

JAPS RUSH FOR BIRTH PAPERS

Names of a number of Japanese who have obtained birth certificates under suspicious circumstances were ordered sent to the Federal Bureau of Investigation today by City Health Commissioner Frank M. Carroll.

Dr. Carroll said he took the action after it was learned a Japanese yesterday obtained another man's certificate without the other's knowledge or consent.

Nearly 900 Japanese have applied for birth certificates since the opening of hostilities between the United States and Japan December 7, Dr. Carroll said.

"My staff has instructions to list the names of persons they believe to be suspicious," Dr. Carroll said. "We have no means of investigating these persons. We are turning the names over to the F. B. I. for whatever use they can make of them."

Dr. Carroll said about 500 persons with German and Italian names also have applied for birth certificates since the Japanese began hostilities.

W. A. C. Dinner Friday

The Washington Athletic Club's annual Christmas jubilee stag dinner will be held at 6 o'clock Friday evening. It was announced today by William H. Horsley, chairman. Members are asked to mail or telephone their reservations.

Knights to Hear Frater

Superior Judge John A. Frater will be principal speaker at the Loyal Knights of the Round Table luncheon tomorrow in the Pine Tree Tea Room.

3-PURPOSE MEDICINE Hits HEAD COLD Misery Fast!

If you are suffering with discomforts of a head cold, enjoy the grand relief that comes when you take Vicks Vapo-rinol. 3-purpose Vapo-rinol is so effective because it does three important things: (1) shrinks swollen membranes, (2) soothes irritation, (3) helps clear clogged nasal passages. And so brings wonderful relief! . . . And remember, if used in time, Vapo-rinol helps to prevent many colds developing. Follow directions in folder.

VICKS VAPORINOL

★ Shop Conveniently at Sears' Stores OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS (Until 9:00 P. M.)

★ AMPLE FREE PARKING SPACE ★

SEARS, ROEBUCK AND CO.

SOUTH END STORE . . . First Ave. S. at Lander
NORTH END STORE . . . Roosevelt Way at E. 65th

Wondering which Gin to choose? . . . There's no Gin like Gordon's!

GORDON'S

UNIQUE . . . because: Gordon's has the Advantage of Liqueur Quality and High Proof, 94.4.

HERE'S THE RESULT: Drinks Never Taste Thin with Gordon's Gin.

Greater satisfaction—that's what Gordon's Advantage brings you. Because Liqueur Quality means richer flavor, velvety smoothness. And High Proof, 94.4 means drinks that never taste thin. That's why there's no gin like Gordon's!

Gordon's Gin

100% Neutral Spirits Distilled from Grain

PANOTT & CO., SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES, PORTLAND, SEATTLE • COPYRIGHT 1941, GORDON'S DRY GIN CO., LTD., LONDON, N. J.

IN WASHINGTON • \$2.00 4/5 QUART • \$1.24 PINT

Epic of Heroism Navy Caught Napping, but— It Fought Gloriously and Well!

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Secretary of Navy Knox yesterday made public the following report of the results of the Japanese surprise attack on Pearl Harbor:

My inspection trip to the island enables me to present the general facts covering the attack which hitherto have been unavailable.

1. The essential fact is that the Japanese purpose was to knock out the United States before the war began. This was made apparent by the deception practiced, by the preparations which had gone on for many weeks before the attack, and the attacks themselves, which were made simultaneously throughout the Pacific. In this purpose the Japanese failed.

Services 'Not on Alert'

2. The United States services were not on the alert against the surprise air attack on Hawaii. This fact calls for a formal investigation which will be initiated immediately by the President. Further action is, of course, dependent on the facts and recommendations made by this investigating body. We are all entitled to know if (a) there was any error of judgment which contributed to the surprise, (b) if there was any dereliction of duty prior to the attack.

3. My investigation made clear that after the attack the defense by both services was conducted skillfully and bravely. The Navy lost:

(a) The battleship *Arizona*, which was destroyed by the explosion of first its boiler and then its forward magazine due to a bomb which was said to have literally passed down through the smoke-stack.

