY DECLARES

Three Cruisers Also Hit By Torpedoes In Past Week

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP) The navy announced today that U. S. submarines in the western Pacific had sunk a Japanese destroyer and naval tanker and put out of action an aircraft carrier and three cruisers.

The submarine actions covered the week ending March 6. They raised to 18 the total of Japanese vessels sunk by United States submarines and to 138 the total of all types of enemy ships sunk by the army and navy in the western Pacific.

Word of the sinking was given on in navy communique number 52 of the war, based on reports received up to 1:30 p. m. (PWT) today.

The communique said: Far East—During the week ending March 6, United States submarines operating in Far Eastern waters reported the following casualties inflicted on the naval forces of the enemy: "One destroyer leader—sunk. "One large naval tanker—sunk. "Ships damaged and definitely put out of action: "One aircraft carrier—two torpedo hits. "One cruiser—one torpedo hit. "One cruiser—two torpedo hits. "These vessels have not been mentioned previously in any other communique. "There is nothing to report from other areas."

A destroyer leader was described as a large destroyer which served as a leader of a flotilla of such vessels.

The aircraft carrier was not identified as either a regular warship or a converted merchant ship. Previously the navy had reported sinking one aircraft carrier and the probable sinking of another, and the army had reported that a third had been damaged.

Train Wreck Kills Seven; Three-wed Inquiry Ordered

GRANBY, Mo., March 9 (AP)—Three investigating bodies assembled evidence today in the collision of two Frisco passenger trains, one of them carrying troops, in which seven persons were killed and 27 others injured.

The accident occurred late Saturday on a trestle near this southwest Missouri town. Of 232 soldiers, all recruits from Camp Grant, Ill., four were killed and 20 injured. The other victims were trainmen of the special and the Will Rogers.

Besides the railroad, the army named a board of inquiry and Dr. J. R. Reynolds, Newton county coroner, swore in a jury for an inquest.

L. B. Clary, division superintendent of the railroad, said the cause of the accident had not been determined.

RENO LICENSES

RENO, March 9 (AP)—Marriage licenses issued here included: Vernon DuBois, 19, and Frances Chambers, 16, both Klamath Falls; Omar L. Bel-lows, 27, and Beatrice F. Braker, 21, both Klamath Falls.

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