

# Japs Sympathize With Yamashita Because Of His 'High Character'

MANILA, Nov. 27 (AP) — A defense witness testified today that Lt. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita was so disliked by Dictator Premier Hideki Tojo that he was "exiled" to Manchuria despite his victory at Singapore.

The witness, Keichoku Yoshida, a Tokyo attorney, declared at Yamashita's trial on war criminal charges that the defendant brought down Tojo's wrath by saying a war with the United States was "undesirable."

Yoshida claimed the wide publicizing of Yamashita's trial in Japan was having an effect opposite to that intended by the Americans because the Japanese people "knew Yamashita to be such a high character that the public is in sympathy with him."

The attorney, one of a group brought here by Defense Attorney Maj. George Guy, asserted Yamashita was one of the "pacifist" group of former War Minister General Ugaki, opposed to Tojo and his henchmen.

Yoshida, a personal friend of the defendant, did not say what prompted Tojo to take Yamashita from Manchuria — where he had been assigned to watch the Russians — and send him south to the Philippines, where his military career met disaster.

Earlier, Lt. Gen. Akira Muto, Yamashita's chief of staff, testi-



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fied that under an intricate chain of command stretching down from Tokyo Yamashita could not have had control over Japanese military forces who put Manila to the sword.

Muto, sitting under cross-examination, said that under this system Yamashita had no authority over the Japanese naval forces, mainly accused of the atrocities in Manila during the battle of Luzon.

Once, exasperated by a long series of answers that appeared to be contradictory, Maj. Robert M. Kerr, chief prosecutor, exclaimed:

"I'm tired of this witness squirming out of testimony."

## Hitchcock To Speak At Elks Services

P. S. Hitchcock, Klamath business man and former district governor of Kiwanis International, will be the speaker at Elks memorial services to be held at Lakeview next Sunday.

Hitchcock made an address at a similar ceremony at Ashland last year.

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## Timberland Plan To Be Discussed

PORTLAND, Nov. 27 (AP) — Details of the sustained yield management plan to be discussed at a two-day conference opening Dec. 3 at Eugene were outlined today by Walter H. Horning, chief forester of the Oregon and California re-vested lands.

The discussion will be based on a proposed agreement, Horning said, to administer 5,000,000 privately-owned and 3,000,000 federally-owned acres of western Oregon timber with a view toward community stabilization. The public and private holdings intermingle throughout the area, with Oregon and California re-vested lands making up 2,500,000 acres of the total.

**Prior Rights**

The proposal provides that in return for putting their land under coordinated sustained yield operation, private owners would have prior purchase rights to timber cut from the federal lands, Horning said, with the price set by appraisal rather than competitive bidding.

Division of the Oregon and California lands into approximately 100 forest units, each considered large enough to support the community dependent on it, is another feature of the proposal, he added, aimed at community stabilization. Each unit would have its share of the federal cut plus that allowable from private lands under sustained yield operation. Primary processing would be done within the limits of established marketing areas unless mill facilities were inadequate or the timber better suited to a type of manufacture not available locally.

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## Fisheries Program Will Be Discussed

PORTLAND, Nov. 27 (AP) — Views on a fisheries protective program connected with existing and proposed dams will be aired here December 5 at a meeting of policy consultants appointed by the secretary of the interior.

Representatives of 13 Oregon and Washington organizations forming the Columbia Basin Fisheries Development association will attend.

## Wife Of Convicted Killer Seeks Divorce

PORTLAND, Nov. 27 (AP) — Berdette H. Dennis has filed suit for divorce from Andrew W. Dennis, whose execution for murder of his mother-in-law has been stayed by a court order.

Mrs. Dennis, who charged her husband with cruel and inhuman treatment, said he attacked her in a drunken rage and that she feared for her life while they were married.

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