(b) The old target ship *Utah*, which has not been used as a combatant ship for many years, and which was in service as a training ship for anti-aircraft gunnery and experimental purposes.

(c) Three destroyers, the *Cassin*, the *Downes*, and the *Shaw*.

(d) Minesweeper *Oglala*. This was a converted merchantman formerly a passenger ship on the Fall River Line and converted into a minesweeper during the World War.

The Navy sustained damage to other vessels. This damage varies from ships which have been already repaired, and are ready for sea, or which have gone to sea, to a few ships which will take from a week to several months to repair.

In the last category is the older battleship *Oklahoma*, which has been captured but can be righted and repaired. The entire balance of the Pacific Fleet with its aircraft carriers, its heavy cruisers, its light cruisers, its destroyers and submarines are uninjured and are all at sea seeking contact with the enemy.

4. The known Japanese material losses were three submarines and 41 aircraft.

5. Army losses were severe in aircraft and some hangars, but replacements have arrived or are on the way.

6. The up-to-date figures of Navy killed and wounded are: Officers, 31 dead and 20 wounded; enlisted men, 2,638 dead and 636 wounded.

In the Navy's gravest hour of peril, the officers and men of the fleet exhibited magnificent courage and resourcefulness during the treacherous Japanese assault on Pearl Harbor. The real story of Pearl Harbor is not one of individual heroism, although there were many such cases. It lies in the splendid manner in which all hands did their job as long as they were able, not only under fire, but while fighting the flames afterward and immediately starting salvage work and reorganization.

Action in Seconds

Prompt action saved many lives and a vast amount of material. Without exception, all ships and stations rose to the emergency. Less than four minutes after the first alarm, guns of the Fleet went into action against enemy aircraft.

Seconds later the first Japanese plane was shot down.

To a recruit seaman aboard a battleship probably goes the honor of striking the first telling blow in the Fleet's defense. Even before general quarters sounded a third youngest single-handedly manned a machine gun and blasted an attacking torpedo plane as it leveled against his ship.

Captain Is Praised

The dying captain of a battleship displayed the outstanding individual heroism of the day. As he emerged from the conning tower to the bridge, the enemy fired at his ship, he was laid open by a shrapnel burst. He fell to the deck. Refusing to be carried to safety, he continued to direct the action. When the bridge became a blazing inferno, two officers attempted to remove him. But he ordered them to abandon him and save themselves. The latter found themselves blocked by the flames. Only the heroic efforts of a third officer enabled them to escape. He climbed through the fire to a higher level from which he passed one line to an adjoining battleship, and other to his trapped shipmates. By this frail means they made their way to safety.

Entire ship's companies showed exemplary valor and coordination. Drama was thus created as they boarded into the oil-fired tanks. The attack on this vessel was at its height as these rescue operations proceeded. Suddenly the launch's propeller jammed. Cooly, the ensign directed the work of disengaging the launch from the tanks. His wooden hull, meantime also supervising the picking up of more victims from the harbor. His captain cited him for "initiative, resourcefulness, devotion to duty and personal bravery displayed."

Auxiliaries Get Credit

Four motor torpedo-boats had been loaded aboard a Fleet tanker for shipment. Their youthful ensign-captains put their power-haven turret machine guns into immediate action, accounting for at least one enemy raider plane.

To the unsung heroes of the harbor auxiliaries must go much of the credit for helping stem the onslaught. Even the lowly garbage barge shared in the action. One came alongside a blazing ship which threatened momentarily to explode. Calmly the yard craft's commander led fire fighting, both aboard the warship and on the surface of the harbor. He kept his tiny vessel beside the larger one for 24 hours.

Men's will-to-fight was tremendous. One seaman had been confined to his battleship's brig for misconduct a few days earlier. When an explosion tore open the door, he dashed straight to his battle station on an anti-aircraft gun. On the submarine base dock a bluejacket, carrying a heavy machine gun for which there was no mount immediately available, shot the weapon from his arms, staggering under the concussion of the rapid fire.

