

JAPS LAUGH AND SHOUT DURING SLAUGHTER

By DEAN SCHEDLER
 MANILA, Nov. 9 (AP)—The first details of a mass slaughter perpetrated last Feb. 16 and 18 by the Japanese in a ravine near Taal, Batangas province were related today by two black clad women at the Yamashita war crimes trial.

Both lost members of their families in the slaughter. While tears streamed down her cheeks, Mrs. Conchita Lualhati testified that the soldiers of Lt. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita set fire to a Barrio village forcing her family to seek refuge in a nearby sugar plantation.

Pursuing Japanese diverted the fleeing people toward the ravine.

"I could hear screaming from men, women and children as shootings became intense and the Japanese started showering people with grenades," she told the commission in a halting, choking voice.

"The Japanese were dashing around laughing and shouting during this terrible time."

Her husband and one-year-old daughter were among the more than 55 dead she saw in the ravine.

Juanita Barrion, 26, told of losing her mother, father, three sisters and four brothers, they were victims of machinegun and rifle fire and grenades. She related how, as Japanese fired pointblank into the ravine, she pretended to be dead. She left the ravine later to search for food for a four-month-old brother. When she returned there was only a heap of scattered bones in the area. Exploding grenades had blasted the wry scene.

She said she was unable to ascertain why the Japanese committed the killings and the firing of the Barrios, inasmuch as no American soldiers were close by.

The Yamashita defense has contended the Japanese in the area acted to crush guerrilla activities which were hampering the Nipponese in their losing defensive campaign.

The manner in which more than 1000 Filipino civilians met death in the town of Cuenca and nearby villages in Batangas province was described in detail by a parade of witnesses.

ARREST FOLLOWS AUTO COLLISION

James B. Floyd, 40, 1615 Ward, was arrested by state police last night and placed in the county jail on a charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Floyd was involved in an accident late yesterday at Shasta way and Arthur in which Henry Morgan, Pelican rooms, and Raymond Orville Wilkins, 1555 Dayton, were injured. Wilkins received a broken shoulder and Morgan a broken jaw.

Driving a 1938 Chevrolet sedan, going north on Shasta way, officers said Floyd attempted to pass another vehicle on the road and pulled out in front of a 1937 Ford truck driven by Wilkins, moving south.

Swerving back, Floyd's machine sideswiped the truck, knocking it over into a borrow pit at the side of the road. Morgan, riding in the truck, was taken to a local hospital but

Wilkins' injuries were not serious enough for hospitalization. Wilkins said he was driving about 25 miles per hour down Shasta way and estimated the speed of Floyd's car at 35 miles per hour at the time of the collision.

If the program of rehabilitation is going to mean anything, it has got to come first from those bound by allegiance to God. — Rev. Dr. Fredric S. Fleming, New York City.

Ford Company Will Accept Decision

WINDSOR, Ont., Nov. 9 (AP)—The Ford Motor company of Canada said in a statement today it was ready to accept the decision of an arbitrator on points of its disagreement with striking United Automobile Workers (CIO).

The company outlined a six-point plan submitted to Labor Minister Humphrey Mitchell.

The proposal, carrying a deadline of November 12, provides for discontinuance of all picketing, resumption of work as quickly as possible and the appointment of Mitchell or an Ontario supreme court judge as arbitrator.

There is no need to waste any sympathy upon Japan. She set her own course toward conquest, and must bear the consequences. — Meriden, Conn. Journal.

Girl Shoots Herself During Argument

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Nov. 9 (AP)—As Marguerite Lammers, 18, was being wheeled out of a hospital surgery here yesterday after an appendectomy, her sister, Clara, 15, was wheeled in with a severe rifle wound.

Police Chief Peter Naughton said the girl shot herself with a .22 caliber rifle during an argument at home, while the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lammers were at the hospital with Marguerite.

Our occupation of defeated Germany will be successful only as long as we maintain vigilance over German industry. — Maj-Gen. Robert Wells Harper.

VIOLATIONS OF SERVICE DRAFT INVESTIGATED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—The FBI has investigated 525,756 World War II draft violations, involving enough men to fill more than 30 infantry divisions—and new cases are being opened daily.

Investigations during the past five years resulted in 12,789 convictions. Sentences imposed to date total more than 34,000 years, with fines of \$1,089,181. On September 30 the FBI had 15,727 pending draft delinquency cases. On November 11, 1918, there were 295,184.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, in an exclusive interview, outlined the FBI's current policy in enforcing the selective service act.

"Under instructions issued by Attorney General Tom C. Clark, there has been no reduction in the intensity of selective service investigations."

No New Cases

"No new cases have been opened on persons 26 years of age and older since announcement of Japan's acceptance of the Potsdam ultimatum on August 14.

"However, reported violations prior to that time by persons between 26 and 38 years of age are receiving the same preferred attention which has been given selective service matters throughout the emergency period. New cases on registrants who have not reached their 26th birthday are being opened daily and investigations are being pressed."

Following is a tabulation of selective service cases by FBI bureaus. The first column of figures shows the number of convictions. The second shows the number of cases which were closed after the subjects complied with the law of registering, entering the armed forces, etc.:

Anchorage, Alaska	5	850
Portland, Ore.	140	8,482
San Francisco	430	35,451
Seattle	191	17,493

Man's Leg Broken By Kick Of Horse

KAMLOOPS, B. C., Nov. 9 (AP)—C. H. Prouty of Bellingham, Wash., is in hospital here with a broken leg suffered yesterday when kicked by a horse while hunting in the Cariboo district. He was brought here last night by chartered plane. Kamloops is 225 air miles northeast of Vancouver.

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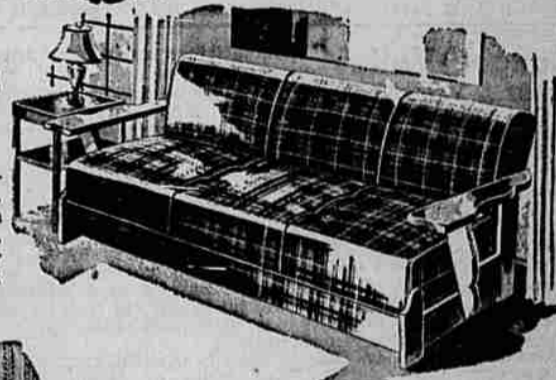
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