

# ALLIED AIRMEN HIT JAP PLANES

By Associated Press.

United States and Australian airmen, in renewed attacks on Japanese bases at Lae, New Guinea and Koepang, Dutch Timor, struck at shipping and shot down one Japanese fighter, probably shot down two others and definitely damaged a fourth aircraft, an Australian communiqué said today.

A near-miss was scored against one vessel at Koepang, it said, while another ship was seen to be on fire after suffering a possible hit. There was no indication as to what type of ship was hit.

The raids took place yesterday with shipping the target at Koepang, while anti-aircraft batteries and airdromes were the objectives at Lae.

A Japanese aircraft was shot down into the sea at Koepang; the rest of the bag was accounted for at Lae.

A British communiqué said the Japanese lost seven aircraft when the indomitable American Volunteer Group fiercely attacked Japanese raiding an A. V. G. airdrome in the Northern Shan States in Burma at low level Friday. Three more Japanese planes were said to have been destroyed by the A. V. G. Sunday at Toungoo.

At the same time the British announced for the first time in days extensive activity of their own aviation in Burma. They said a heavy attack was made by their Blenheim bombers on Japanese forces in a village north of Prome Saturday, and that their bombers were working in close support of British land forces.

Thirteen flying boats have been destroyed or damaged in a smashing R. A. F. attack on Japan's new bases in the Andaman Island in the Bay of Bengal, the British reported.

One of the concentration of flying boats found in the harbor at Port Blair in the Andamans was left in a sinking condition, two were set afire and the remainder were damaged, an air communiqué said.

In Burma Japanese soldiers moving up the Irrawaddy River have occupied the village of Migyaungye—20 miles south of Magwe and 80 miles north of Prome—in heavy fighting—the British announced.

The British communiqué said that hard fighting continued yesterday over the entire Burmese front.

The British reported their flyers bombed a Japanese column which was reported yesterday at Sinbaungwe, but they said no details were yet available.

A town in the forward area was reported bombed Sunday afternoon by 12 Japanese planes.

The Chinese lines on the left flank are now 20 miles north of Toungoo, a military spokesman said.

The Chinese, under command of United States Lieut. Joseph W. Stilwell, withdrew to the north of Yedaso after the Japanese advanced along the Sittoung River crossed the Sva River and threatened to envelop the Chinese on the left.

The withdrawal also was made necessary to keep the Allied lines straight, in view of the continued British retreat.

At Melbourne Prime Minister Joseph Curtin in an address to the defense minister to enable him to serve more effectively as a link between the government and Gen. Douglas MacArthur, supreme commander in the Southwest Pacific.

General MacArthur will have full operational control of the forces at his disposal.

Questions of higher defense policy in the future will be submitted to the war cabinet by Curtin, who now has the same title and position as Churchill holds in Britain.

# WOODY'S FIRST CONTESTANT--AND FIRST CHAMP



First contestant to face Old Woodenface this season was 6-year-old Joey Nickerson, 215 Nob Hill Ave., who is shown as he threw the first ball yesterday at Mercer Playfield. At his right is James A. Gibbs, president of the Park Board, who greeted the contestants at the season opening. Seventy-three contestants greeted The Times-Park Board automatic umpire.

# Try-Try-Again Method Wins In Old Woodenface Contest

**WOODENFACE SCHEDULE**  
 Today—Wallingtonford, Tomorrow—Boson Hill.  
 Thursday—B. F. Day.  
 Friday—Van Asselt.  
 Saturday—Collins.  
 Sunday—Maple Leaf.  
 School day contests begin at 3:30 o'clock; Saturday, 9:30 o'clock.

Beating the opening of the major-league baseball season by one day, Old Woodenface, umpire of the Times-Park Board Baseball Contest, opened his 22nd season yesterday afternoon at Mercer Playfield, with Herman Young, 13-year-old pupil at Warren Avenue School, defeating 72 rivals to win the first of the 33 preliminary contests.

Herman struck out Old Woody three times.

Herman had competed in the Old Woodenface contest five years without success. Winning the contest and the \$250 worth of war-savings stamps was really a thrill.

"With the money I earn doing odd jobs after school and on Saturdays, I buy defense stamps," Herman said. "Then Dad matches the amount. When he finds out that I won \$250 worth, he's really going to be surprised."

The Times will give \$250 worth of war-savings stamps to each playfield winner, and a \$25 war-savings bond to the all-city champion.

**Real Baseball Player**  
 Herman is a baseball player through and through. Every afternoon when school is out, he goes straight home to do his chores. Then he rushes to a vacant lot a block from his house and meets the gang to play baseball.

Though an ardent fan, Herman hasn't witnessed a Coast League game in all his 13 years. He follows the Rainiers, however, and his favorite player is Jo-Jo White, outfielder for the Rainiers.

Herman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman C. Young, 902 Fourth Ave. N.

Greeting the youngsters at the opening contest, president of the Seattle Park Board, with the youngsters crowding around him, he wished them all luck before they began pitching at Old Woody.

**John Rowan Second**  
 The second-place winner, with one strikeout, was John Rowan, 13, seventh-grade pupil at Warren Avenue School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Rowan, 112 Valley St. John defeated Joe Watson, 11, of 235 Aurora Ave., and John Sharp, 11, of 420 Fifth Ave. N., in a pitch-off after all three had tied.

Each contestant, win or lose, will receive a ticket to the all-city finals and a Coast League game at Sick's Seattle Stadium. He must be accompanied by a paying adult.