Quick thinking in the dire emergency probably saved many lives—and ships. An aviation machinist's mate aboard one ship saw that flames from the huge vessel threatened a repair ship alongside. He ran through the blaze and bravely slashed the lines holding the two ships together. Freed, the smaller craft drew clear.

Only in the final moments, when remaining aboard appeared utterly hopeless, would men leave their ships. Then they went reluctantly, having shared in the excitement of some dry place to recuperate from their terrific pounding, they pitched emergency quarters as near their vessels as possible. And with portable guns they continued to fight. Later they stood guard at the same camps as repair operations began on their ships, setting regular shipboard watches.

Like all treacherous attacks, the bombing of Pearl Harbor by the Japanese caught certain vessels of the Fleet under periodic overhaul. While in this condition of repair, such ships were not able to utilize their offensive powers to the greatest effectiveness. These ships, therefore, turned to with a will at many useful purposes. One ship rescued with its boats, hundreds of survivors thrown into the water by the force of explosions; meanwhile the surface of the water was being a racing inferno from burning oil. Other ships sent their repair parties to help the fighting ships keep afloat. Others sent ammunition parties to maintain the flow of powder and shells to the guns.

Others Cheered

Without doubt the whole spectacle was the greatest spontaneous exhibition of cooperation, determination and courage that the American Navy has been called upon to make. The crew of one ship followed it around on its outside as it capsized, firing their guns until they were under water. Those same men stood on the dock and cheered as one of the more fortunate ships cleared the harbor, and passed by on route after the Japanese. Of all the accounts submitted on that memorable day, the record shows a continual demonstration of courage, bravery and fearlessness of which the American nation may well be proud.

their speed and maneuverability destroyed an attacking Japanese pursuit ship of twice their speed.

Simultaneously throughout the Navy Yard examples of personal heroism developed. Several workmen of Japanese ancestry deserted their posts to help the marine defense battalion man machine-gun nests. Two of them, with hands blistered from hot gun barrels, required emergency treatment.

Cool as ice, the men who manned the Navy Yard signal tower from which flashed orders to the aircraft carrier, their assignment under a hall of machine-gun fire and bombs from the enemy, as well as shrapnel from their own force's anti-aircraft batteries. None left his dangerous post. First to observe the invaders through the night glasses, from their high vantage point, they sent out the astounding air-raid warning by visual signals. Then they settled into the complex business of transmitting the scores of orders to the ships that fought back at the attack. They were either prepared to stand out to sea.

Officer, II, Fought

Men from ships out of action managed at any cost to return to the battle. There were the survivors of the capsized ship who swam through blazing oil to clamber aboard other ships and join gun crews. Crews from another disabled vessel swam ashore to help where they were hoisted aboard out-bound destroyers. Proof that getting back into battle took precedence over their own lives was the fact that the comparative safety of the shore lay only a few yards away. Lying in the hospital bed when the first air-raid alarm sounded, one officer leaped up, brushed aside nurses and ran across the Navy Yard to his ship. He fought with such gallantry and zeal, despite his illness, that his captain recommended him for promotion.

Crippled Destroyer Helped

There was the case of the destroyer tender, which lay alongside a dock, undergoing major overhaul, powerless and without armament. Unable to assume an active defense role, she concerned herself with the vital task of rescue with her available ship's boats.

Two men from the destroyer tender, who lay alongside a dock, undergoing major overhaul, powerless and without armament. Unable to assume an active defense role, she concerned herself with the vital task of rescue with her available ship's boats.

German 'Baron,' In U.S. Uniform, Held as Spy

LOS ANGELES, Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(UP)—Authorities held the first spy suspect of the war today in the person of the German, "Baron" Ernst Friedrich de Meyer, 27 years old, who was caught in an American Army officer's uniform near important local harbor defenses.

In his apartment, Federal Bureau of Investigation agents found Army, Navy and Marine Corps uniforms, a short-wave broadcast transmitter, more than 200 letters written to De Meyer by American sailors and soldiers and what appeared to be much data on Coast defenses.

De Meyer, having been arrested while the country is at war, is subject to trial before a court-martial under the Espionage Act of 1917, which provides he could be sentenced to "death, or imprisonment for not more than 30 years."

