

YANKS SLASH JAP DEFENSES; TRAP 25,000

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Japanese paratroopers bent on sabotage, caught the Nipponese strategists unaware. At the hour of landing, a 13-ship enemy reinforcement convoy bound for Ormoc was spotted and it was wiped out, together with the 4000 troops and equipment aboard, during the day by fighter planes.

The Leyte campaign, slated for more than a month by sterns and Japanese reinforcements after swift conquest of its eastern side, roared into high gear on the third anniversary of Pearl Harbor Day.

19 Ships Sunk

In all, 19 enemy ships, including seven destroyers, were sunk Thursday off Leyte in troop-carrying operations while planes elsewhere in the Philippines areas blasted nine cargo vessels.

Sixty-two Nipponese planes were shot down over and around Leyte at a cost of five U. S. planes whose pilots were rescued.

Army Maj. Richard I. Bong, of Poplar, Wis., celebrating his award of the Congressional Medal of Honor, bagged two to run his score as America's leading war ace in all theaters to 38.

The army's 49th fighter plane group pushed its record toll of enemy aircraft above 600 by downing 15.

MAY SAYS NO TIME FOR TALK ON LABOR

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gram, and that would be unfortunate.

Asked by Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) if he objected to debate on such a question, May said he did not, but declared:

"There is a difference between a time limit and eternity."

Tracking Workers

His testimony before the senate war investigating committee came as WMC prepared to track down straying workers and get them back to their benches.

Plans are being laid also, at a meeting of WMC regional directors here, to impose stern employment ceilings on night clubs, taverns, racetracks and other "luxury" establishments to squeeze able bodied workers into military productive tasks.

Favoring but not expecting legislation—such as that called for by Chairman J. A. Krug of the war production board yesterday—to put "more teeth" into manpower rules, the agency was disclosed to be intensifying its application of powers already possessed under its executive order from President Roosevelt.

The United States ranks fourth in world population with its 130,000,000 inhabitants.

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MEN ON MIND

New Top Rank Bill Approved

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP)—The house voted without dissent today to put up a new temporary rank atop the army and navy—the five-star ranks of "general of the army" and "admiral of the fleet."

The bill, passed by voice vote after brief debate, provides for such ranks for each branch of the service. The section dealing with the army preserves, however, General John J. Pershing's superior rank as "the general of the army."

HEAVY CHRISTMAS BUYING REPORTED

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depleted but that buying in this line had started last September. Ornaments for the Christmas tree were snapped up early and there was little of this sort of thing available.

Wine Purchased

The stuff that goes into fruit cakes, as well as ready-made fruit cakes, was going fast and a large grocery firm also observed that many of its customers were laying in wine which they said was for "gift" purposes.

Candy is not too plentiful and will probably result in going back to home-made sweets as long as the sugar holds out. What candy did reach Klamath stores was purchased as soon as it was found on the counter.

By and large, basin merchants anticipated a banner year in dollars and cents as Santa's pack appeared plentifully stuffed this fourth war-time Christmas.

Layton Executed; Protests Innocence

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me. They were afraid to. I want to make this statement for my mother."

The execution was delayed by fog. It is customary at the prison to turn all prisoners into the yard at such times, but the fog was so thick that Warden George Alexander held them in their cells for more than an hour.

Not Afraid

The Rev. S. Raynor Smith, prison chaplain, entered the chamber with the condemned man. Likewise he spent the night with him. He said Layton was not afraid—had never been afraid. He ate a fried chicken dinner last night, and a few minutes before entering the death chamber was given soft boiled eggs.

Layton went to the gas chamber after seeking freedom from every source open to him. The state supreme court affirmed his circuit court conviction in August, 1943. He turned to the United States supreme court, which refused to review the case.

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TIDAL WAVE FLOODS JAP BUILDINGS

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earthquake include Hamamatsu, Shizuoka, Nagano and their vicinities, where some damage was caused to dwellings.

"In Shizuoka prefecture (roughly 125 miles southwest of Tokyo) tidal waves caused some houses to be inundated, while in Nagoya damage was slight, with only window panes being broken.

"Damage Slight"

"In general, the damage was slight with practically no damage caused to our production facilities," Domel said.

No mention was made of damage sustained in shipping. This may well have been heavy.

An earlier broadcast by radio Tokyo said that "a landslide on a minor scale and the crumbling of cottages took place over a limited area."

Domel's identification of the cities in which there was damage indicated that the tremor had affected not only the southeastern coastal area but also had run in a northern diagonal to the city of Nagano on the west coast of Tonshu.

In addition to Nagano, the cities of Shizuoka and Hamamatsu on the southeast coast had suffered some damage, according to Domel, which added that in Nagoya—one of Japan's major cities—"damage was slight with only window panes being broken."

Convicts Held In Solitary

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ATLANTA, Dec. 8 (AP)—Twenty-five convicts who seized a building at the Atlanta federal penitentiary and held four guards prisoner for three days remained in solitary confinement today awaiting trial in federal court.

Attorney General Biddle announced in Washington that the men would be tried promptly on charges of violating prison security regulations and would be severely punished.

Classified Ads Bring Results.