The contest is open to all boys who had not reached their 14th birthday yesterday. Each boy

# SHOTS ROUT PAIR STEALING TIRES

Joseph Colasurdo, 1401 23rd Ave. S., drove away two tire thieves about 4 o'clock Sunday morning by firing at them with a .22-caliber rifle, he reported to police today.

Colasurdo said he was awakened by a slight noise in front of his home, where his automobile was parked. Getting out of bed, Colasurdo saw his car being jacked up and two men attempting to take off the tires.

Colasurdo said he believed at least one of his bullets hit the thieves' car before they sped away.

# Hoarding of Cash Termed Sabotage

NEW YORK, April 14.—(AP)—The East New York Savings Bank told renters of its safe-deposit boxes today to withdraw cash kept in them because "hoarding money in times of war amounts to sabotage against the government."

# 2,000 NORWEGIAN LEADERS JAILED

LONDON, April 14.—(AP)—A Norwegian government-in-exile spokesman estimated today that the German-controlled Quisling regime had imprisoned 2,000 teachers and Lutheran ministers in the occupied kingdom in the past six weeks.

This, the spokesman said, was done in an effort to crush opposition to establishment of a Nazi youth organization and a "teachers' front" in Norway.

The spokesman said 7,000 Norwegians, including most of the country's labor leaders, now were in concentration or forced-labor camps.

# Stock Show Building Ready for Japanese

PORTLAND, Or., April 14.—(AP)—A company of military police took over the Japanese assembly center, formerly the Pacific International Livestock Exposition Building, last night. The immense structure had been fitted out with living quarters for evacuees awaiting transfer to locations outside military zones.

Workmen under the Army engineers completed the conversion job last night.

# Court Orders Kyne To Pay \$3,022 Tax

SAN FRANCISCO, April 14.—(AP)—A judgement for \$3,022 was entered against Peter E. Kyne, the author, in Federal Court today for income taxes for 1929. In addition, interest at 6 per cent since 1933 was charged.

Assistant United States Attorney Esther Phillips told the court that a compromise offer had been made for settlement in full of tax claims against Kyne, who divides his time between Carmel and Hollywood.

# Boy, 8, Admits Fire With \$250,000 Loss

JANESVILLE, Wis., April 14.—(AP)—An 8-year-old boy confessed to look over the Japanese assembly center, formerly the Pacific International Livestock Exposition Building, last night. The immense structure had been fitted out with living quarters for evacuees awaiting transfer to locations outside military zones.

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# WESTON TELLS OF THREAT TO SHIPS

There would have been "a small civil war" on the Seattle waterfront and "no ships built" here if Ed M. Weston, business agent of the Seattle Boilermakers' Union, Local 104, had been suspended on the order of the international president of the union, Weston testified yesterday at a Superior Court hearing.

Both sides rested today. Weston's counsel, George F. Vanderveer and Samuel B. Bassett, agreed to rest on testimony given by Weston yesterday and the defense presented no testimony. Attorneys then began final arguments.

Weston gave the testimony at the hearing of a petition in which Weston and other members of Local 104 seek to have made permanent a temporary order preventing Weston's suspension and enjoining J. A. Franklin, president of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, from interfering with the local's business.

# Defense Fund Okehd

TACOMA, April 14.—(AP)—The City Council yesterday passed an ordinance approving an appropriation of \$4,022.90 to cover expenses of the city's civilian-defense program from April 1 to July 1.

# Wallace Is Given Job of Buiding Up War Supply

WASHINGTON, April 14.—(UP)—President Roosevelt today vested in the Board of Economic Warfare, headed by Vice President Henry A. Wallace, responsibility for importing strategic war materials and building up supplies of them.

The order appeared to give the B. E. W. much, if not most, of the power now exercised by the Defense Supplies Corporation, one of the agencies under Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones.

Wallace and the B. E. W. also were given authority, by the new order, over the phase of the lend-lease program under which war materials are imported by the United States in return for arms shipments from this country.

# Voting Heavy In Illinois Primary

CHICAGO, April 14.—(AP)—Estimates by the Chicago Election Commission indicated moderately heavy voting in the early hours of Illinois' wartime primary election today, the first major balloting in the nation since Pearl Harbor.

The polls opened at 6 a. m. and at 8 o'clock sampling produced an estimate that 257,516 votes had been cast up to that hour.

Projected, this would give the city a total of between 1,100,000 and 1,250,000 for the day, compared with 1,149,482 actually cast in the election, 1940, primary, a presidential election year.

Illinois voters X-ed the ballots for nominees for United States senator, 26 congressional seats and state and local offices.

# Sir James Grigg Is Named to Commons

LONDON, April 14.—(AP)—War Secretary Sir James Grigg, who rose to cabinet rank from the civil service, was elected a member of the House of Commons from the Welsh port of Cardiff today.

His election—by better than a three-to-one margin—enabled him to appear on Parliament's floor to answer questions concerning his department. He was sponsored by the government for that purpose.

Sir James polled 10,030 votes to 3,311 for A. Fenner Brockway, independent Labor Party candidate.

# COUNCIL ADOPTS ANNEX MEASURE

The resolution announcing the City Council's intention of annexing View Ridge was adopted by the Council yesterday afternoon.

The resolution directs Corporation Counsel A. C. Van Soelen to draw an ordinance annexing the View Ridge district, which voted overwhelmingly to become a part of Seattle.

The bamboo tree sometimes grows sixteen inches a day.

# JURY COMPLETES POWER SURVEY

TACOMA, April 14.—(AP)—Trial of the tri-county condemnation suit against the Puget Sound Power & Light Company was resumed in United States District Court here today after a five-day tour by the jury of the power company's properties in Thurston, Cowlitz and Lewis Counties. Judge Alger Fee of the Oregon District is presiding.

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