The F. B. I. held him incommunicado.

Draft Objection Will Be Released

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Attorney-General Biddle today ordered the immediate parole of Henry Welty Kuhns of Redlands, Calif., who was sentenced for refusing to report for induction into the Army after being denied exemption as a conscientious objector.

Announcing the decision after a special review of the case, Biddle said that he had acted with the approval of the director of Selective Service.

British Rulers Give Books for Prisoners

LONDON, Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(AP)—King George VI and Queen Elizabeth have given 1,700 books as a Christmas present for British prisoners in Germany. They will be distributed by the Red Cross among 37 prison camps and hospitals.

Czechs Join U. S. in War

LONDON, Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(AP)—A declaration that the Czechoslovak Republic is in a state of war "with all countries which are at war with Britain, Russia and the United States" was adopted unanimously today at an extraordinary cabinet meeting of the Czechoslovak government in exile.

Mercer Defense Aid

Mercer Island residents who wish to register for civilian-defense work may do so at the toll-gate plaza of the Lake Washington Floating Bridge or at the Mercer Island Garage, Nels Rochester, civilian-defense lieutenant for the island, announced today.

Army Assigns Sealtleites

Thomas J. Byrne, Jr., and James W. Bussell, Seattle, have been assigned to Army training at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., it was announced today at the Fort Lewis Reception Center.

Ravenna Meeting Set

A neighborhood national defense meeting for the purpose of registration and explanation of defense work will be held at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night at the Ravenna School, 23rd Avenue Northeast and East 68th Street.

Wilkins, Ex-Publisher, Dies

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 16.—John F. Wilkins, 69 years old, former publisher of The Washington Post, died yesterday at his home. His family sold their holdings in the paper to the late John R. McLean.

The village watchman is the caroler in some places in Czechoslovakia. He plays the carols on a long musical horn.

SALVAGE WASTE, URGES BUREAU 23 GUILTY IN NUMBERS CASE

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(UP)—Defense agencies today urged the cooperation of all Americans in making "the old things" last a little longer—including everything from the kitchen stove and auto tires to hair curlers.

The Office of Production Management, launching a "salvage for victory campaign" suggested that everyone save waste paper, rags, metals and old rubber.

Use of Metals Curtailed

It asked approximately 200 stove manufacturers to curtail use of iron and steel in stoves, ranges and other cooking appliances by an average of 35 per cent beginning January 1. Manufacturers were asked to eliminate stove lids, all bright work, to reduce their inventories of raw materials and to reduce the number of models produced.

The Office of Price Administration asked motorists to re-tread their old tires because of the cessation of rubber imports from the Pacific. The cost of re-treading a new passenger car runs 40 to 50 per cent below the cost of a new tire, saves six pounds of rubber per tire and at the same time gives the motorist 75 to 80 per cent of the new tire mileage.

Many years motorists who wouldn't think of throwing away a pair of shoes just because of a hole in the sole, have discarded their worn shoes when the tread was tires smooth," O. P. A. said.

Join Salvage Drive

The O. P. A.'s Bureau of Industrial Conservation appealed to Americans to join the salvage campaign which would begin immediate conservation of "every pound of waste or idle material" to wage war against the Axis.

In homes, shops, and factories, on farms and city dumps, in automobile graveyards, there is scrap metal, paper, rags and rubber," the bureau said. "Not one pound of this rich potential stock pile must be left lying idle and unused."

British Doctors Aiding Injured

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The story of how German surgeon, Werner Kimmel, the North African commander, visited a British dressing station, then German-held, but ignored British surgeons working in it reached the official archives today in a report from Maj. Gen. B. C. Freyberg, New Zealand commander in the Middle East.

The story first told early in December when the North African battle scene was confused and swiftly changing, was this: New Zealanders were operating a dressing station near Gambut when the Germans captured it. The surgeons continued with their work and when Rommel visited it he did not speak a word to them. Later it was recaptured and the British found it occupied by German and British wounded on whom doctors of both sides were working.

