

# Selby Describes Landings On Philippines in Letter

Arnold Selby, MM 3/c in the S. navy and a former outstanding Pelican football player, written his parents here a hand account of the landing on an island in the invasion of the Philippines. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Selby.

Here is a part of the letter, dated on November 12 from Pacific navy base:

Well Dad, now it can be told. I were in on the invasion of the Philippines, I can't tell you which island or any dates. The we went in, the big boys (ships) layed down a barrage, and I really mean a barrage. I'll bet there wasn't a ace of ground 6' x 6' that didn't been hit. They started a fire which burned very.

Then the soldiers went in. We didn't see them after they were about a mile from the p. The noise was terrific, the destroyers were putting the 5-inch shells in there like shot gun shells, they were really pouring in. After the troops went in, I watched them shell and dive bomb a hill. It didn't look like anything could live on there as the boys really plastered that hill, but the Japs hits some of our ships with mortar fire from the same hill, later on.

We went in close to the beach next morning. All day we could hear small arms and machine gun fire. There were a snipers that kept filtering through our lines. The jungle is pretty dense and it makes it easy them to come in.

A lot of rather a few of us came in dressed like the natives. When the natives came in these Japs would come in in a basket on their heads. They would hold their hands in a basket. In the basket they carried grenades. I didn't hear anyone getting hurt by them. All the second day our big were being set up on the beach. That night they opened on the big hill. It was some fireworks. All night long flames were lighting the sky. It was kind of funny, with these parachute flares as they drifted down, we could see the shadow of their "chutes" spinning and against the clouds.

Just after dark we heard all arms fire coming from a hill where there was an observation post. The next day, I heard that a couple of Japs got in, cut off the lookouts on the beach. The soldiers these Japs and good.

We had a lot of their water aboard so we had to take ashore. We volunteered to go so that we could get a good look at the beach. It started to rain just as we landed our first and we got plenty wet. The natives were there watching and some of them helped under the small boats. They were sorry looking sight.

Most of them were wearing flap clothes, the stuff was so wet that it looked like it would smother if you touched it. Some of them had old dungarees that were almost all patches. They were aboard when we beached the LST and tried to get some of them. We gave them all our clothes for the Jap money they had.

We gave fruit and candy to the kids. You should have in the way they went after it. Most of the kids were in just undershirt made of burlap came down just below their mach.

There weren't many teen-age kids—the Japs took most of them. There were just the old very young people left. I can't see a native with a pair shoes on.

We had a lot of air alerts, but very few planes, the most any time was four and they were so high that we could just

# SUGAR SITUATION BECOMES WORSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (AP)—The sugar situation is getting worse and the shortage may be prolonged, the commerce department reported today.

The decrease in shipments of raw sugar from the Caribbean in recent weeks was given as the main reason.

This decrease came at a time when sugar refiners had expected to be in position to fill a backlog of accumulated orders. The department said it may force curtailment of refinery operations.

The commerce department said nothing about changes in sugar rationing. But the worsening situation clearly indicated the possibility of a cut in rationing of sugar for industrial users who have been the first to be affected by a reduced supply.

Commerce department officials said the decrease in receipts of raw sugar is largely due to the diversion of ships to other routes.

They said another factor in the shortage is the small beet crop of 1943, which is apportioned over 1944 and now is "catching up with us."

Arrivals of raw sugar in the first 10 months of the year were 500,000 tons above the same period of 1943. However, in those same months domestic consumption ran 600,000 tons ahead of last year. The department said year-end stocks will be "materially lower" than the 1,760,000 tons on hand at the end of 1943.

# INFORMATION FILED AGAINST WAITRESS

YAKIMA, Dec. 5 (AP)—A state-wide search for a 19-year-old Toppensish waitress, Virginia Ivey, was given added impetus today with filing of an information in Yakima superior court charging the girl with first degree murder. The information was filed by Prosecutor Lloyd L. Wiehl.

The girl has been sought since November 25 when the body of five-year-old Thomas William Owen, known as "Butch" Langley, was found in her Toppensish apartment. Dr. W. H. Banks, coroner, said the child was beaten to death.

The boy had been left in Miss Ivey's care by his foster mother, Mrs. Grace Langley, who was living in Multnomah, Idaho.

(A "pick-up-on-sight" order issued to Seattle police said the girl might be found under any one of the following names: Sharon Lee Powers, Virginia Stump, Ruth McDonald, Evelyn Husetament or Eva Jensen.)

# Ireland Elected Head of Hotel Group

PORTLAND, Dec. 5 (AP)—The Oregon State Hotel association's executive committee elected Dean Ireland, manager of the Multnomah hotel, Portland, president of the association at a meeting here yesterday.

C. E. McLean, Eugene, was named first vice president; E. O. Stratton, Pendleton, second vice president, and Ed A. Fetting, Portland, third vice president. Val Austin, Portland, was elected secretary and Stanley Smith, Portland, treasurer.

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