Griffin Replaces Adm. Taffinder

SEATTLE, Dec. 8 (AP)—Rear Adm. S. A. Taffinder, 13th naval district commandant, will be relieved December 15 by Rear Adm. R. M. Griffin and go to a command at sea.

Admiral Griffin, now commandant at the Puget Sound navy yard at Bremerton, will retain that post, the district's public relations office said, making the announcement. He assumed the position last June 14, coming from Washington, D. C.

Admiral Taffinder has been on duty in this area since he took command of the navy yard March 31, 1942. He became district commandant October 12, 1943.

Open Hearings Set on Aides

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP)—The senate foreign relations committee decided today to hold open hearings on President Roosevelt's four state department appointments.

Senator Clark (D-Mo.), who left a closed session early, told reporters members had agreed that Joseph C. Grew, named under secretary of state, and three other nominees would be questioned in public hearings.

The committee also tackled another problem that may have a direct bearing on the trend of future foreign policy. This was a resolution calling for the opening of Palestine to Jewish immigration.

State Department Posts Created

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP)—President Roosevelt today signed legislation creating two new assistant secretaries of state, then nominated James C. Dunn and Brig. Gen. Julius C. Holmes for the posts.

Dunn, of New York, has been serving in the state department as chief of the division of European affairs.

Holmes, of Kansas, has been assistant to the army chief of staff at supreme allied headquarters in charge of political affairs.

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THIRD BORES DEEPER INTO SIEGFRIED

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Pier, five miles northwest of the Roer river estuary of Duren. They advanced onto a ridge commanding Schlich and forced the Germans back for several hundred yards north of the Hurdgen forest village of Bergstein. South of that hamlet, the first army beat off two counterattacks.

WING OF RED ARMY SPEARS NEAR CITY

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six rail lines 38 miles southwest of Budapest, was temporarily bypassed by the Russians in their accelerated drive up the Danube's bank.

The soviet supreme command was still silent on what operations Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's second Ukraine army may be undertaking to seal off Budapest from the northeast, but he and Tobulkin appeared certain to coordinate closely their assaults to complete investment of Hungary's greatest city.

Widens Grip

Taking prisoners at the rate of 2000 a day Tobulkin also widened his grip along the Drava river within 70 miles of the Croatian capital of Zagreb, through which German divisions in the Balkans hope to escape into Austria.

Soviet front-line correspondents declared that new, hasty fortifications between Lake Balaton and the Danube have been overrun by the Russian attacks in the Budapest direction. (South of the lake Russian units were last reported spearheading to within 35 miles of the Austrian border).

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EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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Britain acted in Greece with full armed force "to insure that gangsters did not descend from the mountains and install themselves, with all their bloody terror and vigor, in POWER in Athens."

As to Storza (in Italy) he says: "Britain simply doesn't trust him, nor would we put the slightest confidence in any government of which he is a dominant member."

Summing up the whole affair quite clearly, he says: "All Britain wants in the liberated countries is governments which will GUARANTEE US THE NECESSARY SECURITY FOR OUR LINES OF COMMUNICATION."

LET'S not go off at half-cock on this Greek-British business.

Britain (under Churchill's leadership) isn't just being ornery. She is pursuing what for 400 years has been her basic theory of world empire (the little island of Britain supports itself out of its empire). This theory (of official friends in strategic places) is as fundamental with the British as the MONROE DOCTRINE is with us.

The Churchill vote of confidence in Parliament is no mere concession to the fact that Britain is at war. The British PEOPLE, who are empire-minded, who know what butters their bread, would support the policy announced by Churchill in at least the proportion indicated by the confidence vote in parliament.

FOLLOWING the vote of confidence, British Ambassador Halifax says in Washington that the U. S. and British governments have "achieved an understanding" on the Greek and Italian issues.

He doesn't amplify this statement.

One guesses that OUR government (in its hands-off statement)



Buy and Use Christmas Seals

was merely outlining OUR position and had no thought of coming to a head-on collision with the British.

What Stalin thinks, we don't know. If he doesn't LIKE it, we'll hear from him. He's that way.

(It is hard to escape the conclusion that Churchill and Stalin must have had some sort of understanding as to Britain's sphere of influence in Greece.)

CLOSER home, Premier King of Canada gets a confidence vote from the Canadian parliament of 143 to 70 on the conscription issue which he forced by his decision to send 10,000 of Canada's home army conscripts to Italy and the western front.

The SIGNIFICANT fact in connection with the vote is that 21 members of the QUEBEC delegation back King (38 voted against him.) Canada's con-

scription trouble tracks back to French-Canadian Quebec, and has been assumed that the Quebec delegation was pretty well a show-down—and seems to have got away with it.)

(In deference to big Quebec permit conscription law, EIGN service. King decided to get away with it.)

WEATHER

Thursday, December 7, 1941

Klamath Falls	44
Prater	44
North Bend	44
Portland	44
Medford	44
San Francisco	44
Seattle	44

Oregon—Mostly clear with a few clouds. Little change in temperature. Northern California—Mostly clear with valley fog early morning. Southern California—Mostly clear with valley fog early morning. Little change in temperature.

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