Toyland Bombed! No, Only Thailand

WOOD RIVER, Ill., Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(UP)—A radio report that the war had moved in on a new front brought despair to one 6-year-old boy's heart when he heard it: "They've just invaded Toyland, Mother!" he cried. "The man on the radio said the Japs have started bombing Toyland!"

It was some time before the mother calmed him by explaining that the invaded country was Thailand and not the winter quarters of Santa Claus.

Sweden Has Record Cold; 58 Below Zero

NEW YORK, Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The Stockholm radio reported today that a new record of cold for Norrland Province of Sweden was registered today at 58 degrees below zero.

Catholic Group Missionaries To Stay in Orient BOARD SETS VOTE ON ANNEXATION

Seattle missionaries of the Catholic societies, Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, and Maryknoll Sisters, now stationed at missions in South China and Japan, will remain at their posts during the war between the United States and Japan.

This was the announcement received here today from the Most Rev. James E. Walsh at the Maryknoll headquarters in Ossining, N. Y.

Seattleites in the war zone are: The Rev. Francis G. Kelliher of 3233 15th Ave. in South China; Sister Rose Ann Nakata, 117 1/2 12th Ave. in Japan, and Sister Maria Agnes Dillon, 706 18th Ave. in Hawaii.

Other Washington missionaries: The Rev. Michael J. McKiernan of Spokane in South China; Sister M. Fabiola Conroy of Spokane and Sister M. Gerard Gallagher of Tacoma in Manchoukuo, and Sister Maria Cordis Becker of Tacoma, in Hawaii.

Annexation to Seattle of View Ridge, the largest area to seek annexation since 1911, virtually was assured yesterday when the Board of King County Commissioners approved unanimously a petition by residents asking its inclusion in the city and scheduled a special election February 3.

View Ridge, a district north of the city, extends from 48th Avenue Northeast to Sand Point Way and from East 65th Street to East 75th Streets, and includes about 200 families.

The board gave formal approval to the annexation and set the election date after determining at a hearing this forenoon that no resident of the district opposed the move.

The Dnieper River Dam in Russia cost \$110,000,000 to construct. Costa Rica's capital is surrounded by active and dead volcanoes.

Penny-a-Plane Club Puts Price on Japs

MARSHALL, Tex., Tuesday, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Would you give a penny for every enemy plane shot down by United States forces?

That question was asked 203 Marshall citizens. Two hundred answered, "Yes." The "A Penny a Plane Club" resulted. Marshall hopes the idea will spread.

Hile Going to S. F.

Gerald D. Hile, assistant United States attorney, was to leave this afternoon for San Francisco to appear in a case before the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. He will return Monday.

Save Time! Fly United

Finest Service in United's History

7 round-trip flights daily to Portland; 4 to San Francisco and Los Angeles; 4 to Vancouver, B. C. A Mainliner when you want it, going and returning.

UNITED AIR LINES

Fourth Avenue at Union St. or travel agents, hotels. Elliott 3700

PORTLAND	55 min.
SAN FRANCISCO	5 1/6 hrs.
LOS ANGELES	7 1/2 hrs.
VANCOUVER, B. C.	55 min.

WHY OF COURSE, SHE'D LOVE A PIANO FOR CHRISTMAS!

ALDRICH Spinet

Of course she'd love a piano... no home is really complete without one. This is a good year, too, for such an important gift, because music never meant more than it does now. This Aldrich is a real dream piano... an instrument of outstanding quality. It stands tall enough for the finest type of direct action that gives a gorgeously full, resonant, singing tone. See it... hear it by all means at Sherman, Clay soon.

\$345 only 10% down

Quality features of the Aldrich Spinets include:

- genuine wool hammer with specially reinforced center.
- copper wound bass string.
- hand rubbed lacquer finish.
- solid brass fittings for long durability.
- blued pins.
- new non-slip pedals.
- exclusive 18th Century period-case in mahogany finish.

ALDRICH STUDIO SPINET only \$295 only 10% down

Special value! Limited quantity! A fine toned, small sized studio spinet piano... specially built for Sherman, Clay to give lasting musical enjoyment.

Sherman & Clay

1624 Fourth Ave. MAin 7580